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briefs

County receives flood money

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Floyd County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson said Wednesday that the county has received two reimbursement checks for flood relief, bringing the total amount of reimbursements the county is waiting on to roughly \$1.8 million.

According to Thompson, the county recently received checks of \$33,588 and \$40,929, from the February and May 2002 floods, respectively.

The court has said the money would be used to help continue projects initiated after the series of floods that have plagued the county for the past few years.

In other business during the special-called meeting Wednesday, the court approved another round of funding for the Floyd County Drug Task Force, agreeing to fund the unit an additional \$2,500. Thompson said the task force had \$60 left from its last installment after court members agreed to approve the allotment.

The money is generally used to fund controlled buys, or drug purchases made by undercover officers or task force informants.

W'wright mayor seeks AG's help with finances

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

WHEELWRIGHT — Shortly into a special-called meeting of the Wheelwright City Commission yesterday, it was clear that members of the panel

were not seeing eye to eye on financial issues.

After approving the city's financial report, the tables quickly turned when Mayor Marlee Sammons voted against approving the city's bills.

"I'm going to have to vote no

to approving the bills," Sammons told attending council members Andy Akers, Don "Booty" Hall and Rodney Hall. "I've just got some questions about how the money's being spent."

More than 50 bills listing amounts totaling a little over

\$30,000 were submitted for consideration at yesterday's special meeting. The most financially significant of those bills was a flood cleanup payment of \$12,500 to city utilities worker Michael Tackett, a purchase of a 1991 King Cab truck from city

resident Ray Hill for \$6,500 and a split payment of \$9,605 to residents Harold Johnson III and Marty Little for construction of a wall in Hall Hollow.

Several of the bills tabled for

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photo by Sheldon Compton

The Prestonsburg High School Marching Band led the way down Court Street late yesterday afternoon during the school's homecoming parade. Student candidates for homecoming queen followed close behind, waving from the back seats of convertibles and throwing candy to kids vying for position along the sidewalk.

Knott judge guilty of buying votes

by ROGER ALFORD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PIKEVILLE — A jury Wednesday convicted Knott County Judge-Executive Donnie Newsome and one of his supporters of buying votes and conspiring to buy votes in the 1998 primary election.

The federal jury deliberated eight hours before returning with the guilty verdicts on all counts against Newsome, 52, and Willard Smith, 54, both of Hindman.

They were among several people from Knott County indicted earlier this year after an FBI investigation into the 1998 primary election. Newsome won that election.

"This man won through vote buying," Assistant U.S. Attorney Tom Self told jurors in his closing argu-

ment. "A criminal partnership existed between Donnie Newsome and Willard Smith and others to buy votes."

After the verdict, Self argued that the two men should be taken into custody immediately because of alleged threats made against witnesses in the trial. Self said he believes they are a danger to the community.

U.S. District Judge Danny Reeves allowed Newsome and Smith to remain free, but he said if he hears that witnesses or jurors in the case are contacted, he will revoke bond.

Reeves scheduled sentencing for Jan. 5 in U.S. District Court in London. Newsome, who was convicted of one count of conspiracy to buy votes and two counts of buying votes, faces

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County attorney takes stand against alleged pot growers; case sent to grand jury

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Following testimony from Floyd County Attorney Keith Bartley, the cases against two Floyd County men accused of cultivating a patch of marijuana on the county attorney's property were referred to a grand jury Wednesday afternoon.

During his testimony, Bartley said he identified 30-year-old Prestonsburg resident Terry Jarrell on the videotape police helped him place on his property, but could not identify Steven Hunter, 22, also of Prestonsburg.

Jarrell had been working with a contractor on the construction of Bartley's home at Abbott Creek, the county attorney said, adding that he first heard rumor of the alleged harvesting through a Prestonsburg business owner.

"They told my wife that these boys were out there bragging about growing pot around my house," Bartley said, "so me and my wife went up to the house and actually looked around the outside of my house. Of course we didn't find anything."

Bartley said it was after that when he agreed to pay two neighborhood boys a \$200 reward if they

could locate any marijuana along his property.

"They came back and showed me where it was, and, of course, I paid them the reward," Bartley said Wednesday.

Hunter, who was represented by public advocate Mike Studebaker during the preliminary hearing Wednesday, was arrested shortly after Jarrell after the latter got a visit from Kentucky State Police Detective Randy Hunter, who also testified during the hearing Wednesday.

Hunter testified that he visited

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W'wright youth center nearly ready to open

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

WHEELWRIGHT — Work is nearly complete on a new youth center set to open in the coming weeks at Wheelwright, City Commissioner Andy Akers said yesterday.

Akers, who said most of the work has been paid for from the city's fire department funds, said the city is currently writing a grant he hopes will help bring more money to the project.

The youth center will be (See CENTER, page three)

Back from Iraq, Combs thankful to be home

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRATER CREEK — Walter Combs says when he wakes now and it's raining, he's happy.

"I'm happy because I'm not out there training in it," he said.

Combs, a 29-year-old Betsy Layne graduate who left the military as a corporal, after returning from serving in the Marine Corps in Iraq in late May, where he said he was a witness to and participant in some of the heaviest action during Operation Iraq Freedom.

"We were ambushed at least 20 times on the road

to Baghdad," said Combs, who served with the 3rd Infantry 5th Battalion.

"They referred to us as 'the tip end of the spear' ... We didn't go into the big palaces or anything like that, we went through the worst streets they had. I was actually sleeping next to a dry sewer, a place a human should never be."

Combs had just finished serving his four-year term of military service when the war broke out, an event which resulted in an extended six-month stay that included being nearly shot by a sniper in Baghdad, seeing only five real baths in more than three months and playing

a key role in the taking of the Tigris River, one of the war's critical swings.

"Part of my job was to work as a 'six', which is the guy who brings up the rear and keeps an eye out," Combs said, taking out roughly a dozen pictures taken during his time at war. "I had to shoot people and I had people shooting at me, but I was just one man doing my job with other people doing their job."

The father of a 2-year-old daughter and 1-year-old son, Combs said the hardest thing he experienced was meeting with

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Walter Combs, standing in center, says he is glad to be back in Eastern Kentucky. As he was preparing to finish his military career, he was called overseas to fight the war in Iraq.

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■ **BERLIN, Conn.** — Hurricane Isabel brought unholy high winds and lashing rain to the East Coast. It also dumped something almost biblical on Connecticut.

Primo D'Agata was startled by what he thought was hail smacking on his porch Sept. 19 as the remnants of Isabel moved through the state. But when he went outside to investigate, D'Agata discovered tiny, gelatinous eggs with dark spots in the middle.

It had apparently been raining frogs.

Since no frogs in Connecticut lay eggs this late in the year, scientists and naturalists speculate they may have come up from North Carolina or another warm location on the winds of Isabel.

D'Agata brought a bowl of his mysterious find to a nearby nature center, after the town's animal control officer couldn't identify what had arrived in his yard.

Nicolas Diaz, a naturalist and teacher at New Britain Youth Museum at Hungerford Park, took a look at D'Agata's bowl and told him it looked like amphibian eggs.

D'Agata is keeping two small, water-filled glass jars of the eggs to see if any of them will hatch. He said a few seem to have sprouted what look like a tail.

"I'm going to let them sit and see what happens," D'Agata said Wednesday.

■ **CRESCENT CITY, Calif.** — When Joe Francis' truck was stolen, he didn't get mad.

He just stole it back. Francis was upset when the truck vanished from outside his work Monday — he didn't have insurance to replace it.

Francis was on his way to Brookings, Ore., to buy a new car Tuesday when he spotted the purloined truck headed the other way. He swung around and followed.

"It was pretty lucky on my part and pretty stupid on his part for driving the truck around here," Francis said.

He trailed the truck until the driver parked at a home and went

inside. Francis, armed with a can of pepper spray, slipped into the truck and drove it away.

"I knew the key gets stuck in the ignition, so I figured it would be in there. That's probably why it got stolen in the first place," Francis said.

Francis quickly called the California Highway Patrol, and officers showed up to arrest a Folsom State Prison parolee.

■ **ATLANTA** — Army Sgt. Stephen Moore has millions of reasons to fondly remember his home leave.

Moore, 30, visiting family members during his 30-day leave from South Korea, bought the winning Mega Millions ticket for Tuesday night's drawing at a convenience store in the south Georgia city of Fitzgerald.

His haul? A cool \$150 million.

Moore, a chemical specialist, said he was out with his brother Tuesday night, and when he returned he found his wife, Danielle, waiting for him.

"She came out the door, and I thought I was in trouble," Moore said. "She said, 'Guess what, we won the lottery!'"

Moore said the family began calling other relatives to let them know of their good fortune.

"I told my mom to go ahead and quit work," Moore said.

He said he plans to build a

new home for his wife and two daughters. Danielle Moore, also an army sergeant, said the two were married by a justice of the peace, and now she wants a dream wedding.

■ **OMAHA, Neb.** — Robin Reynoso had an unusual visitor stop by her office this week: a mountain lion.

Reynoso, a computer firm's customer service manager, peered out her window Wednesday to spy the hairy beast, just blocks from one of Omaha's busiest intersections.

"He ran by my window and pawed it, then he turned around and attacked it," Reynoso said. She said she didn't realize it was a mountain lion until one of her co-workers screamed out what it was.

"I'm glad it didn't break through the glass," she said. "It was cool. Not too many people get to see them that close."

The window, about 2 feet from her desk, now has claw scratches marking a rare visit to eastern Nebraska by the mountain lion.

The male animal weighed about 80 pounds and probably was born last year, said Lee Simmons, director of Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo.

"This was a wild cat and it wasn't anything that somebody had as a pet," said Simmons, who added the animal was extremely aggressive.

The animal later was captured at a park deep inside city limits after being shot by a zoo official with a tranquilizer dart. The animal was in good condition.



Happy Anniversary

James E. and Marie Goble, of Prestonsburg, recently celebrated their 62nd Wedding Anniversary.

Mayor

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payment yesterday were related to the city's Founder's Day celebration held last month.

But Sammons rejected a motion from council member Rodney Hall to pay the bills, stating he wasn't sure about the legality of the payments.

Sammons told fellow council members during the meeting that he had penned a letter to the

Attorney General's Office asking that the state ethics committee come into the city and review the purchases and the financial conditions of the city's records.

Sammons said he sent the letter approximately a week ago.

Tim Parker, the city's attorney, could not be reached for comment.

Combs

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his children and his wife, whom he married while stationed at Camp Pendleton, in San Diego, Calif., before going to war.

"That's the hardest thing I ever had to do," he said, fighting back emotion. "Being there with them and knowing it might be

the last time I ever saw them."

Combs said at one point while his unit was moving through Baghdad after the bulk of the fighting had dissipated to sporadic rebel attacks, he came across a small girl and her mother living in the remains of a building that had been bombed.

"This girl right here," he said, pointing to a picture of a small, dark-haired girl standing in front of her mother. "I took a picture of her because she reminded me of my daughter."

Combs said the child and her mother were eating off the ground near the front of the shelled building and sleeping on the floor inside when he found them and gave them food and supplies.

Now, back with his family at their home along Prater Creek and continuing the college education he left behind when he entered the military, Combs said every day is a good day.

"When I came off that parkway and into Salyersville and saw those hills ... I tell you, I was the happiest man in the world, I just had to be," he said. "It's a feeling that just can't be matched. It's better than anything else to see those hills and to know that you're home."

As for his time facing war and the atrocities it brings, Combs, who spends time fulfilling one of his childhood goals of coaching by working as an assistant football coach at Prestonsburg High School, remains humble and grounded.

"I'm not special and I'm not a hero, I'm just a regular guy who happened to be a part of this great big machine," he said. "I just led people the best I knew how and done the best I could."

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Oct. 3, the 276th day of 2003. There are 89 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 3, 1951, the New York Giants captured the National League pennant in game three by a score of 5-to-4 as third baseman Bobby Thomson hit a three-run homer off the Brooklyn Dodgers' Ralph Branca in the "shot heard 'round the world."

On this date:

■ In 1863, President Lincoln declared the last Thursday in November Thanksgiving Day.

■ In 1929, the Kingdom of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes formally changed its name to the Kingdom of Yugoslavia.

■ In 1941, Adolf Hitler declared in a speech in Berlin that Russia had been "broken" and would "never rise again."

■ In 1942, President Roosevelt established the Office of Economic Stabilization.

■ In 1952, the situation comedy "Our Miss Brooks," formerly a radio show, premiered on CBS with Eve Arden again in the title role.

■ In 1962, astronaut Wally Schirra blasted off from Cape Canaveral aboard the "Sigma Seven" on a nine-hour flight.

■ In 1981, Irish nationalists at the Maze Prison near Belfast, Northern Ireland, ended seven months of hunger strikes that had claimed ten lives.

■ In 1990, West Germany and East Germany ended 45 years of postwar division, declaring the creation of a new

unified country.

■ In 1991, Arkansas Governor Bill Clinton entered the race for the Democratic presidential nomination.

■ In 1995, the jury in the O.J. Simpson murder trial found the former football star innocent of the 1994 slayings of his former wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and Ronald Goldman. However, Simpson was later found liable in a civil trial.

Ten years ago:

In Moscow, thousands of anti-government protesters armed with rocks, clubs and machine guns sent police fleeing in battles across the capital. President Clinton expressed sorrow at the deaths of American soldiers in Somalia, but reaffirmed that U.S. forces would stay in the African nation.

Five years ago:

Australian Prime Minister John Howard's conservative government narrowly won re-election. Pope John Paul II beatified Cardinal Alojzije Stepinac, the World War II archbishop of Zagreb, a controversial figure because many Serbs and Jews had accused him of sympathizing with the Nazis.

One year ago:

Five people were shot to death in the Washington D.C. area within a 14-hour period, beginning the hunt for the "Beltway Sniper." Hurricane Lili gave Louisiana's coast a 100 mph battering.

Today's Birthdays:

Author Gore Vidal is 78. Actress Madlyn Rhue is 69. Singer Alan O'Day is 63. Rock and roll star Chubby Checker is 62. Actor Alan Rachins is 61. Sen. Jeff Bingaman, D-N.M., is 60. Singer Lindsey Buckingham is 54. Jazz musician Ronnie Laws is 53. Blues singer Keb' Mo' is 52. Baseball Hall-of-Famer Dave Winfield is 52. Actor Hart Bochner is 47. Actor Peter Frechette is 47. Actor Jack Wagner is 44. Rock musician Tommy Lee is 41. Actor Clive Owen is 39. Actress Janel Moloney is 34. Singer Gwen Stefani (No Doubt) is 34. Pop singer Kevin Richardson (Backstreet Boys) is 32. Actress Keiko Agena is 30. Actress Neve Campbell is 30. Singer India.Arie is 28. Actress Alanna Ubach is 28. Actor Seann William Scott is 27. Actress Shannyn Sossamon is 25. Actor Erik Von Detten is 21. Actress Ashlee Simpson is 19.

Thought for Today:

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Governor's ex-mistress pleads guilty to mail fraud

by CHARLES WOLFE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Tina Conner, ex-mistress of Gov. Paul Patton, pleaded guilty to mail fraud Thursday, then expressed indignation that she alone has been charged with a crime.

"This is a chilling message to whistleblowers," Conner told reporters.

Conner, 41, admitted to a federal judge that she tried to get her former husband's construction company certified for contracts that were set aside for companies headed by women and minorities. The application for status as a "disadvantaged business enterprise" listed Tina Conner as the company's operator.

She could be sentenced to as much as a year in prison under federal sentencing guidelines, but prosecutors agreed to recommend probation. U.S. District Judge Joseph M. Hood set sentencing for Jan. 8. Conner had been scheduled to go to trial on Tuesday.

"I have accepted responsibility for my actions," Conner told reporters outside the federal courthouse. She said other people who were involved, "obvi-

ously had something to hide."

She singled out Patton and his transportation secretary, Jim Codell, whose cabinet ran the disadvantaged-business program.

Conner claims Patton and Codell pressured workers in Codell's agency to approve the application for ST Construction, which eventually got a single contract worth about \$30,000, according to the plea agreement.

Patton, a Democrat, acknowledged the affair, which ended his chance of running against Republican U.S. Sen. Jim Bunning in 2004. He says he did not misuse his power and only asked Codell to have the ST Construction application reviewed. Patton says it is proper for a governor to be an intermediary between a constituent and bureaucrats.

Conner said Patton's denials were "malarkey." She said she told Patton that workers in the Transportation Cabinet were questioning the application. She said Patton later told her he had spoken with Codell, and her problem would be resolved.

Conner said that, in preparing for trial, her attorneys obtained government documents showing Patton and Codell refused to cooperate with investigators and

that Codell invoked the Fifth Amendment.

Her lead attorney, Thomas E. Clay, later said Codell was never called to a grand jury because his attorney told investigators that Codell would invoke the Fifth Amendment, a constitutional right to avoid self-incrimination.

