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Judge, jailer close doors on press

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

A scheduled special fiscal court meeting aimed at beginning formal work sessions in regard to the Floyd County Detention Center and the financial strain that facility has placed on the

county was abruptly cancelled Thursday afternoon after Floyd County Jailer Roger Webb became argumentative and objected when the press showed up to cover the meeting.

Floyd County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson cancelled the meeting after a

brief debate during which Webb called the events leading up to the meeting "political" and "foolish".

"The way this has been trashed out in the paper, we need to get the politics out of this and put a stop to this foolishness," Webb told Thompson Thursday.

Webb first balked after asking if the meeting would be covered in the newspaper. When informed that the meeting was public and therefore subject to coverage, Webb crossed his arms and said he had "nothing to say".

"You've got the wrong man over here," Webb said. "You need the five judges over here. I just

take care of the inmates they send me, whether they're county or state, and I'll keep doing that as long as they need me to."

Despite the cancellation, a work session would get underway when directly after can-

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P'burg opens with romp of Knott

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JROTC celebrates Arbor Day

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Kentucky Division of Forestry and six Allen Central JROTC students celebrated Arbor Day this year by planting about 500 white pine, wild plum and redbud trees on the slopes of StoneCrest golf course in Prestonsburg.

The student who participated were: Joey Bryant, Alex Maynard, Shiyane Moore, Brandon Patton, Oliver Kilgore and Sam Bailey.

State Senator Johnny Ray Turner and Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin also attended and helped plant the trees, as well as District Forester Dexter Conley, Service Forester Gary Johnson and Prestonsburg city landscapers David Crisp, Malcom Slone and Wes Collins.

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Today Thunder storms High: 78 • Low: 49

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SEED GIVE-AWAY



photo by Jarrid Deaton

The Floyd County Extension Service and the Floyd County Conservation District held a "Home Garden Information and Seed Give-Away" on Thursday at the Mountain Arts Center parking area in Prestonsburg.

Floyd County officials call for 'united' support

by LORETTA BLACKBURN STAFF WRITER

Floyd County Officials are eliciting support for troops by attempting to unite the community and pay tribute to those from the Eastern Kentucky area that have chosen to fight for America's cause.

A rally for American troops will be held in front of the old court house in Prestonsburg, on Tuesday, April 8, at noon. Floyd County Judge Executive Paul Hunt Thompson is encouraging supporters to wear yellow ribbons to display their patronage.

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Drug, DUI charges lands Harold woman in jail

by JARRID DEATON STAFF WRITER

A Harold woman who reportedly told police that she was an employee of the Floyd County Board of Education was arrested and charged with driving under the influence and two counts of possession of a controlled substance in Lawrence County on Tuesday.

According to the police report, Stephanie R. Tackett, 34, was "all over the road" and made a wide left in an attempt to make a turn. Tackett allegedly told the office that she was on pills and was unable to complete the field sobriety test.

After searching the vehicle, the office allegedly located a Xanax under the driver side floor mat along

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Stephanie Tackett

Prison-death lawsuit ends in confidential settlement

by LORETTA BLACKBURN STAFF WRITER

A lawsuit set to go to trial next week against the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center, relating to the 2000 death of a man who hanged himself in his cell, has been dismissed with prejudice pursuant to an Agreed Order of

Dismissal upon which the parties settlement has been declared confidential.

The second amended complaint filed against the detention center and Ken O'Bryan, former Administrator, states that Shawn Rittenhouse, who had been arrested on Aug. 14, 2000, for not paying fines, informed

employees of his intent to commit suicide on the day before he was found hanging in his jail cell with a blanket around his neck.

The factual allegations state that Rittenhouse had been escorted to Johnson District Court by Corporal

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OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM

U.S. troops roll to edge of Baghdad; much of city power fails

by DAVID ESPO AP SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

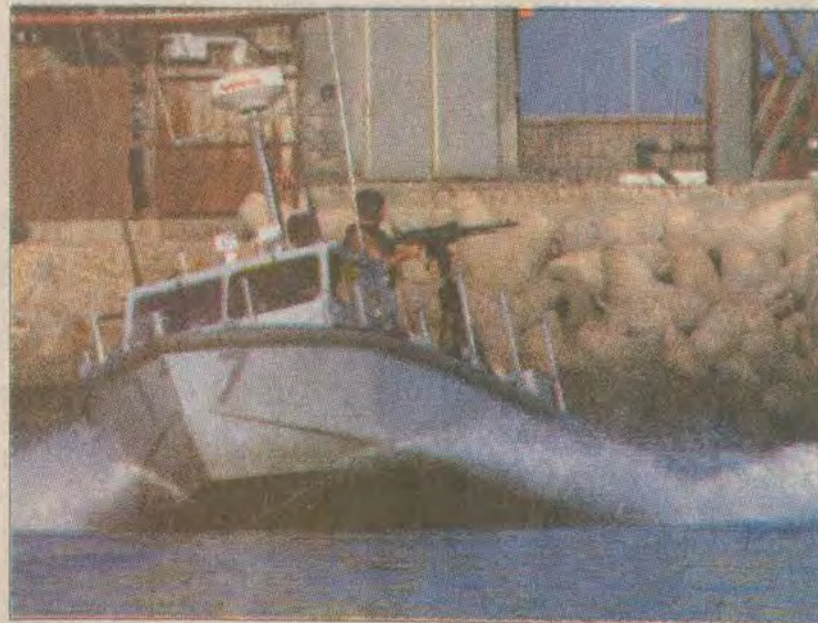
Army forces attacked Baghdad's international airport and fought running battles with Iraqi forces on the city's southern edges Thursday, closing in on Saddam Hussein's seat of power. President Bush said "a vise is closing" on the regime.

Some front-line units went on heightened alert against the threat of

chemical weapons, ordered to wear rubber boots and suits despite temperatures well into the 90s.

Artillery fire could be heard near Saddam International Airport, about 10 miles southwest of the center of Baghdad, and tracer rounds arced through the blackened sky. Officers of the 3rd Infantry Division told an Associated Press reporter assigned to

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Odds & Ends

■ **COLUMBUS, Ohio** — An April Fool's Day joke backfired on a clothing store clerk after she called her manager at home and said the store was being robbed at gunpoint.

When Sitra Walker, 22, called back a few minutes later to shout, "April fools!" her manager had already dialed 911.

Four police cruisers raced to the store.

Police weren't laughing when they learned it was a prank.

Walker was arrested for inducing panic, a first-degree misdemeanor punishable by six months in jail and a \$1,000 fine. She also was fired.

The manager, Summer Hunt, said Walker had worked at the store for about two weeks.

■ **FITCHBURG, Mass.** — A day after losing his job, Michael Maxim got a surprise that should make unemployment easier to bear: a \$1 million lottery win.

Maxim purchased a \$5 scratch ticket Saturday, the day after he accepted a voluntary

layoff from the Fitchburg Parks Department in hopes of sparing a coworker's job, he said.

"I had to look at the ticket five or six times," Maxim said. "I was just waiting for it to change in front of my eyes."

The \$1 million prize — \$34,000 annually for 20 years after taxes — will be his last time playing the lottery, Maxim said.

"Once you hit that big, you stop," he said. "I am done."

Maxim said he intends to keep working after a move to Largo, Fla., where his wife and two kids had planned to move after his layoff and before his big lottery hit.

His one splurge? An all expenses paid vacation he promised his mother if he ever hit it big.

"I'm sending my Mom to sunny Hawaii," he said.

■ **FITCHBURG, Mass.** — Kathy Spaulding thought the truck she and her sister passed on Route 12 looked awfully familiar.

The duct tape on the back

window confirmed her suspicion.

With some quick thinking and a little nerve, the two women Monday tracked down the truck and confronted the alleged thief when he tried to get away.

After Spaulding spotted the 1990 Ford Ranger, which had been stolen on Sunday, her sister, Janice Young, immediately began following it.

"I didn't give it a thought until after we did it," Young said.

They followed the truck for about five minutes to a Melrose Street address, parked behind it and called police. Before help arrived, the thief came out of the house.

Spaulding leapt out to confront him. "I said 'Do you know whose it is? It's my daughter's, and it's stolen, so get out of here!'"

The man grabbed a few belongings out of the truck and fled on foot. Police have yet to arrest the suspect, who was picked out of a photo lineup by Spaulding.

Spaulding's daughter, Lorie, said she's proud of her mother and aunt.

"I asked the two of them if they wanted to be Cagney or Lacey," she said.

■ **HASTINGS, Neb.** — Tom Peterson decided to do something about the break-ins at the restaurant he co-owns.

Peterson said he sat in Mama Rosey's office Tuesday night waiting for someone to rob the place.

When two people came into the restaurant after it had closed, he called police and a scuffle began, Peterson said.

That lasted long enough for police to arrive and catch the would-be robbers as they ran out, he said.

Three men — two 17-year-olds and an 18-year-old — were arrested early Wednesday morning.

Less than \$600 and an unde-

termined amount of alcohol were taken in the two earlier burglaries, Police Capt. Steve Murphy said.

The three suspects were being held on burglary charges.

■ **FORT WAYNE, Ind.** — Police officer Joe Lyon was skeptical when he was flagged down by a resident who asked his help in cornering an alligator found in a home.

After all, it was April Fool's Day.

Lyon arrived at the home Tuesday to find a 1 1/2-foot-long juvenile alligator named Chumper.

The resident stopped Lyon after finding the alligator inside a neighboring rental home he was cleaning, police said.

Police officers used black electrical tape to muzzle Chumper while they waited for an animal control officer to arrive.

The landlord of the home where Chumper was found thought the tenant had moved out and abandoned the alligator, police said.

Chumper's owner came for him later in the day, police said.

Chumper was in good health and appeared to be cared for, said Renae Roessler, office supervisor for Animal Care and Control.

■ **MARINA DEL REY, Calif.** — The law firm Berger, Kahn, Shafton, Moss, Figler, Simon & Gladstone has decided its name was too much of a mouthful.

Now it will just be Berger Kahn.

"Everybody is delighted," managing partner Allen Michel said Tuesday.

The change is part of a trend among law firms with long names to shorten them.

"When we were younger, many of us, including me, thought we needed our name on the door to feel important," said Craig Simon, another managing partner. "Now that we are wiser, we know that seven names is too many."

Michel said his colleagues voted unanimously for the change partly because they hear chuckles in the courtroom each time they mention the firm's name.

The change means his office will "save a lot of ink and toner" when printing documents with the firm's name.

There's also another benefit. "We expect our receptionist to be able to handle more calls without saying the full firm's name," Michel said.

■ **WASHINGTON** — A Georgia congressman is saluting Great Britain for its help in the war against Iraq by displaying the British Union Jack flag outside his Washington office.

Rep. Phil Gingrey, a Republican, put the flag on display Tuesday along with the United States and Georgia flags. He said it will fly for the duration of the war in Iraq.

"It's just a small token of appreciation from this one member of Congress who feels a deep debt of gratitude to Prime Minister Tony Blair and the British people for the support

they have given us at a time we needed it badly," said Gingrey.

Gingrey is supporting a measure to award Blair the Congressional Gold Medal. Blair has remained a close ally in the war against Iraq despite much opposition within his own Labor Party.

■ **BERWICK, Pa.** — An arrest warrant has been issued for a man who failed to appear in court on charges he sold another man's pumpkins and tried to pocket the profits.

Bertis Dennis, who faces three misdemeanor counts of theft, said Tuesday that he thought his attorney had postponed the hearing.

"My lawyer was supposed to have it canceled and never canceled it," Dennis said.

Authorities said Dennis col-

lected \$100 from two women whom he allowed to pick some 70 pumpkins last fall. The Press Enterprise of Bloomsburg ran a photo of the women picking pumpkins on Oct. 4.

The pumpkins belonged to Brian Campbell, who saw the picture in the paper and called the women to ask who had given them permission to harvest from his field.

Campbell called the police, and the police contacted Dennis, who offered to give Campbell the \$100. Dennis said he thought Campbell was finished harvesting from the field.

Campbell said the pumpkins were worth about \$8 each, far more than the \$100 that Dennis collected. "We didn't even make a profit on the fields that year because of the drought," Campbell said.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, April 4, the 94th day of 2003. There are 271 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 4, 1968, civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr., 39, was shot to death in Memphis, Tenn.

On this date:

■ In 1818, Congress decided the flag of the United States would consist of 13 red and white stripes and 20 stars, with a new star to be added for every new state of the Union.

■ In 1841, President William Henry Harrison succumbed to pneumonia one month after his inaugural, becoming the first U.S. chief executive to die in office.

■ In 1850, the city of Los Angeles was incorporated.

■ In 1887, Susanna Medora Salter became the first woman elected mayor of an American community — Argonia, Kan.

■ In 1902, British financier Cecil Rhodes left \$10 million in his will to provide scholarships for Americans at Oxford University.

■ In 1945, during World War II, U.S. forces liberated the Nazi death camp Ohrdruf in Germany.

■ In 1949, 12 nations, including the United States, signed the North Atlantic Treaty.

■ In 1975, more than 130 people, most of them children, were killed when a U.S. Air Force transport plane evacuating Vietnamese orphans crashed shortly after take-off from Saigon.

■ In 1981, Henry Cisneros became the first Mexican-American elected mayor of a major U.S. city — San Antonio, Texas.

■ In 1983, the space shuttle "Challenger" roared into orbit on its maiden voyage.

Ten years ago:

President Clinton and Russian President Boris Yeltsin wrapped up their two-day summit in Vancouver, British Columbia. Clinton extended \$1.6 billion in aid; Yeltsin proclaimed the two countries "partners and future allies."

Five years ago:

During a visit to Haiti, Secretary of State Madeleine

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War

the unit that the attack on the airport was underway, and the Pentagon did not dispute them.

Army tanks and Bradley vehicles fought Republican Guard and Army forces on the southern fringe of the city, destroying more than seven Iraqi armored personnel carriers and more than 15 Iraqi tanks.

Parts of the city lost electricity for the first time since the war began, but the Pentagon said American military forces had not targeted the power grid.

As conventional units fought their way toward the capital, officials said special forces had raided the Tharthar presidential palace near Tikrit, Saddam's hometown.

Documents were seized at the site north of Baghdad, said Brig. Gen. Vincent Brooks at U.S. Central Command in the Persian Gulf, but no ranking members of the regime were found. "That's all right, he added, "there's other operations ongoing."

American officials cited continuing examples of Iraqis cooperating with invading troops. In Najaf, they said a prominent cleric under house arrest by the Iraqi government had urged the popula-

tion not to interfere with the operations of American or British forces.

Rapid U.S. advances on the ground were accompanied by moments of grief.

In Kut, southeast of Baghdad and the scene of fierce fighting, a medic who tried unsuccessfully to save the life of a Marine dug a hole and buried the resuscitation equipment.

At Camp Lejeune, N.C., Bush comforted families and friends of those who died in combat in Iraq. "He's in heaven," he told one fallen Marine's family.

Iraq issued the latest in a series

of exhortations in Saddam's name. "Fight them with your hands. God will disgrace them," it said, referring to invading American and British troops.

The daily protestations by the regime seemed increasingly at odds with the military situation across the country.

To the far north, U.S. special forces and Kurdish militiamen captured the town of Bardarash and a nearby bridge, one of few routes into the city of Mosul near government-held oil fields. Iraqis had held the town for 13 years.

In the country's southern regions, British forces penetrated

closer to the center of Basra, a city of 1.3 million where Iraqi defenders have held out for days. And a private American company worked to extinguish the last two fires at oil wells in American hands since the early days of the war.

There were no details available on the attack on the airport in Baghdad. The facility has one 13,000-foot runway, according to intelligence monitoring organizations, as well as an 8,800-foot runway.

The cause of the power loss was not immediately known. Gen. Richard Myers, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, told reporters at a Pentagon briefing that Americans had "not targeted the power grid in Baghdad."

Rumsfeld and others consistently deflected questions about the military's plans for taking control of Baghdad, a city of 5 million. But Myers suggested isolating members of the old regime in place — cut off from the country — with an "interim administration" in place to begin work on a postwar government.

At the same time they worried about chemical weapons attacks, Brooks disclosed that a special operations force in the southwestern desert had found a number of bottles "marked in strange ways."

He said an investigation was underway.

Jim Wilkinson, a spokesman for the Central Command, said there was "reliable information" that such attacks were possible as part of a plan to blame American and British forces. He offered no details.

In Palestine, W.Va., the parents of Pfc. Jessica Lynch, the rescued prisoner of war, said she had undergone surgery at a military hospital in Germany and was scheduled for more. Gregory Lynch Sr. said doctors had found no evidence of gunshot or stab wounds.

Ground forces closed in on Baghdad from separate southern approaches, the Army from the southeast and Marines from the southwest, in advances begun Tuesday night.

American officials, Rumsfeld among them, issued fresh cautions that tough fighting lies ahead — and the resistance encountered by advancing U.S. troops was evidence of that.

American and British helicopters and fixed-wing aircraft bombed positions in Kut, and Marines went door-to-door to look for Iraqis unwilling to surrender.

Between 10 and 15 Iraqis

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Topmost couple sues HRMC

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

A lawsuit has been filed against Highlands Regional Medical Center and two of its doctors by a Topmost couple claiming that a dye ingested for a medical procedure caused a serious illness with one of the Plaintiffs.

Loraine Marie Johnson and her husband, Herman Johnson, claim that Dr. Bahram Forouzandeh ordered several medical procedures including a cat scan of the lower abdomen and pelvis of Loraine Johnson. Johnson was ordered to ingest dye in preparation for the procedure. Johnson claims that the dye caused her to experience renal failure and eventually caused congestive heart failure.

According to the lawsuit, Dr. Rano S. Boffill performed the cat scan and said that it showed no intestinal obstruction, no acute changes, no gross enlargement of the pancreas and normal kidney size and function.

Johnson was discharged from Highlands on March 27, 2002, and was admitted to Appalachian Regional Healthcare in Hazard on March 28. Johnson was diagnosed with renal failure and congestive heart failure during this time.

The Johnsons are asking for judgment in an amount in excess of \$4,000 for personal injury, past and future medical expenses, past and future pain and suffering, past and future lost wages, and the loss of marital consortium, love, affection and companionship.

