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## briefs

### Painkiller found in body of miner killed in explosion

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — An autopsy found a powerful painkiller in the body of a coal miner killed in a mine explosion in Floyd County in June.

The narcotic, hydrocodone, was found in the urine — but not the blood — of 21-year-old Paul Blair of Paintsville, according to the autopsy performed by Dr. Gregory Davis, associate chief medical examiner in Frankfort.

The drug's absence from the blood means Blair was not under its influence when the explosion occurred on June 13 at Cody Mining Co. Inc. near McDowell. Davis said in the autopsy report, which did not say how much of the drug Blair had taken.

The Courier-Journal obtained a copy of the autopsy report and reported Friday that the Floyd County coroner's office confirmed its validity.

More than 50 citations have been issued by the Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals against Cody Mining. The citations charge unsafe blasting practices, inadequate ventilation, poor

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# Guilty plea ends BLVFD embezzlement case

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A former treasurer of the Betsy Layne Volunteer Fire Department, who was indicted on seven counts of theft for allegedly taking more than \$200,000 of the department's funds and using them for

his printing business, entered an open guilty plea in Floyd Circuit Court Friday afternoon.

Glen Burgess, 52, of Harold, pleaded guilty to seven counts of theft by unlawful taking or disposition Friday, just three days before his trial was set to begin.

Floyd County Commonwealth's Attorney Brent

Turner said after the hearing Friday that Burgess' open or unconditional plea, which is a plea given without a sentencing recommendation from the commonwealth, was prompted by the fact that Burgess had initially turned down discussion of any offer or plea bargain during his pretrial conference after his

indictment.

But with a single weekend left before trial, Burgess took the advice of his attorney and entered an open plea, which leaves open a possible 20-year sentence, if the court chooses to enforce the maximum penalty allowable.

The seven counts of theft against Burgess, all class D

felonies, are punishable, under state law, by one to five years in prison. Burgess is then open to between 1 and 20 years in prison, considering his guilty plea Friday.

Turner said there's a chance Burgess may now receive a stiffer

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photo by Steve LeMaster

Middle Creek was the site of a horrific head-on collision Friday morning along Route 114. Two helicopters were required to airlift victims of the crash from the scene. One of those victims, 22-year-old Anthony Perkins, of Salyersville, died en route to a hospital.

# One killed, three hurt in head-on collision

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

MIDDLE CREEK — A Magoffin County man was killed Friday morning in a two-vehicle accident along Route 114 about five miles west of Prestonsburg when the vehicle he was a passenger in collided with another.

According to reports from Kentucky State Police, Anthony Perkins, 22, of Salyersville, died

while being airlifted from the scene of the accident, after the helicopter was forced to make an emergency landing at Three Rivers Medical Center in Louisa.

The driver of the vehicle in which Perkins was a passenger was not identified by police.

Police said that the 1992 Chevy S-10 in which Perkins was riding was traveling down the wrong side of the road at approximately 7 a.m. Friday when it was met by a 2003

Yukon.

The Yukon swerved to avoid a head-on collision, but the vehicles collided, according to police.

The driver and passenger of the Yukon, which the sheriff's department believed to be Prestonsburg attorney Larry Brown and his brother, Gary Brown, were transported to Highlands Regional Medical Center and treated for minor injuries.

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# Manslaughter case heard in circuit court

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Tracy Yates, the man police arrested last week following an indictment alleging he was the driver responsible for the 2002 death of 2-year-old Stacia Collins, pleaded not guilty in Floyd Circuit Court Friday.

Yates' indictment charges him with second-degree manslaughter, driving on a suspended license and fourth-degree assault.

Court proceedings Friday were held because Yates' district court case had lapsed, said Floyd County Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner.

Turner asked the court for a \$25,000 cash bond on Yates, saying the seriousness of the charges needed to be considered and arguing that he could be a flight risk if released. Circuit Judge Danny P. Caudill agreed and set Yates' bond at \$25,000 full cash.

It is alleged that Yates fled the scene of an accident at Honaker after crashing his wife's Park Avenue into Stacy and Denise Collins' vehicle in December of 2002.

The couple's 2-year-old daughter Stacia was killed in the accident, while the couple and their son were

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# County partners with UNITE

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Floyd County Fiscal Court joined nine other counties and signed an inter-local agreement Friday with UNITE (Unlawful Narcotics Investigations Treatment and Education), a three-year, \$9 million dollar program built around a federal

grant which covers 29 counties throughout the commonwealth.

In signing the agreement, Floyd County joins Bath, Johnson, Lawrence, Magoffin, Martin, Menifee, Morgan, Pike and Rowan counties.

The UNITE program will see task forces assigned to

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# Quillen receives 12 years for cocaine, pill trafficking

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Columbus Quillen, the 60-year-old Dwale man arrested last year and later indicted on a total of seven drug related charges, was sentenced to 12 years in prison Friday in Floyd Circuit Court.