Codell's attorney, William E. Johnson of Frankfort, confirmed that a subpoena was issued but that Codell never testified. He declined further comment.

At the time of their affair, Conner, a nurse by training, was among Patton's political and patronage contacts in western Kentucky.

She had multiple business interests, including Birchtree Healthcare, a nursing home at Clinton that later went bankrupt. Conner claimed Patton turned state inspectors loose against Birchtree in retaliation for her ending their relationship.

Center

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for city children ages 17 and under, Akers said, and will offer billiards, video games and a computer lab and library.

"This is the best part," Akers said yesterday, stepping around cans of paint recently used to paint the walls. "We'll have some computers in here and some books so that kids can come in here and do homework and stuff like that."

Other plans include a snack bar and a dancing area, Akers said.

The fire department has spent approximately \$1,200 of its funds to see the work that has been completed on the center finished.

Conner said she would testify in the ethics case, pursue a legal case against Patton and possibly sign for a book deal.

Conner sued Patton last year in Franklin County Circuit Court on sexual harassment and other charges. A judge dismissed all the allegations but one — that Patton engaged in outrageous conduct — and the claim is pending.

Clay said he would expand that lawsuit or file a new suit to press Conner's claim that Patton caused state inspectors to run her nursing home out of business.

The commission says Patton improperly intervened with the Transportation Cabinet to get a promotion for a vehicle-enforcement officer, Monty Clark, at Conner's request. A hearing on the ethics charge is scheduled Nov. 17, three weeks before Patton's term ends.

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Bartley

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Jarrell's home and that Jarrell initially denied any wrongdoing, until after viewing the tape, which Bartley testified depicted both Jarrell and Hunter cutting buds from the seven marijuana plants found along the property.

After seeing the tape, Hunter said Jarrell then confessed and named Hunter as an accomplice in the alleged scheme.

Hunter, who Bartley said lived only about 50 feet from Jarrell, was arrested shortly afterwards.

Stuebaker questioned Bartley as to the nature of a confession the county attorney testified was witnessed, as well. Bartley told the court both men had confessed to planting and cultivating the plants, but that no audio, video or written record of that confession was ever taken.

Stuebaker asked that Hunter's \$7,500 bond be lowered to a 10 percent surety bond, considering that a family member had \$750 to offer toward the amount, but was denied after Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner, who stood in for a testifying Bartley, objected to lowering the bond because of the nature of the charges.

District Judge Eric Hall, who presided over the hearing, agreed

and denied Stuebaker's motion.

Representing Jarrell, attorney Jimmy Webb waived the hearing and saw his client's case referred to a grand jury as well.

Det. Hunter said the plants, which were approximately shoulder-high, had been growing along Bartley's property for probably about three months.

Guilty

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three to 15 years in prison. Smith, who was convicted of one count of conspiracy to buy votes and four counts of buying votes, faces five to 25 years in prison.

Defense attorneys had questioned the credibility of prosecution witnesses, at least two of whom had previously pleaded guilty and agreed to testify against Newsome and Smith in hopes of getting a lighter sentence. They said one witness had mental problems, and another was a convicted drug dealer.

Self told jurors that people who are likely to be approached by unscrupulous campaigners to sell their votes generally are not pillars of the community. He

said they're usually poor and uneducated and don't make the strongest witnesses in a courtroom.

Louisville, attorney Scott C. Cox, who represented Newsome in the trial, said federal prosecutors pulled together "a small handful of liars" from some 200 people who were questioned by the FBI about voting by absentee ballot in the election.

"They know they brought you a garbage case," Cox told the jury in his closing argument.

Eldred Adams Jr., who represented Smith, echoed that sentiment. He said prosecutors produced "the least reliable evidence and the least reliable witnesses" in the trial.

Adams said if the defendants were guilty, the FBI could have tape-recorded a conversation between them and someone from whom they had purchased a vote. He told the jury that had not happened in the five years that have passed since the 1998 primary election.

Newsome took the witness stand Tuesday to deny testimony by other witnesses that he bought votes to get himself elected.

"I didn't pay anybody anytime for a vote," he said. "I get out and work hard, and that's the way you win elections. I don't know of any money that's been paid to anybody."

The trial had been held under the scrutiny of FBI agents after one witness testified she had been threatened and another said he had been told he would be a walking dead man if he testified.

Federal prosecutors, having failed to win convictions in two other vote-fraud trials in Pikeville since June, tried to get the Newsome-Smith trial moved out of Pikeville. They argued that publicity and political influence might hurt chances of a fair trial.

In a trial last month, Brady Slone, 57, and Ronnie Slone, 55, both of Pippa Passes, were found innocent of buying votes in the same primary election. A federal jury in June found Jimmy Lee Conley, 33, of Lackey, innocent of buying votes.

Three other people indicted in the Knott County probe pleaded guilty. Phillip Slone, 53, of Hindman; Newton J. Johnson, 40, of Brinkley; and Jimmy Calhoun, 33, of Hindman, admitted paying voters \$50 each to vote in the primary election.

The trial of the one remaining defendant, Patrick Wayne "Buck" Madden 45 of Litterr is scheduled for Tuesday.

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Guest View

Editorial roundup

The Advocate, Baton Rouge, La., on the do-not-call debate:
The intense interest over do-not-call signals that two years after the 9-11 attacks many Americans have settled back into comfortable routines in which not being bothered at home by sales pitches has become important.

It also illustrates the willingness of Americans to let the federal government "regulate away" a mild nuisance that might otherwise be handled by hanging up the phone, letting voice mail pick up or implementing a caller identification system.

In forging new rules affecting the ability of capitalists to solicit consumers, lawmakers must weigh rights of privacy against free speech. They also must decide whether the objective of silencing phones during family time is worth risking harm to an industry that employs millions of moderately skilled workers.

The timing of the popular support for do-not-call is curious, given that in the national economic slump, most cities including Baton Rouge welcome telemarketing jobs. The national do-not-call register could wipe out many of those jobs. ...

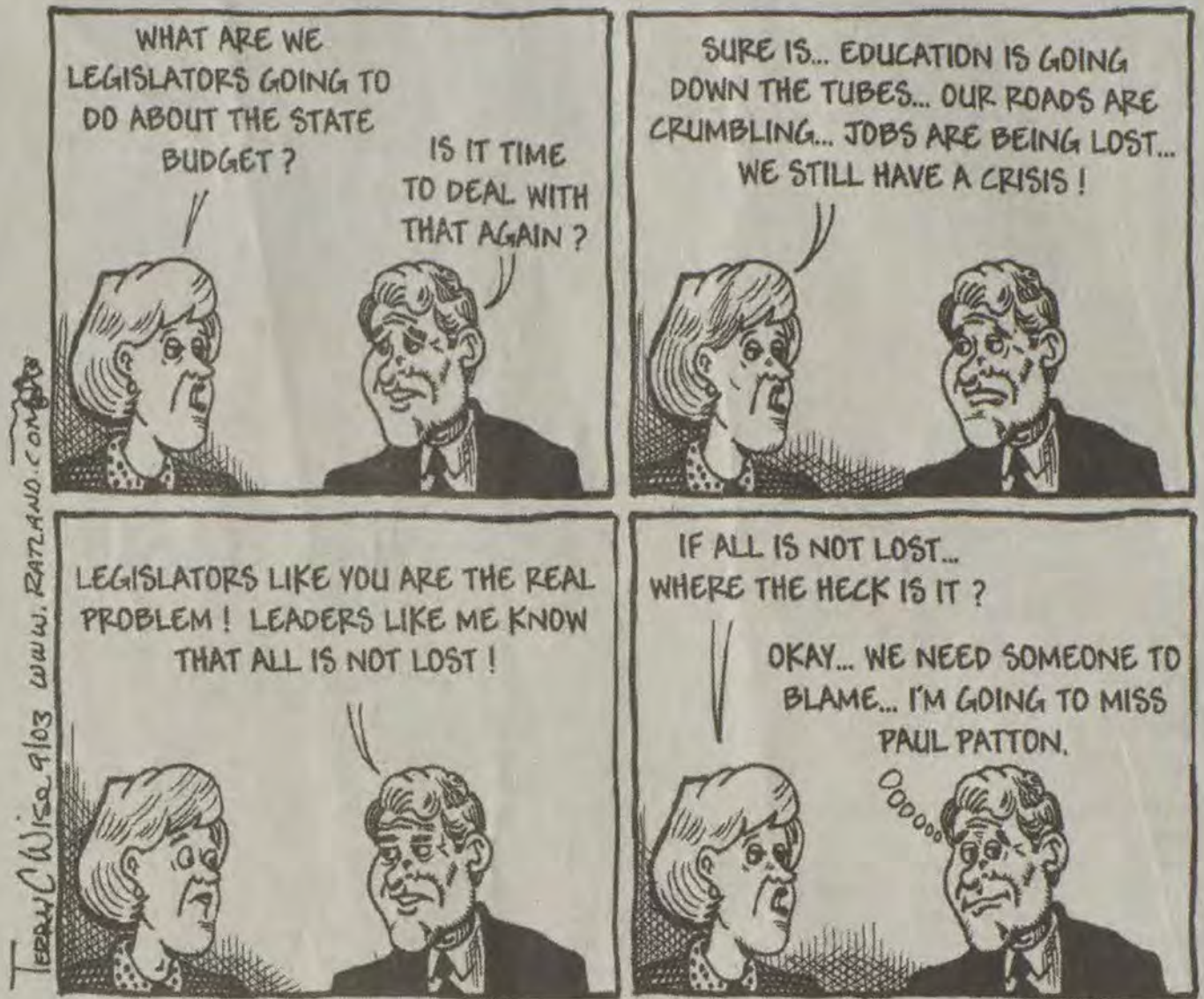
Americans spend much more time watching television than talking on the phone. Given the outrage generated by sales calls to people in their homes, it is a wonder no lawmaker has tried to create federal regulations forbidding TV commercials from rudely breaking up sitcom episodes.

Star Tribune, Minneapolis, on poverty in the U.S.:
The sharp jump in poverty announced by the government last Friday should come as no surprise to anyone who has tracked the ailing economy these last few months. ...

What should be surprising, even alarming, is the reaction of the Bush administration, which seems to range from indifference to petulance. Just three weeks ago, Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson announced proudly that the number of people receiving welfare benefits continued to fall last year. Does the administration really believe that when the number of people who need public assistance goes up, the number who actually receive it should go down? ...

Cash welfare is only one example of this administration's tin ear with respect to economic hardship. ...

Americans have turned a skeptical eye on anti-poverty policy ever since President Ronald Reagan famously announced, "We declared a war on poverty, and poverty won." Well, poverty did not win. The number of poor Americans, especially the elderly and the young, plummeted between 1960 and 1970, the years when Congress created food stamps, Medicaid and other food and housing programs. When the U.S. economy is strong, as it was during the 1990s, it reinforces a fine set of American virtues, including hard work and self-reliance. When the economy is weak, as it is today, it should remind us why Americans created programs to assist each other in the first place.



Letters

Change could destroy forest

People in Floyd County should know that the Bush administration is thinking about gutting a law called the Roadless Rule that could potentially destroy a part of Daniel Boone National Forest.

The Roadless Rule was originally a good rule. It was intended to protect the last third of our national forests from most logging and road-building. Unfortunately, Bush seems to be bowing to his friends in the timber industry (one of whom is now in charge of forest policy), and he wants to change it so that those forests are no longer protected.

This rule could pass as early as the end of October, and it will pass despite widespread public opposition to it. A University of Kentucky survey estimates that nearly 75 percent of Kentuckians oppose logging on public lands.

The Wolf Pen Tract, the most vulnerable area in the Daniel Boone, is a very beautiful part of Kentucky, and an important part of its heritage. It is home to some endangered species that exist nowhere else in the world, and it is a source of clean drinking water for people across Kentucky.

Those who like to hike, hunt, and fish in the area — and those who believe that Kentucky's beautiful wild places should be preserved — should urge the Bush administration to keep the original Roadless Rule. Today's children should not be the last generation to enjoy spending their summers in our national forests.

Emily Harpster
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Speak for your kids

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Assistant Superintendent Pete Grigsby Jr., athletic director Bonita Compton and board members Jeff Stumbo and Mickey McGuire for their understanding that a problem exists and for their efforts in trying to correct it.

The problem is the 2.5 GPA requirement for participation in elementary and middle school athletics. It demands that a good, solid C-average child does more; be above average or you can't play. It's too high and too many children are being denied the opportunity.

We need to keep children involved in school activities, not close the door on them. Involvement creates better daily attendance, improves the dropout rate and develops unity within your school.

I would hope the three board of education members who feel average is not good enough give this issue some serious thought. Think about how it affects every child that wants to participate. One board member was quoted in The Floyd County Times as saying, "We owe it to these kids to support and believe in them," yet average is not good enough.

I urge all parents who feel that the current GPA of 2.5 in elementary and middle schools is too high to contact your board of education member and express your opinion. Call today, before another child is denied a chance to participate. There is strength in numbers, and I believe the parents of Floyd County children will voice their concern.

This is your county school

system and the board members are your elected representatives. Speak and your words will be heard. Speak for your kids!

Steve Roberts
Parent representative
BLES site-based council
Betsy Layne

No talk on the issues

The election is coming up soon and so far I've not heard much different than the same old rhetoric we hear every four years. Wish we planted a garden this time of year, as plenty of manure has been spread all over the state.

State election officials say they expect 20-to-25 percent voter turnout in November. As a proud citizen of this great nation, I am sickened and puzzled by this fact. Everyone seems to have an opinion on what is right and what is wrong in this county, state and nation, but when it comes down to it, it's easier for them to spout off than it is for them to make it to the polls!

How can we expect a clean, efficient, responsive government when our politicians know that 75 percent of the populace could care less? Wonder why they are beholden to special interest groups and PACs? It's because they know that most of us are too busy and uncaring to hold them accountable.

One issue that seems to be important to everyone is the drug problem, especially in Eastern Kentucky. Our candidates keep talking about making a big difference in the war on drugs, but few new ideas have come forth. It's the same old failed plans warmed up again. No one talks about outlawing OxyContin. That drug was designed for cancer patients, not for every goober who claims a bad back! In the 1980s, I know that Quaaludes were taken off the market after massive misuse and

black market sales. The "leaders" of our state keep talking about education and rehabilitation. If I remember correctly, the DARE program and others have been around for years. If the programs are not effective, why keep touting them and wasting money?

As far as rehab goes, who is going to pay for it? I am sure it will be the taxpayers, not the addicts! As with smoking, drinking and other habits, no one put a gun to anyone's head and made them do pills or meth!

People keep expecting government to do more and more for them but are not willing to pay increased taxes. The twain do not meet. We talk about jobs, yet ship jobs off to foreign nations while letting thousands come into this nation illegally each year. The jobs those folks could work have been shipped to the same countries from which they came! Talk about a double whammy!

Not a soul has mentioned a state work farm, boot camp or chain gang for law-breakers. Working and sweating the poison out of your system while also undergoing treatment and counseling sounds like a better plan than allowing folks to sit around in air-conditioned comfort doing nothing. I truly feel if you put young and first-time offenders in a boot camp situation, they will be far less likely to break the law again. It's a novel approach, since many of these folks have never had to work a day in their lives to begin with. Which brings us to another problem ...

To date, no candidate has spoken about the "shoe" problem here in Appalachia. The "shoe" problem I speak of is the thousands of loafers in our area who live the life of Riley while doing nothing at all to earn their keep. You've got folks who do not contribute to their families, their communities or their

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At the Movies:

"The School of Rock"

by BEN NUCKOLS
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If ever a movie deserved to be a colossal, demographic-busting hit, it's "The School of Rock," a nearly miraculous comedy about a fifth-grade rock band with just the right mix of structure and spontaneity, sweetness and subversion.

In an era when "family film" usually refers to movies that nobody without kids would go near, "The School of Rock" has genuine appeal for everyone — it doesn't pander or condescend. (Parents, don't be scared away by the PG-13 rating "for some rude humor and drug references" — the references are so mild they'll fly over the heads of younger kids, who shouldn't be denied the huge kick they'll get out of this movie.)

The only viewers who may not be bowled over by "The School of Rock" are those predisposed to hating Jack Black, who's in every scene and is amped up to 11 throughout. But Black will likely change the minds of many naysayers with his hilarious, freewheeling performance. He's kept in check just enough by director Richard Linklater, who's somewhat of a surprise for this film after his previous ponderous meditations, "Slacker" and "Waking Life." This is the director's best work since 1995's "Before



Sunrise."

Black is Dewey Finn, a small-town rocker whose passion far exceeds his talent. He's fired by his businesslike band-mates for his spotlight-hugging antics, including a shirtless stage dive into a crowd that indifferently lets him crash to the floor.