Death

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Aaron Fairchild, on Aug. 17, 2000, at which time he told Fairchild that he feared for his life. The complaint states that Fairchild, concerned for Rittenhouse's mental state, kept him at the Johnson County Courthouse so that he could speak with Tpr. Billy Hall, KSP, and Chief Deputy Russell Preston about Rittenhouse's threats of bodily harm. Fairchild returned him to jail after allegedly being told to do so, even though Rittenhouse had told him that he feared being raped if returned to the jail and threatened to hang himself. Fairchild allegedly informed O'Bryan of the threats and returned Rittenhouse to his cell.

Rittenhouse's ex-wife filed the complaint against the detention center and O'Bryan on behalf of his four children, stating that the defendants violated the rights guaranteed Rittenhouse by the fourth, eighth, and fourteenth amend-

ments, wrongful death, and negligence, as well as loss of consortium in relation to the children's loss of a father.

Stan Macdonald reported for the Courier-Journal on Feb. 25, 2002, that Rittenhouse's mental state became alarming enough on Aug. 16, to prompt the detention center employees to contact the Mountain Comprehensive Care Center. Macdonald reported that Rittenhouse had seen Sue Yates, a substance-abuse counselor at Mountain Comprehensive Care, on Aug. 17, but she had not been informed of his suicide threats, which may have led to him seeing a mental-health counselor.

The lawsuit, filed in 2002, was set to go to trial next week, however, an Agreed Order of Dismissal was signed on Feb. 14, 2003, by U.S. District Court Judge David L. Bunning. It was "ordered" that the claims against the BSSD and O'Bryan be dismissed "with prejudice" with the plaintiffs and defendants having resolved their claims via settlement and that the "said settlement shall not constitute or be construed as an admission of liability on the defendant's behalf", and that the conditions of the settlement be confidential.

Drugs

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with three methadone tablets wrapped in aluminum foil.

Tackett was arrested and housed at the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center until she posted bond on Wednesday.

Floyd County Schools Superintendent Paul Fanning was not available for comment at press time.

Press

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celling the public meeting and telling attending magistrates Larry Stumbo and Alan Williams they were free to go, Thompson then called a private meeting to go "head to head" with Webb.

Thompson said yesterday he called the private meeting not to curb Webb's disapproval, but because he just wants the problems resolved.

"I'm just wanting to discuss it with the jailer in order to solve the problem," Thompson said later.

Thompson said the closed meeting lasted about two and half hours and that some degree of progress was reached.

"There are some ways to add income and some ways to cut expenses," Thompson said. "So some progress was made toward resolving the situation."

Magistrate Jackie Edford Owens, who was instrumental in rejecting approval of the jail's budget during the fiscal court's last regular meeting, was not present when the special meeting was cancelled. However, Thompson said Owens did show up briefly for parts of the private meeting later that afternoon.

Support

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Thompson says there will be a singer on hand to perform patriotic songs in recognition of each branch of the military.

People from all areas of Eastern Kentucky are encouraged to bring photos of their family's military participation and post them in the halls of the old courthouse. Posting began on April 1, and will continue as long as wall space allows.

The support will be geared toward all members and veterans of the army, navy, air force, marines, coast guard, and merchant mariners.

Water standard notice not immediate cause for alarm

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

A general uneasiness has spread throughout county residents served by Southern Water and Sewer District after a notice was issued last week explaining that drinking water standards had been violated. But such notices are not uncommon, especially with new requirements set out by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Southern Water's notice told customers that through routine contaminants monitoring, it was found that Trihalomethanes (THM) levels were slightly higher than normal.

The new national standard for THM levels in drinking water is .080 mg/l and Southern Water's levels for the 2002 calendar year were .086 mg/l, according to the notice.

Trihalomethanes are a byproduct of chlorinating

water and are thought to be a possible carcinogen, or cancer causing agent, but studies insist that the risks are minimal without long-term exposure.

The risk for cancer, which was stressed as "not immediate" in the notice, was included as a courtesy to Southern's customers. The notice also informed residents that high levels of THM over a long period of time may result in liver, kidney or central nervous system problems.

But, just as Southern stated in their notice, the violation and consequent risk factors are not an emergency for the current situation, according to THM reports and studies.

However, the risks connected to THM levels are a major concern for the country as a whole, which is why the EPA only recently upped their requirements. According to a study done by the American Water Works Association, more than 230 million people receive disinfected water containing hundreds of byproducts.

Southern Water officials have said they hope to resolve the problem within the next several calendar quarters and are currently working with the Division of Water through its Comprehensive Technical Assistance Program in treatment efforts at the Allen Plant and evaluating their distribution system.

Man arrested on traffic, burglary, drug charges

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

A Martin man was arrested on burglary, drug and traffic charges Tuesday when police stopped the vehicle he was driving in Dwayne and found it matched the vehicle detailed in a burglary complaint.

Michael K. Ousley, 25, of Martin, was arrested about 8:30 p.m. Tuesday evening and charged with second-degree burglary, driving on a DUI suspended license, driving under the influence, having a prescription controlled substance not in the proper container and possession of a controlled substance.

Floyd County Sheriff's Deputy Steve Montgomery stopped Ousley driving through Dwayne after a dispatcher radioed in information about a suspected burglary.

The vehicle Ousley was driving was the same vehicle named in the complaint, according to police.

Ousley allegedly refused a sobriety test after being pulled over, but later consented to a blood test at Our Lady of the Way Hospital. The results of that test are still pending.

Ousley was arraigned Wednesday and now awaits a preliminary hearing on April 8.

History

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Albright urged leaders to stop political infighting that had paralyzed the Caribbean nation for nearly a year. Sixty-three people were killed in an explosion inside a Ukrainian coal mine.

One year ago:

President Bush urged Israel to pull its troops back from Palestinian cities and dismissed Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat as a failed leader who had "betrayed the hopes of his people." Bush ordered Secretary of State Colin Powell to the region to seek a cease-fire. Two teenagers were sentenced to long prison terms in the stabbing deaths of Dartmouth College professors Half and Susanne Zantop. (Robert Tulloch pleaded guilty to murder and received the

mandatory sentence of life without parole; James Parker was sentenced to 25 years to life as an accomplice to murder.)

Today's Birthdays:

Singer-actress Frances Langford is 89. Composer Elmer Bernstein is 81. Actress Elizabeth Wilson is 78. Author-poet Maya Angelou is 75. Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., is 71. Recording executive Clive Davis is 71. Actor Michael Parks is 65. Bandleader Hugh Masekela is 64. Author Kitty Kelley is 61. Actor Craig T. Nelson is 59. Actor Walter Charles is 58. Actress Caroline McWilliams is 58. Actress Christine Lahti is 53. Country singer Steve Gatlin (The Gatlin Brothers) is 52. Writer-producer David E. Kelley is 47.

Actor Phil Morris is 44. Actress Lorraine Toussaint is 43. Rock musician Craig Adams (The Cult) is 41. Actor Robert Downey Junior is 38. Actress Nancy McKeon is 37. Actor Barry Pepper is 33. Country singer Clay Davidson is 32. Singer Jill Scott is 31. Rock musician Magnus Sveningsson (The Cardigans) is 31. Magician David Blaine is 30. Singer Kelly Price is 30. Rhythm-and-blues singer Andre Dalyrimple (Soul For Real) is 29. Actor Heath Ledger is 24. Actress Natasha Lyonne is 24.

Thought for Today:

"You can kill a man but you can't kill an idea." — Medgar Evers, American civil rights activist (1926-1963).

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Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

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—Anne Sophie Swetchine

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Our View

Editorial roundup

The Tribune-Democrat, Johnstown, Pa., on war predictions: It's not a cakewalk. Despite early predictions that Iraqis were immediately ready to lay down their arms and turn themselves over to American and British liberators, our nearly two-week-old war appears to be one that will be long and intricate.

But President Bush, with British Prime Minister Tony Blair at his side at a Camp David meeting the other day, vigorously dispelled that view. The president vowed that troops would stay in Iraq "however long it takes."

It's shaping up to be a war that's politically unpopular at home and globally, with France, Russia, Germany and China putting heat on the Anglo-U.S. alliance for a quick resolution.

For Blair, it's risky because most of his constituents do not support the war and he could be thrown out of office if a no-confidence vote were called in Parliament, polls by the British press indicate.

And for Bush, the war could be politically disastrous, especially if it continues to weigh heavily on the U.S. economy. Reports issued last week indicate that the economy could be headed into a recession, spawned by high unemployment, escalating consumer prices (such as gasoline) and a low growth rate.

Our objective in Iraq remains valid - to root out Saddam and his goons, whose repressive, unstable regime and collection of weapons of mass destruction represent a major threat to our world. ...

Herald-Journal, Spartanburg, S.C., on French and German boycotts:

A boycott of French and German goods has gathered pace in the United States - a consequence of those countries' continued resistance to the war in Iraq - but such a movement is economically unsound and an overreaction.

Consumers have made the call to boycott French wine and bottled water, even yogurt. Others have encouraged steering clear of German automobiles. The growing list has had an impact on scores of businesses with ties to international companies.

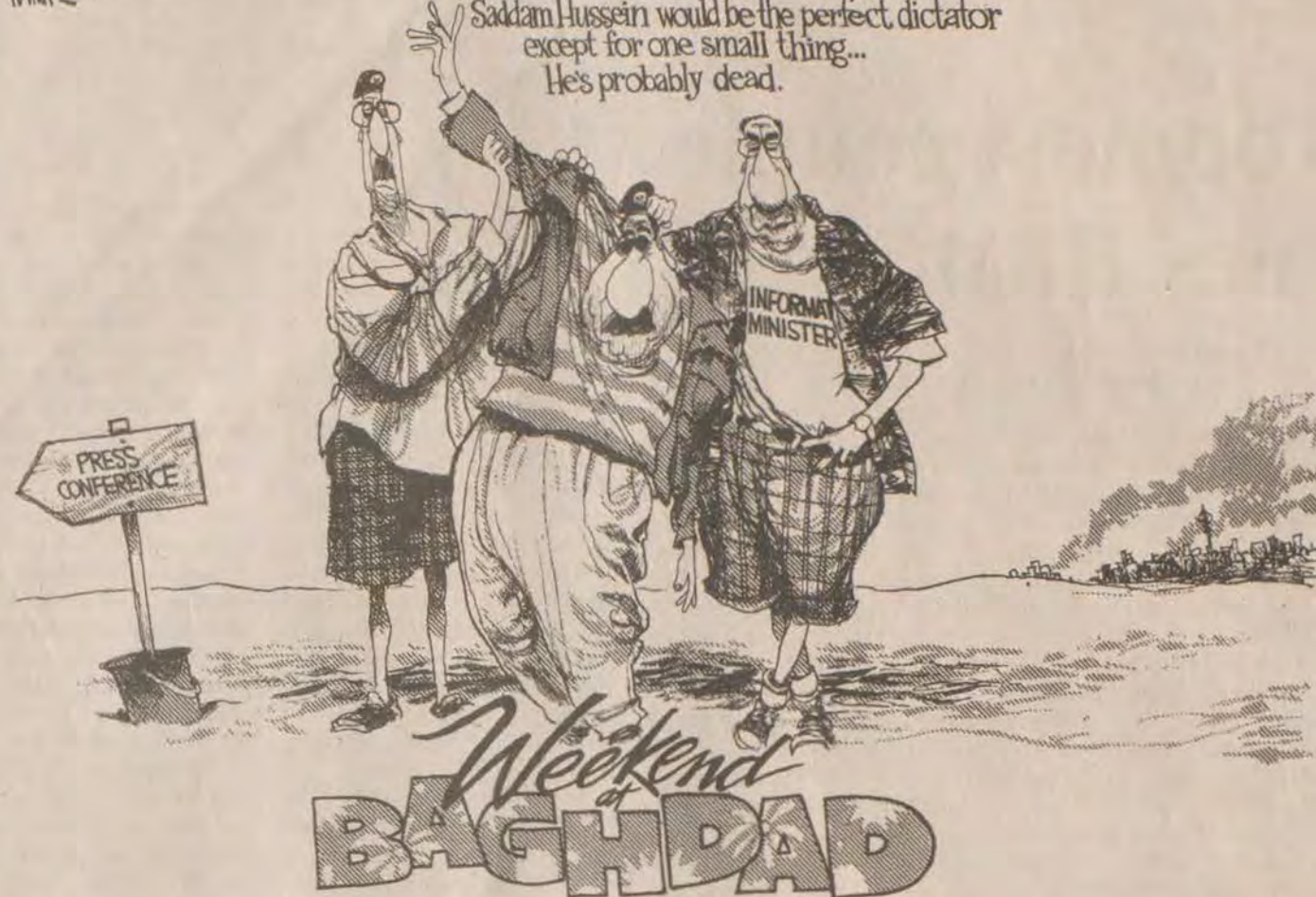
Before taking pleasure at the notion of striking at the economy of those countries unwilling to join the coalition of nations supporting the battle to liberate a suppressed Iraqi citizenry, consider the effects that first will be felt on American soil. ...

When you refuse to buy a Michelin tire, think about the workers who made that tire. Michelin's work force in the United States totals 20,000, ...

Think about the distributors that hire people who daily deliver yogurt and other dairy foods, wines, coffees and cosmetics to grocers, who depend on sales of such products and many others with French ties to keep their workers employed.

These companies are pumping money into our communities, where many livelihoods depend on their continued economic well-being, and boycotting their products should be viewed as more un-American than anti-French or anti-German.

FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED SOURCE



In the moment

Finding balance

Sir Winston Churchill (1874-1965) said, "We make a living by what we get, we make a life by what we give."

The difference between what we get and what we give is often dramatically unbalanced. However, I don't think we notice as much if we are not looking for it.

Sometimes I start to feel pressure and I think that it must be coming from this situation, whatever it may be, in

which I am giving more than I am getting. At that moment, I predisposed myself to become self-consumed and will ultimately feel agitation toward the source that I perceive to be getting the majority of my energy. Today I am quicker to recognize that I just went down the wrong path to understanding my imbalance, because the answer doesn't lie in being concerned with how much I

am giving.

It is true that in order for a person to remain upbeat and happy they need to achieve a certain level of balance between the effort they put forth and the rewards they receive for that effort. However, getting agitated at the source that we perceive to be getting the better deal will only aggravate the situation. Instead, I must find a way

to restore balance with the understanding that I will ultimately get back everything that I give. My rewards may not come from the same source that I have been putting my energy into, but I will still reap the benefits from the work that I put forth.

Therefore, when I find myself feeling unbalanced when weighing what I have been putting out and what I have been pulling in, "I" will restore the balance without any hard feelings.



LORETTA BLACKBURN

Letter

Volunteers deserve thanks

Not many people would venture out on a rainy Saturday morning for any reason, let alone to pick up trash, but there were some brave souls who did just that last weekend. Nearly 30 PCC students joined me, my wife and Community Biology Club members, the Prestonsburg Job Corps, and a few other groups, in Jenny Wiley State Resort Park's annual "Operation Clean Sweep", coordinated by Ron Vanover, Director of Recreation & Interpretation at the park.

In the classical spirit of community service, our students literally braved wind and rain to clean great quantities of litter from the park grounds. It was relatively easy to do along the trails, although we had to fight thorns and bushes in the process, but the shoreline area was by far more challenging. Due to the recent, heavy rain (aside from that which was falling at the time!), the mud there was inches thick, which made the task very arduous indeed.

Typical of PCC students and others who usually participate in these cleanups, however, everyone worked with diligence and an ongoing, positive attitude to pick up every piece of trash within view. This attitude was also characteristic of the park

workers who had to pick up the bags full of trash we left behind at each location.

Our efforts were rewarded with a nice, warm meal, T-shirts, and various prizes (for those with the right ticket numbers!). So, if you happen to know any of the following people and get a chance to speak to them, give them a word of support for the hard work they did to improve the aesthetic quality of our park and our environment in general:

BJ, Conley, Stacey Goble, Kimberly Daniels, Susan Moore, Natasha Caudill, Kayla Harless, Mary Music, Sean Van Hoose, Jonathan Mullins, Brandon Haley, Nickie Music, Ricky Powers, Brian Collins, Eric Scott, Christa Collins, Wayne Stover, Josh Johnson, Janet Wells, Patricia Scott, Stephanie Slone, Karen Nelson, Wilter Perez, Ricky Ward, John Branham & daughter Emily, Amanda Shepherd, and Kathy Salisbury.

And, remember. Paintsville Lake Clean-up is next, on April 12. Join us, won't you?

John G. Shiber, Ph.D.
Professor of biology
Prestonsburg Community College

No Democracy in the U.S.

Having a degree in history and having studied and scrutinized politics all my life I see

clear behavior patterns in the justifications used for war and contradicting evidence to the contrary in the end results of U.S. military exercises.

President Bush now states his purpose is to democratize the Middle East. It is now a war of liberation and giving the Iraqi people freedom.

First problem I have with this goal, which sounds admirable and desirable, is that we in the U.S. are no longer have a democratic system of government. We have a plutocracy, the control of our selected leaders. Costly elections through controlled media (60 percent of all U.S. media are now under ownership of just six corporations tied to the industrial military complex).

How often have you heard an employee of NBC or Fox say that the measurement of the credibility of a candidate's campaign is judged by how much money they have been able to raise for their campaigns. In short, how willing are they to sell out and do the bidding of the rich and powerful determines their credentials to get coverage, get invited for comment on so-called news broadcasts and receive from these employees of the weapons manufacturers like Tom Brokaw or Dan Rather with opinionated statements of support as credible serious contenders for public office while those running from third parties who receive only public support are labeled extremist and wackos.

I have watched many Congressional and Senate hearings which are supposed to be used to gather information from all aspects of society they are supposed to represent. What I have observed is over the years citizen input into hearings has been greatly curtailed. For instance in this rush to war with Iraq only Pentagon bureaucrats and brass, corporate heads and congregations of those who already support war were invited to give evidence. The same is true when considering future energy policy. The representatives of coal, oil and nuclear are invited to produce false claims of scientific studies and fraudulent documents, and on that basis these so-called representatives decide our energy policy.

This clearly is not representative democracy but a plutocracy. So when Bush, who epitomizes plutocratic rule of a government for the corporation and by the corporation, talks about establishing democracy in the Middle East, I'm sorry, I just can't believe that is his real intent when no such democracy exists anymore here at home.