Of the nine original counts included in his original indictment, Quillen was sentenced to one first-degree trafficking

charge and six counts of second-degree trafficking.

Five of Quillen's family members were indicted along with him late last year. Four of those have since pleaded guilty and been convicted. His stepsons Burnette and Ernest Little, stepdaughter Brenda Little and daughter Teresa Jackson all pleaded guilty and accepted a deal to testify against Quillen just days before he was scheduled to go to trial.

The Commonwealth Attorney's Office dropped the syndicate, or organized crime charge, against Quillen and his family members in exchange for the plea deal that will now see the 60-year-old serve a dozen years in prison.

Investigators made a series of controlled buys from Quillen between December 2001 and March 2002, buying, on one occasion cocaine, and

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Columbus Quillen was arrested during a March 2002 raid at his Dwale home. On Friday, he was sentenced to 12 years in prison after pleading guilty to drug trafficking.

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# Odds and Ends

The Associated Press

■ ELKHART, Ind. — Detective Fred Mock knew exactly where to find a man suspected of stealing \$180 worth of pennies.

David Headrick, 19, was caught dumping about 18,000 pennies into a coin-counting machine at a grocery store Wednesday, Mock said.

The pennies and a couple hundred quarters were taken

during a robbery in which an 88-year-old man was tied up with a phone cord and punched in the head, Mock said.

"I got to thinking, 'If I was a person who did this, I'd want to convert this to currency as quickly as possible,'" Mock said.

Headrick was held Thursday on preliminary charges of robbery and possessing stolen property.

Police were searching for an

accomplice in Monday's attack on the elderly man in which the robbers demanded money to satisfy a \$20 debt supposedly owed by one of the victim's relatives. Paramedics said the victim did not need hospital treatment.

■ CENTERTOWN —

Hunter York was afraid of snakes, but he couldn't resist the two-headed reptile he found.

The 10-year-old said he picked up the black king snake

with a stick, then noticed it grabbed the stick with two heads.

"I ran in the house and said, 'Dad, this snake has two heads.' And he said, 'What?'" Hunter said. It "kind of freaked me out a little bit."

The 8 1/2-inch female reptile hasn't eaten since Hunter found it Oct. 4.

Hunter's father, Rodney York, loaned the snake Tuesday to snake hobbyist Scott Petty to see whether he could induce it to eat.

"We couldn't force-feed it, because we don't know which head eats," York said.

York said he jokingly named the snake Mary-Kate and Ashley, after the teenage TV and movie stars, the Olsen twins.

York says he's considering a brief stint in show business for the snake once he learns more about it.

"If they're that rare, I'm going to hit up (talk-show hosts David) Letterman, (Jay) Leno and everybody I can think of," he said. "I'm going to milk it for all it's worth."

Ed Zimmerer, a Murray State University biology professor and herpetologist, estimated the occurrence of a two-headed snake at 1 in 10,000. "They usu-

ally don't live too long," he said.

The snake might be unable to determine which is the dominant head or have some internal problems that interfere with eating, Zimmerer said.

■ BOLINAS, Calif. — On Nov. 4, Bolinas residents will vote on a curious ballot measure that, in meandering prose, promotes nature-loving and the preservation of the local skunk population.

Jane Blethen, better known around Bolinas for walking around town wearing hats made of tree bark and newspaper, gathered 263 signatures to get Measure G on the ballot.

"Vote for Bolinas to be a socially acknowledged nature-loving town because to like to drink the water out of the lakes to like to eat the blueberries to like the bears is not hatred to hotels and motor boats. Dakar. Temporary and way to save life, skunks and foxes (airplanes to go over the ocean) and to make it beautiful," the measure reads.

Bolinas is a small Marin County community about 20 miles north of San Francisco.

■ MADISON, Wis. — Hitting a hole-in-one wasn't enough victory for one day. Paul Hughes went on to bowl a perfect 300 game less than 24 hours later.

The 74-year-old retired heating and plumbing business owner sank the hole-in-one on the 149-yard fifth hole at the Pleasant View golf course in Middleton Monday afternoon. He bowled the perfect game at Bowling Green lanes in Middleton Tuesday.

"It's a super feeling," Hughes said.

Ted Donker, director of golf operations at Pleasant View, confirmed that Hughes hit the hole-in-one Monday. Terry Knight, the bowling alley's manager, verified Hughes bowled the perfect game.

"He's got a hand like Paul Bunyan," Knight said. "He probably cut wood for three

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## Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Oct. 19, the 292nd day of 2003. There are 73 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 19, 1781, British troops under Lord Cornwallis surrendered at Yorktown, Va., as the American Revolution neared its end.

### On this date:

■ In 1765, the Stamp Act Congress, meeting in New York, drew up a declaration of rights and liberties.