Dewey is also wearing out his welcome with his pasty roommate, Ned Schneebly (Mike White, who also wrote the screenplay), and Ned's shrill, manipulative girlfriend (Sarah Silverman). Needing income to avoid getting kicked out of their apartment, Dewey poses as Ned to get a job as a substitute teacher at an exclusive prep school.

Initially bored by his well-behaved, overachieving 10-

"The School of Rock," a Paramount Pictures release, is rated PG-13 for some rude humor and drug references.

Running time: 108 minutes.
Three & half stars out of four.

year-olds, Dewey finds inspiration when he sees them performing in music class. (As he discovers their talents, Black

uses his eyebrows more expressively than any actor since Jack Nicholson in "The Shining.") Dewey immediately starts a new class project, "rock band," which will be kept secret from parents and from the uptight Principal Mullins (a fabulously stressed-out Joan Cusack).

Black leaves nothing in reserve as Dewey shares his passion for rock, turning into a great teacher in the process. His chubby body roils and twists with the soul of history's greatest rockers, to whom Dewey's life is an endless homage. When Black and the kids rock out in Dewey's van to Led Zeppelin's "Immigrant Song,"

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Bouncing rocker Jack Black takes his music to the movies

by ANTHONY BREZNICAN
AP ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

LOS ANGELES — Jack Black is the kind of rock star who trashes a hotel room with a pillow fight.

The stubby loudmouth is so uncool, he comes around full-circle back to coolness — imagine McDonald's goofy purple Grimace with AC/DC attitude.

That's the heart of Black's latest comedy, "The School of Rock." He stars as a loser guitarist who masquerades as a teacher at a snooty private school, giving uptight pupils lessons in the three Rs: Rock, Rebellion and Rowdiness.

Through music — loud, ear-splitting music — the teacher and his somewhat nerdy fifth-graders find a goofy way to show off their talents and express their frustrations. Their goal, as Black explains it, is to "stick it to the Man," who in this case is a group of unwaveringly strict parents.

But Black, who in his spare time is a singer-guitarist with the sardonic folk-terror band Tenacious D, says he's not really on a mission to preach the gospel of metal, punk and grunge to America's youth.

"I just do what I love — and I love to rock," Black professes, his signature eyebrows arched after slumping on a couch in his hotel suite. He grins with mock evil. "If I so happen to influence some children along the way, all the better."

There wasn't much Black needed to teach his Lilliputian co-stars. All the kids play their own instruments through most of the film, and he rocked out live with the youngsters on "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno" last week.

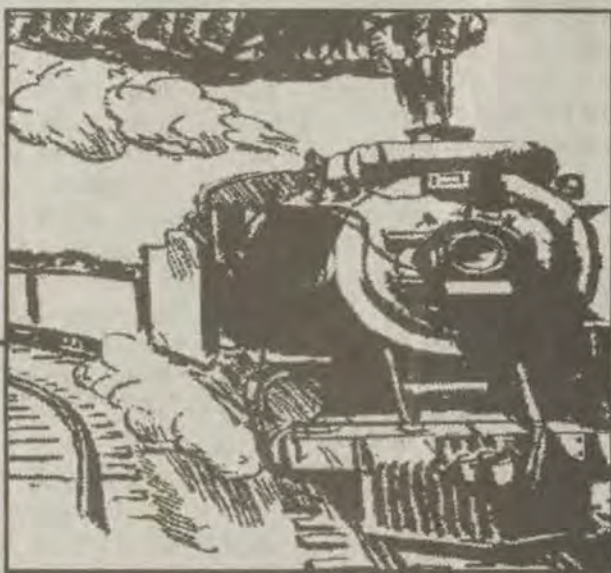
But, in a rare moment of straightforwardness, Black acknowledged that "The School of Rock" does have a moral.

"It's really a message for the parents more than the kids," he said. "The parents should ease up and let their kids follow their path. If they want to experiment with art, don't stifle it like those weirdos who have their kids lives planned out all the way. You're just doing damage."

Then the facade begins to crack. Black's omnipresent silly side inevitably emerges to thwart his sincerity. "In fact, I'm going to go on the record as saying you're doing Van Damme-age," he closes his eyes, snickering about the combal Belgian action star. "You're doing, Jean Claude Van Damme-age."

Black is earning his best reviews for "School of Rock" since his breakthrough as an ultra-snobbish record store clerk in 2000's "High Fidelity" — another uncool guy who earned his bragging rights by strutting fearlessly onstage to sing his heart out.

His other comedies "Shallow Hal" and "Saving Silverman" captured Black's sarcasm, but not his vulnerability, while



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"Tenacious D in ..." he spreads his hands, as if revealing magic, "The Pick of Destiny."

"Five years in the making, countless corpses in our wake, we have in our grasp certainly what will come to be known as the greatest document of historical significance since the dawn of time."

The 34-year-old makes that proclamation in an aristocratic tone — the one he also uses to ask the room service attendant for ketchup and mayo with his bun-less cheeseburger.

Don't let this colossal arrogance fool you — being confidently self-delusional is part of the cult of D. The band sings power ballads about Sasquatch, vulgar love songs, and boasts in its biggest hit, "Tribute," about composing "the best song in the world."

In the Tenacious D film, Black said, his character runs away

from home "because I want to go to Hollywood and stake my fortune in the name of rock. When I meet Kyle, we form Tenacious D, and then we go on our first quest. Our first LEGENDARY quest."

In the real world, Black met Gass — a portly guitarist who resembles a young, sinister Burl Ives — in the early 1990s when both worked at the Actors' Gang playhouse, which was run by Tim Robbins. Robbins helped launch their film careers, giving Black a part in "Bob Roberts" and both Gass and Black roles as amateur ventriloquists in "Cradle Will Rock."

While Black has "School of Rock" in theaters, he has finished two other movies: "Envy," with Ben Stiller, and the animated "Shark Tale," in which he voices a shark named Lenny.

He also has a DVD of his band's music, videos and HBO specials coming out Nov. 4, titled

— pompously enough — "Tenacious D: The Complete Masterworks."

But surely someday, when VH1 does a "Behind the Music" special about career achievements of the deviant nice guy Jack Black, there must be some heartbreaking low point to uncover.

"Smurfberry Crunch," Black says.

At age 13, he appeared in a commercial for the Atari video game "Pitfall," and his school-mates were in awe. Then came a second gig: a cursed cereal commercial in which he pitched sugary puffs alongside the animated imps known as The Smurfs.

"My stock plummeted at school," Black said. "'Pitfall' was cool. Being in a Smurfberry Crunch cereal ad and being pulled along in a red wagon..."

He shakes his head, falling silent.

Not cool.

Obituaries

Gene Paul Branham

Gene Paul Branham, age 72, of Dwale, passed away, Tuesday, September 30, 2003, at his home, following an extended illness.

He was born February 27, 1927, at Dwale, the son of Ecie Garrett Branham of Dwale, and the late Dee Branham. He was a coal miner for Island Creek Coal. He was a member of the Christ United Methodist Church of Allen, and a member of V.F.W. at Prestonsburg.

He was married to Shelby Jean Gamble who survives him.

Other survivors include four daughters, Debbie Martin of Lexington, Terry Hayes and Tyline Jody Mullins, both of Prestonsburg, and Paula D. Martin, of Holland; one sister, Lena Sword of Dwale; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, October 4, at 1 p.m., from the Christ United Methodist Church at Allen.

Burial will follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel.

Friends may call at the Burke Funeral Home, Friday, October 3, after 11 a.m.

All arrangements are under the direction of the Burke Funeral Home, of Prestonsburg.

(Paid obituary)

Lula Margaret Ball Hatfield

Lula Margaret Ball Hatfield, 87, of Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, September 30, 2003, at Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg.

Born October 7, 1915, in Blackberry, in Pike County, she was the daughter of the late Tom and Nancy Ball. She was a mother, homemaker, and a member of the Primitive Baptist Church in Blackberry.

She is survived by her husband, Edward Hatfield.

Other survivors include three sons, Tommy Hatfield of Galion, Ohio, Jerry Hatfield of Paintsville, and Ronnie Hatfield of Prestonsburg; five daughters, Louvena Miller of Idaho Falls, Idaho, Shirley DeRossett and Gaye Hatfield, both of Prestonsburg, Ina Clara Arrington of Lynchburg, Virginia, and Nellie Music, both of Richmond; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by three brothers, Chester Ball, Jake Hatfield and William Blackburn; a sister, Inis May; and two grandchildren, Ronnie Lee (2) Hatfield II, and Donald Music.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, October 3, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Primitive Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Hatfield Family Cemetery at Bull Creek, in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

(Paid obituary)

Mary Ethel Harless

Mary Ethel Harless, age 93, of Calf Creek, died Tuesday, September 16, 2003, at the Prestonsburg Health Care Center.

Born August 25, 1910, at Edgar, Ky., she was the daughter of the late William Jack Lafferty and Eva Fraley Lafferty. She was the widow of Ira Harless.

She was a seamstress, homemaker, and a member of the Calf Creek Fellowship Baptist Church. She had six sons, whom, without the help of any welfare agency, she helped send through school by sewing for people.

Survivors include six sons, Elmer Harless, Elzie Winston Harless, and Oakey C. Harless all of Prestonsburg, William Truman Harless of Ypsilanti, Michigan, James Harless of Marion, Ohio, and Winfred Harless of Plymouth, Michigan; 14 grandchildren and

Charles Edward Blevins

Charles Edward Blevins, 80, of Weeksbury, died Wednesday, October 1, 2003, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Born October 12, 1922, in Floyd County, he was son of the late Dock and Alice Pickles Blevins. He was a retired coal miner and a member of the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Larcie Johnson Blevins.

Other survivors include a son and his wife, Vince and Yvonne Blevins of Weeksbury; a daughter and her husband, Sherry and Harold Blocker of Weeksbury; two brothers, Orville Blevins of Betsy Layne and Bobby Blevins of Lincoln Park, Michigan; a sister, Wanda Tackett of Knoxville, Tennessee; three grandchildren, Steven, Brandy and Chrissy; and three great-grandchildren, Josh, Emily and Beth.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two sons, Paul Edward Blevins and Jerry Lee Blevins; a brother, Halbert Blevins; and two sisters, Mildred Hager and Nola Sword.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, October 4, at noon, at the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church, with Louis Ferrari officiating.

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

Visitation is at the church.

(Paid obituary)

Frank Tussey

Frank Tussey, 78, of Prestonsburg, passed away, Thursday, October 2, 2003, at the King's Daughters' Hospital, Ashland, after an extended illness.

He was born November 12, 1925, at Maytown, the son of the late Green and Mollie (Harmon) Tussey. He was a retired coal miner from National Mines Inc. He was a member of the Spurlock Bible Church at Spurlock, and a member of the D.A.V.

He is survived by his wife, Julia (Scutchfield) Tussey.

Other survivors include two daughters, Margie Kendrick and Brenda Gray, both of Prestonsburg; one brother, Harmon Tussey, of Prestonsburg; and one granddaughter, Sherry Mitchell.

Funeral services will be held Sunday, October 5, at 1 p.m., at the Burke Funeral Home Chapel, at Prestonsburg, with Rev. Dan Heintzelman officiating.

Friends may call after 12 p.m., Friday, and after 11 a.m., on Saturday, at the funeral home.

All arrangements are under the direction of Burke Funeral Home, Prestonsburg.

(Paid obituary)

William Floyd "Tumbleweed" Skaggs Jr.

William Floyd "Tumbleweed" Skaggs Jr., age 51, of Martin, passed away, Tuesday, September 30, 2003, at his residence.

He was born April 11, 1952, in Martin, the son of Rosemary Kidd Gross, and the late William Floyd Skaggs.

Survivors include his mother, Ann Griffith of Martin; one brother, Raymond Griffith Jr., of Jacksonville, Florida, and three sisters, Janice Wright and Tommie Robinson, both of Martin, and Chris Stumbo of McDowell.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, October 3, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, at Martin, with Clergymen Bruce Coleman and Gary Mitchell officiating.

Burial will follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel, under the professional care of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

(Paid obituary)

Darcus Key

Darcus Key, 81, of Allen, widow of Roy Key, passed away, Thursday, October 2, 2003, at the residence of Sue Harn.

She was born December 28, 1921, in Hippo, the daughter of the late Tommy Ousley and Lucy Allen Ousley. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church, at Allen.

Survivors include one son, Jimmy Ray Key of Allen; two nieces, Sue Harn and Patty Armour; two grandchildren, Zak Tisdale Key and Kelly Ray Key, and one great-grandchild, J.D. Armour.

Funeral services for Darcus Key will be conducted Sunday, October 5, at 2 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, with Clergymen Arnold Turner Jr., and Mark Tackett officiating.

Burial will follow in the Hicks Cemetery, at Hippo, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is after 6 p.m., Friday, at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Lee Boyd, Ross Boyd, Stacy Marshall, David Holbrook, Brandon Kinzer, Brent Turner and Dustin Porter.

Honorary pallbearers: Mike Boyd, Robert Marshall, David Boggs, Terry Kinzer, Jerry Kinzer, and Jim Bill Frasure.

(Paid obituary)

Lee Ester Osborne

Lee Ester Osborne, 81, of Hampton, Virginia, formerly of Buckingham, died Tuesday, September 30, at Sentara Care Plex Hospital in Hampton, Virginia.

Born July 28, 1922, at Wheelwright, she was the daughter of the late Hargis and Lorraine Noble Clemons. She was a homemaker and attended Victory Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Roy Osborne.

Survivors include two sons, Danny Osborne of Hampton, Virginia, and Anthony Osborne of Edgewood; a daughter, Madelene Weinberger of Waldorf, Maryland; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, and husband, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Pearl Clemons and Kelly Clemons; and two sisters, Margaret Coston and Dora Lucas.

Graveside services will be conducted Saturday, October 4, at 11 a.m., at Buckingham Cemetery, with Lee Weinberger officiating.

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

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Man convicted a second time in woman's death

The Associated Press

PRESTONSBURG — A man was convicted of murder for a second time in the slaying of an 84-year-old woman in her bedroom and faces the possibility of being sent back to death row.

A Floyd County Circuit Court jury deliberated about seven hours Wednesday before convicting Sammy Fields in the 1993 death of Bess Stidham Horton. The penalty phase is scheduled to begin Friday.

Fields, 31, could get the death penalty or 20 years to life in prison. The jury also convicted him of first-degree burglary.

Horton, a well-known Grayson businesswoman, had her throat slashed and was stabbed in the head as she was sleeping in her bed.

Fields was found going through Horton's belongings by a police officer who noticed a

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Marriage Licenses

Mary Edith Goble, 44, to Ronnie McCoy, 48, both of Ivel.
 Loretta Ann Slone, 17, of Langley, to Rodney Earshel Howell, 17, of Printer.
 Janie Lynn Moore, 26, of Lackey, to James Edward Hall, 27, of Topmost.
 Barbara Ann Nelson, 41, to Raymond Lee Carroll, 44, both of Blue River.
 Cindy Marie Isaac, 26, to Michael Paul Frasure, 29, both of Martin.
 Tina Louise Burkhalter, 16, of Allen, to Ronnie Shearer, 44, of Auxier.
 Tina Mara Johnson, 22, to Timothy Brewer, 35, both of Wheelwright.
 Stevanie L. Bolen, 23, to Michael D. Moore, 42, both of Printer.
 Regina Lynn Castle, 16, to

Tony Geane Hall, 21, both of Printer.
 Shannon Renee Slone, 21, of Carrie, to Bradley Richard McKinney, 22, of Prestonsburg.
 Krystal Slone, 18, to Timmy Castle, 21, both of Prestonsburg.
 Tonya Lea Charles, 28, of Harold, to Marcus Readie Scroggins, 34, of Pikeville.
 Stephanie Renee Estep, 25, to Mark Anthony Hunt, 28, both of Prestonsburg.

Civil Suits Filed

Sherry Marsillett vs. Tara Goebel; complaint.
 BankAmerica Housing Services vs. Johnny D. Howell; complaint.
 Guardian National Acceptance Corporation vs. Gregory Clifton; complaint.
 First Commonwealth Bank vs. Douglas Osborne; complaint.
 Chester Hunter vs. Bernita

Hunter; divorce.
 Michael Gibson vs. Susan Gibson; divorce.
 Sue Celia Hall vs. Bufford Hall; divorce.
 Ginger Adkins vs. Christopher Adkins; divorce.
 Azzie S. Moore vs. Lowell D. Moore; divorce.
 Anna Faye Winfree vs. Glendale Lee Winfree; divorce.
 Kathy Jervis vs. Stefan Jervis; divorce.
 Charles Ernest vs. Marie Ernest; divorce.
 Terrence L. Wise vs. Mindy E. Wise; divorce.
 Edward Turner vs. Katie Newsome; divorce.
 Gheard Martin vs. Bobby Moore; complaint.
 Myrtle Bates vs. Chasity Taylor; petition for health care insurance.
 Andrea Webb vs. Kenneth Webb; petition for health care insurance.