The New World Order that Bush Sr. talks about is a world under one government control. Run through the World Bank, World Trade Organization, World Court (not to be confused with the International Criminal Court of which we refuse to belong) is the goal of Bush Jr.

This is not leading us toward (See LETTERS, page eight)

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At the Movies:

"What a Girl Wants"

by **CHRISTY LEMIRE**
AP ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

What Amanda Bynes should have wanted from "What a Girl Wants" is a better script — and she deserves it.

A rising star who had her own variety show on Nickelodeon at 12, and who was easily the best thing in the otherwise unwatchable "Big Fat Liar" with Frankie Muniz, Bynes is cute, funny and infinitely likable. She has the looks and comic timing of a young Jennifer Aniston — another actress for whom it took too long to leap successfully from television to film.

What the 17-year-old Bynes got was a sticky-sweet fairy tale strictly for tweens and teens who couldn't get enough of this movie when it came out in 2001 and was called "The Princess Diaries."

"What a Girl Wants" smacks of the sitcom humor Bynes hopefully will be so done with soon, full of pratfalls and repeated sight gags. This should come as no surprise, though; the director, Dennie Gordon, previously directed episodes of "Ally McBeal" and other TV

shows before making her feature debut with 2001's disastrous "Joe Dirt." And Jenny Bicks, one of the screenwriters, has written episodes of "Sex and the City."

Thirty minutes or so of this

about the movie took place behind the scenes: Warner Bros. changed the ads, which featured Bynes flashing a peace sign and wearing a tank top adorned with an American flag, to ones in which her hand is resting at

Daphne Reynolds, who grew up in New York City's Chinatown section with her bohemian mother, Libby (Kelly Preston).

At one of the many weddings where Daphne works as a waitress while Libby sings with her rock band (and Preston really does belt out bad covers of Celine Dion songs), Daphne laments that she'll never have the father-daughter dance the bride enjoys because she doesn't know her father.

Dad is Lord Henry Dashwood (Colin Firth), a British politician from an aristocratic family with whom Libby fell in love and informally married in Morocco 17 years ago. But Henry's family gave her the boot because she was an unsuitable Yank, and he never learned he had a daughter.

(You see where this is leading, right?)

Daphne impetuously jets off to England, where The Clash's "London Calling" plays as she sees the sights from the top of a double-decker bus, naturally.

(The filmmakers couldn't resist using that great but obvious song, but notably left out Christina Aguilera's "What a Girl Wants" — though its inclusion certainly couldn't have hurt.)

All the requisite cultural clashes ensue. Daphne's cute new boyfriend, a local musician named Ian (Oliver James), has to explain that the "loo" is a thing, not a person.

And when she finally meets her father — along with his controlling fiancée, Glynnis (Anna Chancellor), and her snooty daughter, Clarissa (Reese Witherspoon look-alike Christina Cole) — Daphne is forced to conform to their conservative, traditional ways, which includes changing her wardrobe and stifling her per-

(See **GIRL**, page seven)



"What a Girl Wants," a Warner Bros. Pictures release, is rated PG for mild language. Running time: 103 minute.

One and a half stars out of four

kind of comedy may work, but in feature film form, it feels forced — and Gordon made the movie even longer than it had to be with several montages of Bynes' character trying on clothes, with insipid girl-power pop playing in the background. The most interesting thing

her side. Because of the war in Iraq, the studio feared the peace sign would be misinterpreted as a political statement. But there's no way anyone could confuse this movie with one that has something serious to say.

Bynes plays the perky

Citing finances, Patton scales back traditional Derby breakfast

by **CHARLES WOLFE**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Citing the state's strained finances, Gov. Paul Patton is dispensing with printed invitations for the traditional Governor's Derby Breakfast.

A Derby eve soiree for business tycoons and other VIPs will be a fraction of its usual size. Yet, the show — some kind of show — must go on.

"Kentucky is dealing with a budget crisis that is the most severe in decades," Patton said in a statement announcing a leaner event in advance of the 129th Kentucky Derby.

However, "our traditions become even more important in challenging times, and Derby is Kentucky's one day in the spotlight," Patton said.

The budget just passed by the General Assembly reduced appropriations for most state agencies, including Patton's office, through fiscal year 2004. In the last fiscal year, the state's tax revenues actually decreased for the first time in history.

The state spent \$100,000 on the Derby morning event last year, including \$13,337 to print 45,000 breakfast invitations, according to the Finance Cabinet.

The invitations, which typically feature original artwork, have proven popular as souvenirs. Many were mailed, adding to the expense.

Organizers this year — Patton's office, the local tourism commission and state Tourism Development Cabinet — are depending on word of mouth, news coverage and fond memories of Derby mornings past to generate a crowd.

Twenty thousand people turned out for last year's break-

fast, which was moved to downtown Frankfort because of construction on the Capitol grounds.

It was continental dining — muffins, Danish pastry, apples, juices and coffee — instead of the traditional country ham, eggs and grits. This year's event is again continental, and it will again be downtown, which is a boon for many merchants. The Frankfort-Franklin County Tourist and Convention Commission is picking up the

tab — \$20,000.

The governor's black-tie Derby eve gala drew 600 guests to the state-owned Berry Hill Mansion on a hill overlooking the Capitol. This year, Patton and first lady Judi Patton will play host to a much smaller gathering — about 100 people — for dinner and dancing at the Executive Mansion, spokeswoman Chris Kellogg said. All are guests of the Tourism Development and Economic Development cabinets.

FEMA addressing prevention along with repair

RICHMOND — If your home or business was damaged in Kentucky's winter storms and floods, Kentucky's Division of Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency suggest measures to take in rebuilding to minimize damage in a future storm.

FEMA offers free technical advice on construction and rebuilding techniques to make property safer and less vulnerable to violent weather events. In some cases, federal financial assistance may be available under FEMA's hazard mitigation program. Those who live in flood hazard areas also should ask their local emergency manager about the availability of a buyout program that would enable them to sell and relocate.

"FEMA's long-term policy for disaster recovery stresses mitigation to make communities more disaster resistant," said Thomas Costello of FEMA, deputy director of federal recovery operations in Kentucky. "We use the lessons of one disaster to help prevent similar damage in the next."

FEMA encourages property owners in flood hazard areas to consider elevating structures above expected flood levels and move furnaces, pumps, water heaters, circuit breakers and other essential equipment higher where possible.

FEMA recommends tying wall and roof components together as a single unit for strength when rebuilding fol-

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Brandy Lynn Ratliff, 26, to Ronnie Douglas Taylor, 36, both of Tram.

Kristy Leigh Osborne, 25, to Woody Hamilton, 30, both of Harold.

Shonda Bethelreen Kidd, 16, to Patrick Todd Jarrell, 19, both of Prestonsburg.

Erica Renee Ousley, 19, of Martin, to Christopher Michael Shepherd, 22, of Prestonsburg.

Chayla Joanna Reid, 17, to Randall Scott Hughes, 17, both of Banner.

Civil Suits Filed

Sandra K. Smith vs. Danny Ray Smith; divorce.

Ron Jackson vs. Mitzi Crisp; automobile title.

Asset Acceptance vs. Douglas Martin; debt collection.

Asset Acceptance vs. Larry Howell; debt collection.

Sidney Lee Meade vs. Mary Lynn Meade; divorce.

Lori D. Fields vs. Barry Robinson; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Danessa Stewart vs. Samuel

Stewart; petition for health care insurance.

Crystal D. Prater vs. Brian Prater; petition for health care insurance.

Jessica D. Stumbo vs. Robert L. Stumbo; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Kelli G. Slone vs. Toby D. Slone; petition for health care insurance.

Randy D Wright vs. Dolly S. Wright; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Drusella M. Shepherd vs. Angela L. Sammons; petition for child support and health care insurance.

F.S. Vanhose & Co. vs. Jackie Conley, Graydon Howard, Carlos Artrip and Virginia Artrip; debt collection.

Loraine Marie Johnson and Hermis Johnson vs. Highlands Regional Medical Center, Dr. Bahram Forovzandeh and Dr. Rano S. Boffill; medical negligence.

Debbie Bentley vs. Foodland and Pepsi Bottling Group; injuries at store.

Melinda Rogers vs. Donald R. Mullins; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Melissa R. Johnson vs. Brian R. Johnson; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Curtis D. Hall vs. Amy Litton; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Jessica A. Johnson vs. Elmer Lee Johnson Jr.; divorce.

Small Claims Filings

Eric C. Conn vs. Anthony Swiger; debt collection.

Dennis Johnson vs. Arley's Garage; automobile damage.

Stanley Vanhose vs. Sheridan Martin; loss of prop-

erty.

Checked Flag vs. Daniel Akers; debt collection.

Checked Flag vs. Donald Perry; debt collection.

Charges Filed

Danny Smith, 54, Banner, theft by failure to make required distribution of property.

Sue Tackett, 60, Weeksbury, second-degree assault.

David Lee Slone, 44, Bevinsville, first-degree trafficking in cocaine.

Terry Chandler, 28, Pikeville, DUI, speeding in a restricted zone, fourth-degree possession of controlled substance, use/possession of drug paraphernalia, failure to notify DOT, failure to produce insurance card.

Rodney Thornsbury, 48, Bypro, first-degree trafficking in cocaine.

Harold G. Thornsbury, 48, Bypro, first-degree trafficking in cocaine.

Michael S. Slone, 39, Bevinsville, first-degree trafficking in cocaine.

Vernon Slone, 46, Bevinsville, first-degree trafficking in cocaine.

James Spurlock, 30, Prestonsburg, flagrant non-support.

Rebecca S. Kuss, 53, Prestonsburg, seven counts of failure to file restaurant tax quarterly returns, seven counts of failure to pay restaurant tax, 452 counts of failure to file occupational tax return, 452 counts failure to pay occupational tax, 452 counts of failure to obtain a business license.

Linda Ross, 45, Salyersville, theft by unlawful taking.

Derrick W. Hoover, 28, Eastern, alcohol intoxication.

Joseph Pedro Serrano, 18, Hueysville, possession of marijuana.

Lisa Shepherd Hagans, 25, Langley, alcohol intoxication.

Melinda Gail short, 23, Wayland, alcohol intoxication.

Christopher Ousley, 29, Martin, third-degree possession of controlled substance, prescription in improper container.

Billy Dwayne Ratliff, 20, Elkhorn, possession marijuana, use/possession drug paraphernalia, alcohol intoxication, public intoxication.

Buck D. Combs, 22, Allen, possession marijuana.

Kenneth Stewart, 37, Tram, alcohol intoxication.

Janet D. Conn, 24, Langley, fourth-degree assault.

Diana Slone, 47, Hueysville, harassing communications.

Tammy Jarrell, age unknown, Prestonsburg, harassing communications.

Vance Hale, 44, Martin, parent failure to send child to school.

Gallie Hatfield, 40, Weeksbury, parent failure to send child to school.

David Henderson, 38, Weeksbury, two counts of parent failure to send child to school.

Tammy L. Slone, 24, Hi Hat, parent failure to send child to school.

Sandra K. Mullins, 32, Hi Hat, parent failure to send child to school.

Angie Meade, 35, Melvin, parent failure to send child to school.

Paula J. Johnson Hill, 40, Weeksbury, parent failure to send child to school.

Mary Reynolds, 47, Melvin, parent failure to send child to school.

Anna Newsome, 28,

Melvin, parent failure to send child to school.

Michael B. Shepherd, 23, Allen alcohol intoxication.

Thomas Richard Poplan, 30, Prestonsburg, fugitive from another state.

Damon C. Spurlock, 25, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.

Robert Dale Williams, 31, Grethel, fourth-degree assault.

Andrea Dawn Osborne, 24, Topmost, theft by deception.

Michael Anthony Young, 22, West Van Lear, alcohol intoxication.

Steven L. Crum, 45, Martin, alcohol intoxication.

David Tuttle, 47, McDowell, two counts of prohibited acts.

Inspections

Vito's, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Unable to locate all thermometers, ice scoop not properly stored, microwave soiled, restroom door not self closing, outside dumpster not covered, small leak on floor. Score: 89.

Jenny Wiley Convention Center, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: clean plates not stored properly, no towels at hand sink. Score: 97.

Property Transfers

Ernest A. Fannin Jr. and Dickie Lynn Fannin to Ernest A. Fannin Jr. and Dickie Lynn Fannin, property located in Jim Potter Branch, Spurlock Fork of Middle Creek.

Gorman Collins and Shannon D. Collins to Gorman Collins Jr. and Shannon D. Collins, property located in Prestonsburg.

Lewis Burke and Kathy W. Burke to Ronnie Blackburn and Stella Blackburn, property located on Left Beaver Creek.

Harrison Gibson Jr., to Yvonne Osborne Gibson, property located in the T.A. Martin Addition to Allen.

Robert I. Comstock and Jerry Diane Comstock, Melissa Diane Comstock Grigsby and Corbett Stephen Grigsby to Robert M. Comstock, property located on Left Beaver Creek.

Lance Rose and Stephanie Rose to Bufford Rose, property location not listed.

Charles Ray Taylor to Allen Chaffins and Sharon Chaffins, property located, Bull Tail Hollow.

Caner Hunter and Betty Jean Hunter to Virginia Cooley, property location not listed.

Brenda Lee Hamilton to Availa H. Hall, property located on Mink Branch of Big Mud Creek.

Sandra Gail Tackett to Availa H. Hall, property located on Mink Branch of Big Mud Creek.

Charlie Rollins to Joe Tackett and Kim Tackett, property located on Left Beaver Creek, near Bypro.

Coleman Oil Company Inc. to Hometown Convenience, LLC, property location not listed.

Willie Cooley to Jonathan Crider, property located in Auxier.

Judy Barker, Richard and Donna Conley, Sally and Jerry Johnson to James Conley, property located in the E.M. Moore Division of the Harry Branham farm.

Rufford Howell to Nella F. Lombard and Rickey D. Howell, property located on Frasures Creek.

Rufford Howell to Nella F. Lombard, property location not listed.

Elmer Johnson and Jessica Johnson to Amanda Bryant, property located in Wheelwright.

Syrilda and Palmer Martin, Rondel and Priscilla Prater, Hubert and Louise Prater, Peggy and Russell Ray, Shelbia and Bill Caudill, Barbara and Charles Turner to Ricky and Carol Prater, property location not listed.

Marilyn Sue Ritchie (Slone) and Bobby Slone to Marilyn Sue Ritchie, property location not listed.

Ronnie Blackburn and Stella Blackburn to Joe Ward, property located on Left Beaver Creek.

Walter Fred Gearheart and Sharon Meade Gearheart to Melena Gearheart Brinager, property location not listed.

The City of Prestonsburg to Billy Ray Collins, property located on North Front Ave., Prestonsburg.

Cora Johnson to Tammy Hall, property location not listed.

Verla Gibson to Lanny Clark Gibson, property location not listed.

Don Fraley Sr. to Andy Lee Newsome, property location not listed.

Floyd County Service Project Inc., a Kentucky non-profit corporation to Freddie Moore, property located on Turkey Creek.

Mary Alice McCoy to Rosemary and Tony Armstrong, property located in Prestonsburg.

Rosemary and Tony Armstrong to Mary Alice McCoy, property located in Prestonsburg.

Gary and Susie McCoy to Mary Alice McCoy, property located in Prestonsburg.

Leila Harvey to Michael Edward Childers, property located on Hwy. Ky. 777.

Danny M. Gale and Eulavene Gale to Jeffery Howell and Darlene Howell, property located on Tolers Creek.

Yvonne Carroll to Eulavene Gale and Danny M. Gale, prop-

erty located on Tolers Creek.

Edgar Carroll and Christine A. Carroll, Lowene Sturgill and Archie Sturgill, Lorraine Neeley and Randy Neeley to Eulavene Gale and Danny M. Gale, property located on Tolers Creek.

Rocky R. Adams and Joy Adams to Jennifer L. Skeens, property located on Left Beaver Creek, at Sizemore Branch.

Jennifer L. Skeens to Rocky R. Adams and Joy Adams, property located on Left Beaver Creek at Sizemore Branch.

William S. Meade and Andrea Meade to William S. Meade and Andrea Meade, property located on Toler Creek.

Ralph King and Shirley King to Duard Meade and Kathleen Meade, property located on Toler Creek.

Hall and Hylton Development Inc., a Kentucky corporation, by Morris Hylton Jr. to Tommy McClanahan and Rhonda McClanahan, property located on Penhook Branch, at Harold.

Lloyd Doug Kidd and Sarah A. Kidd to Mitchell Prater and Sharon Prater, property located in Maytown.

Mary Ann Johnson Slone and Gary R. Slone to Elizabeth Berger, property location not listed.

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Obituaries

William Carl Mullins

William Carl Mullins, 73, of Hi Hat, died Tuesday, April 1, 2003, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Born March 24, 1930, in Bevensville, he was the son of the late Merlin and Maxie June Cole Mullins. He was a disabled coal miner, a veteran of the Air Force, Army, and the Korean War; and a member of the Holiness Church.

He is survived by his wife, Patsy Moore Mullins.

Other survivors include three sons, William Leslie Mullins, Edwin Michael Mullins, and James Kevin Mullins, all of Ligon; three daughters, Anita Carol Hall and Elizabeth Ann Ray, both of Ligon, and Barbara Lynn Bentley of Beaver; three brothers, Claude Hargis Mullins of Hi Hat, Cline Hardy Mullins of Martin, and David Clive Mullins of Atlanta, Georgia; six sisters, Billie Pauline Jones of Kingsport, Tennessee, Helen Jean Bolger and Palestine Bolger, both of Cleveland, Ohio, and Mary Jarrell, Glo D. Mullins and Brenda Gail Reynolds, all of Martin; 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Cecil Paul Mullins.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, April 4, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Bobby Crum, and others, officiating.

Burial will be in the Buckingham Cemetery at Bevensville.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Oley Hall

Oley Hall, 61, of Beaver, died Saturday, March 29, 2003, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital emergency room.

Born December 10, 1941, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Milford and Lillie Mae Bentley Hall.

He is survived by his wife, Lizzie Jane (Mae) Johnson Hall.