■ In 1812, French forces under Napoleon Bonaparte began their retreat from Moscow.

■ In 1864, Confederate Gen. Jubal A. Early attacked Union forces at Cedar Creek, Va.; the Union troops were able to rally and defeat the Confederates.

■ In 1943, during World War II, the foreign ministers of the United States, the Soviet Union and Britain opened a conference in Moscow to discuss broad principles of cooperation between the countries.

■ In 1950, U.N. forces entered the North Korean capital of Pyongyang.

■ In 1951, President Truman signed an act formally ending the state of war with Germany.

■ In 1953, singer Julius LaRosa, a regular on the CBS television program "Arthur Godfrey Time," was fired on the air by Godfrey, who accused him of lacking humility.

■ In 1960, the United States imposed an embargo on exports to Cuba covering all commodities except medical supplies and certain food products.

■ In 1977, the supersonic Concorde made its first landing in New York City.

■ In 1987, the stock market crashed as the Dow Jones Industrial Average plunged 508 points, or 22.6 percent in value.

### Ten years ago:

The United States intercepted its first ship bound for Haiti since an oil and weapons embargo was reimposed by United Nations. Benazir Bhutto was returned to the premiership of Pakistan. The Toronto Blue Jays took a 2-1 lead in the World Series by defeating the Philadelphia Phillies, 10-3.

### Five years ago:

Government lawyers opened their antitrust case against Microsoft Corporation. In Miami, the first class-action lawsuit brought by smokers against the tobacco industry went to trial. (Jurors later found the nation's largest cigarette makers and industry groups had produced a defective and deadly product.) Mike Tyson got his boxing license back after pleading with the Nevada Athletic Commission not to "torture" him anymore for biting Evander Holyfield's ears in the ring 15 months earlier.

### One year ago:

A 37-year-old man was seriously wounded outside a steakhouse in Ashland, Va., in the latest shooting linked by authorities to the Washington sniper case. In York, Pa., former mayor Charlie Robertson was acquitted and two other men were convicted in the shotgun slaying of Lillie Belle Allen, a young black woman, during race riots that

tore the city apart in 1969. The San Francisco Giants defeated the Anaheim Angels 4-3 in game one of the World Series.

### Today's Birthdays:

Former ambassador to Russia Robert S. Strauss is 85. Columnist Jack Anderson is 81. Author John le Carre is 72. Artist Peter Max is 66. Actor Michael Gambon is 63. Actor John Lithgow is 58. Former National Organization for Women President Patricia Ireland is 58. Singer Jeannie C. Riley is 58. Talk show host Charlie Chase is 51. Rock singer-musician Karl Wallinger (World Party) is 46. Singer Jennifer Holliday is 43. Rock singer-musician Todd Park Mohr (Big Head Todd and the Monsters) is 38. Actor Jon Favreau is 37. Amy Carter is 36. "South Park" co-creator Trey Parker is 34. Comedian Chris Kattan is 33. Rock singer Pras Michel (The Fugees) is 31. Actor Omar Gooding is 27. Country singer Cyndi Thomson is 27. Actor Benjamin Salisbury is 23.

### Thought for Today:

"A good beginning makes a good ending." — English proverb.

## Murder trial set to begin for East Ky. political figure

by ROGER ALFORD  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

McKEE — A scandal was brewing that could tarnish Jerry Dean's reputation as a church-going man, devoted husband, and trusted local political figure.

People had elected Dean three times as clerk of Jackson County, but a sexual harassment lawsuit filed by a woman who once worked in his office was threatening his standing in the community.

That woman, Audrey Marcum, 31, of McKee, was gunned down in her garage on Nov. 17, 2001, by a sniper who waited in the distance with a high-powered rifle. Police believe Dean was that sniper. He is charged with murder, tampering with physical evidence and intimidating a witness.

Jury selection is scheduled to begin Tuesday for his trial at the same tiny courthouse where Dean served 12 years as the caretaker of deeds, automobile titles and various other official records. A year after his arrest for Marcum's murder, Dean lost his bid for re-election, but by only 21 votes.

"It shows that the case against him is weak," said defense attorney Doug Reece of London. "Don't you think in a small community like that, if there was a clear cut murder case against him, he would not have run that race as well as he did?"

In four years working in the clerk's office, Marcum, based on her sexual harassment complaint, saw a different side of Dean. She quit her job in August

1999 and filed a \$30 million sexual harassment lawsuit against Dean. She claimed he made unwelcome advances toward her, including once masturbating in front of her in the back room of the clerk's office.

Marcum's mother, Nellie Pennington of McKee, said Dean had everyone in the county fooled.

"He was a very nice-acting guy, a church man," she said. "I don't think he wanted this stuff to come out."