Rebecca Hall vs. Rodney Hall; divorce.
 Sharon Jones vs. Manis Jones; divorce.
 Jack Rowe and Alice Fairchild Rowe vs. Rocky Rowe and unknown spouse, Rebecca Rowe and unknown spouse and Chuck Rowe and unknown spouse; complaint.
 Rosanna Case vs. Thelma Spears, doing business as Spears Trailer Park; complaint.
 Jarrod Johnson vs. Larry Tooley; complaint.
 Nyra Lynn Miller vs. Howard Keith Miller; divorce.
 Pat Bradley vs. Jerry Fannin and the City of Prestonsburg; complaint.
 National City Bank of Kentucky vs. Eddie R. Dalton; complaint.
 Shawna Damron vs. Robert Keatheley; petition for health care insurance.
 Lovella Hansford vs. Tonya

Kester; petition for health care insurance.
 Lovella Hansford vs. Timothy Meade; petition for health care insurance.
 Kristie Justice vs. Ralph Justice; petition for child support and health care insurance.
 Charity Swafford vs. Jesse Swafford; petition for health care insurance.
 Sheila Kendrick vs. Matthew Kendrick; petition for health care insurance.
 Georgia King vs. Andrew King; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Big Sandy RECC vs. Roger Dale McKinney; debt collection.
 Big Sandy RECC vs. Jason Howard; debt collection.
 Big Sandy RECC vs. Mack LeMaster; debt collection.
 Big Sandy RECC vs. Teresa Fitzpatrick; debt collection.
 Big Sandy RECC vs. Patricia G. Boyd; debt collection.
 Big Sandy RECC vs. Jerry Bellamy; debt collection.
 Big Sandy RECC vs. Freddie Newsome; debt collection.

Small Claims

Big Sandy RECC vs. James Skeens; debt collection.
 Big Sandy RECC vs. Zed Ousley; debt collection.
 Big Sandy RECC vs. Gordon Moore; debt collection.

Charges Filed

Barry Robinson, 43, Langley, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs, driving under the influence on a suspended license, no insurance, no registration, failure to wear seatbelt.

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The breast cancer incidence rate, a measure of the number of new breast cancers per 100,000 women, increased by about 3.7 percent per year during the 1980s. During the 1990s, this rate of increase slowed. The incidence is now increasing at about 0.5 percent a year.


In 2003, about 39,800 women and 400 men will die from breast cancer in the United States. Breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death in women, exceeded only by lung cancer. Death rates from breast cancer declined significantly during 1992 to 1996, with the largest decreases in younger women — both white and black. These decreases, which are continuing, are believed to be the result of earlier detection and improved treatment.

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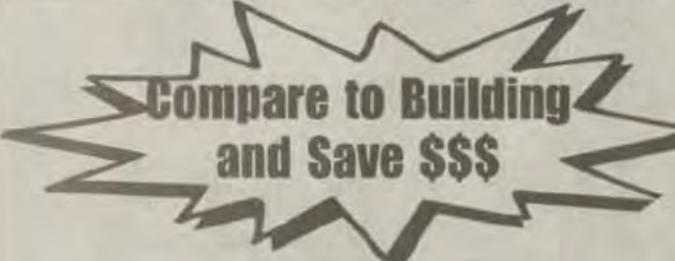
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nation, who eat and live better than many working folks.

SSI and disability fraud runs rampant in our state, costing working taxpayers millions each year. Go to the local store the first of the month and you will find scores of healthy, working-age younger people pulling up on the curb (it's too much like work to park legally and walk to the door) with handicapped tags on their cars. I've personally seen hundreds of young people who are far more physically able than I abusing this benefit. If a vehicle has a handicapped sign or tag and there is no one in the car who is unable to walk, then a citation should be issued. After all, if you have the physical ability and the energy to walk around the building supply store, the super store or the flea market, you are not very handicapped then, are you? If you can walk, then you can work!

The Bible says in Timothy and II Thessalonians that a man shall work and take care of his family. It does not say if you want to; it says you shall. I see a lot of our male species 18-45 every day just lounging around, leeching off the hard work and taxes of others. If these "males" cannot act like a man should, they why not pass a law requiring them to wear a dress until they decide to become a real man again?

No candidate has said anything about the expenditure of those living off the rest of us. If you are on the draw or any other entitlement program, those monies should be used for basic living necessities. Check the bars, the rooster fights and the bingo halls and you will find thousands every

weekend enjoying gambling and frivolity on our dime! Idle hands doth mischief create!

No, I don't really expect any of our candidates to have the guts to make any of these proposals. We will continue along as always, with the working man bearing the burden and costs and enjoying little in the way of benefit that those less worthy enjoy.

None of our candidates has tackled the big corporations, either. When a corporation moves out of the area and ships its operations overseas, it costs us. We should enact laws requiring these corporations to pay penalties for their greed.

If a corporation leaves an area, then that corporation should have to pay for the lost wages, benefits and job retraining for a period of one year for each and every employee who lost a job. It should not be the middle class who pays for corporate America's larger profit margin. Most of the jobs lost are lower paying, semi-skilled jobs, so you cannot convince me that these companies cannot afford to keep operation right here in the U.S. and still make a profit. They just want a bigger one and the taxpayers pay for it!

As liberal as Franklin Roosevelt was, he at least expected the nonworking to do something for what they drew. He created the WPA, the CCC and other programs that required folks to work for their government stipend. What is wrong with "employing" that concept today? If folks had to do something, anything for the check they draw, it would create more pride and responsibility in one's self.

In any event, please go to the

polls this November. It is a privilege and duty in a free society. Look at the candidates and try to choose one who is qualified, honest, ethical and decent. We've had too many scandals, too much corruption and too little result to do otherwise.

Finally, in one cannot take care of one's self, then there is no right or reason to be bearing children that others must keep up. There ought to be a law on that as well.

Charles Scoville
Ivel

Macy, Montgomery Gentry, Nick Clooney, Kentucky Headhunters and Lily Tomlin and the many radio stations across the Commonwealth for participating in the Vote Kentucky! campaign.

Be listening for the public service announcements on your local radio stations and please make it a priority to vote on Tuesday, Nov. 4. If you need information on any of your candidates don't hesitate to contact us. Together we can make a positive change in Kentucky.

Paula Harrington
Concerned Citizens of Kentucky

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The other choices

Since KET, Fancy Farm officials, and other political and news outlets have decided to discount the additional gubernatorial candidates, Jeffrey Hillebrand and Stacy Abner, CCKY would like to take this opportunity to inform the people of Kentucky on the other choices for governor.

With questions garnered from citizens across the Commonwealth we interviewed these candidates and would like to invite your readers to contact us at ccky@vci.net to obtain a copy of the interviews.

Ignoring candidates due to the fact that they are not financially backed or affiliated with a major party is a slap in the face to every voter in Kentucky. We, the people, have the right to decide who our next governor is, not the media, picnic coordinators or debate organizers.

Also, we would like to thank the following Kentucky celebrities: Rodger Bingham, Doug Pelfry, Steve Wariner, Kyle

Murder

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light was on in Horton's bedroom window and went to investigate.

Fields originally was convicted of Horton's death in 1997 and was sentenced to death.

The Kentucky Supreme Court struck down the conviction in 2000. The court ruled that jurors should not have been allowed to hear the audio portions of the police officer's video of the crime scene. It also said the jury should have had the option of convicting Fields of second-degree manslaughter.

Horton's family expressed relief over this week's verdict.

"It's just been a long ordeal," said Horton's niece, Marty Harber of Clinton, Tenn.

Field's retrial was to have been in August 2001 in Carter County, but Judge Samuel Long recused himself. The case was assigned to Circuit Judge John David Caudill in Floyd County.

Record

Ronnie Tackett, 36, Weeksbury, first-degree wanton endangerment, reckless driving, improper passing.

Charles Johnson, 52, Melvin, harassment.

Zeda Martin, 62, Langley,

harassment.

Sherman Poston, 44, McDowell, alcohol intoxication.

Brandi R. Thornberry, 21, Martin, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs, operating on a suspended license, second-degree possession of a controlled substance, prescription in improper container, use or possession of drug paraphernalia, no insurance, failure to surrender revoked license.

Ricky Crum, 20, Tomahawk, minor in possession of alcohol.

Norman E. Johnson, 27, Lowmansville, assisting a minor in purchasing alcohol.

Clyde Bradley, 51, Hueysville, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.

Kelly D. Music, 26, Paintsville, alcohol intoxication.

Rusty Hamilton, 27, Galveston, alcohol intoxication.

Ronald G. McNeil, 27, Harold, alcohol intoxication.

Kenneth E. Stewart, 42, Tram, alcohol intoxication.

Rodney Baker, 36, Lackey, two counts of fourth-degree

assault, terroristic threatening, criminal mischief.

Kim Renee Martin, 38, Martin, fourth-degree assault.

Holly Ann Kidd, 36, Martin, terroristic threatening, second-degree wanton endangerment.

Teresa Cline, 43, Allen, cultivating marijuana.

Eugenia Williams, 38, Grethel, three counts of second-degree possession of a controlled substance, prescription in improper container.

Tracy Burke, 31, Langley, fourth-degree assault.

Nicholas Evans, 24, McDowell, fourth-degree assault, crimJoshua Miller, 18, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.

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The script is perfectly suited to the talents of its star, embracing Black's dead-on comic timing and the showmanship he brings to the stage as frontman of the duo Tenacious D.

But the brilliance of the screenplay from White, who also wrote the very dark "Chuck & Buck" and "The Good Girl," starring Jennifer Aniston, goes much further, because he applies formula so gently. It's nothing new to see an antic teacher bringing out his students' suppressed talents while making a mockery of school policy, but White never lays the inspirational message on too thick. Thus when Dewey helps shy backup singer Tomika overcome her stage fright or tells unpopular keyboardist Lawrence that the band will make him one of the coolest kids in school, it's genuinely touching.

White and Linklater manage to make the movie's predictability an asset: We know Dewey will be discovered as a fraud eventually, but the filmmakers turn maudlin convention on its head by making it the funniest scene in the movie. "Your kids have touched me, and I'm pretty sure I've touched them," Dewey tells a roomful of horrified parents.

We also know the kids will rally around Dewey for a climactic gig that will prove his worth as a teacher and theirs as rockers, and Linklater creates a tingling sense of anticipation for the performance. When they finally take the stage, these kids — all of whom sing and play their own instruments — really do rock.

They keep on rocking straight through the closing credits, and you'd be crazy to leave your seat before they're finished. "The School of Rock" is a warm and buoyant triumph — as delightful as movies get.

"The School of Rock," a Paramount Pictures release, is rated PG-13 for some rude humor and drug references. Running time: 108 minutes. Three and a half stars out of four.

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Cheerleaders featured in pre-game

PRESTONSBURG – All youth cheerleaders that attended the Prestonsburg High School Varsity Cheerleading Clinic in August will cheer during pre-game tonight before the Magoffin County-Prestonsburg game. All participants are asked to be at the Prestonsburg High gym by 6:15 p.m. Youth Cheerleaders should dress warmly and are asked to wear their clinic T-shirt and red or black pants.

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Ortega leads Centre defense

by STEVE LeMASTER
 SPORTS EDITOR

— Three-sport star back to football —

DANVILLE – Former Prestonsburg High School standout John Ortega, from his strong safety position, creates a lot of havoc for opposing teams. Ortega, a senior at Centre College who now plays three sports, again, and plays all three well, is part of a

Colonel defender which ranks near the top in its conference.

Centre (3-1, 1-0 SCAC) leads the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference in total defense surrendering 287 yards a game and giving only

19.2 points a game (2nd). Ortega leads the Colonel defense averaging 11 tackles a game, good enough for third in the conference. Linebacker Brian Downs has also been outstanding averaging nine tackles a game, seventh in

the league. Offensively, the Colonels are led by all-purpose running back Lorenzo Engleman who ranks either first or second in the conference in five offensive categories. Engleman averages 101 yards a game on the

ground to go along with 66 yards a game in reception yardage.

Ortega and his Centre College teammates are coming off a disappointing 23-21 loss to Washington and Lee.

"We played our C game last week and Washington and Lee played their

(See ORTEGA, page three)

H.S. FOOTBALL

Rebels face tall test versus Hazard

by STEVE LeMASTER
 SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN – Following a loss last Friday night on the road in Knott County, Allen Central will return to play at home with another opponent waiting in the wings. Class A, District Eight frontrunner Hazard will visit Floyd County and Allen Central tonight and bring with it a near-perfect 4-1 overall record. The Bulldogs, under first-year head coach Mark Dixon. Hazard suffered its only loss of the season back on Friday.

(See REBELS, page three)

BASEBALL AND BEYOND

America's Pastime hits fall wide open

by RICK BENTLEY
 TIMES COLUMNIST

It's been a while, so this week we'll clean out a few notebooks and offer



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notes, many centering around the ongoing baseball playoffs.

The old saying two wrongs don't make a right applies to the world of broadcasting too.

Actually, I suppose it should be restated: Two bad announcers don't make a good one.

ESPN, The Worldwide Leader in Sports, is on baseball playoff

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TOURNEY RESULTS

REGION 11 GOLF

TOP TEAMS:

1. Paintsville
2. Hazard
3. Pikeville
4. Prestonsburg
5. Johnson Central
6. Breathitt County
7. Sheldon Clark
8. Pike Central

TOP TWO TEAMS

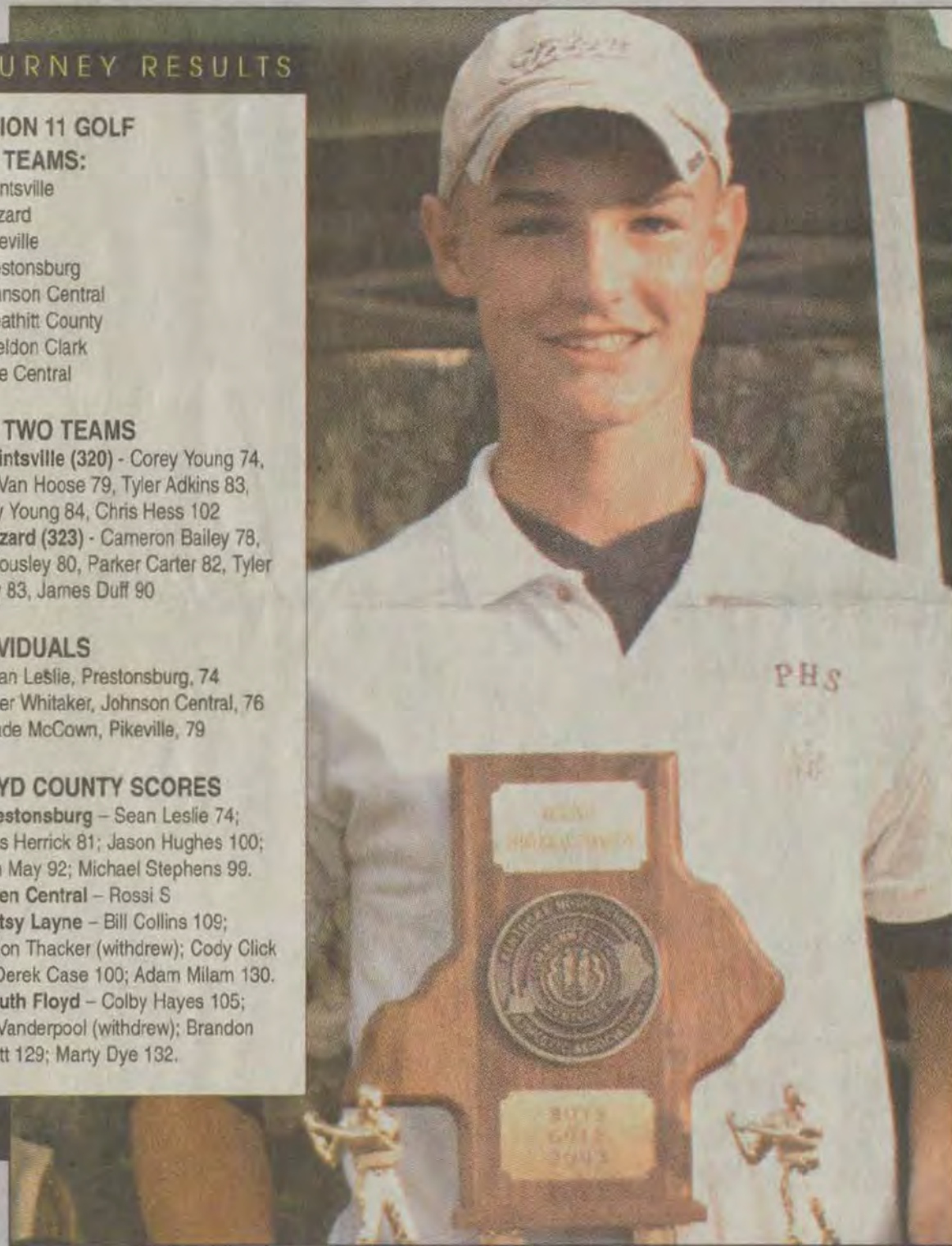
- Paintsville (320) - Corey Young 74, Tyler Van Hoose 79, Tyler Adkins 83, Casey Young 84, Chris Hess 102
- Hazard (323) - Cameron Bailey 78, J.J. Housley 80, Parker Carter 82, Tyler Bailey 83, James Duff 90

INDIVIDUALS

- Sean Leslie, Prestonsburg, 74
- Tyler Whitaker, Johnson Central, 76
- Wade McCown, Pikeville, 79

FLOYD COUNTY SCORES

- Prestonsburg – Sean Leslie 74; Brooks Herrick 81; Jason Hughes 100; Austin May 92; Michael Stephens 99.
- Allen Central – Rossi S
- Betsy Layne – Bill Collins 109; Brandon Thacker (withdrew); Cody Click 102; Derek Case 100; Adam Milam 130.
- South Floyd – Colby Hayes 105; Josh Vanderpool (withdrew); Brandon Tackett 129; Marty Dye 132.