Other survivors include two sons and their wives, James Eddie and Lynnetta Hall, and Oley Jr., and Helena Hall, of Beaver; three daughters and their husbands, Janet and Marty Little, and Jeanene and James Hamilton, of Beaver, and Jennifer and Donald Salisbury of Harold; five brothers, Hillard Hall of Harold, Doley Hall, Okey Hall and Palmer Hall, all of Beaver, and Tivis Hall of Topmost; four sisters, Opal Johnson, Dona Flannery, Juanita Tackett, and Mildred Osborne, all of Beaver; 11 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Milford Hall Jr., and Tony Hall; and one sister, Arizona Hall.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 2, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home in Martin, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Hall Family Cemetery (Tackett Fork) in Beaver, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. Active pallbearers: Ricky Johnson, Stacy Johnson, Josh Howell, Brad Hall, Perry Harris, Jerry Flannery, Riley Hall, Shawn Little, Rodriquez Casebolt, Ryan Hall, John Conley, Roger Webb and Chris Hamilton.

(Paid obituary)

Mary Keeton

Mary Keeton, 87, of Greenup, entered eternal rest on Monday, April 1, 2003, at her residence.

She was born April 10, 1915, in Pyramid, a daughter of the late Sammie and Squirrelley Prater Castle.

She was preceded in death by three husbands, Wilburn Frasure, Johnny Kilburn and Virgil Keeton; a step-daughter, Judy Monnett; three sisters, Dorcus "Sis" Sheperd, Nora Jones and Goldie Sheperd; and two brothers, Bee Castle and Greene Castle.

She was a member of the Church of God in Wurtland.

Surviving are four step-daughters, Patty Gillum, Kay Gillum and June Large, all of Wurtland, and Yvonne Kirk of Summitt; three step-sons, David Kilburn of Worthington, and Ray Kilburn and Gene Kilburn, both of Wurtland; a cousin, Edna Davis and family; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted at 10 a.m., Thursday, April 3, at Evans Funeral Home, in Raceland, by Rev. Henry Montgomery.

Graveside services were conducted at 1:30 p.m., Thursday.

Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Allen Taylor

Allen Taylor, 79, of Wheelwright, died Wednesday, April 2, 2003, at his residence.

Born January 4, 1924, in Betsy Layne, he was the son of the late Perlin and Eva Bingham Taylor. He was a disabled coal miner; a World War II Veteran; recipient of a Purple Heart; and a member of American Legion and the D.A.V.

Survivors include three sons, Keith Taylor of Wheelwright, Richard Michael Taylor of Albion, Michigan, and Joseph Taylor of Bypro; three daughters, Lisa Taylor of Wheelwright, Katrina Taylor of Bevensville, and Shawna Regina Collins of Bypro; a brother, Roy Taylor of Somerset; a sister, Etta Martin of Prestonsburg; and nine grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Clotine Rowe.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, April 5, at 1 p.m., at the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church, with Louis Ferrari officiating.

Burial will be in the Buckingham Cemetery at Bevensville, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation is at the church.

(Paid obituary)

Girls

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sonality. While the movie's you-go-girl, be-yourself message is exactly what its target audience needs to hear, the problem is, Daphne was by no means socially unacceptable in the first place. She's extremely normal — a vivacious, stylish, inquisitive girl. So breaking her down just to rebuild her in their image, and having her assert herself, is a pretty unfounded premise.

Besides wasting Byones' talents, "What a Girl Wants" also squanders several veteran actors, including Eileen Atkins as Henry's mother, Jonathan Pryce as his top adviser, and Firth himself, though they manage to allow some deadpan humor to come through.

But lines such as "This Cinderella's got a dad — she not going anywhere," are likely to be the groaners you remember long after this movie has turned into a pumpkin.

"What a Girl Wants," a Warner Bros. Pictures release, is rated PG for mild language. Running time: 103 minutes. One and a half stars out of four.

War

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armed only with rifles charged Marine tanks in a suicide charge. "We mowed down" the attackers, said Lt. Col. B.P. McCoy. One Marine died and two more were wounded in fighting in the city.

Amy forces rolled past dozens of dead Iraqi soldiers and bombed-out hulks of Iraqi military equipment as they made their way toward Baghdad from the area around Karbala. Many more Iraqi soldiers surrendered to the overwhelming force of the Americans, and were shuttled to the rear.

Their tanks and Bradley fighting vehicles destroyed more than seven Iraqi armored personnel carriers and more than 15 tanks as they sought out units of the Republican Guard and regular Army troops guarding Baghdad's southern flanks.

At least one soldier was killed

(See WAR, page eight)

Teaberry man arrested, 10 pot plants recovered

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

A Teaberry man was arrested Tuesday after police found 10 marijuana plants in his front yard.

Kentucky State Police Troopers Chris Collins and Joey King arrested Scottie L. Hamilton, 44, at his home in Teaberry just before 5 p.m. Tuesday afternoon after discovering the marijuana plants during a brief search.

According to Collins' written report, Hamilton allegedly had four marijuana plants in one pot and another six plants in a separate pot in his front yard in "plain view."

After a continued search throughout Hamilton's home, police reported finding a .32 caliber pistol from the kitchen, a pill bottle filled with marijuana seeds, a plastic bag containing marijuana seeds, rolling papers and two smoking devices.

Police charged Hamilton with cultivating marijuana, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia, as well as possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

Hamilton was jailed under a \$10,000 or 10 percent bond on Wednesday, but posted bail and was released the same day. He is scheduled for a preliminary hearing on April 8.

Argument leads to alleged truck assault

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

A Pikeville man has been charged with first-degree wanton endangerment for allegedly hitting a man with his pick-up after he discovered "he didn't have his gun."

According to court documents, Larry Ratliff, was arrested on March 26, pursuant to a complaint given by Richard Thacker, Pikeville, who stated that Ratliff told him he was going to get his gun when the two men were arguing on March 19. Thacker swore in the criminal complaint that when Ratliff realized he didn't have his gun, he got in his vehicle and hit him, knocking him backwards under a roll-back. Thacker stated that the impact broke the grill and bug guard on Ratliff's vehicle.

Thacker sought medical attention on March 24.

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Letters

freedom or democracy around the world but the domination of all the world by corporate influence and power. This is what the goal is of the Democratic and Republican parties.

This administration went to the United Nations and made a case for war against Iraq. They provided letters from a uranium mine in Africa to try to prove Iraq was trying to import material to make a bomb. This proved to be forgeries as stated in the weapons inspectors' report. They also provided satellite photographs that supposedly showed weapons inspectors entering one gate and a truck column going out the other gate. This also was reported by the inspectors as fraudulent evidence in that the pictures of the trucks actually took place some two weeks before the inspection. Then there was the latest British Intelligence Report that turned out to be a plagiarized research paper done 12 years earlier by a graduate student in California.

I knew before Colin Powell went to the U.N. he would provide false testimony and evidence. This man who everyone in our government praises as a man of unquestionable integrity and who is invited to provide testimony to this joke of a government lied to Congress during Vietnam about the Mia Lia incident, lied to Congress about Iran-Contra and lied about human rights abuses in Columbia.

Daniel Ellsberg who was a marine commandant and later a consultant from the Rand Corporation on nuclear weapons to the pentagon was hired by Robert McNamara the Secretary of

Defense before and during the Vietnam War. In fact his first day on the job as assistant to the Secretary of Defense was when the communiques began coming in claiming that two destroyers off the coast of Vietnam were under attack by the Vietnamese Navy. This attack was deliberately provoked and planned by the Johnson administration. They ordered the captains of these two ships to go in as close to Vietnam beaches as they could to try to draw fire. They were not in international waters as stated in the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution. Yes, just as today the Pentagon and the president then as today are lying to justify war. The only difference is then Ellsberg kept silent about the lie till he could stand it no more and then released the famous Pentagon Papers which comprised 7,000 pages of Pentagon and Johnson/Nixon administration lies to the American people. Now, right now we know that the Bush administration tried to provide false evidence and testimony to the United Nations Security Council, was caught lying and yet still this country is going to war with Iraq.

Why is this happening? Its happening because President Bush knows that most Americans out there rely on the news they get from the weapons manufacturers and all those networks instead of focusing on the lies and deceptions used which has destroyed all U.S. credibility with the rest of the civilized world. They are focusing on the war itself as a forgone conclusion and giving legitimacy to the false notion we are going to establish democracy around the world.

Is the answer war to remove

dictatorships or is the answer to removing dictatorships by removing all support for them? Isn't it ironic at the same time we wage war with Saddam we will be giving more aid to Mubarak and the King of Jordan. Dictatorships cannot exist without outside aid and support for they do not get the support from their own people. So the first step to democratizing the world is ending all military and financial aid from them. This does not result in one of our soldiers' blood being spilt.

The truth is this war is about control — control of resources and people. It's also about the spreading of military influence around the world and the democrats are just as guilty in the Bosnian and Kosovo campaigns which were also a violation of international law without U.N. consent and NATO using force outside the jurisdiction of its own Charter.

The truth is the reason the U.S. will not sign on to the International Criminal Court is that people like Clinton, Madeline Albright, Colin Powell, Henry Kissinger, Bush Sr., Bush Jr. and Donald Rumsfeld all would find themselves sitting next to Milosovic in the Hague being tried for war crimes and crimes against humanity.

Wake up. Stop being a fool and a tool. Join the Green Party and restore democracy here at home.

John Burgess
Louisia

War

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by friendly fire. Three were wounded by Iraqis, and three more collapsed from heat exhaustion as temperatures rose to more than 100 degrees inside their armored vehicles.

A search and rescue operation continued for a Navy pilot, missing since an F-18C Hornet was lost on Wednesday. The U.S. Central Command issued a statement saying a Patriot missile may have downed the aircraft, and an investigation was underway.

Separately, officials said hostile fire was not the cause of the loss of an Army Black Hawk helicopter. Six soldiers were killed when the craft went down, also on Wednesday.

FEMA

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lowing flood or tornado damage.

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Hillbilly Days Softball Tournament

Pikeville - This year's Hillbilly Days men's softball tournament will be held April 12-13 at the Pikeville YMCA Softball Field. An entry fee of \$100 has been set. Awards include a team trophy for each of the first three squads in the tournament. The first and second place teams will also receive 15 T-shirts. On MVP and one home-run award will also be handed out. To enter a team in the tournament call Carl Mullins at 606-432-4658

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COMMENTARY

Drugstore coaches and such

by BILLY REED
 TIMES COLUMNIST

FORLORN, Ky. - As has been our custom for years, I met Elvis and Sam at the truck stop for breakfast on Monday morning. They both were pretty down



■ Reed

"Tubb-ee, Tubb-ee" on the front and "Traitor Rick Sucks" on the back.

"If Keith Bogans had been 100 percent," said Elvis, opening the discussion.

"there's no way the Cats lose to a team from that podunk conference that other bunch plays in."

(See REED, page two)

VOLLEYBALL

ACMS teams down South Floyd Raiders

TIMES STAFF REPORT

EASTERN - The Allen Central Middle School volleyball team won its fifth match of the season on April Fool's Day, Tuesday evening, beating South Floyd Middle.

Allen Central executed very well on offense in the win over South Floyd. The ACMS A-Team took out South Floyd in two games, winning 15-3, 15-7.

The Allen Central Middle B-Team pulled out a win in three games (14-21, 21-18, 21-14), thanks in big part to the excellent serving of Nicole Martin.

All Floyd County grade

(See VOLLEYBALL, page two)

STATE GAMES

Bluegrass State Games conclude

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - More than 3,100 amateur athletes competed in this year's Bluegrass Winter Games, winning more than 900 gold, silver and bronze medals. The results were announced Monday by the Bluegrass State Games office.

Participants came from 82 counties in Kentucky. Fayette County led the way, winning 56 gold, 43 silver and 34 bronze medals for a total of 133 medals.

By individuals, the four leading medal winners walked away with five each. Three of the four participated in shooting. Winners were Jerry Allen,

(See CONCLUDE, page two)



New Steps, CHAMPIONS

HONORS

New Steps takes top honors

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PAINTSVILLE - The New Steps Power All-Stars of Paintsville captured top honors in the Pee-Wee Pom Division, Pee-Wee Jazz Division and the Junior Pom Division at the Winterfest Cheer & Dance

Championships held February 22 at Prestonsburg High School. Winterfest was sponsored by the Dance Etc. Elite Teams.

Katherine Wells, a first-grader at Porter Elementary School and a member of the New Steps Pee-Wee Power All-Stars, cap-

tured top honors as Best All-Around Dancer in the K-3 Grade Division. She is the daughter of Frank and Janie Wells of Paintsville.

The New Steps Power All-Stars are coached by Amanda

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- DIRT TRACK -

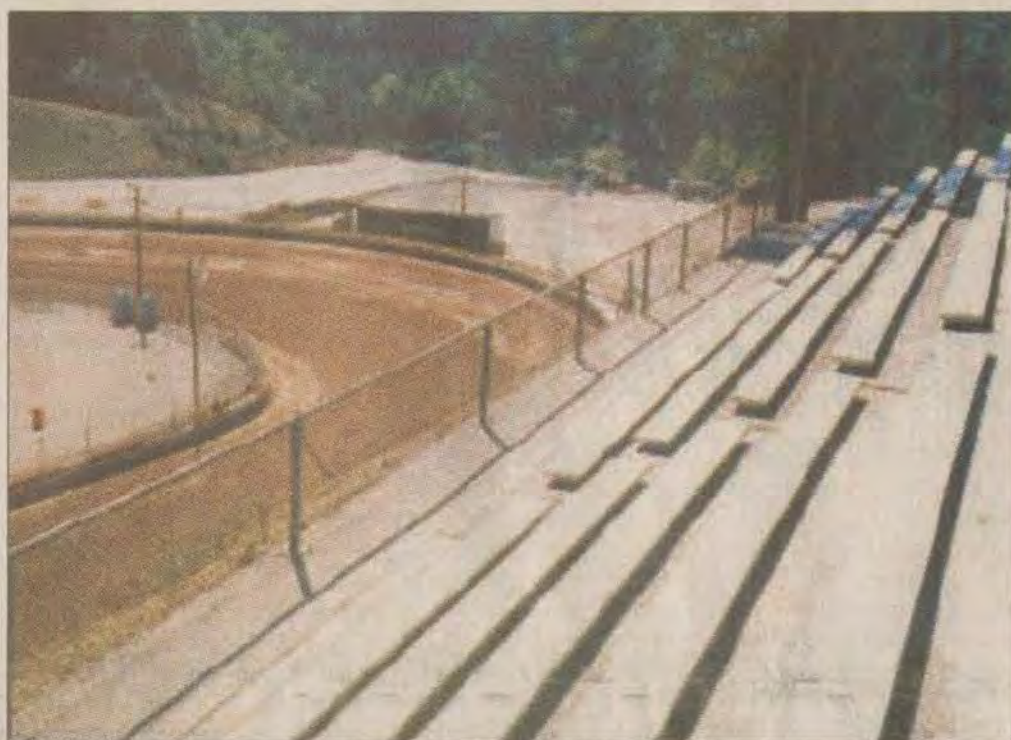


photo by Chris Belcher

A portion of the old Prestonsburg Blackcat bleachers stand tall on the backstretch of the 201 speedway, giving fans a spectacular view of all the action from high above the racing surface.

201 TO OPEN 19TH SEASON

Johnson County pushes opener to April 12

TIMES STAFF REPORT

SITKA - One of the longest-running dirt track racing facilities in Kentucky is again making final preparations for another season of racing.

The 201 Speedway, located five miles north of U.S. 23 on Rt. 201 near Sitka, will open up its gates for another summer of dirt track

stock car action next Saturday night, April 12. The Johnson County track had originally scheduled to open this Saturday, April 5, as originally reported in The Times, but will instead open the following Saturday.

After finishing their first year of operating the speedway, track owners Bill Mike Vaughn and Johnny

Salyer will again be in charge of operations. Since taking over the 201 Speedway last year, many new improvements have been finalized, such as the completion of an outside pit area, which now accommodates many of the larger racing rigs that enter the pitgates of 201 on a regular basis.

From a fan's perspective, additional seating has been added to the main grandstands as well as the backstretch grandstands, which were transported from the old Prestonsburg High School football field a couple of years ago. Fans still have the option of parking around the hillside parking area and enjoying the view from high atop the racing sur-

face.

For the 2003 racing season, the 201 Speedway will showcase six divisions of racing - late models, open wheel modifieds, super bombers, bombers, road hogs and four cylinders. Several special

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SOFTBALL

Lady Rebs roll over Pike Central

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MULLINS - Even through one inning of play Tuesday evening, it was evident Allen Central was going to prove too mighty for host Pike County Central Lady Hawks to turn away.

The visiting Lady Rebels plated two runs in the first inning in what proved to be the lowest scoring inning of the game. In a game that went just three innings, Allen Central scored 10 runs in the second stanza and 12 more in the final frame to blow by Pike Central 24-2. Senior Tiffany Turner went the distance for Allen Central and recorded the win.

Pike Central got both of its runs in the third inning. Lyndsay Weddington

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Changes come at the top for area courses

Ward moves to Paintsville, Crum to take over at StoneCrest

by STEVE LeMASTER
 SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - Different faces in new places is the theme at two Eastern Kentucky golf courses this week.

StoneCrest club pro Larry G. Ward resigned his post at the Floyd County course effective Monday, April 7, to take the pro job at Paintsville Country Club. He takes over for Luther Conley who has stepped down after a lengthy tenure.

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NEWS & NOTES

Martial artists place at Games

TIMES STAFF REPORT

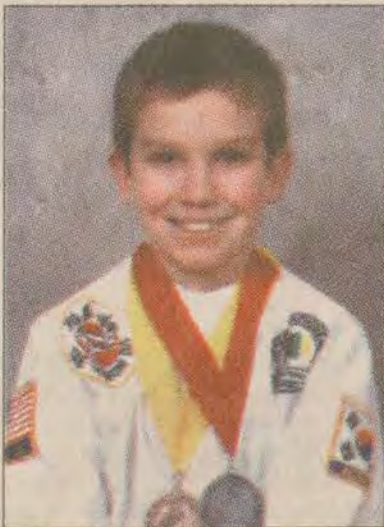
LEXINGTON - Garrett and Dawn Brown, martial artists training under Michael Gambill at Family Academy of Martial Arts in Floyd County, each returned home from the recent Bluegrass Winter Games with medals. The two martial artists competed against others from several different Kentucky counties and combined for three medals.

Garrett Brown won two medals - one silver and one bronze - in two different events

in the 9-10 age division. Dawn Brown finished second in one event in the 31-40 age division and for her efforts won a silver.

Pike County scored the most medals of any area county here in Eastern Kentucky, capturing 25, good enough to crack the top 10 among counties. Leslie County athletes managed a total of 20 medals, while Letcher County participants brought back 17. Breathitt County ended the Winter Games with 11.

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Garrett Brown



Dawn Brown

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Elvis can't bring himself to mention the University of Louisville or Coach Rick Pitino by name, so the Cards always are "that other bunch" and Pitino is "the traitor." He loves to tell anybody willing to listen that he bleeds blue.

Sam, on the other hand, is a more open-minded breed of UK

fan. He openly wishes that the Cats still had Pitino instead of Smith. He even pulls for the Cards whenever they're playing for the Big Blue.

Now he snorted so loud that some coffee came spewing right out of his nose. "A silly little conference, huh? That's all you can say about it? Didn't U of L

drill the Cats by 18 back in December? And didn't Marquette turn them into a bunch of zombies in the Midwest Regional championship game?" After placing his usual order of scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage and pancakes, Elvis said, "All I'm saying is that league sure isn't any Southeastern Conference."

"You're right about that," said Sam, laughing again. "Look, Elvis, you have to admit it: The SEC was the most over-rated league in the nation this season. The Final Four has a team from the Big East, two from the Big 12, and one from your silly little conference. Where's the SEC?"

Elvis frowned. "Dadgummit," he said. "Are you trying to cheapen UK's 32-4 record, its 19-9 conference record, and its 26-game winning streak? I thought that was a darned fine way to celebrate its 100th season of basketball. Next thing, you're going to be telling me that you hope Tubby goes to the NBA."

Sam slapped his hand on the Formica table so hard that Priscilla, our favorite waitress, almost dropped the tray carrying our food.

"It was a great season, Elvis," he said. "And I don't want Tubby to go to the NBA unless we can get Rick back. But I'll tell you what: If Tubby

does decide to leave, I hope that UK Athletics Director, whatshisname, takes a good look at that Marquette coach, Tom Cream."

To Priscilla, who had almost broken her back toting all his food, Elvis said, "Thank yew ... thank yew verruh much." Then he stuffed his mouth so full of eggs and pancakes that a trail of syrup leaked out of his mouth, down his chin, and onto his favorite T-shirt.

Finally, he was able to talk.

"I don't want to even think about Tubby leaving," he said. "And the UK athletics director is Barnhart, Mitch Barnhart. You're still mad that he let Guy Morriss get away and ended up spending far more money to bring in that new football staff. But you've got to give him credit for going to Tennessee and hiring that new women's basketball coach."

Sam sighed and shook his head.

"Tennessee," he said. "You know how much I hate orange. That's why I ordered this apple juice here. No way I'm going to pull for either Syracuse or Texas at the Final Four."

Having polished off his breakfast in less time than it takes Marquis Estill to lace up his sneakers, Elvis answered with a belch loud enough to cause the folks over in the dirty-magazine section to look over in

alarm. "You have to pull for Jim Boehem of Syracuse," he said. "He deserves to win a championship, and, besides, he's married to that beautiful woman from Kentucky."

"You know who introduced them, don't you?" said Sam,

smiling a sly smile.

"Uuuuhh," said Elvis, who was working a toothpick through his molars.

"Ashley Judd?"

"No, dummy," said Sam. "It was Rick Pitino, at a UK golf

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SIGNING

Pikeville College signs McCurry

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BUCKLEYS CREEK — One of the area's top high school quarterbacks is headed to Pikeville College to further both his gridiron playing career and his education.

Justin McCurry, a four-year starter for the Pike Central football team, signed a letter of intent earlier this week to continue his education and play football at Pikeville College in the fall.

McCurry led the Hawks from the quarterback spot, but he also was an All-Pike County punter and three-sport star at

Pike Central. He chose Pikeville over several Division I and NAIA schools, including the University of Kentucky, Eastern Kentucky University, Georgetown College and Union College.

McCurry finished last season with 1,495 yards passing and 15 touchdowns. He was 82-for-173 via the air during the season.

Former East Tennessee State University assistant coach Jerry Mynatt is the new head coach at Pikeville College, bringing both a youthful outlook and experience to the still relatively new college football program.

H.S. BASEBALL

Blackcats open with 19-4 romp over Knott Co.

by JAMIE HOWELL
SPORTS WRITER

HINDMAN - The Prestonsburg Blackcats opened the 2003 baseball season with a 19-4 rout of host Knott Co. Central. The Blackcats racked up 19 hits in the win and allowed only 4 Knott Co. runs on the evening. Josh Colmenares got the ball for new Blackcat coach John Derossett who takes over for longtime coach Russell Shepherd.

The P-burg hurler went 5 strong innings and struck out 6 on the night. Not only did Colmenares have a strong mound performance, the youngster went 3/4 from the plate with a single, triple and a towering home run in his last plate appearance.

Prestonsburg jumped out in front early as the trio of Matt Setser, Thomas Nelson and Joey Willis opened with three straight hits. John Mark Stephens triple plated two Blackcat runs in the first inning and the cats were off and running. Adam Dixon and Jarod McGuire contributed a strong offensive game from the plate as the two combined to go 5/7 on the night.

Prestonsburg led 2-1 after

one inning and never looked back on this night. P-burg plated 3 runs in the second inning after Michael Morrison and Josh Colmenares reached on base hits it was again the bat of Thomas Nelson who brought the runners around with a triple, Nelson finished the night a perfect 5/5 from the plate.

Knott Co. got two more runs in the second inning and trailed only 5-3 after two, but the Blackcats would outscore the Patriots 14-1 over the next three innings to come away with the big win in the first game of the John Derossett era. Prestonsburg tacked on 6 runs in the third inning as the cats sent nine men to the plate in the inning. Prestonsburg led 11-3 after three innings and plated 4 more runs in the fourth.

Prestonsburg went an astonishing 19/36 from the plate in the game in the win. The Blackcats will be back in action tonight at 9:00 p.m. at Knott Co. in the season opening tournament. Stats were as follows: Prestonsburg (Setser 2/4, Nelson 5/5 with 2 RBI, Willis 1/5 with 2 RBI, Stephens 2/3, Fannin 0/3, Dixon 3/4, McGuire 2/3, Morrison 1/4, Colmenares 3/4 with 7 RBI)

AROUND THE BASES

Raiders open with close loss

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

After beating Phelps to begin the season, Shelby Valley, playing at home, downed South Floyd 7-6 in eight innings Wednesday night to improve to 2-0 on the season. Valley comes in after a regional championship in basketball, hoping to contend for a region crown in baseball.

Pikeville College football signee Josh Bentley had one of the big hits for the Wildcats, his first homerun of the season.

Larry Little was also a big contributor for Valley with six stolen bases and three runs scored.

Shelby Valley designated hitter Cody Tackett got the game-winning hit for the Wildcats in the bottom of the eighth inning. Valley pitcher Brock Wright

scored the victory.

South Floyd head coach Barry Hall went into the season somewhat worried about pitching, hoping to have some other quality throwers step up as the season progressed.

South Floyd will not be back in action next week due to the school's annual senior trip.

Many area baseball teams will head south during the upcoming week. Both high school teams in Johnson County, Johnson Central and Paintsville, are again scheduled to journey south in search of games and sun.

With the start of the high school baseball season, also comes the start of the high school fast-pitch girls softball campaign. One of the top pitchers in not only this area, but the entire state is Johnson Central pitcher Brienne Daniels. Daniels, a senior, should have the opportunity to continue playing at the next level once the current season concludes. She has received attention from some colleges and recruiters.

Spring has sprung and the diamond seasons are just getting started. Have a baseball or softball note, or maybe some information, you'd like to let everyone in on? If so, send an email to sports@floydcountytimes.com.

Volleyball

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school/middle school volleyball teams will take the upcoming week off and take a step away from the court as school will be out of session in Floyd County with Spring Break rolling up on the calendar.

Allen Central's next home game will be on Friday, April 18 versus Adams Middle School. The Volleyball Rebels are next in action on the road against Allen on Thursday, April 17.

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"I feel really good about the move," Ward said. "I'm anxious to get started and see what needs to be done down there."

Jason Crum was named to the job Tuesday afternoon by the StoneCrest Advisory Committee. Crum

"I couldn't be happier," Crum said after learning of the committee's decision. "I owe a lot to Larry Ward. He's really help put me in the position I'm in."

Ward recommended Crum to the committee, and members accepted.

As far as the transition, Crum doesn't really see a lot of changes.

"The course is on the right track," Crum said. "I don't plan

on making any drastic changes. The course is doing great. I'm going to take the reins and continue down the same path that we're on."

Ward also said there shouldn't be a problem with the transition.

"If I've done my job, everything should go smooth here," Ward said. "I thought I could retire here. I had no aspirations of ever leaving StoneCrest. I look at it as a change, and that excites me."

Ward and Crum will officially take their new positions Monday. Ward will remain at StoneCrest throughout this week, before taking over his new job at a new course next week.

Games

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Floyd County won a total of seven medals and neighboring Johnson County grabbed six. Knott County won three and Martin County got on the medal list with one.

Speedway

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events are scheduled for the upcoming season spotlighting each division, including the return of the "Battle of the Bluegrass" late model touring circuit, which will be at the 201 Speedway on July 4.

Gate admission for regular events at 201 will remain the same as last season, \$10 for general admission to the top area and \$20 for a pit pass.

Steps

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K. Rogers of New Steps Dance & Cheer of Paintsville.

Members of the Pee-Wee Power All-Stars are Jenna Blair, Madison Castle, Lyndsey Childers, Mareeka Collett, Megan Conn, Chessie DeGuzman, BreAnna

Johnston, Caitlin Matijaisic, Jordan Miller, Alessandra Walkers and Katherine Wells. Members of the New Steps Junior Power All-Stars are Jordan Adams, Allison Dye, Natasha Huber, Katelyn Keaton and Sydney Randall.

Allen Central's Terri Mullins and Amber Scott both reached base on Pike Central fielding miscues and came around to give Allen Central its first two scores in the opening inning. The girls from Floyd County blew the game open with 10 runs in the top half of the second inning.

Mullins, Scott, Turner, Kristie Howard, Jenny Spurlock and Jackie Martin all crossed the plate three times in the win. Jessica Isaac, Megan Harris, Tab Caudill and Lorna Gibson also contributed in the win.

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Air boating: A ride you will not forget



photo by Ed Taylor

A ride on an air boat is one of the more enjoyable rides you can take if you love the water. Albert Johnson prepares to unload his air boat on Florida's Gulf. Johnson is a big-time fisherman but just enjoys taking a ride on a nice sunny day.

by ED TAYLOR
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

The weather here in northern Florida is just right at this time of year. The temperatures are not too hot nor are they too cool. We have had more rain than normal but that is because I now live in Florida. I have enjoyed the many athletic events here but I also have learned to get at a little more and enjoy the outdoors.

Since I have been here, I have been fishing on the Gulf once. Now, I am a green horn when it comes to fishing. The best thing I enjoy about the sport is when I get to eat what is caught. While I have not had a line in the water for fish, I have been enjoying the air boats. If you have never been on one and get the opportunity, take advantage of it. You will just love it. It is so much different than any ride on the water that you will take.

You are furnished ear muffs to help cut down the noise from the giant propeller that pushes the boat. If the weather is the least bit cool, you will need to take a coat because it will get cool out there. But just sailing along over the

water, the grass, yes, even some logs, is something you will not enjoy in a conventional boat.

Air boats are used for fishing with nets here on the gulf. There is also another boat for net fishing called a "Bird Dog." The motor is in front on the bird dog allowing the net to be cast from the rear of the boat.

I recently discovered another use for the air boat — drying water off a baseball field. I kid you not. Recently at Lafayette High School, I showed up for a baseball game and they were pulling an air boat around the outfield on the back of a trailer and the giant propeller was whizzing around and doing the job. I asked,

"what are they doing?" They knew right then that in Kentucky they do not dry their baseball fields with an air boat.

So the boat is used for more than just fishing. You can dry up a baseball field, a driveway, and other places where water is a problem. I don't think I would try taking one in the house.

PROFILE

Jeff Burton motivated by "Young Guns"

by STEPHEN HAWKINS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Before the so-called "Young Guns" like Kurt Busch and Ryan Newman were having such an impact in NASCAR, Jeff Burton was one of Winston Cup's up-and-coming stars.

The last couple of seasons have been a little bumpy.

Burton was hired by Jack Roush in 1996 after two seasons with another team, and quickly shot to No. 13 in the point standings. The next year, Burton won his first race, starting a stretch of four straight seasons finishing in the top five.

Now 35 and in his 10th full Cup season, Burton finds himself No. 18 in the standings. And 1-2 in points for the second straight week are his Roush Racing teammates: Matt Kenseth, in his fourth season, and the 24-year-old Busch.

"I'm proud of them for how they've done. I'm not one of those people that looks at what Matt and Kurt have done and feel bad about it," Burton said. "I feel good about it because I've helped that."

"That helps us, gives us some things to look at and to emulate from time to time," he said. "It's not my intention to be a team at Roush that isn't as competitive as all of the other teams."

Newman won last week at Texas, where three Roush entries finished in the top 10 — Mark Martin (fifth), Kenseth (sixth) and Busch (ninth). Burton, at the track where the first of his 17 wins came in 1997, was 20 and Roush rookie Greg Biffle was 28.

Through seven races this season, Burton is below Kenseth, Busch and Martin (13), Roush's original driver in 1988 and the only one for the owner until 1992.

Still, there have been signs of promise for Burton's team, revamped during the winter after Paul Andrews took over as crew chief for the No. 99 Ford late last season.

Burton wasn't able to finish consecutive races at Atlanta and Darlington last month because of engine failure, but those came after he finished sixth at Las Vegas. He was no lower than 13 in the other three races before Texas.

"Our performance, I'm not totally disappointed," Burton said. "I'm not overjoyed with it, we need to do a little better, but we are not in left field right now."

"We're on the cusp of really doing some good things. This is a whole brand new team. We are starting from scratch and feel good about where we are heading."

Burton had four of his 14 career top 10s last season — and two of his five top fives — after Andrews took over the final 11 races.

Andrews used that time to evaluate needs within the team, and numerous changes were made.

"Pit crew was one of the things we needed to work on, the pit stops last year were really inconsistent," said Andrews, the crew chief for Alan Kulwicki's 1982 Cup championship. "We've brought in people that fit my style and my design, you might say."

Burton is encouraged by the progress being made early in a season of transition, but refuses to put a timetable on when there will be more substantial results, such as a victory or a top five finish.

He does finally feel like the team is getting up to speed after the offseason changes limited testing and track time.

"Everything we're doing makes sense. We're not doing stupid stuff," Burton said. "We've got a good plan in place and we have to have time to act it out."

After a slow start in 2001, with four finishes of 30 or worse in the first six races, Burton slipped to No. 10 in season points. He also won twice that season, his last win coming at Phoenix in 2001.

Last season, Burton didn't win a race for the first time since 1996 and finished No. 12 in season points, also his worst showing since that first season with Roush.

"There weren't many good performances," he said. "It was terribly disappointing. I don't race to go around in circles and sweat on Sunday. I race because I like to win. When we don't have success, it hurts."

TOURNEY ACTION

AAU team finishes tournament in top 12

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

Floyd County's AAU girls' basketball team, Southeast AAU, finished in the top 12 in the state during competition in the 10 and under league in Louisville last weekend.

Southeast played four games in the tournament and won two to finish off their season.

During regular season play, Southeast finished 2-3.

Members of the team included Megan Hamilton, 10, Betsy Layne Grade School; Lindsey Martin, 10, Stumbo Elementary; Faith Reynolds, 10, Stumbo Elementary; Judy Rose, 10, of Knott County;

Shelby Meeks, 9, Mullins Grade School; and Kristen Brown, 10, Mullins Grade School.

The tournament began on Friday with Southeast facing Leslie County. Southeast won the game 32-26, with Hamilton leading all scorers with 22 points. Martin and Brown both scored four points and Reynolds added two points.

The following day, Hamilton led her team in scoring in the second game of the tournament against the Louisville Zoomin Brats tossing in 16 points in the 51-25 loss. Martin chipped in six points, Brown added two points and Reynolds finished with one point.

For their third game of the tournament, Southeast faced the Frankfort Freedoms, winning easily 44-20. Again, Hamilton led her team with a tournament high 26 points, with Martin adding a personal tournament best 18 points in the win.

In the final game of the tournament, Southeast held a solid Lincoln County team at bay before slimly losing 36-33. Hamilton, who set a new state AAU tournament scoring record for the 10 and under division for sinking five three-pointers in a single game, finished the game with 23 points. Martin rounded out the scoring with 10 points.

Southeast AAU was coached by Doug Tackett and Joey Martin, both of Grethel.

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Reed

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outing about six or seven years ago."

Elvis spit out his toothpick and nudged me to get up so he could wiggle out of our booth.

"That's it," he said. "I'm outta here. "You just can't help bringing up the little traitor. But Butler put a whipping on him, didn't it? Butler! No way the Cats would have lost to Butler."

"OK," said Sam, grabbing the check away from me. "But I hope Pitino's pal Boenheim and Roy Williams of Kansas make the championship game. Then

I've got to pull for the Jayhawks."

"Me, too," said Elvis as he lumbered toward the door. "Coach Rupp was from Kansas, you know."

"Yeah," said Sam, "but so was Dean Smith. And don't forget that Mitch Barnhart was born in Kansas City and graduated from a little Kansas college named Ottawa State."

But it was too late. Elvis had left the building.

NEWS & NOTES

Newman gets second victory

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FORT WORTH, Texas — Ryan Newman passed Dale Earnhardt Jr. with 11 laps remaining and held on to win the Samsung/Radio Shack 500 at Texas Motor Speedway on Sunday.

Newman gambled by changing just two tires on his last pit stop, and the payoff was his second career victory and first since Sept. 15, 2002, in New Hampshire.

"Tires and track position were key, for sure," Newman said. "We

didn't think four tires were going to make that much of a difference and we needed to get to the front some way."