Prestonsburg sophomore Sean Leslie will participate in next week's State Tournament as a regional champion.

Leslie captures regional championship

by STEVE LeMASTER
 SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE – It's lonely at the top. Or is it? Ask Prestonsburg sophomore golfer Sean Leslie because he would know. Leslie went head-to-head with Paintsville

golfer Corey Young and came out on top. But it took five holes to settle the score and figure out a winner. Leslie finished first followed by Johnson Central

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H.S. FOOTBALL

Raiders hosting Jenkins on Senior Night

by STEVE LeMASTER
 SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT – South Floyd (3-3, 2-1 in Class A, District Eight), after hosting one Class-A football team from Letcher County, Fleming-Neon, one week ago today, will turn around and host another Letcher County squad tonight when Jenkins comes calling.

Jenkins is back in district play. South Floyd head coach Donny Daniels knows another district win is at stake when the Cavaliers visit tonight.

South Floyd's only loss in the district to date was a setback against

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DIRT TRACK

Kinzer runs fourth in Eldora race

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ROSSBURG, Ohio – In a weekend that nearly every other track on the east coast was being plagued by rain, Eldora Speedway was able to go on as planned and get in the annual running of the Sunoco ALMS Series Johnny Appleseed Classic.

An impressive 69 Dirt Late Models took qualifying attempts at the famed half oval with Allen's Brandon Kinzer posting sixth fastest time.

Kinzer's qualifying time would

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UPDATE

Martin Community Center in full operation

B'ball league signups

by STEVE LeMASTER
 SPORTS EDITOR

MARTIN – What once was only a dream is

now a reality.

The City of Martin announced this week that its Community Center is now in full operation. The computer lab, located inside the

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The Our Lady of the Mountains cross country team got together for a picture prior to a June Buchanan School meet held in September at Carr Fork Lake State Park. Pictured, left to right: Assistant coach Holly Coburn, Courtney Coburn, John Cybriwsky (kneeling, center), Juliana Cybriwsky and Coach Chris Stelle. Front row, left to right: Destiny Shell, Rachel Prater and Haley Matijasic.

Raiders

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perennial power Pikeville. Versatile Jenkins running back Jonah Tackett commands much of the attention from opposing teams. Jenkins has one win on the season, a 25-12 victory over Betsy Layne back on Aug. 29. The Cavaliers are on a current three-game losing streak which dates back to a 56-6 home loss suffered to Paintsville back on Sept. 5. Mark Tackett is in his first season as head coach of the Jenkins grid program. Tackett and his team had an extra week to prepare for the Raiders last week due to an open date on the schedule

In scouting Jenkins, Daniels saw basic football. "They run Power-I on offense," said Daniels. Last week's 52-20 win over Fleming-Neon was a huge momentum builder for the Raiders. "Our kids felt real good after the Neon game," added Daniels. "We had a pretty good week of practice, too." South Floyd will observe Senior Night tonight and pay tribute to five football players. Senior Raider football players are Brandon Little, Landon Hall, (See RAIDERS, page three)

Martin

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Martin Community Center, is open two days per week, Monday between the hours of 3-7 p.m. and Tuesday from 3-5 p.m. The center is currently accepting applications for volunteers for the computer lab. All volunteers for the computer lab must undergo a background check. Martin Training League/AAU basketball signups will be held on Sunday at the Community Center between the hours of

12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. for youth between the ages of 3 and 13. Martin Mayor Thomasine Robinson invites everyone to take advantage of what the Martin Community Center has to offer. Applications for the training league/AAU are also available at The Floyd County Times office on 263 South Central Avenue in Prestonsburg. An application will appear in Sunday's edition of The Times.

P'burg Homecoming 2003

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG - The Prestonsburg Blackcats will return home to the friendly confines of Josh Francis Field for Homecoming 2003. The Blackcats (2-3) will host Class 2A, District Eight newcomer Magoffin County. Prestonsburg enters tonight's game after suffering close heartbreaking losses on the road at Ashland and Sheldon Clark.

Kickoff for tonight's game is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Freshman, sophomore, and junior class candidates for Prestonsburg High School Homecoming representatives, 2003-2004. Front row, left to right, junior candidates: Molly Rebecca Burchett, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Blake and Becky Burchett, of Prestonsburg; Mary Caitlin Clark, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Eddy and Robin Clark, of Prestonsburg; Hannah Noel Fitzpatrick, the daughter of Randall Fitzpatrick and Jeanette Hall, of Prestonsburg; Laura Ann Hall, the daughter of Robert Hall and Lola and Greg Ratliff, all of Prestonsburg; Shalonna Lynn Hamilton, the daughter of Frank and Jamie Nelson, of Prestonsburg; Emily Ann Jamerson, the daughter of Dewey Jamerson and Traci Jamerson, of Prestonsburg; and Gerri Whitney Vance, the daughter of Tammy Vance, of Ivel, and Michael Vance, of Beaver.

Second row, left to right, sophomore candidates: Candra Denae Blackburn, the daughter of Jim and Ramona Blackburn, of Prestonsburg; Gerri Natosha Butcher, the daughter of Jerry and Edith Butcher, of Prestonsburg; Kelly Nicole Clark, the daughter of Brent and Karen Clark, of Prestonsburg; Katherine Leann Hale, the daughter of George and Barbara Hale, of Blue River; Jamie Nicole Slone, the daughter of Doug and Michelle Slone, of Prestonsburg; and Jenna Noelle Stewart, the daughter of John and Denise Stewart, of Prestonsburg. Absent from picture: Ashley Ann Goble, the daughter of Eddie and Sarah Goble, of Prestonsburg.

Third row, left to right, freshman candidates: Whitney Austin Bradley, the daughter of Polly and Randy Bradley, of Prestonsburg; Jenna Elyse Gearheart, the daughter of Deedra and Randy Gearheart, of Prestonsburg; Mikka Lynn Riley, the daughter of Jeff and Libby Riley, of Langley; Ariel Dawn Robinson, the daughter of Faye Wright and Rodney Robinson, of Prestonsburg; Meaghan Joyceelyn Slone, the daughter of Ronnie and Tammy Slone, of Prestonsburg; Morghan Josephine Slone, also the daughter of Ronnie and Tammy Slone, of Prestonsburg; and Pamela

Irene Slone, the daughter of Palmer and Cheryl Slone, of David. Seniors candidates for Homecoming Queen: Courtney Thomas Branham, the daughter of Sherry and William Petry and Monty Branham, all of Prestonsburg; Louanna Rhea Calhoun, the daughter of Randall and Amy Calhoun of Prestonsburg; Nichole Lindsay Cooley, the

daughter of Hansel Cooley Jr. and Oddie Cooley of Prestonsburg; Tina Renee Dooley, the daughter of Thelma Quillen of Dwale; Teela Renee Gayheart, the daughter of Lisa and Damon Gayheart of Pikeville; Samantha Brooke Goble, the daughter of Greg and Carol Goble of Banner; Lida Danielle Harris, the daughter of Vickey Elliott and Carlen Harris of

Prestonsburg; Mandy Brooke May, the daughter of Lon and Denise May of Prestonsburg; Alicia Michelle Nelson, the daughter of Sam and Melissa Nelson of Dwale; Mallory Anner Ousley, the daughter of Bill Crider of Lexington, and Sandra Shepherd of Prestonsburg; Heather Marie Spriggs, the daughter of David and Sue Andrew of Prestonsburg.



Prestonsburg High School Football Homecoming 2003 freshman, sophomore and junior representatives are pictured above. The Blackcats host Magoffin County in tonight's game.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Kristal Daniels,
Betsy Layne
High School
Volleyball, AC
Invitational MVP



Brandon Little,
South Floyd
Football, 5TDs
vs. Fleming-
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Southeastern Conference Eastern Division notebook

FLORIDA — The Gators didn't score a touchdown in the first half of either of their two Southeastern Conference games. Thus far, the search for answers isn't producing much.

"I don't know what to attribute that to," offensive lineman Max Starks said. "Every game we go

out there and execute assignments. Are we thinking too much early in the game? I don't know. We just go out and try to execute the assignment."

Those slow starts are hurting No. 24 Florida (3-2, 1-1), which hosts Mississippi on Saturday. Against Tennessee, the Gators

nursed a 3-0 lead until just before the half, when a last-second desperation pass put the Vols ahead 7-3. Last week, Florida trailed 14-3 at halftime and needed the biggest road comeback in school history to defeat Kentucky 24-21.

"We stunk it up in the first half," coach Ron Zook said after the game.

KENTUCKY: One positive for Kentucky in its 24-21 loss to Florida was that the Wildcats successfully ran the football.

They rushed for a season-best 175 yards Saturday, with four

players going for 36 yards or more. Even last season, with Southeastern Conference offensive player of the year Artose Pinner running, Kentucky rushed for more than 175 yards only three times.

"I think we made some great strides running the football, but I would like to see a few more long runs pop out of there," Kentucky coach Rich Brooks said.

Except for a 42-yard run on a reverse by receiver Derek Abney, Kentucky didn't have a rushing play longer than 17 yards.

Sophomore tailback Arliss Beach managed only 47 yards on 18 carries, but scored all three touchdowns in his first start.

That helped the Wildcats hold the ball 36:32 compared to 23:28. It was the first time in 10 games Kentucky held the ball longer than its opponent.

Kentucky has Saturday off before visiting South Carolina for a Thursday night game Oct. 9. Forgetting how they blew an 18-point lead in the fourth quarter will be another challenge.

"You've got to take it like man

and move on," tackle Antonio Hall said. "It's not tough to get over. We've just got to learn from our mistakes, be proud of our efforts, and move on."

TENNESSEE: The seventh-ranked Volunteers are 4-0 for the first time since 1998, when they went 13-0 and won the national championship.

Shhh! Don't say that too loud in Knoxville; they don't want to get jinxed.

After the 23-20 overtime win

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Sheppard takes National honor

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — Following in the footsteps of his opposite number, Pikeville outside linebacker Michael Sheppard has been named NAIA Defensive Player of the Week.

Sheppard, named Mid-South Conference Defensive Player of the Week earlier in the day, pulled the daily double two weeks after Pikeville's other outside linebacker, freshman Antonio Williams, did the same thing following his 19-tackle, three-sack performance against Concord (W.Va.) in the Bears' season opener.

"This is a tremendous honor for Michael and we're very pleased for him," said Coach Jerry Mynatt, who saw his first Bears team improve to 2-1 after a 38-14 win over Bethel (Tenn.) College on Saturday. "He is very deserving of the accolades he's gotten. He had a phenomenal week."

Sheppard stepped up after Williams and safety Justin Gordon missed the game due to injuries.

A 6-1, 193-pound junior from Ellenboro, N.C., Sheppard led the Bears defensive unit that snuffed

out the Bethel defense in Pikeville's win, had a tremendous day. He finished with 14 tackles, including 10 solos to lead Pikeville, adding six tackles for loss which cost the Wildcats 46 yards of offense.

In addition, his five quarterback sacks tied the school record set by Shajai Jackson in 2001. He also forced two fumbles and picked up another and returned it 45 yards for a touchdown.

The Pikeville defensive unit dominated Saturday's game, as Bethel's already struggling running attack that came in averaging only 1.2 yards per carry averaged losing that many, finishing with minus-44 yards on 36 carries.

Bethel finished the game with 147 yards of offense on 73 plays.

Pikeville, now 1-1 in the Mid-South Conference, will play its first road game of the season Saturday when it travels to Barbourville to play Union College. The Bulldogs are 1-3 and have lost their last two games, both MSC contests.

A win for the Bears would move them to .500 for the first time since beginning play as a varsity program in 2001. The Bears are 11-12 in two-plus seasons.



The Adams Middle School B-Team is pictured following a Little Apple Bowl win over Paintsville Tuesday night. The Blackcats defeated host Paintsville 30-6. The Prestonsburg C-Team battled to a 14-14 tie with its Paintsville counterpart. The Adams Middle A-Team fell to the Paintsville Junior High. Team members of the Adams Middle School B-Team: Brian Branham (5); Spencer Newsome (7); Wil Allen (3); Caleb Petry (6); Grant Blair (64); Cody Dudrick (77); Scott Collins (9); Tyler Hall (25); Josh Craynon (4); Josh Blackburn (1); Brad Stanley (14); Kyle Gearheart (8); Joseph Jamerson (22); Austin McKinney (16); Alex Garner (74); Cody McCoy (88); Michael Burchett (10); Zach Key (2); Robbie Grigsby (28); DJ Ousley (51); and Greg Perry (79).

Bentley

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overflow right now. Five of Tuesday's and Wednesday's games were on the cable giant, and as a result, the announcing corps has been stretched.

So thin are the ranks that ace Jon Miller and Joe Morgan hustled from Tuesday's Twins/Yankees contest to Atlanta for Wednesday night's meeting between the Braves and Cubs.

But elsewhere, things haven't been as solid in the booth. The Giants and Marlins are having a great series on the field, but the broadcasters aren't quite on that level. I love Chris Berman, and as an anchor he's hard to beat. But he's no Vin Scully in the baseball booth.

Still, he's a serviceable announcer, and from what I've seen has done a nice enough job of putting his obvious San Francisco slant in his pocket. But he's been saddled with Rick Sutcliffe, who was a terrific pitcher in his day, and Tony Gwynn, one of the game's legendary hitters.

However, as color commentators, they leave a little to be desired.

They still are passable when compared to the combination working the Boston/Oakland game Wednesday night. Terrific play-by-play man Dave O'Brien must be on somebody's bad side, because he had to share the booth with two rookies who need a tremendous amount of work in Dave Justice and Jeff Brantley.

And why Fox chose to go with Steve Lyons over Tim McCarver with Thom Brennaman for Game One of the

Braves/Cubs series I'll never know.

This has turned into a lengthy rant, but when you have a shortage of quality broadcasters, doubling them up isn't the answer.

Fortunately the games have made the announcers a little more forgettable, which, if you think about it, is not exactly a glowing endorsement of the on-air talent.

In the end, I still wonder why baseball execs think if you didn't play a sport you can't comment on it. What if Peter Gammons was coming along these days?

In case you missed it, there's been a change in leadership in one of the 15th Region's top baseball programs.

Johnson Central's Mike Collins, who was within six wins of 500 in what has been an absolutely legendary career, was not rehired this summer and the search has been on for a replacement.

This week, school officials announced Shawn Hall as the next coach.

Hall is a former Collins ace whose brother Mike made Sheldon Clark the hottest team in the region last spring.

Hall may create his own legend at the 15th Region's largest school, but says here Collins deserved another season. One more year would have allowed him his 500th win, and after nearly 30 seasons in the dugout, 30 seasons of raking fields and playing through cold and rain and teaching Johnson County's youth how to be quality young men, he had earned that.

We wish Hall well. And

should Collins have a desire to get that 500th someplace else, while it would be akin to seeing Michael Jordan in the wrong uniform, we certainly will be pulling for him.

Tim Couch will get another start for the Cleveland Browns this week. Nobody knows what will come out of this situation but clearly Couch is the better quarterback. If he isn't going to work there, he deserves a chance someplace.

By the way, my pre-post-season predication — yes, I just strung together opposite prefixes — was for a Cubs/Red Sox World Series.

I think the playoffs are still young enough for that to count.

One of the reasons I'd like to have been at Tuesday's opener of the Giants/Marlins series is that the national anthem was performed by Huey Lewis and the News.

Their version at the NBA all-star game several years ago

is a personal favorite.

Thanks to a flood of Chicagoans heading south, Atlanta hosted Turner Field's largest postseason crowd ever Wednesday night when 52,743 showed up.

Florida's Jeff Conine has a career NLDS batting average of .368 (7-for-19) and has three hits in the first two games of this year's series.

Somebody's going to have to do something to top Shannon Stewart's ninth-inning catch while flying into the left-field wall to help preserve Minnesota's 3-1 win over the Yankees on Tuesday.

By the way, for those who haven't noticed, Stewart was phenomenal after a midseason trade. When Minnesota opened the playoffs with its win over New York, it ended the Yanks' 13-game winning streak over the Twins and gave the Bronx Bombers their sixth loss in their last seven postseason games.

H.S. FOOTBALL

JV: Allen Central over Betsy Layne

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BETSY LAYNE — It didn't take the Allen Central High football program long to recover from Friday night's loss to Knott County Central. The Rebel coaching staff was back on the sidelines Monday evening at Betsy Layne.

On Monday night, the Allen Central junior varsity team traveled to Betsy Layne and defeated the Bobcats 30-22 in a come-from-behind winning effort.

Trailing 22-8 at halftime, Allen Central got things going quickly in the second half.

The Rebels ran past Betsy Layne with several third and fourth down conversions in the fourth quarter.

The Rebel offense was led by sophomore Robbie Vanderpool. Going under center at the quarterback position, Vanderpool rushed 18 times for 95 yards and two touchdowns. Wilfredo Dominguez finished with 123 yards and two scores.

Shane Crum scored the final Allen Central touchdown.

The Rebel defense shut the host Bobcats out the entire second half. The game was put out of doubt when Crum came up with an interception with 1:35 remaining in the contest.

The Rebels then took over and ran out the clock.

Crum finished with 10 carries for 17 yards. Joe Brown had eight carries for 12 yards, with a two point conversion.

Leslie

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junior Tyler Whitaker.

Paintsville won the team event finishing first in front of Hazard and Pikeville. Prestonsburg finished fourth.

Leslie and Young each ended with 74s. Whitaker shot a 76 and Pikeville's Wade McCown managed a 79.

Leslie is the second Prestonsburg High golfer in three years to collect a regional championship. Current Morehead State University golfer Ryan Martin accomplished the feat in 2001. That same year, the Prestonsburg golf team also claimed a regional championship.

Leslie also captured last week's 58th District individual

title.

The Boys' State Golf Tournament is scheduled for next week, Oct. 9-10 at Eagle Trace Golf Course in Morehead. Wednesday, Oct. 8 will serve as practice day for the boys' event. State Tournament first round tee times are tentatively set to be posted on the Kentucky High School Athletic Association website (www.khsaa.org) today.

The Girls' State Golf Tournament is also scheduled for next and will get underway earlier. The girls event will be played Oct. 7-8 at Bellefonte Country Club in Ashland. Monday, Oct. 6 will serve as the practice round day.

Ortega

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A game," said Centre College head coach Andy Frye. "Their quarterback and running back did a nice job, and we didn't do the little things well."

Next up for Ortega and Company is a road game with old rival Sewanee. All Colonels should be ready for battle when the 1:30 p.m. kickoff rolls around Saturday.

"I look at the Sewanee game as a springboard for us to have a good season. Sewanee is a real good team with lots of speed. If we can learn to play with mental intensity, we will have a successful season. Our defense is playing real well. John (Ortega) is a real leader for us."

Centre and Sewanee have met sixty times on the gridiron since 1910 and make up one of the oldest rivalries in the South. The two teams have squared off continuously since World War II with neither team able to

claim bragging rights for very long. The Colonels lost last year's contest 23-21 in Danville and hope for better results in 2003. A loss by Sewanee would severely dim a chance for a conference championship.

Ortega and fellow players in the Centre secondary will face a Sewanee Tiger offense which will throw the football.

The Sewanee offense shows lots of balance as the Tigers throw for 147.2 yards a game while running for 139.3 yards. Tiger freshman quarterback Wes Satterfield has been sensational leading the SCAC in scoring and ranking third in rushing (85.8 yards a game) and fourth in total offense. His favorite target had been John Kelly who ranks second in the conference in pass receptions with 25. Defensively, the Tiger secondary appears strong leading the SCAC with nine interceptions.

Rebels

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Sept. 19 in the Black Gold Bowl against Perry County Central. In this year's meeting between the two schools, Perry Central came out on top, winning 44-30.

Hazard, led by the pass-catch combination of four-year starting quarterback Steven Sizemore and receiver Lamar Williams, did not play last week because of an open date on the schedule.

In its last game, the Allen Central offense had its bright spot.

The Rebels trailed host Knott Central 22-2 at halftime, but finished with some individuals putting up some quality numbers.

Allen Central had 156 yards rushing in the first half and 45 passing but couldn't hit paydirt. For the game, the Rebels tallied

274 yards rushing led by Robbie Vanderpool with 201 yards on 17 carries and one touchdown.

Allen Central quarterback Ryan Hammonds

Ryan Hammonds was four-of-12 passing for 58 yards. He had two rushes for eight yards and threw one interception. The Rebel offense, versus Knott Central, was in the redzone nine times but could come away with only two touchdowns.

Signs of a young Allen Central team? Yes.

"We're a real young team, and a lot of times we have to learn as we go," said first-year Allen Central head coach Jeremy Hall.

Kickoff for tonight's Hazard-Allen Central game is set for 7:30 p.m.

Kinzer

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place him on the outside of the third row (sixth) for the sixth heat. Audie McWilliams and Scott Bowersock were the only two drivers able to beat Kinzer to the finish as he advanced three positions to finish in third place, and earn the pole for the feature.

The feature saw the white and black clad Stardust Cruisers/Kinzer Drilling/GRT Gaerte Dodge lead the stellar field to the green. When the green flag flew, Kinzer took the early lead and went low to try and find a groove that he was comfortable with. In doing so,

the No. 18 dropped to fourth place. Kinzer would hold on to his position and finished the event in fourth place.

"We are very happy with the way we ran. If not for that unfortunate slip up at the beginning of the race, we could've been in Victory Lane now. Jimmy and Earl put a great car underneath me, as they do every week."

The next race for Brandon Kinzer Motorsports is at North Georgia Speedway. For more information on the Kinzer race team, visit: <http://www.brandonkinzer.com>.

Raiders

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Adam Tackett, Billy Light and Chris Hall.

Tonight's game will likely see Little go over 1,000 yards rushing for the season. The bruising running back has 935 yards rushing so far.

Another South Floyd running back, Wes Hall, is expected to come back in and see action after being sidelined with an injury.

Kickoff for tonight's game is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

Rules clinic slated for Allen Central

EASTERN — Area high school coaches and officials who ply their respective trades on the hardwood will have an opportunity to get more familiar with the latest Kentucky High School Athletic Association basketball rules in a rules clinic scheduled for later in the month. A KHSAA rules clinic will be held at Allen Central High School on Wednesday, Oct. 22. The meeting, which has also been held at Allen Central in past years, is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m.

A KHSAA rules interpretation clinic was held in Grayson at East Carter High School on Sept. 29.

It is an Association requirement that each licensed official and head coach attend a rules

interpretation clinic conducted by the KHSAA (By Law 26, Sec. 2). Officials who have not met the

requirement will not be permitted to officiate any postseason contest. Coaches who have not met the requirement will not be permitted to coach any postseason contest.

Currently, attendance by swimming coaches at clinics is not mandatory. For more information, go online to www.khsaa.org.

SEC

against South Carolina, the comparisons between this year and 1998 have come out full force. "I think all championship teams — and I think it's a little

early to be talking about championships — have a game that goes into overtime or they have an ugly win. I don't think it was necessarily an ugly win, but it was a must-have win and we didn't play our best," linebacker Kevin Bumett said.

Tennessee didn't dominate in 1998 and often just seemed lucky. The biggest stroke of luck came against Arkansas when Tennessee recovered Razorback quarterback Clint Stoerner's inexplicable fumble at his own 43. Travis Henry's 1-yard touchdown dive with 28 seconds left completed the Vols' comeback victory.

Coach Phillip Fulmer said the South Carolina game could be compared to the '98 Arkansas win, "but I never really felt like we were going to lose the game (against South Carolina). Arkansas, that was going to take some special help."

VANDERBILT: Coach Bobby Johnson remains convinced that the restructuring announced three

weeks ago to merge the athletic department with the Office of Student Athletics, Recreation and Wellness isn't hurting recruiting.

Johnson said some people have told him they understand but blame the media for sending out the wrong message.

"I talked to the father of one of the top quarterbacks in the country, and he said he thought it was great that we weren't afraid to do something and take a leadership role. None of our commitments have even hinted about looking elsewhere," Johnson said.

The only change Johnson has seen since the restructuring is more help from vice chancellors.

"They've been to recruiting functions and volunteered all kinds of help. Not that we weren't getting that from the previous organization, but I think they are sincere in wanting our team to get better," Johnson said.

The Commodores (1-4, 0-2) take a 19-game SEC losing skid into Mississippi State (0-4, 0-1) on Saturday afternoon.

PC golfer all-tournament

A Pikeville College golfer made the five-man all-tournament team at last week's Kentucky Independent Colleges Tournament in Danville.

Jon Sarsiat, a sophomore from Terrace, B.C., finished the two-day event with a 152 to qualify for the team.

Sarsiat shot a one-under-par 71 on the first day at Old Bridge Golf Course and followed it with an 81 at Danville Country Club.

"Jon played some terrific golf in Danville," said Dr. James Riley, the Pikeville golf coach. "He made some good shots and

his score stacked up well against a solid field of talented players."

Pikeville finished seventh in the 11-team field.

Sarsiat is the first Pikeville golfer to make the all-tournament team at the KIT since the program was restarted seven years ago.

Sarsiat and his teammates will be back in action next Monday and Tuesday in the

Pikeville College Invitational Tournament at Prestonsburg's Stone Crest Golf Course. It serves as a prelude to the Mid-South Conference fall tournament, which will be played Oct. 13-14 in Campbellsville.



Jon Sarsiat

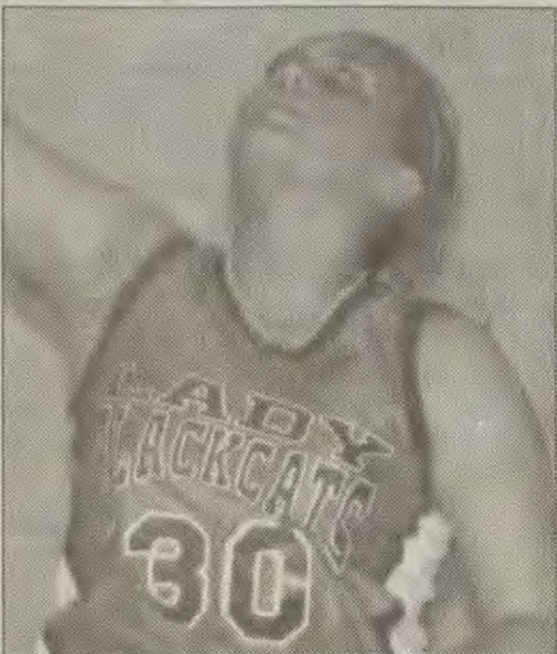


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Linsey Fields went up for a layup ahead of the John M. Stumbo defense in the semifinals of the Floyd County B-Team Girls' Basketball Tournament.

Adams prevails over J.M. Stumbo

by JAMIE HOWELL
SPORTS WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — For three quarters on Tuesday evening in the semifinals of the Floyd County B-Team Girls Basketball Tournament it looked as if the John M. Stumbo Lady Mustangs would upset Adams on their home floor. However, four quarters make a ball game and a 13-2 fourth quarter run sparked by Linsey Fields gave Adams a win and a date in the finals against Betsy Layne.

Fields paced the Adams

attack with a game-high 18 points. Tosha Wallen finished with seven points for the host Ladycats.

The first quarter ended in a 6-6 deadlock and Stumbo took a 14-8 lead at the half behind the play of L. Martin, who tossed in eight points.

Linsey Fields led a furious Ladycat comeback in the fourth quarter scoring 15 of the team's last 20 points on the night.

Alexis DeRossett added the final two Adams points in the game. The win sets up an Adams and Betsy Layne championship game.

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GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Betsy Layne runs past Allen

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PRESTONSBURG — The Betsy Layne Elementary Ladycats used a 17-2 start Tuesday evening in the semifinals of the Floyd County B-Team Tournament to run away from the Allen Lady Eagles by a final of 27-16.

Betsy Layne was led in scoring in the victory by A. Meade's 10 points.

Betsy Layne used defensive

pressure to slow the Allen offense and build a 17-2 lead after one quarter of play. Erica Meade scored 14 of Allen's 16 points in the game. Kelli Maynard tossed in the other two points for the Lady Eagles.

The score at the half was Betsy Layne 19, Allen 4. Megan Hamilton netted seven points for Betsy Layne and Case added six on the night.

Betsy Layne led 25-6 after three quarters and cruised to the victory.

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FOR RENT: MODERN SECOND FLOOR APARTMENT Approx. 900 sq. ft. Furnished kitchen. Will also consider renting apartment for office space. Located 1 mile south of Martin on Rte 122 across from the Floyd County Technology Center at Garth. \$500 per mo. plus utilities. Call 285-3625 or 285-9112.

SERVICES

705-Construction

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

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790-Travel

FLORIDA HIDE-AWAY! Looking for a nice get-a-way in Florida, but don't want the high expense of a place on the beach? Check out this place: Located in the Daytona Beach Shores area. It is a 2 BR house, but sleeps 6. Nice Florida room for quite evenings, also hot tub in backyard with a great view of the river. Two blocks from beach access. Nice neighborhood for only \$650. Priced change for special events. E-mail hofd@bell-south.net or call **386-760-3247** ask for Pleasant View House for pictures. Locally owned **606-447-2192** or **606-886-0893**.

NOTICES

805-Announcements

HELP THE KIDS IN THE COMMUNITY. We are looking for donations for new & used computers to distribute to the kids community facilities. For pick up call Scott 889-9551 and to deliver call Scott 889-9551.

812-Free

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

900-Legals

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.083, notice is hereby given that AEP KENTUCKY COAL

L.L.C., 248 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky 41653, has applied for Phase III bond release on Permit Number 836-0296 which was last issued on 5/13/02. The application covers an area of approximately 63 acres, located 1.6 mile northeast of Hippo, in Floyd County.
The permit area is approximately 2.0 miles southeast from Rt. 850 junction with Pitts Fork Road, and located on Prater Fork of Brush Creek.
The latitude is 37° 32'48" The longitude is 82° 50'30".
The bond now in effect for the 836-0296 increments 10 and 19 is \$84,000.00 remainder of the original bond amount of \$269,100.00 is included in this application for release.
Reclamation work performed includes: grading, seeding and tree planting. Completed 12/28/00.
Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by 11/10/03.
A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 9:00 a.m., 11/11/03, at the Department of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by 11/10/03.

PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC FORUM

The Floyd County School's Local Planning Committee will conduct a PUBLIC FORUM at 6:00 p.m., Thursday, October 16, 2003, at May Valley Elementary School. The informal meeting is being held to explain a proposed AMENDMENT to the current District Facility Plan. The Floyd County Board of Education has requested and received approval from the Kentucky Department of Education, Division of Facilities Management, to proceed with the AMENDMENT process.
A copy of the proposed AMENDMENT will be available for examination by interested individuals at the Board Office, 106 North Front Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, between 8:00 a.m., and 4:00 p.m., until October 16th, 2003. Questions may be directed to Superintendent Paul Fanning, at 606-886-4502. Those individuals wishing to comment on the proposed AMENDMENT may do so during the public hearing.
This local Board Public forum is being scheduled in accordance with KRS 157.620, and regulated by 702 KAR 1:001.

PUBLIC NOTICE LOCAL BOARD PUBLIC HEARING AMENDMENT

The Floyd County Board of Education has scheduled a local Board public hearing on a proposed AMENDMENT to the current District Facility Plan at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, October 16, 2003, at May Valley Elementary School. The District Facility Plan lists the capital construction and/or renovation projects that the school district may undertake, and the priority order, if applicable, that projects will be initiated.
A copy of the proposed AMENDMENT will be available for examination by interested individuals at the Board Office, 106 North Front Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, between 8 a.m., and 4 p.m., through October 16th, 2003. Questions may be directed to Paul Fanning, Superintendent, at 606-886-4502.
Those individuals wishing to comment on the proposed AMENDMENT may present oral or written comments at the local Board public hearing.
The local Board of Education, after due process, will forward the proposed AMENDMENT to the Kentucky Department of Education for ultimate approval by the Kentucky Board of Education.
The local Board public hearing is being scheduled in accordance with KRS 157.620, and regulated by 702 KAR 1:001.

LEGAL NOTICE

In accordance with Chapter 65 and 424 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, the following information and supporting data may be inspected by the general public at Floyd County Extension Office, 921 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY, on October 14, 2003, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 12 p.m.