He didn't win it easily, though, having to fight off a strong challenge from Earnhardt, the crowd favorite.

Newman, who led four times for 77 laps, appeared to gain control when he took the lead on lap 224 of the 334-lap event. That came during a caution period — one of 10 in the race — in the middle of a series of green-flag stops.

Newman hadn't pitted, and found himself in front.

Newman lost the lead for one lap when he made his final stop on lap 286, but regained the top spot the next time around the 1 1/2-mile oval when Dale Jarrett, who had stayed on the track to get the five-point bonus for leading a lap, made his stop.

The 25-year-old Newman, one of NASCAR's heralded "Young Guns" gave Penske Racing South its first win since switching from Ford to Dodge this winter.

NASCAR RACING

Engineers proliferating in NASCAR

by MIKE HARRIS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TALLADEGA, Ala. — Driver Ryan Newman, crew chief Matt Borland and race engineer Mike Nelson have brought something new to Penske Racing South — an emphasis on technology.

All three have degrees on mechanical engineering and bring a different perspective to a job where learning was mostly by trial and error.

"In school, we're taught an organized way to go about solving problems," Nelson said. "I think that's an advantage."

It's not a shock that technology is a priority on the team owned by Roger Penske. Penske's entries in the more technically sophisticated world of open-wheel racing have been dominant. Since 1969 they have 12 Indianapolis 500s, 11 open-wheel championships and 114 total victories.

"The cars, although they're very different, you're still trying to accomplish the same thing,

which is to make all four tires work as best you can," said Borland, a graduate of the General Motors Institute, who came to NASCAR from an engineering position in CART.

"A lot of the strategy part is pretty different," Borland added. "Indy cars, you just keep trying to run as long as you can on fuel because the cars get faster on long runs. With these cars, you continually get slower on long runs. You have to think kind of opposite from what you grew up doing."

"And, in NASCAR, you get more involved in the car-building process, whereas in CART you buy the chassis from Reynard or another supplier. You pretty much just run the car, but here you're pretty much building the car and motor from the ground up and racing the car."

The Penske team switched from Ford to Dodge this year, and both Newman, last year's top rookie, and teammate Rusty Wallace, the 1989 Winston Cup champion, got off to slow starts.

Until he won last Sunday in Texas, Newman had not finished better than seventh in the first six races of 2003. Wallace has only one top-10 finish — sixth in Rockingham in the second race of the season.

Going into Sunday's EA Sports 500 at Talladega Superspeedway, Newman is eighth in the season points, while Wallace, who believes in a more traditional approach to racing, is 14th.

"Those guys on the 12 just have put things together a little quicker," Wallace said. "We share everything, but they've just had fewer things go wrong."

Some of that may be because of the similar schooling of Nelson, who came straight to the Penske organization from Clemson University five years ago; Newman — a Purdue graduate — and Borland.

"We all have the same kind of thought process, and I think that helps you the most," Borland said. "We kind of know what each other is thinking all the time, and we can kind of bounce ideas off each other and help each other figure things out to make the situation better."

Five years ago, when Nelson came into NASCAR, engineers on stock car teams were considered something of a luxury that were used only by teams with big-dollar sponsorships.

"When I started at Penske, we were in the early stages of trying to go in that direction," Nelson said. "I'm pretty sure with Roger's background, there's a lot of push for that."

Other teams, with far less technical backgrounds, have also discovered the benefits of using engineers.

"You have to have engineers to work with the sophisticated equipment we have now, not only at the racetrack, but back at

the shop," explained Richard Childress, a former driver who won six series championships with the late Dale Earnhardt as his driver and now runs a three-car Winston Cup team.

"It used to be you'd just throw a 100-pound stiffer spring in the right front (of the car)," Childress said. "Now, if you do it, you almost need an engineer to say, 'Well, to do that, you've got to put a different control arm on.'"

"Now, they'll have that all worked on one of the simulation pieces of equipment we have back the shop."

Childress, who added a third Cup car to his team in 2002, is

still adding to his sprawling race shop complex in Welcome, N.C., and his engineering personnel.

"We've got nine engineers and have two more slots to fill," said Childress, who fields cars for Kevin Harvick, Jeff Green and Robby Gordon. "By the end of the day, we're going to end up with 13 or 14 people in one building that do nothing but our engineering."

"You'll see more and more engineers at the racetracks, too. We had two (engineers in Texas) and could have used a third one. ... It's very, very expensive but, to be competitive, you have to have it."

Sports Calendar

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The Big Sandy Umpires Association is looking for umpires for the upcoming high school baseball and softball seasons. For more information, contact Robert Staggs at 606/432-1807, 606/353-0388 or 606/218-5357.

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The Pikeville High School Football Boosters have scheduled the fourth annual Hillbilly Shootout golf tournament for 9 a.m. Friday, April 11 at Mountain Pub-Links. It is a four-man scramble and costs \$50 per person to register. Cash prizes will be awarded. To sign up contact Larry Lynn at 606/754-4936 or Pikeville football coach Chris McNamee, 606/432-0185.

Basketball • Boys' tournament

The fourth annual Northern Kentucky Tar Heels Spring Shootout is scheduled for April 4-6 in Covington. The tournament will have 12-and-under, 13-and-under and 14-and-under divisions. For more information, contact James Pouncey at 859/491-5478 or via email at jamespouncey@hotmail.com

Running • Tug Valley Road Runners Club

The Tug Valley Road Runners Club and the city of Williamson, W.Va. will present a 10k run on Saturday, April 26. The race will start at 8 a.m. at the SWVCTC campus in Williamson.

Later this year, the Hatfield-McCoy Marathon/Half marathon will be held. Saturday, June 14 is the date slated for the Hatfield-McCoy races. The half marathon will start in Goody in Pike County and end in Matewan, W.Va. The full marathon will also start in Goody, but will end in Williamson.

Both the half marathon and the marathon will begin at 7 a.m.

For information on any of the aforementioned races, contact David Hatfield by calling 606/353-1626 or email tvrcc@hotmail.com.

Fishing • Appalachian Wireless Bass Classic Open Bass Tournament

The Tug Valley Bass Anglers will be holding an open bass tournament at Dewey Lake Saturday, April 19. The event will be a day tournament from 7 a.m.-3 p.m. The entry fee will be \$100.00 per boat. Registration and pre-tournament meeting at 6 p.m. on Friday, April 18 at the Appalachian Wireless store in the Prestonsburg Village Plaza. Tournament payout is guaranteed. Payout will be as follows First- \$1,800; Second- \$800; Third- \$300. The weigh in show will be held at the Appalachian Wireless store at approximately 4 p.m. The weigh in show will be televised. There will also be Casting Kids events during the day at the Appalachian Wireless store starting at 11 a.m., all kids are encouraged to attend.

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THROUGH MY EYES

No room for 'crybabies'

I just read the story of Pfc. Jessica Lynch's rescue from an Iraqi hospital that also doubled as a military post. As I read of her injuries - two broken legs, a broken arm and multiple serious gunshot wounds - in addition to seeing the look on her face shortly after her rescue as special forces troops tended to her - a look of sheer relief at once intermingled with



Kathy Prater
Lifestyles editor

the pain of recent trauma and terror - I had to stop and chastise myself for being such a crybaby. The past few weeks I have, somehow, managed to let "everything" get to me. Granted, I have been feeling like all of my "everything's" have been "major things," but reading this story and gazing upon the face of this very courageous young woman, I am reminded that my "everything's" are actually very, very "little things."

Yes, life is, at times, very

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POSTSCRIPT

Leftover joys

Another night of leftovers... Tonight (Monday) I'm away from my own home and I am eating leftover food for supper. And I'm loving it.

You see, this meal of previous fixings reminds me of how good I actually have it.

Last weekend, as they do most weekends, my cousins, Helen Williams and Mabel

Coleman, cook and invite me over.

A few days earlier, they picked tender wild greens in the field beside their house on Middle Fork.

They serve the greens

with soup beans, fried potatoes, baked chicken and fresh cornbread. In reserve, they have a big pot of vegetable beef soup simmering on the stove.

There's always more than we can eat at one sitting. So out come the plastic containers. (I generally take them full one weekend and bring them back clean the next.) I stock up on soup and chicken, try not to take more than a share of greens, and put a couple of

'QUILTER'S DAY OUT'



Shown above are a sampling of the ladies who participated in the Quilter's Day Out event. From left to right are: Freda Hicks, Jean Meade, Alice Rowe, Eileen Banks, Judy Hackworth, Gypsy Jones, Dora Slone, Mildred Branham, Ada Martin, Roslyn Burchett, unidentified, Jean Watson, Helen Boyd, Joyce Allen, and Pearl Watts.



Enthusiastic quilter, Alice Rowe, really got into the spirit of the day when she decided to kick up her heels and show off her flouncy pants. Rowe hand-fashioned the pants, as well as the rest of her outfit, for the day's special event.

PROMOTING THE HERITAGE OF QUILTING

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Area quilters enjoyed a "day out" recently when they met together at the Mountain Arts Center for a day of fun and fellowship in celebration of the "Old Fashion Quilting Bee."

On an early spring Saturday morning of last month, the quilters came together to share ideas, show off recent projects and

learn new quilting methods. Just as in days gone by, when country women would gather in a neighbor's home for a quilting bee, an air of excitement filled the room as the women all arrived for the day's event.

Theresa Scott, Floyd County Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences, said, "Back in the old days, quilting bees were an exciting event for women to look forward to. Not only could quilts be finished in a much shorter span of time than if they had been left to one person to quilt, but long hours spent sharing a common interest provided a time for the women to open up, discuss current events, compare household tricks, and mostly, to enjoy each other's companionship through sharing and mutual support. That's what this 'Quilter's Day Out' event is all about, just coming together and sharing and having a little fun."

Though the day was initially planned for Floyd County quilters, the "Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild" ladies were joined by several visitors from surrounding counties as well as special guest, Dovie Waugh, from Louisa, who demonstrated the use of the "Angle 2" quilting tool. Waugh represented the "Quilted Memories Quilt

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Judy Hackworth, center, proudly displays her quilt depicting autumn and winter scenes of fun. Fellow quilters, Mary Sue Moore, to Hackworth's left, and Gypsy Jones, standing, right, and Jean Meade, seated, admire Hackworth's handiwork.

THIS TOWN, THAT WORLD

Editor's Note: For years, Floyd County Times founder and former publisher Norman Allen wrote a weekly column that looked at Floyd County through his eyes. His columns are being reprinted due to request. The following column was written in 1961.

Anybody who can listen to the howl of the wind around the corners of his house, and feel just a bit more comfortable than he did before, is fortunate.

The wind cut some fine capers at Eastertime and after. It shrieked so loudly that the frogs out back of our house became discouraged and quit their merry cacophony. Today, with the sun shining, they resumed, but by little starts and stops, as if experiencing—mi, mi, mi...

BR-R!

Speaking of the weather and such, two of the earliest birds to fly back north are Russell Hagewood and "Speed" Harris, who went fishing down in Tennessee, Monday, and imitated homing pigeons the next day.

EXCUSES

At hand are several type-written pages of excuses written by parents to teachers and compiled over a period of years. Here are a few prime examples of same:

Dear Teacher:
Please excuse S.....for three days. She had been sick due to illness.
Dear Teacher

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Please, keep 'em coming!

Our pet photos file is slowly emptying, folks, so please, send us some more pics of those precious mugs A.S.A.P! And while you're at it, help Dr. Carol with her wintertime bout of writer's block by sending along a few questions aimed at giving her a good jump start out of her creative doldrums. You can send both pictures and questions to: Kathy Prater at the Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, or you may e-mail to: features@floydcountytimes.com. You may also send questions only to Dr. Carol at: 1768 KY Rt. 7, Estill, KY 41666, or e-mail to: carolbca@tusa.net. We'll be waiting!

Things to Ponder: Cyberaffairs

A guess is that many folks have heard over the past few years of situations where a person "met someone else on the Internet," separated, and ended up getting a divorce. My first experience with marital therapy for a couple having such difficulties was probably about five or more years ago. It is not surprising that infidelity online has accounted for a growing trend in divorce cases (American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, 1997). The questions become, "Where does it come from? How do you

know when you see it? What can be done about it?"

It seems that the very basis of "cyber-affairs" usually begins with a person that uses the Internet very excessively to the point of computer addiction. Like abuse of other substances, the computer addict loses control of him/herself, and the ability to set limits on the use of the computer, directly or indirectly viewing it as a way to get emotional needs met. The individual spends more and more time alone with the computer, which has

resulted in significant social, academic, and occupational difficulties. Computer and/or Internet dependent users gradually spend less time with real people in their lives. In the late 1990's, Young, a researcher in the area, found that serious relationship problems were reported by 53 percent of almost 400 Internet addicts, with marriages and intimate dating relationships disrupted - the most, due to cyberaffairs and online sexual compulsivity (a strong inner urge to keep trying to make contact with others

in a sexual way).

Cyberaffairs are typically defined as any romantic or sexual relationship, initiated through online communication, primarily electronic conversations that occur in virtual (actual) communities, such as chat rooms, interactive games, or newsgroups. The cyberaffair might be an on-going relationship with one online user, or it might be a series of random erotic chat room encounters with various

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Mable Rowe Lineberger,

School Happenings

ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

■ April 15 - Parent Support Group meeting, 11 a.m. Topic: "How to Help your Child Succeed in High School." Refreshments will be provided, all parents and guardians welcome.

■ April 17 - Youth Services Center Advisory Council meeting, 4:00 p.m. All welcome.

■ April 17 - "Career Day" for 8th grade students - will be held at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center.

■ May 6 - Red Cross Blood Drive, begins at 12:00 p.m.

***8th grade class is selling Papa John's cards (pizza discounts) to help raise money for the 8th grade prom and class trip. If you would like to help the Adams eighth-graders by purchasing a Papa John's card, please contact the Youth

Services Center at 886-9812 or Diane at 886-7926.

■ Center distributes school activity calendars and newsletters on the last day of each month to all students. Parents please be advised to be watching for these informational materials as a way of staying informed with your school's happenings.

■ Health Records Update: Parents who have health records to bring in to the school may bring them to the Youth Services Center any weekday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

■ Homework Hotline - 886-9314 - Homework information available from 4 p.m. to 7 a.m. Updated each day after 4:00 p.m.

■ Center is open each day from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. or later by appointment. For more information about the center or any listed activities, call 886-9812. Center coordinator, Michelle

Keathley, Assistant coordinator, Sheila Allen. Center offers services to students regardless of income. Center telephone: 886-9812.

ALLEN CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

■ April 15 - Open House, 5-7 p.m. Report cards will be handed out at this time.

April 18 - ACHS will host its annual "Math Day." Registration will be from 11:15 - 11:30 a.m. Events will begin shortly after and end around 2:00 p.m. Event will be held for 7th and 8th grade students. Students will be placed on teams that will compete in a variety of fun and challenging activities.

ALLEN CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

■ Each Monday, 8:30-9:25 a.m., "Respect Class," for 7th

grade girls.

■ Youth Service Center office hours are from 8 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

ALLEN ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

■ Call Allen Elementary Youth Service Center at 874-0621 to schedule your child's 6th grade entry physical, Hepatitis B vaccination, immunizations, and WIC appointment.

■ G.E.D. classes offered-FREE-each Friday, beginning 8:30 a.m. and lasting through 11:30 a.m. Instructor: Linda Bailey

BETSY LAYNE ELEMENTARY

■ April 22 - Kindergarten registration, 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 12:00-2:00 p.m. Please bring the following records: (1) An

official copy of the student's birth certificate (applications may be obtained at the school, health department, or the school board central office). (2) Kentucky Immunization Certificate. (3) Physical exam form - performed within twelve (12) months prior to entry to school. (4) Eye examination - performed by an ophthalmologist or optometrist and completed on the Kentucky Eye Examination Form. **For questions, please call Teresa Frazier at the school.

■ The Family Resource Youth Service Center provides services and referral services to all families regardless of income. The center is located in the middle building of the Betsy Layne Elementary School. Office hours are Mon. - Fri., 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.

■ Open enrollment for After School Child Care is available through the Family Resource

Center. Service hours are 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

■ Contact the center at 478-5550. Contact persons are Brian Akers and Charlotte Rogers.

CLARK ELEMENTARY

■ April 17 - SBDM Council meeting, 6 p.m.

All SBDM Council meetings open to public. All are welcome to attend.

**School now collecting "Box Tops for Education" from General Mills products. Parents and community members, please send your "Box Top" coupons to the school Family Resource Center.

■ A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is in the center weekly. Please call to schedule an appointment. The center is currently scheduling Hep B immunizations and phys-

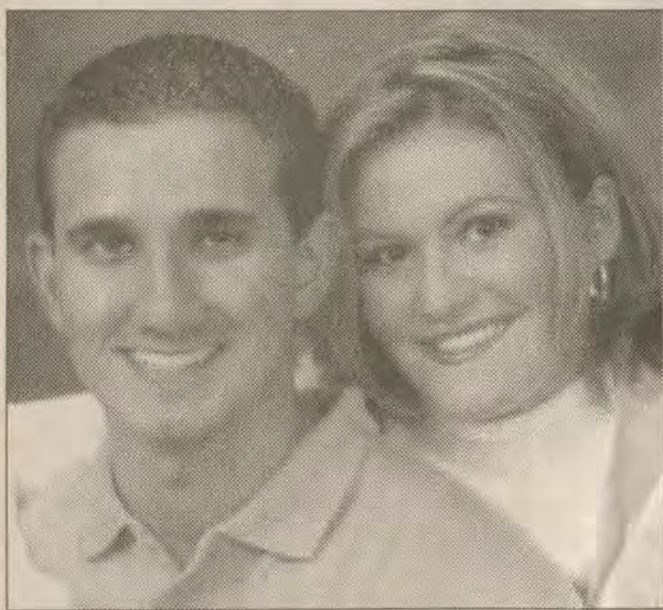
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Weddings



Fields-Evans to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Fields, of Pikeville, are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Bridget Leigh Fields, to Kevin Douglas Evans, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Davis Evans, of Grethel. The couple will wed in a ceremony that will take place on Saturday, April 19, 2003, at one o'clock in the afternoon, at Calvary Baptist Church, Betsy Layne. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed.



McKinney-Fleenor plan May wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton McKinney, of Harold, are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Jennifer Nashae, to Chad Fleenor, the son of Earl and Sherry Fleenor, of Phyllis. Jennifer, a 1998 graduate of Betsy Layne High School, is also a 2002 graduate of Morehead State University where she received a B.S. degree in nursing. She is currently employed as an RN in the Intensive Care Unit at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Chad is a 1995 graduate of Feds Creek High School, as well as a 1999 graduate of Pikeville College where he received a B.S. degree in computer science and mathematics. He is currently employed as an information systems technician at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. The couple will wed in a ceremony that will take place on Saturday, May 10, 2003 at the Betsy Layne Freewill Baptist Church. Following a honeymoon in the Gulf of Mexico, the couple will reside at Honaker.

Family counseling center celebration

In recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Month, the Catholic Social Service Bureau Outreach Office will hold a celebration announcing its' new family counseling center. The event will be held on Sunday, April 6, from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. "The Encouragement Project" will provide free counsel-

ing and support services to parents, guardians, foster parents, siblings and others in order to promote safety, stability and wellness for children. The center is located at St. Martha Catholic Church, in Prestonsburg, near Jenny Gap Road. All are invited to attend.

New Arrivals

HRMC New Arrivals

March 15, 2003

A daughter, Megan Danielle Benton, to Jerry Havens

March 16, 2003

A son, Zachary Cameron Barnes, to Pamela and Zachary Barnes

March 17, 2003

A daughter, MaKayla Brooke Spears, to Kristi Lyn Spears

March 17, 2003

A son, Morgan Blake Spears, to Kristi Lyn Spears

March 17, 2003

A daughter, Breanna Nicole Salyer, to Heather and Timothy Salyer

March 18, 2003

A son, Zachary Thomas Malone, to Lisa and Timothy Malone

March 18, 2003

A daughter, Christine Marie Hall, to Jennifer Murrell

March 18, 2003

A son, Isaiah Karlton Shepherd, to Patty and Carl Eugene Shepherd

March 19, 2003

A daughter, Erin Aubrey Kugel, to Lisa and Robert Kugel

March 20, 2003

A son, Trenton Dawson Hatfield, to Brandy and Brandon Hatfield

March 20, 2003

A son, David Jacob Dock Anderson, to Paula Lynn and David Wayne Anderson

March 20, 2003

A daughter, Savanna Grace Holbrook, to Samantha and Jeffery Holbrook

March 21, 2003

A son, Joseph Grayson Lyon, to Cynthia Lee and William Lyon

March 21, 2003

A son, Dalton Wade Francis, to Shanda and Arnold Francis

March 22, 2003

A son, Jordan Cross Hamilton, to Tameka Moore

March 22, 2003

A daughter, Gabriela Cherie Boone, to Melissa and Jack Boone

March 22, 2003

A daughter, Autumn Jean Brown, to Rebecca Jean and Jerry Clayton Brown

March 24, 2003

A daughter, Jamie Nevaeh Smith, to Dalana and Albert Junior Smith

March 24, 2003

A son, Byron DeShawn Johnson, to Helen Renee and Timothy Wayne Johnson

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Community blood drives in Betsy Layne, Martin

Blood drives will be held on Tuesday, April 8 at Betsy Layne and on Wednesday, April 9, in Martin. The Central Kentucky Blood Center reports that blood is needed throughout the area and that every three seconds someone in the U.S. receives a blood transfusion. On April 8, donors may report to the Betsy Layne Elementary Library between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. On Wednesday, April 9, donors

may give the "gift of life" at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Cultural Hall, from 4-8 p.m. Donors must be at least 17 years of age, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and be in general good health. The complete process takes less than an hour, with the actual donation of one pint lasting about 10 minutes. Blood may be donated every 56 days. For more information, contact Dawn Wheeler at 1-800-775-2522.

Ponder

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online users. Virtual adultery can look like Internet addiction, as the person is on the computer for longer and longer periods of time. It is not surprising that the person who has become addicted to these behaviors will show even more compulsive behaviors with use of the Internet as a way to meet and interact with yet another newfound love. Some of the identified "typical" characteristics of this "cheating" is where a husband, who would never go into an adult bookstore, will download online pornography; a wife, who would never dial a 900-number on the telephone, will take part in an erotic chat or phone sex with men she met online; and marriages, stable for 15, 20, or 25 years, will be terminated due to a cyberaffair of several months. It is also not surprising that the nature and extent of these behaviors have created breakups of marriages and have probably been underestimated, because of the Internet's current popularity.

Young developed the ACE Model of Cybersexual Addiction as a method for explaining how an atmosphere of permissiveness tends to encourage and validate sex-

ually adulterous and promiscuous online behavior. The anonymity of the process, being electronic, permits the users to secretly take part in erotic chats without concern of being found out by a spouse. The user is likely to have a greater sense of perceived control over what he is doing-the content, tone, and nature of being online-in the privacy of his office and/or home, with it being something that is personal and untraceable. Users "talk" in "real" time by typing in messages with "screen names" or "handles," so that the user tends to feel open and honest when interacting with others. Since there is the anonymity, an online user can feel all cozy, and does not feel a need to check for indicators of insincerity or judgment in the other person's facial expression, such as is needed in real conversations. Then it is easier to share intimate feelings, perhaps without complete awareness of what is taking place at the moment.

Convenience of the computer being so available, with its various spaces to interact with others, is an easy way for a curious person to make first contact and be a major contributor to cybersexual addic-

tion. What might be a simple email exchange, or an innocent chat room situation, can smoothly roll into an intense and passionate cyberaffair, going to secret phone calls, and finally leading to sexy real-life meetings. Come to find out, there are actually "rooms" on the Internet created for marital infidelity, where individuals are participating in virtual adultery. Needless to say, if a person becomes caught-up in these activities, he is as emotionally involved with "another," as if it all occurred at the neighborhood corner drug store.

Based on Young's research, being able to escape the stresses and strains of real life through the Internet's fantasy world is a strong reinforcer, leading to cybersexual addiction. The escape from "it all" tends to make a greater impact than the sexual fulfillment that might be provided, and is likely the initial reinforcer for the behaviors. Other studies have shown that the experience itself is reinforced through a type of drug "high," that provides an emotional or mental escape, and serves to reinforce the behavior leading to compulsivity-

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Postscript

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pieces of cornbread in a sandwich bag. Before I go, they divvy up some apples and oranges they bought last week and throw in a grapefruit and a pear.

That evening I go to a birthday dinner for friend Debbie Jacobs in Pikeville. Our mutual friend Dorothy Carlson traditionally hosts dinner when each of us in our little circle of friends has a birthday.

As I am preparing to leave, Dorothy insists we take some leftovers, since she will be away from the house for several evenings, and she doesn't want the food to go to waste.

I go away not only full, but also carrying containers of salad, baked beans and sponge cake.

This evening, tired from traveling and working, I come to my solitary room, tempted to plop down with only a snack.

But, I realize I already have a delicious supper waiting. Tonight I have greens, salad, baked beans, chicken and cornbread. Tomorrow, there's homemade soup.

It's nourishing not only to the body, but also to the soul.

Family and friends are wondrous blessings. I am truly privileged.

I wish you such blessings.

Eyes

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hard. Single parenting is even harder. Demanding job assignments and deadlines add to the fray. As do changes in school schedules, "changes" in my teenagers and changes on my electric bill's budget payment plan.

Sometimes, it can take nothing more than an uncompleted household task, forgetting to pick up the family pet's favorite food, or a telephone that has rang one too many times to just push us that last little centimeter "over the edge."

And, at these times, we feel completely within our rights to go a little crazy. And maybe we are...but when faced with the knowledge of those in the world who are really experiencing traumatic events and forever altering life "changes," we can't help but feel more than just a little ashamed.

I have always prided myself on being a "strong woman." I grew up in a family filled to the brim with strong women and great role models. Lately, I've grown a little tired of always being the "strong one," and believe me, I've let pretty much everyone I know in on it, including, you, my dear readers.

Today, I am feeling much stronger than I have in weeks. I think, somewhere inside each of us, we all know where that hidden power to rise above and to conquer the "evils" of our worlds actually lies within our souls. It's just that, sometimes, we just don't really feel up to the battle.

Thank God for strong women like Jessica Lynch and for all the brave men and women of our country's military who are, at any given moment, expected to be so.

Jessica has inspired me today to "suck it up" and to realize how good I actually have it.

I wish her a speedy and complete recovery - and I am proud, also, to share with her the roots of a strong Appalachian heritage, from whence some amazingly strong women are reared. I'm sure you know of more than a few, yourselves.

Until next week, may God watch over us all.





By Martha A. Simpson, D.O., M.B.A.

Family Medicine



Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine

Q I have gout. I'm 48 years old. I've had gout for about three years. The last time I had a major attack, my doctor had me on colchicines. For the last six weeks I've had severe pain in my ankles, especially at night. Is there anything else I can do for this pain? I have given up red meat and wine.

A Primary gout is a common problem among middle-aged men and post menopausal women. This metabolic disorder runs in families, and is caused by high levels of uric acid in the body. These elevated

uric acid levels — called "hyperuricemia" if you want to get technical — can be due to either overproduction or under-excretion of uric acid, or sometimes both.

The term "secondary gout," also called acquired hyperuricemia, refers to gout that is the result of another underlying condition. This includes diseases such as multiple myeloma, psoriasis, hemolytic anemia, myeloproliferative disease and certain types of cancer. Secondary gout can also be due to lead poisoning or as the result of an adverse affect of certain medications.

Your symptoms lead me to believe

that you have primary gout. Risk factors for gout are obesity, diabetes, elevated blood fats (lipids), alcohol use and kidney disease.

As you are well aware, a person's first attack of gout is generally quite severe. A classic or "textbook" case is the person who experiences an abrupt onset of severe, crushing pain in a lower extremity — usually the big toe — that awakens him or her from sleep. The pain is so severe that weight cannot be placed on that foot. The affected joint becomes red, "shiny looking," swollen and tender. Sometimes the sufferer also has chills and fever. This acute attack is associated with such severe pain that most people seek medical care immediately. While this is typical, not all attacks affect the big toe or, even, the extremities. Almost any joint can be involved.

Management of the acute attack should be aimed at treating the pain

and the inflammation. Prevention of further attacks is best tackled after the acute attack has subsided. One of the hallmarks of prevention is dietary management — specifically the avoidance of foods containing substances called "purines" that elevate the levels of uric acid in the blood. While you mentioned avoiding red meat and wine, there are many other foods that are rich in purines. All alcoholic beverages, especially beer, are high in purines. Other high-purine foods include organ meats — such as liver and kidneys — and many types of seafood, as well as bacon, veal, venison and turkey.

It is also important to review the medications you are taking to see if any are known to elevate blood uric acid levels. Also, lifestyle changes — such as weight loss and alcohol avoidance — can often prevent attacks and eliminate the need for drugs.

Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) such as ibuprofen are useful treatments. Aspirin should be avoided as it may make symptoms of gout worse. Sometimes, your physician has to try several drugs or drug combinations — in addition to your own lifestyle changes — to make you pain and attack free. Drinking plenty of water also helps rid your system of uric acid. Even with aggressive treatment, a chronic gouty arthritis can develop. Prevention of this is the primary goal of early treatment.

Family Medicine(r) is a weekly column. To submit questions, write to Martha A. Simpson, D.O., M.B.A., Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, P.O. Box 110, Athens, Ohio 45701. Or, e-mail Dr. Simpson at simpsonm@ohio.edu. Past columns are available online at www.fhradio.org/jfm.



Fighting for Freedom

Laymon Edgar Shepherd, formerly of David, is currently serving his country in Operation Iraqi Freedom. He is stationed with the 801st Main Support Battalion headquarters and Alpha Company Maintenance Platoon, division of the 101st Airborne, out of Fort Campbell. Shepherd resided in Pierceton, Indiana with his wife and their four children before leaving for active service. He is the son of Edgar and Barbara Shepherd, also formerly of David and now residing in Pierceton. His family and friends in both Kentucky and Indiana are praying for his safe return and request your prayers for Shepherd and all the other men and women who are defending our freedom.

Ponder

continuing to want more and more experiences.

Needless to say, detecting a suspected cyberaffair is the first step for assisting the two involved persons to being a couple again. The following were

given as early warning signs of identifying such: change in sleep patterns, since meeting places for cybersex do not get going until late at night; a demand for privacy, especially having to do with computer

Quilters

Shop."

Demonstrations were also given on "rushing," the art of adding layers of "fluff" to items, such as petticoats, for example. Jean Watson offered this interesting presentation to the gathered ladies.

Later, a "Show and Tell" of recent projects was given by the Pike, Magoffin, Martin, and Johnson county visitors, as well as the Floyd county quilters. Gypsy Jones gave a presentation on thumb pin cushions.

Mid-day the group was treated to a wonderful home-cooked luncheon that would rival any "fancy Sunday dinner" and when everyone was filled to the brim, the ladies gathered for the drawing of the door prizes. Prizes were hand-fashioned items crafted by the Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild and were presented by Roslyn Burchett. Grand door prizes of beautiful quiltings

crafted by Susie Hueseman and a spectacular Dresden Plate Quilt, crafted by the Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild, were also awarded, as well as baskets filled with sundry "goodie" items that were handed out to attendees.

Today, according to Scott, there has been a resurgence of interest in quilting as evidenced by television programs and publications devoted to the art. The Floyd County Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild ladies are among those that are devoted to keeping this beautiful heritage artwork alive.

For more information on how to become involved with the Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild, call 886-2668 and ask to speak with Theresa Scott, or attend one of the group's meetings. The Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild meets each month at the Extension Service office, as well as the "Newbee" Quilter's Club, for those new to the art.

usage; household chores ignored, in that so much time and energy is put into being online; evidence of lying, about such things as credit-card bills for phone calls made to the cyberlover; personality changes, like the once warm and sensitive wife who becomes cold and withdrawn; loss of interest in sex; and declining investment in your relationship, shown by a lack of desire to participate in the marital relationship, and being unwilling to do the usual activities.

Accepting that a partner has been cheating is not easy for any spouse. The spouses might react to the cheating partner with doubt, jealousy toward the computer, and, of course, a fear that their relationship, will end

because of someone they've never met. Nonetheless, cyber-affairs are normally a symptom of an underlying problem that was part of the marriage, prior to the Internet ever becoming a part of the couple's lives. The pre-existing marital problems include: poor communications, sexual dissatisfaction, differences in child-rearing practices, a recent move away from support of family and friends; and financial problems. Of course, these strains and weaknesses are often troubles for any couple, but the presence of such issues will increase the risk of a cyber-affair. If a couple has one or more of these significant marital difficulties, they need to consider receiving professional assistance.

World

A horse stepped on B.....'s leg Thursday and he was unable to come to school Friday and Saturday. Will you please excuse him from.

Dear Teacher, Please excuse J.....for missing school yesterday, she got up sick and I wouldn't let her come, because she was

vomokin.

Dear Teacher— J..... has been sick with her eyes and her head so please excuse her.

Teacher excuse him for two days please excuse, he's still been it with his cold fever. I took him to D.R. Tuesday got pendiselm shot pills.

Dear Miss,was sick friday she had a sore neck and was so horise she talk.

Miss..... Would you please excuse— for missing school, he had a absect tooth and coulnt come.

Dear Teacher: The reason D.....dident go to School Thursday we had a sick cow and D..... and his dady was up all night with her Wednesday night and he didnt feel like going to school, his dady couldnt go out to work either.

Suppose you've heard of the Texan who was letting his 10-year-old son drive one of the family Cadillacs and a friend reminded him that the boy was mighty young to be driving.

"Shucks," replied Tex, "Ah know he is. That's why Ah only let him drive around in the house."

School

icals for students who will enter the 6th grade in the upcoming school year, kindergarten entrance exams and TD boosters for sophomores. Also scheduling appointments for WIC services. These nursing services are available to anyone in the community.

The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Clark Elementary School building and can be reached by calling 886-0815.

DUFF ELEMENTARY

April 5 - Clothing Distribution, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Children's, teens and adult sizes all available.

April 7, 8, 9 - Kindergarten Registration - 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Please call 358-9420 for information on what to bring with you when you register your child, there is a list of several necessary items in order to register. Call 358-9878 to schedule a FREE physical for your child. This physical exam is necessary in order to register your child for the upcoming school year.

April 17 - April parent meeting, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

April 17 - Advisory Council meeting, 4:15 p.m., in school conference room. Meeting is open to public.

April 25 - "Spring Fling Dance," 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Admission - \$3 per person. Reason for admission is to help fund trip for 2nd and 3rd grades to the Louisville Zoo in May. Grades K-8 are invited to attend. Dance will be held in school gym.

April 28 thru 30 - "Volunteer Appreciation Week." School will host a volunteer appreciation luncheon on

Wednesday, April 30, from 11:30 - 12:30. We appreciate all our school volunteers, so come on out and "have lunch on us!"

Call school Family Resource Center at 358-9878, to make an appointment for a free physical for your child who plans to enter Kindergarten in the fall semester, 2003.

Floyd County Health Dept. is at the school each Tuesday. Services include 6th grade school entry physical; kindergarten, Head Start and Well-Child physicals; T.B. skin test; and WIC services. Please call for appointment if you are in need of any of these services.

MAY VALLEY ELEMENTARY

April 4 - "Birds of Prey" school assembly program.

April 4 - Kindergarten Registration, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

April 14 - School will hold a public forum beginning at 5 p.m. for the purpose of viewing the newly revised Comprehensive School Improvement Plan.

April 14 - "Stranger Danger" program for primary students.

April 17 - "Time Out for Parents," program, from 1-2:30 p.m.

April 21 - "Recycling" program for 2nd grade.

April 24 - "Stranger Danger" program for primary students.

April 27 thru May 4 - "National Volunteer Week." May Valley thanks all their volunteers for their assistance.

Lending Library available for use of students, parents and teachers. Videos on a variety of topics are available.

Floyd Co. Health Dept. is at the school each Wednesday.

Services include 6th grade physicals and immunizations; WIC; well-child physicals; Kindergarten and Head Start physicals; blood pressure checks; TB skin tests, and more. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 for an appointment. Donna Samons-Bartrum, FRC Director.