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Summary Financial Statement For Fiscal Period 07/01/2002, to 06/31/2003

Revenues	
Taxes (all categories)	\$159,416.28
Charges for Services	\$000
Other Revenues	\$000
Interest Earned	\$7,764.85
Receipts and Cash	
Carryover from Prior Fiscal Year	\$120,599.28
Bonded Debt	\$000
Transfers to Other Funds	\$000
Transfers from Other Funds	\$000
Borrowed Money (Notes)	\$000
Total Receipts and Cash	\$120,599.28
Receipts, Cash & Revenues, Total	\$287,780.37
Expenditures	
Personnel	\$57,715.23
Operations	\$57,484.80
Administration	\$15,975.67
Capital Outlay	\$
Debt Service	\$
Total Appropriations	\$131,175.70

I, the undersigned, Treasurer of Floyd County District Cooperative Extension Education Fund, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct record of the accounts of the Floyd County District Cooperative Extension Education Fund, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, as of 9/30/03.
Tyrone P. Martin, Treasurer
Floyd County District Cooperative Extension Education Fund
Subscribed and sworn to before me by the foregoing Affiant Tyrone P. Martin, this 30th day of Sept., 2003.
My commission expires: 1/21/06. Beverly M. Hackworth.

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POSTSCRIPT

What does it mean?

I talked recently to the father of Kevin Hannah, the young man from Paintsville who was severely wounded early during the war in Iraq. You'll remember that Kevin came home to a hero's welcome in July after spending several months in military hospitals.



Pam Shingler
 contributing writer

His father, Randall, along with his sons, has kept one of my family's cemetery plots mowed for at least 20 years. Randall called me Friday to say the plot had been mowed for what he hopes is the last time this year. The last I'd heard, Kevin had been given a scholarship to attend Big Sandy Community and Technical College and he was excited about getting back to civilian life and putting the war behind him. I asked how Kevin was doing in college.

Turns out, according to his father, the dream has been put on hold. Kevin has had to go back to Walter Reed Army Hospital to get further treatment.

His father said the young man has been plagued with depression and

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THROUGH MY EYES

May angels keep watch

May angels keep vigilant watch over helpless creatures. Working here, I often see news stories about abandoned, abused, and neglected children, as well as sad stories about mistreated animals. Both wrench my heart.



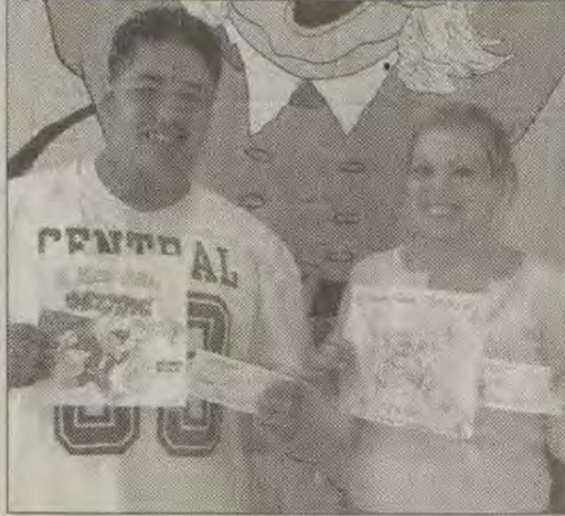
Kathy Prater
 Lifestyles editor

Now I don't mean to imply that I place the welfare of children over that of animals, but I do love them both and I do believe that both are gifts from God. Children love us unconditionally, teach us in ways that only they can, and humble us when our pride and egos become over-inflated. Our pets, too, offer us unconditional love, and bring us delightful moments of tenderness and humor.

Like I said, I love 'em both. So, it not only saddens me to learn of instances in which both are abused

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Francisco Dominguez and Joslyn Moore were winners in a CD cover art contest sponsored by the ACHS Parent Teacher Organization.



NEWS & NOTES

ACHS PTO sponsors student CD cover art contest

Mrs. O'Quinn's art classes at Allen Central High School recently competed in a CD cover art contest sponsored by the ACHS Parent Teacher Organization. Francisco Dominguez, senior, won \$50 for the winning entry and Joslyn Moore, junior, won \$25 for her drawing. Both drawings

will be displayed on an upcoming Christmas CD. The CD, entitled, "A Rowdy Rebel Christmas," will feature our own ACHS talent. The Upper Room Recording Studio, of Eastern, has generous

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ABOVE: Mom checks out the new 'do while stylist Rita Allen prepares the just snipped ponytail for delivery to its new destination.

photo by Kathy J. Prater

Giving to help others

Allen sixth grader donates ponytail to 'Locks of Love'

by KATHY J. PRATER
 FEATURES EDITOR

Except for the obligatory trim to keep it looking healthy, 11 year old Emily Bryant's hair had never been cut. But the Allen Elementary School sixth grader wanted a new look for this year's school photo and decided that in giving herself a new look, she could give other children one, too.

"It's just something I decided I wanted to do," Emily said. "Most of my friends who knew I was going to cut my hair said, 'No, no, don't do it,' but it will help other children who need it," she said.

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photo by Kathy J. Prater

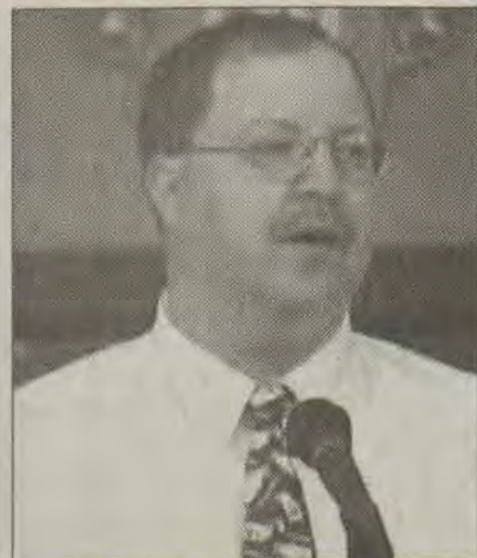
Emily Bryant's beautiful chestnut mane reached well below her waist before she succumbed to the stylist's scissors. Emily had her hair cut in order to donate it to "Locks of Love," a not-for-profit organization that provides hairpieces to children suffering from medical hair loss.

LOCAL EVENTS

Food City manager visits PES for 'Apples' program

John Cantrell, manager, Food City, Prestonsburg, visited Prestonsburg Elementary School this week to speak with staff and students about the "Apples for Students" program. Apples for Students provides schools with technological equipment such as computers, printers, visual

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John Cantrell, Manager, Food City



Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

THINGS TO PONDER

Losing touch...

It goes without saying, everyone needs appropriate touching, no matter what the age or the gender. Physical contact is a basic requirement for a healthy person and a loving relationship between two people, whether or not it is a parent and child, marital partners, extended family members, or friends. Touch pays us several dividends, such as a healthy mind, body, and soul, through

its releasing of stress, making us happier, and helping us feel more human. Do you think that you touch others in a reasonable way? Do you ever wish that someone had given you more attention by touch, such as a pat on the back and a "you're nice to have around" type of hug?

A recent newspaper article,

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School Happenings

ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

AMS is currently organizing a school recreation room. Items needed include ping-pong table, air-hockey table, video games, etc. Anyone who would like to make a donation may contact the Youth Services Center at 886-9812.

The AMS Youth Services Center is open all year to assist students and families in need. Please drop by or call the center at 886-9812 for more information or to request assistance with a family need. Center is open from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., and later by appointment. Center coordinator: Michelle Keathley, Assistant coordinator, Sheila Allen. Center offers services to all students regardless of income.

ALLEN CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

Oct. 15 - Respect class - (7th grade girls).
 Oct. 15 - Parent workshop, 10:00 a.m. Topic: "Raising Drug-Free Kids".
 Oct. 16 - SBDM meeting, 5:00 p.m.
 Oct. 21 - PTO meeting, 6:00 p.m., in school lunchroom.
 Oct. 22 - Respect class - (7th grade girls).
 Oct. 23 & 24 - Challenger Center; 6th grade.
 Oct. 27 - Bridges Parent Workshop, 1:30 p.m. Topic: Breast Cancer.
****NOTICE**** School is now collecting Food City receipts. Students may bring receipts to

teachers or parents/community members may drop off at office.
 ACMS Youth Service Center distributes school activity calendars on the first school day of each month to all students. Parents should be advised to watch for these informative materials as a means to staying informed on school happenings.

The ACMS Youth Service Center is open each day from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or later by appointment. For more information about the center or any listed activities, call LaDonna Patton, coordinator, or Marilyn Bailey, assistant, at 358-0134.

ALLEN ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

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

BETSY LAYNE ELEMENTARY

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

Each Wednesday, 3:15 p.m., "Fit Club" for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades.

A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is in the center weekly. Please call to schedule an appointment. We are currently scheduling Hep B immunizations and physicals for 5th grade students. Also scheduling appointments for WIC services. These 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

Oct. 3-10 - FALL BREAK. ENJOY!

Oct. 14 - Volunteer training session, 6 p.m., school library. Anyone wishing to accompany their child on any school field trips or to do volunteer work at the schools must complete confidentiality training and grant permission to a criminal records check.

Oct. 15 - Parent meeting, 10-11:30 a.m. Topic: "Raising Drug Free Kids."

Oct. 17 - Gary Boothe, drug awareness program, grades K-5.

Food City

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equipment and such in exchange for collecting Food City grocery receipts. Students may bring the receipts in to their homeroom teachers, and community members are invited to drop their receipts off to the office of the participating school of their choice at any time. For more information about the Apples for Students program, contact your local Food City manager.

Oct. 21 - Halloween Safety program, primary grades.

Oct. 21 - Headstart parent meeting, 9:30 a.m., Family Resource Center office.

Oct. 21 - OPEN HOUSE, 5-6 p.m.

Oct. 22-23 - Quality Kids, grades K-4.

Oct. 27 - Parent Support Group, 2 p.m. Topic: Breast Cancer Awareness and Halloween Safety.

Oct. 31 - Spotlight Ceremony, 1 p.m.

School is now collecting Food City receipts. Please help our school receive new computers and technological equipment through the "Apples for Students" program. Children may turn receipts in to their homeroom teachers. Community members may also turn receipts in to the school office.

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; T.D. boosters; and WIC services. Please call 358-9878 for appointment if you are in need of any of these services.

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photo by Kathy J. Prater

"I like it!" Emily exclaimed as she checked out her new look in the mirror. Lots to give away and still plenty left over.

Locks

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Emily was speaking of her decision to donate an ample portion of her long, lush 32-inch chestnut mane to "Locks of Love," a not-for-profit organization that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children under the age of 18 who suffer from medical hair loss. The organization, which began in 1997, has helped over 1,000 children since its first year of operation. Most of the donated hair the organization receives comes from children who want to help other children.

Rarely talked about, but commonly occurring, is a medical condition known as "alopecia areata." Alopecia areata is an autoimmune condition that attacks hair follicles and prevents hair from growing in. More than 4.7 million people in the United States alone are affected by the condition.

Alopecia areata occurs in males and females of all ages and races; however, onset most often begins in childhood, and can be psychologically devastating. Due to the fact that much of the public is still not familiar with the condition, children who have alopecia areata may be subjected to severe psychological trauma in the form

of teasing and taunting. Many are embarrassed by the condition and therefore, according to Dr. Jack F. Ditty, an Ashland dermatologist, are hesitant to talk about it. "It's not exactly the sort of thing people go to a family reunion and talk about," he said.

Alopecia areata, according to the National Alopecia Areata Foundation, is not caused by stress/nerves, diet, or any sort of vitamin/mineral deficiency. Heredity does appear to be a factor in its occurrence.

In most cases, lost hair will begin to re-grow just as suddenly as it began to disappear, usually within 6 months to one year from the condition's onset. There are no known cures, but treatment options are available.

Children who have been subjected to embarrassment and teasing from others due to having alopecia areata, and other medically caused hair loss, find new purpose in life and a renewed sense of self-esteem from children like Emily, who unselfishly give of themselves to help others.

Emily, a happy and healthy youngster with a headful of thick, healthy hair, said simply that she

didn't "need all this hair and there are other children who do."

Emily wishes she could meet or correspond with the child who will ultimately receive her gift of chestnut locks, but realizes that that "probably won't happen because they keep everything secret, I think."

One thing's for sure, Emily's selflessness and positive helping attitude are no secret at all.

Emily is the daughter of Leona and Steven Stone and Delbert Bryant. She has one brother, Thomas, a junior at Prestonsburg High School.

Rita Allen, owner/operator of Rita's His & Hers Beauty Salon, located in McDowell, cut Emily's hair on Monday and will prepare it for delivery to Locks of Love, in Lake Worth, Florida. Allen has been Emily's hairdresser "for all her life," according to Emily's mother.

For more information about alopecia areata, visit the following website: www.alopeciaareata.com. For more information about the "Locks of Love" charity foundation, you may view its website at www.locksoflove.org, or call 1-888-896-1588. Locks of Love has specific instructions on how to cut, package and send donated hair, so contact the organization before cutting.

ACHS

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ly agreed to donate both their time and equipment to help make this CD project a success. The CD will go on sale November 1. Proceeds will go towards campus improvement projects. The CD will feature the following performers: Samantha C. Moore, Kayla Sheppard; Rita Armstrong;

Jared McKinney; Sabrina Howard; Tyra McKinney and Brittany Waugh; Morgan & the Butt Pixies; Mary Hale; Nikki Wallen, and the ACHS Dixie Chickens (faculty). The ACHS PTO will also sponsor a Holiday Craft Fair at the Prestonsburg Holiday Inn on Saturday, November 22.

ATTENTION

Area Ghost & Goblins

The Floyd County Times will publish

TOMBSTONE TALES

Wed. Oct 29th

Deadline to send us your Scariest Story Mon. Oct. 20th

NOTE: All stories must be typed & mailed to: Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, Ky 41653 or email to: tombstonetales@hotmail.com

Wedding



"Cotton Candy" Cutie

Destiny Tiara Elliott, the 7 month old daughter of Michelle and David Elliott, of Martin, was crowned the American Angels 2003 "Cotton Candy" Mini-Supreme Beauty Winner in a pageant held April 5, at the River Community Center, in Paintsville. Destiny was also named winner of the following categories: "Most Glamorous," "Prettiest Eyes," and "Best Attire." She received several beautiful trophies and gifts.

Turner-Conlee

Senator and Mrs. Johnny Ray Turner, of Drift, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Margalee Turner, to Steven Alan Conlee, the son of Donald Conlee, of Mt. Sterling, and Myra Toy, of Owingsville. The couple will wed in a ceremony that will be held on Saturday, October 18, 2003, at half past six o'clock in the evening, at the First United Methodist Church, in Prestonsburg. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed.

Postscript

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with flashbacks of the time he was shot in the head. He apparently still sees the face of the man who shot him and sees the gun aimed at his own face.

Who wouldn't? I've never faced anything comparable, but I imagine it would be less than human not to replay such an awful experience.

Added to the physical injury is the way Kevin and others like him feel they've been treated compared to Jessica Lynch, the young West Virginia woman whose wounds have been used as part of the public relations campaign for

the war and the administration.

Kevin and the other soldiers like him have had to pay for their own transportation to and from medical treatment - even to Washington. His parents have likewise had to pay their own way to go see their son when he first came back to the states and now to see him in his current treatment.

The community has, thankfully, helped, but compare their experience to Lynch's, whose family was flown to see her, compliments of our tax dollars.

There are so many questions

that have surrounded our country's foray into Iraq. What we were first told is not what we're hearing now, and we're left not knowing what the truth is.

Every day, we hear of more American troops dying in Iraq, long after victory has been declared. We hear of extensions of tours of duty. We hear of shortages of troops. We hear of cuts in pay for troops.

Close to home, we hear of Kevin Hannah, whose life continues to be in turmoil and whose government doesn't seem yet to count his sacrifice.

Eyes

and neglected, but it also frustrates me to the point of near madness. Just this week, a story broke in

regard to a mere two-year-old child who was left alone for nearly three weeks in her mother's apartment,

in Jacksonville, Florida, while her mother was lodged in jail on drug and theft charges.

First of all, why has this child ever left alone to begin with? You have a two-year-old at home and you need to run out and pick up some milk, mail a letter, what have you, what do you do? Throw that child on your hip and take off. But then again, if you happen to be picking up a few illegal drugs and shoplifting an appealing article or two on your list of "things to do," maybe you don't really want to do that. Okay, so you find a responsible adult to leave the child with. Pretty simple, but apparently not so simple for some.

And what about all those stories this past summer about children who died in hot, sweltering automobiles? What's up with that? You drive to the mini-mall, the grocery store, work, or maybe even your lover's apartment, and you what? "Forget" about the child strapped into the car seat in the back? I'm not exactly seeing how. In one of these incidents, the parent was even a university professor. He was feeling "rushed" and "stressed." He "forgot." Folks, ain't nobody in this big,

wide world that's endured any more "stress" than I have - and I never once forgot about where my children were and what my responsibilities to them entailed.