MCDOWELL ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

School is collecting Food City receipts. Have your students turn receipts in to their homeroom teachers. Community members may also turn receipts in to school office. Help McDowell Elementary receive computers, audio visual equipment, etc. through the "Apples for Students" program.

SBDM Council meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every month.

FRC Advisory Council meets first Thursday of each month in FRC office at 5:30 p.m.

GED classes are held in FRC each Monday and Wednesday from 8-11:30 a.m. Classes are FREE. Please bring paper and pencil. Instructor, Teresa Allen, David School.

Parents of fifth-graders should call now to have their child scheduled for school physicals and immunizations. A series of three HEP B vaccines are required for entry into sixth grade next fall. Students should begin the series now in order to be ready by next fall. Call 377-2678 for appointment.

Floyd County Health Department Nurse Joy Moore, is at the center each Monday to administer immunizations, T.B. skin tests, well-child exams, WIC, prenatal and post-partum services, and school physicals. Call 377-2678 for an appointment.

PRESTONSBURG ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

MCCC services available at the center. Call for additional information.

Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

After School Child Care, 3-6 p.m., school days.

Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center or its programs.

SOUTH FLOYD YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

April 14 - Peer Pressure and Conflict Resolutions classroom presentations.

Walking track open to public (except during special event).

Center has a one-stop career station satellite station that is available to the community, as well as students.

Anyone interested in Adult Ed may contact the center for information.

All new students and visitors, stop by the Center, located on the South Floyd campus, Room 232, and see Mable Hall.

The center is located on the South Floyd campus in room 232. For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood, ext. 242, or Donna Johnson, ext. 153.

STUMBO ELEMENTARY/MUD CREEK FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

Resource Center hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Parents and community members are welcome to visit. For questions, call 587-2233 - ask for Tristan Parsons, Center Coordinator, or Anita Tackett, Assistant.

THE DAVID SCHOOL

Adult Education Class Schedule

Monday and Wednesday Betsy Layne High School, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Call 478-3389 for more information.

Morehead State Prestonsburg Campus, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Call 886-2405 for more info.

Tuesday and Thursday St. James Episcopal Church, 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Church is located on University Drive, Prestonsburg, between PCC and the BP station.

ALL GED CLASSES ARE FREE. BOOKS AND MATERIALS ARE ALSO FREE, EVEN THE ACTUAL GED TEST IS FREE! So, please take advantage of this wonderful learning opportunity. For more information about the free GED program, call Crissy Compton at The David School at 886-8374 (Fridays).

WESLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Weekly Chapel Services, each Wednesday morning, 10 a.m.

W.D. OSBORNE RAINBOW JUNCTION FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

"Lost and Found" located in the Center. Parents need to pick up their children's items within two weeks. Any items not claimed within two weeks, becomes the property of the FRC.

Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center is located in the W. D. Osborne Elementary School. Hours of operation - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or later by appointment. Call 452-4553 and ask for Cissy or Karen. Parents/community members free to visit any time.

New

March 25, 2003

A daughter, Sabrina Marie Hall, to Sheri and John Hall

March 25, 2003

A daughter, Sierra Rodtell Harrington, to Jessica and Rodney Harrington

March 26, 2003

A son, Austin Tyler Ramey, to Jerrie and Scott Ramey

March 26, 2003

A daughter, Sydney Faith Kimbler, to Jennifer Lynn Bridgeman

March 26, 2003

A son, Larry Devan Hagans, to Jamie Renee and Larry Galan Hagans

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 ➤ **Sunday Paper, Thurs. 5 p.m.**

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AUTOMOTIVE

110-Agricultural

NEW HOLLAND SUPER 68 SQUARE HAY BAILER, New Holland 477 Hay mower and conditioner with 7 ft. cut. Call 606-447-3202 for more info. Price, \$2700

130-Cars

1986 SUBARU XT TURBO COUPE 81,000 actual miles, blue exterior, power windows, power locks, sunroof, digital dash. Asking \$1800. Call 874-0467 after 5 p.m. or leave message.

140-4x4s

1952 WILLYS JEEP, all original Army surplus, \$5800 478-5173.

150-Miscellaneous

1975 FORD LTD-brown 400 V8 engine, 36,690 miles, garage kept. Also Utility trailer, raised bed, 1990 Cobra boat 17.5 ft. trailer, motor, live well, trolling motor, excellent condition, garage kept. Parts for 1990 Toyota, sunshield, bug shield, camper top, bed liner. 606-478-5577.*

160-Motorcycles

FOR SALE 2001 XR 400 Honda dirt bike. Good condition Asking 2800, 285-3625 or 285-0788

FOR SALE: 2001 LS 650 Suzuki Street Bike, customize paint, saddle bags & more. Better than new. 874-2700

HONDA XR 100-2002 Model in excellent condition. \$1550.00 285-3395.*

To place your ad call 886-8506

APARTMENTS FOR RENT

1, 2, 3, 4 Bedrooms at Highland Heights Apts. in Goble-Roberts Addn., and at Cliffside Apts. on Cliff Road, Prestonsburg. Close to PCC and Jenny Wiley State Park. Computerized learning centers offer social/educational programs for children and adults. All utilities included at Highland Hgts., utility allowance at Cliffside. Call (606)886-0606, (606)886-1819, (606)886-1927, TDD: 1-800-648-6056, CHAP, Inc., DBA Highland Hgts. & Cliffside Apts., does not discriminate in admission or employment in subsidized housing on account of race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin, age, familial status, or handicap. EOE

170-Parts

FOR SALE: 4 235 X 75 Michelin Tires & aluminum rims. Asking \$450. Call between 3 & 6 p.m.

180-Trucks

FOR SALE: 1977 F100 pick-up, green ext., new tires & battery. Good condition. Call 874-0467 after 5 or leave message.

EMPLOYMENT

When responding to Employment ads that have reference numbers, please indicate that entire reference number on the outside of your envelope. Reference numbers are used to help us direct your letter to the correct individual.

210-Job Listings

BATTERY REPAIR-MAN/TRUCK DRIVER NEEDED. Must have CDL/HAZMAT and clean driving record. Pay based on experience. Apply in person at Electroplate Battery, Minnie Ky. or call 377-2032 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

WILL LIVE IN WITH ELDERLY PERSON 25 years experience in training as a cna nurse. 276-395-2563. (Hold)

PHARMACISTS & PHARMACY TECHNICIANS NEEDED. Eastern Kentucky Locations, Full or PT. Salary commensurate with experience. Low pressure environments. Relief inquiries OK. Call (888) 651-3353 days or (606) 789-6231 nights.*

PRESTONSBURG HEALTH CARE CENTER has openings for LPN'S, RN'S and a Physical Therapist. full and part time positions are available, we offer competitive wages and excellent benefits. If interested please call 606-886-2378 (ask for Lynn Fletcher or Elaine Hunter).*

LEGAL SECRETARY Appalachian Research and Defense Fund of KY, Inc. is accepting applications to fill a full time secretarial position. Word processing and computer skills necessary. Shorthand preferred. Typing speed of 60 wpm. Competitive salary and full benefits package includes Kentucky county retirement benefits. A background check is required for employment. ARDF is an equal opportunity employer. Applications may be obtained by calling 606-886-3876 or by coming to our office at 120 North Front

Dental Office: Needs employee. Knowledge of computers preferred. Send resume to: 415 North Lake Drive, Ste. 201, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.*

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AVON Make your own money, sign up for \$10. for limited time. Call Jancy at 886-2082.

220-Help Wanted

ASSISTANCE NEEDED FOR DISABLED MALE. Evenings Thurs.-Sun. Experience preferred. Call 886-0308

ROUTE SALES DELIVERY DRIVER Coyne Textile Services, a rental uniform company is searching for Route Sales Driver for our Betsy Layne Kentucky location to be responsible for making scheduled deliveries and maintaining customer service for assigned accounts. Qualified candidate must have a valid driver's license and be able to drive a step van. Must pass a drug screen, DOT physical, and road test prior to employment. This position offers an excellent benefit package and competitive salary. Interested candidates should apply in person or forward their resume to: Coyne Textile Services, Attn: Edith Childress, P.O. Box 9097, 1111 Vernon St., Huntington, WV 25704. E-mail: edith.childress@coyn etextileservices.com, Fax: 304-429-4831. Coyne Textile Services is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

YARD SALE: Saturday, April 5, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Various household items, boys sizes 5-12, 25 Sally Stephens Branch Prestonsburg.

ESTATE SALE, Rain or Shine. 6211 Rt. 850, Hippo in Floyd County. Sat. April 4 and 5, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

FINANCIAL

350-Miscellaneous

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380-Services

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445-Furniture

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460-Yard Sale

YARD SALE at Smith Farm near allen on Rt. 1428, April 4-5, 9-5 p.m.

HUGE 5 FAMILY yard sale, Friday & Saturday, April 4 & 5 beside Turner Cemetery at Eastern. Full figure ladies clothing, mens & boys clothing, appliances, lawn mowers, household items & much more!

YARD SALE: Sat. April 5, 8-4 p.m., 1.3 miles up Abbott Creek road. Microwave, guitar & amplifier, tools, dishes, men and women's clothing, books, etc.

220-Help Wanted

HOUSES FOR SALE: 2 & 3 bedroom at Estill & 2 bedroom at Maytown. 358-4261

FOR SALE: Cabin at Jabez, Lake Cumberland, fully furnished. Asking \$12,000. Call 358-4350 between 3 & 6 p.m.

FOR SALE BY OWNER: Brick home, built in 1993, private, 4500 sq. ft., Prestonsburg, large lot. Asking 183,000, serious inquiries only. 606-889-9842

FOR SALE: 7 ROOM COUNTRY HOME, aluminum siding, Approx. 35 acres. Big Barn. Free gas, central heat/AC. City water, out of flood range. Just out of Martin, Ky. city limits, on old Rt. 80. 8 miles from Jenny Wiley State Park. 606-285-3437 evenings. *

MOVING SALE Sat. April 5. rain or shine. 6 month old refrigerator, stove, \$150 ea. Furniture and much more, 3 miles up Prater Creek at Dana, hollow beside Little Salem Church, follow signs. 478-8141

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480-Miscellaneous

FOR SALE: 2002 Sportsman travel trailer, 28 ft. tag along. Only used twice, mint condition. Paid \$17,000 new, asking \$14,000. 606-297-8899.

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490-Want to Buy

Want To Buy-40-50 acres or more, 4-5 acres level land with or without house. In Prestonsburg or Paintsville Area. 606-642-3388.*

REAL ESTATE

220-Help Wanted

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RENTALS

610-Apartments

FOR RENT: Furnished apartments in Prestonsburg. Remodeled, utilities included, no pets. 886-8366

PARTIALLY FURNISHED 2 bedroom apt. for rent. Very clean, suitable for working people, private.

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APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR 1-BEDROOM APARTMENTS FOR ELDERLY AND MOBILITY IMPAIRED PERSONS. Located behind Wendy's and Pizza Hut in Prestonsburg. All utilities are included and the rent is based upon gross monthly income. Several activities, such as line dancing, crafts, bingo, movies, hair salon and church services. The apartments are furnished with a refrigerator, stove, emergency alarm system, and air conditioner. For more information, please call Highland Terrace at 606-886-1925, or come by the office for an application. Highland Terrace does not discriminate in admission or employment in subsidized housing on account of race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin, age, familial status or handicap.

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Big Sandy Health Care, Inc. is seeking candidates for **PHARMACIST** for Hope Family Pharmacy Salyersville, KY

Hope Family Pharmacy is located inside Hope Family Medical Center. Pharmacist plans, directs, coordinates, controls and evaluates related pharmaceutical services delivered to patients as provided by the corporation.

Qualifications for Pharmacist include a graduate of an accredited college of Pharmacy and current licensure in KY as a Pharmacist.

A competitive salary and benefit package accompanies this position. Please send resumé to: Human Resources Big Sandy Health Care, Inc. 1709 KY Route 321, Suite 3 Prestonsburg, KY 41653 Fax (606) 886-8548 Email: r.frazier@bshc.org

550-Land/Lots

PROPERTY FOR SALE: Located on Abbott and also property on Jenny's Creek. Call 478-5173.*

FOR SALE: 2 LOTS ON STONECREST GOLF COURSE, also lots near StoneCrest for Sale. 886-3313 or 886-3314.

570-Mobile Homes

SPRING, SALE, SALE! 2001 28x60, like new, Was \$32,900. Now \$30,500. 1998 28x64 Clayton, nice, Was \$31,900. Now \$29,500. 2000 Fleming, Was \$32,900. Now \$30,500. 2002 16x80, like new, Was \$26,900. Now \$23,900. 1996 Fleetwood 14x70, nice. Was \$15,900. Now \$11,500. 1995 28x66 Chandelier, \$31,000. All homes delivered free. Cantrell Mobile Home Sales, Redbush, Ky. 606-265-3111 or 606-265-4113.

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1 Bedroom Apartment. Furn-ished \$325 month \$250 deposit Utilities paid. References and leases required. 886-3154.*

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630-Houses

FOR SALE: New house, 8 miles from Prestonsburg, 3 bedroom, 2 baths, basemet, garage, large lot, partial owner financing. 886-8366.

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2 BEDROOM HOUSE for rent at Garrett. 359-3469.

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650-Mobile Homes

FOR RENT: Nice, 2 bedroom trailer for rent near Prestonsburg. Also, have 2 bedroom trailer for sale. Call 874-0011.*

FOR RENT: 3 bedroom mobile home, Mtn. Parkway, central heat & air, 1.5 bath. 886-8366

TRAILER LOT FOR RENT Martin area. \$150 mo. 285-9112 or 285-3625.

FOR SALE OR RENT: 2 bedroom 2 bath very nice 16 x 72 mobile home located 4.5 miles past MAC on Mtn Parkway. References required, no pets, couples only. 886-2288

2 BEDROOM, 1 BATH, mobile home conveniently located off US 23, at Allen, Ky. Call 606-477-2783 or 606-522-4126

670-Commercial Prop

FOR LEASE: Retail space, N. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg. Great location & great rates! 886-8366

SPACE FOR RENT: Space has been used as Beauty shop for last 7 years. Located next to Jenny Wiley Video, in Prestonsburg. Call 886-1032.*

SERVICES

705-Construction

ALL TYPES: Remodeling & additions, garages, decks, etc. Also concrete work. Robie Johnson, Jr., call anytime, 886-8896.

770-Repair/Service

Need Computer Support??? Available evenings & weekends. Call for an appointment. 424-4886.

NOTICES

812-Free

FREE PALLETS: Can be picked up behind The Floyd County Times.

815-Lost & Found

LOST: IN STEVEN'S BRANCH above Cliffside white 8 lb. Maltese, male, child owned. \$500 reward. 606-889-9842

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Action Petroleum Co. LTD, 10 Baldwin St., Prestonsburg, KY 41653, hereby declares intentions to apply for a Retail Beer license, no later than May 1, 2003. The business to be licensed will be located at 8498 US 23 South, Allen, Kentucky 41601, doing business as Action Express Mart #4. The owner(s) are as follows: General Manager, Tim McDonald, of Hager Hill, KY 41222. Any person, association, corporation, or body politic, may protest the granting of the license(s) by writing the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 1003 Twilight Trail, Frankfort, KY

40601-8400, within 30 days of the date of this legal publication.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to serve as notice that Equitable Production Company (EPC) at P.O. Box 3878, Pikeville, KY 41502, (606) 433-1240, has applied, or will be applying for a permit to drill Gas Well Numbers 565570 and 565546. The construction of the drillsites, access roads, or pipelines may require disturbance of the tract of land that exists near the Abe Fork of Left Beaver Creek, lying on the southeast side of Left Beaver Creek, bounded on the northeast by lands owned by John and Darlene Collins, and on the southwest by lands owned by the Bertha Tackett Estate, located on the Wheelwright Quadrangle in Floyd County Kentucky. EPC has utilized all available resources

to contact all of the Warfield Johnson Estate. However, EPC has been unsuccessful in contacting all of the Warfield Johnson heirs regarding their potential interest in the 26 +/- acre tract of land, located on the PVA map number 72 and parcel number 64. Anyone with information on contacting any of the Warfield Johnson Estate heirs can contact Craig Blackburn at the EPC office in Pikeville, KY at (606) 433-1240.

PUBLIC NOTICE

LOCAL STATE BOARD PUBLIC HEARING

The Kentucky Board of Education has scheduled a local State Board public hearing on the proposed District Facility Plan for the 17th of April 2003 at Allen Central High School at 6:00 PM. The District Facility Plan lists the pending capital construction and/or renovation projects that the school district may undertake, and the priority order, if applicable, that projects will be initiated. Copies of the proposed District Facility Plan are available for examination by interested individuals at the Board office, 106 North Front Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, between 8AM and 4PM through April 17th. Questions may be directed to Superintendent Paul W. Fanning at 606- 886-2354.

Those individuals wishing to comment on the proposed District Facility Plan may present oral or written comments at the local State Board public hearing. The local Board of Education, after due process, will forward the approved District Facility Plan to the Kentucky Department of Education for ultimate approval by the State Board of Education.

The local State Board public hearing is begin scheduled in accordance with KRS 157.620, and regulated by 702 KAR 1:001.

Place Your Classified in the Floyd County Times

Call 886-8506

STOP!

You've cleaned out your attic, your basement, your garage and now you're ready to host a garage sale. Before you proceed, follow these signs for placing the type of classified ad that will help turn your event into a best-seller.

Be sure to include in your Garage or Yard Sale ad...

- 1 WHAT.** Describe the type of sale you're hosting. Is it mostly household goods? Nursery furniture? Apparel?
- 2 WHEN.** Give dates and time of sale, and rain date information.
- 3 WHERE.** Where the sale will be held, with directions or phone number for directions.
- 4 WHY.** Reason for sale, especially if it is a "moving" sale, since these tend to attract more customers.

Let one of our "ad-visors" help you with your ad.
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MOBILE HOMES, HOUSES AND APARTMENTS: 2 & 3 Bedroom available. References and Deposits required. No pets. 889-9747 or 886-9007. (All \$10.00 week Henrietta pennington)

3 B.R. 2 BA. Mobile Home, located at Ruff & Tuff. Appliances included. \$400 rent, \$400 dep. Also Two, 2 B.R. 1 BA. Mobile Homes, \$350 rent, \$350 dep. 606-478-5173.*

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