And then you click on the PETA website or take a moment to talk with your local vet and you see animals that are living in inhumane conditions and hear stories of kittens with fish hooks caught in their mouths because some idiot was trying to "catch" them. Or you're told the story of a young dog found in a nearby creek with an arrow stuck clear through its jaw from one end to the other. Mistaken for a deer, perhaps? I don't think I'm buying that one either. In both the cases of the kittens and the dog, Dr. Carol Combs-Morris and her team came to the rescue and managed to save the poor animals. In the case of the horrific conditions under which our country's meat supply is manufactured, the work is still continuing.

But, with our pet dogs and cats, there's something that can be done immediately. It's called "spay and neuter surgery." Think you can't afford it? Take a brief moment to call the folks at SNOOP - they'll help you out. And that number is 889-9982. SNOOP has, thus far, helped over 700 animals in our area become spayed and neutered. That's a substantial (awesome!) step toward alleviating the prob-

lem of unwanted animals in Floyd County. Let's give a cheer to all the hard-working, dedicated folks at SNOOP and the Floyd County vets who gladly assist them in their efforts.

SNOOP is currently offering membership to all interested and caring persons who wish to become affiliated with them. For \$15 you will receive a membership card, mailings from the Eastern Kentucky Spay & Neuter News, and a t-shirt featuring the slogan, "Prevent a Litter, Fix your Critter." And, most importantly, you will

receive the self-satisfaction of knowing that you're doing your part to help prevent the suffering of a multitude of helpless animals.

As for the world's children, well, let's just say it's just too bad that some folks can't be "weeded out" in some manner before becoming parents. And let's make doubly sure that we do everything we can to care for the children in our lives as well as those we come in contact with. Be an example, be a protector, be a friend, and, if you're a parent, be a good one.



photo by Kathy J. Praier

John Cornette, deacon, Highland Avenue Free Will Baptist Church, surprised the folks at US Bank this past Monday morning when he arrived toting a couple of buckets of pennies in need of counting. Cornette is spearheading a church fundraiser with the goal of collecting "one mile of pennies" (that's 84,480 pennies in case you didn't know). As of this writing, 31,406 pennies (\$314.06) have been collected. All money collected will go to the Harvest Children's Home, in Duffield, Virginia, to be used to help maintain the home for abused, abandoned, and neglected children. Shown with Cornette are Gail Stewart, left, assistant branch manager, US Bank, Prestonsburg location, and Sandy Howell, right, teller. Bro. George David Garrett pastors the Highland Avenue Free Will Baptist Church, in Prestonsburg. Richard Green is the advancement representative for Harvest Children's Home.

Ponder

"Researchers fear U.S. losing its touch," in the New York Times, outlined the research results of Tiffany Fields, Ph.D., a developmental psychologist and professor of pediatrics, at the Miami School of Medicine. Generally, her research has to do with the healing power of human touch. According to Fields, touch is crucial and is the key to how we learn and how we survive. Touch impacts on how we feel and think, plus bonds us together. Research has shown that touch-deprived animals are more likely to become aggressive, violent, and kill each other. Baby rats will often die if they are not touched. In regard to humans, children in Romanian orphanages, who were not touched, experienced stunted growth and all kinds of physical, cognitive, and social problems. In contrast, studies have shown that the calm, soothing touch of a therapeutic massage, creates a wide range of positive effects in the body, from lifting serotonin that helps decrease depression to lowering stress and blood pressure.

Our researchers have reported that, even though it is well known that touching each other is highly beneficial, Americans have a touch-deprived culture. The U.S. was considered "tactically challenged," more than many other nations. Another descriptor was that our society suffered from an actual epidemic of "skin hunger." Field's most recent research pertained to observations of two groups and how much they touched: mothers with their children at the playgrounds of McDonald's Restaurants and teenagers in Paris. They compared these mothers rate of touching their children to mothers-child interactions on playgrounds at preschools and McDonald's in Miami. "Startling differences" were found between groups. The mothers in Paris touched their children far more than the American mothers touched their children. The French children were far less aggressive on the playground than the American children. The differences between the teens were also remarkable: (1) the youth in Paris

touched each other more frequently than the Americans did, who were more likely to touch themselves, such as hugging themselves and playing with their hair; (2) the French teens were less verbally and physically aggressive than the American teens.

Fields did not perceive these results as a coincidence. Instead, two questions were proposed: "Are we really 'losing touch'?" "If so, why?" Her responses placed within three general categories: the first one had to do with the possibility of "too much technology." I think most of us would agree on her suggestion that presently we, more than other human beings, spend more time touching buttons that were developed to make life easier, such as on cell phones, computers, television remotes, electronic organizers, microwave ovens, and lots of other "just have to have" technology. How do you think you and your family would cope with not having any technology for a week? Due to this lack of touching, about 38 percent of the population seeks out other methods to get "touched." There's been a big boom across the nation in massage centers, day spas, personal trainers, and such.

Fields also wrote about the concern of how the increasing "no-touch" tendency has trickled down to the manner in which infants received care. Even in the "ideal" preschool, children were typically touched 12 percent of the time. It was pointed out that parents might be decreasing their skin interaction with their wee ones, for convenience sake. Examples given were very young babies and pre-walkers being carried in contraptions, rather than in an adult's arms, such as going from house to car to day care to store. Another point was that babies are not being held and bounced on knees like they use to be, or passed from relative to relative.

Fields proposed that the other general possibility of why touching by Americans had decreased had to do with disconnected lifestyles. Neighbors in big cities sometimes don't know each other and don't interact, which is similar

to rural families who are often isolated and tend to not have neighbors at all. In addition, a suggestion was that many folks drive in cars down long roads to jobs to work in sterile cubicles or desks. In some situations, the family is not living near the extended family, so that there is not anyone about with whom they might feel comfortable touching or being touched by. What about the medical staff who treat their patients with gloved hands, machines, and medicines, "in the 15-minute assembly line of managed care?" In other areas, the population crowds into close quarters that tend to encourage us to keep even further apart. Thus, personal space is highly guarded and protected. Even though these attempts might be used to counteract the lack of touch, "skin hunger" continues. It was further conceived that a sense of emptiness results that we try to replace with gadgets, gizmos, movies, food, and many other commercial items. It was interesting that engineers at the University of Buffalo have created a "haptic" glove that can transmit the sensation of touch over the Internet. Lo and Behold! Perhaps, we humans will eventually choose not to touch at all.

The third possible category of why Americans don't touch as much as other cultures, according to Fields, related to us being a litigious society—lawsuits, lawsuits, and lawsuits. Examples given were sexual harassment incidences, daycare sexual abuse scandals of the '70s and '80s, and the recent sexual abuse within the Catholic Church. Due to these very significant situations, "what is and is not appropriate" touching has been under the microscope. In some cases, schools and day cares have adopted "no-hug" policies and many employees have been mandated to attend sexual harassment seminars. As supported by child experts, most children are being taught early "good" and "bad" touching in an effort to protect them against molestation. In the meanwhile, there is the old catch-22 of children needing positive touch, but caregivers who might be hesitant to do just that.

School

The J.A. Duff Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the tan metal building at the rear of the school. Please call or stop by to see us in our new location. Contact persons are Judy Handshoe, coordinator, and Ruby Bailey, assistant.

MAY VALLEY ELEMENTARY

Parent Lending Library is available to parents for video check-outs. A variety of topics are available.

A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is at the school each Wednesday. Services include: School physicals, immunizations, WIC, well-child physicals, etc. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 to make an appointment.

MCDOWELL ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

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.

The McDowell FRC, in collaboration with many other area organizations, will sponsor several summer activities. Among them:

PRESTONSBURG ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

The Family Resource 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

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

The center has a one-stop career station satellite 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.

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.

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.

about the time of year when youngsters used to, and perhaps still do, practice the art to their delectation. But it required a delicate sense of timing as you bit into the stalk, twisted with each hand while holding the stalk firm between the teeth, and kept the old tongue free till the exact moment when you sucked out the juice between twists.

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.

TO THE STRANGER:

Want to be on the grandest leave-taking you ever saw? Come, next month, to Eastern Kentucky, and watch the leaves start off on winter vacation, dressed in a prism-ful of color.

ANOTHER "TWIST"

Ever try "twisting" a canestalk for the juice? This is

Only recently was told me the story of the two oldtimers who were working to repair an evaporator pan for molasses-making. It seems that their efforts to get the thing in shape were reasonably fruitless, and one of the pair fell to stating his opinions of evaporators in general, meanwhile turning the air blue with an eloquent flow of cuss-words. The other, aghast at such profanity, protested.

"Don't swear so, Uncle Ki. Remember Job and how patient he was in suffering."

Whereupon Uncle Ki interrupted his swearing long enough to observe:

"Yep, I remember Job and his troubles. But, my friend, if memory serves me right, Job wasn't dealin' with no—'vaporator.'"

We growl about dogs barking. But if some dogs were like their masters they would bite friends, strangers and children—and, maybe, themselves.

NEVER MIND

Because I'm stumped for something to write about, I'm tempted to do an essay, entitled, "Why I Failed," a subject which somebody has said would never be set down in writing. My learned treatise, of course, would not be honest enough to admit my big failures, but I sure could fill up a lot of space with thoughts on minor flubs. Fishing, for instance—why did I fail? Why, I could almost range creation on that one: for instance, to the moon which wasn't in the right phase; to the sun, for it had been too hot, and the water wasn't right; back to earth, to my partner, whom I could accuse of making too much noise—but never get around to myself.

But who said I'm a fishin' failure?



Family Medicine

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



Reader's 'tennis elbow' may really be 'computer mouse elbow'

Question: A couple of weeks ago, I was digging a new flower bed in very rocky soil and ended up with what I think is tendonitis in my elbow — what I've heard called "tennis elbow." I thought the pain would go away on its own in a few days, but it's now two weeks later, and some days it's worse than it originally was. I'm an office worker and can't think of anything I do that would continue to aggravate it. What is the normal course of this type of injury? Is there something I can do

to hasten the healing process?

Answer: Inflammation around the elbow where muscles from the forearm attach is often called tennis elbow, but as you have found out, it isn't always due to playing tennis. In medical lingo this condition is called epicondylitis.

There are two types of epicondylitis. In the most common type, the pain is on the outside, or lateral, surface of the elbow. This "lateral epicondylitis" is seen in a wide range of situations where peo-

ple overuse their arms. In addition to tennis elbow, you may also see it sometimes referred to as plasterer's elbow, carpenter's elbow, mechanic's elbow and painter's elbow. In your case, it might be "computer mouse operator's elbow." Not such a catchy phrase is it?

Much less often, the person with epicondylitis has pain on the inside, or medial, surface of the elbow. This "medial epicondylitis" is sometimes known as "golfer's elbow."

The pain usually comes on gradually, and is worse with activities that pull on the affected muscle and tendon. Initially resting the elbow and using ice for about 20 minutes three or four times a day can resolve the problem, if the strain isn't too severe. Taking an over-the-counter anti-inflammatory like ibuprofen can

also be helpful.

If these simple measures don't cause the pain to resolve promptly, you should see your primary care physician. She may want to take an X-ray to be sure nothing more serious is going on, and perform an examination of your painful elbow.

Providing she agrees with your diagnosis, you should expect a full recovery providing you rest the arm for a long enough period of time. She may recommend a prescription anti-inflammatory and some progressive exercises as the elbow gets better. Some people wear a forearm strap that helps decrease the tug on the tendon attachment. Also, steroid injections into the elbow can be helpful in cases that are refractory to conservative treatment.

It's possible, given your occupa-

tion, that the work you do at the computer everyday on your job is either causing or aggravating your problem. It might be a good idea to ask your employer to do an ergonomic evaluation of your workstation for needed modifications.

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Floyd County Devotional Page

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

First Assembly of God, Martin: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Lorie Yarnau, Minister.
New Bethel Assembly of God, Burning Fork Rd., Salyersville: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Arthur (Sam) Smith, Minister.
Praise Assembly, 1 mile S. of Prestonsburg, intersection of Rt. 80 and U.S. 25: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; J.M. Sloce, Minister.

BAPTIST

Allen First Baptist, Allen: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arnold Turner, Minister.
Auxiliary Freewill Baptist, Auxier: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.
Benedict Baptist, Slick Rock Branch, Cow Creek: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gordon Fisch, Minister.
Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist, Betsy Layne: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tracy Patton, Minister.
Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbott Creek Road, Bonanza: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.
Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Com Fork: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roger Music, Minister.
Calvary Southern Baptist, Betsy Layne: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Doug Lewis, Minister.
Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts Addition: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Paul D. Coleman, Minister.
Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Lafferty, Minister.
Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.; **Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Randy Turner, Minister.
Endicot Freewill Baptist, Buffalo: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Smith, Pastor.
Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Expt. on Rt. 1428: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Buddy Jones, Minister.
First Baptist, Garrett: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.
First Baptist, Martin: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Graydon Howard, Minister.
First Baptist, 54 S. Front St. (Irene Cole Memorial): Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dr. Floyd Price, minister.
Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 2556 West Mt. Parkway, Prestonsburg: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jennings West, Minister.
Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
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Katy Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbott: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Price, Minister.
Lackey Freewill Baptist, Lackey: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins, Minister.
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Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon: Worship Service, Sunday, 11:00 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.
Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, Estill: Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Red) Morris, Minister.
Martin Freewill Baptist, Martin: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; John L. Blair, Minister.
Maytown First Baptist, Maytown: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bob Veney, Minister.
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Middle Creek Baptist, Blue River: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Vernon Scorie, Minister.
Lighthouse Baptist, 2194 KY Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg: Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Crisp, Minister. home phone 265-3385
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Prater Creek Baptist, Banner: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gary Fish, Minister.
Prestonsburg Community College Baptist Student Union, J 102: Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; French B. Harmon, Director; Ella C. Goble, President; 874-948/478-2978.
Rock Fork Freewill Baptist, Garrett: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Cramer, Minister.
Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Garrett: Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Earl Stone, Minister; Jerry Manns, Assistant Minister.
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Stephens Branch Missionary Baptist, Stephens Branch: Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.
The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Marford Fannon, Minister.
Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 (north of Layne Brothers): Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.
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Weeksbury Church of Christ: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Mike Hall, Minister.

CHURCH OF GOD
Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judith Caudill, Minister.
Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin: Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Crum, Minister.
First Church of God: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steven V. Williams, Pastor.
Garrett Church of God, Garrett: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Bragg, Minister.
Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Prazer, Jr., Minister.
Little Point First Church of God, 671 Little Point Road, East Point: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Charles Heater Jr., Minister.
The Church of God of Prophecy, Hi Hat: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Don Fraley, Jr., Minister.

EPISCOPAL
St. James Episcopal: Sunday Service, 9:45 a.m.; Holy Eucharist 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday Study Group 8:00p.m.; Holy Eucharist & Healing 7:30 p.m.; Father Johnnie E. Ross, Rector.

LUTHERAN
Our Savior Lutheran, Spp. Bayes Room Carriage House Motel, Paintsville: Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; WKLV (600 am) 12:05 p.m.; Roland Bertrup Minister.

METHODIST
Auxiliary United Methodist, Auxier: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Doug Lawson, Minister.
Betsy Layne United Methodist, next to B.L. Gymnasium: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Blackburn, Minister.
Christ United Methodist, Allen: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Larnester, Minister.
Community United Methodist, 141 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Neeley St.): Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steve Peacock, Minister.
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Emma United Methodist, Emma: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday 6 p.m.; Paul Aiken, Minister.
First United Methodist, 256 South Arnold Avenue: 9 a.m. Contemporary Service; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. UMYS Service; Wednesday 7 p.m.; Mark D. Walz, Pastor.
Horn Chapel Methodist, Auxier Road, Auxier: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.
Martin Methodist: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.
Maytown United Methodist, Langley: Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.
Salisbury United Methodist, Prater: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby G. Lawson, Minister.
Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Brad Tackett, Minister.
Wheelwright United Methodist, Wheelwright: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Isaac, Minister.
Drift Pentecostal, Drift: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, Saturday/Sunday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Sharon, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Buster Hayton, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Weeksbury: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; John Jay Patton, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Campton: Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Childer, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Durbin: Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Sarlan, Minister; David Pike, Associate Minister.
Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, Davik: Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcolm Stone, Minister.
Parkway First Calvary Pentecostal, Floyd and Magoffin County Line: Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Mike D. Caldwell, Minister; 297-6262.
Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Saturday, 7 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Minister.

PRESBYTERIAN
Drift Presbyterian, Route 1101, Drift: Worship Service, 11 a.m.
First Presbyterian, North Lake Drive: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; George C. Love, Minister.

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST
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Grace Fellowship Prestonsburg (next to old flea market): Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.; Bill Stukenberg, Pastor 889-0905.
Faith Bible, Martin: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.
Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg: Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shephard, Minister.
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Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hall St.: Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.
Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.: Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Saturday/Sunday.
Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Martin: Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; John W. Patton, Minister.
Spurlock Bible (Baptist), 6227 Spurlock Creek Rd., Prestonsburg: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dan Heintzelman, Minister.
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