Kentucky State Police Detective Joie Peters said Marcum was murdered two days before Dean was scheduled to give a deposition in the sexual harassment case.

One of Dean's sons, David, testified after the killing that Dean had discussed hiring someone to kill Marcum because of the lawsuit.

"Well, he specifically asked me to kill her," David Dean testified in a preliminary hearing. "He offered to buy me a truck to kill her, asked me if I knew anyone he could hire to kill her."

In the preliminary hearing, David Dean testified that he saw his father, dressed in camouflage, walk toward Marcum's house with a rifle.

"I'm going to take care of a problem," David Dean recalled his father saying before he left.

David Dean said his father returned to his house about an hour later.

"He told me he'd took care of a problem," David Dean said.

At that point, they drove to Laurel Lake, a boat in tow, so

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# Prosecutor apologizes for 'illiterate cave dweller' remark

by ROGER ALFORD  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Kenneth Taylor offered the apology in a letter to the Appalachian News-Express of Pikeville.

"The comment was not meant to be a regional slur," Taylor said. "To the extent that it was misinterpreted to be one, I apologize."

Taylor had made the remark in his effort to persuade a judge not to move the high-profile elec-

tion-fraud trial of former state Sen. John Doug Hays and several of his supporters back to Pikeville from London, about 90 miles west.

Pretrial publicity has been so rampant in the region, Taylor said in a court document, that many potential jurors in the Pikeville area would have to be disqualified because they have formed opinions. "All that would remain to try the case would be illiterate cave dwellers."

Residents of the mountain region have long been sensitive to anything that smacks of the old hillbilly stereotype. And the furor that erupted last year over the planned CBS reality series "The Real Beverly Hillbillies" has made some even more vigilant.

"People in Eastern Kentucky hear enough of the stereotypes and slurs against us," said Earl

"Mickey" McGuire, a Prestonsburg attorney representing two defendants in the election fraud trial. "I appreciate him making an apology. I think it's very appropriate. I'm glad he did it."

The apology was necessary, said Dee Davis, president of the Center for Rural Strategies, a Whitesburg group that has led the fight against such stereotypes.

"I would hope that the folks in the Justice Department would in the future be a little more sensitive when they're characterizing local people," Davis said. "It sounds like perhaps that process has already started."

McGuire had taken exception to the remark and filed a terse response in federal court. It said simply: "The jury pool from the Pikeville District is not comprised of 'illiterate cave

dwellers!'"

He asked that U.S. District Judge Karen Caldwell reconsider her decision to move trial from Pikeville to London.

Caldwell said Hays and co-defendant Ross Harris, a Pike County coal operator who is active in eastern Kentucky politics, have made lots of friends and enemies in the Pikeville area and would be more likely to receive a fair trial in London.

In all, 10 people from Pike County face charges, including Hays' wife, Brenda, and seven campaign workers who allegedly paid voters \$50 to vote for Hays in a judicial election last year. The money, prosecutors contend, was given to voters under the guise of payments for hauling voters to the polls on election day.

Taylor said in the letter to be published in Friday's editions

that he meant no harm by the comment.

"To me, that was a harmless metaphor that had absolutely nothing to do with eastern Kentucky," he said. "I would have used that phrase in Lexington, Frankfort, New York City or anywhere I wanted to conjure up the image of a totally apathetic and uninformed person."

## Case

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injured.

Police later found the abandoned Park Avenue in the Honaker area near the scene of the accident.

Yates, whose attorney was not present at Friday's court proceedings, waived Caudill's offer to reschedule until Yates could be present with an attorney.

## Wreck

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State police, however, did not officially release the identities of the driver and passenger of the Yukon.

The driver of the Chevy S-10, who was also not identified in reports, was flown to Cabell-Huntington Hospital following the crash. The driver's condition was not known at press time.

The accident is under investigation by the Kentucky State Police.

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then again on five other occasions Lorcet tablets. The six second-degree trafficking charges were charges for possession with intent to distribute after police found drugs at his Dwayne residence during a raid shortly after his indictment was returned.

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In 2001, the fire department's power was cut off, leaving board members scratching their heads and looking to their books to figure out what was wrong. Turner says it was at that time they began to notice that Burgess had been writing checks for apparently bogus purchases, such as parts for fire trucks repairs when no repairs had been needed.

Board members then hired an outside party to audit the department and found that Burgess had been writing the checks and then depositing them in a business account for his small printing business, East Kentucky Printing.

"It was a big effort," Turner said of the scheme to which Burgess has now pleaded guilty. "It wasn't just an afterthought."

Burgess is to remain free on bond and is scheduled for formal sentencing on Nov. 21.

## Miner

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attention to safety and even the discovery of a small amount of marijuana at the mine.

The blast severely injured the superintendent, Robert Ratliff Jr., 28, whose father owns the mine. It is now closed.

Billy Adams, who operated a roof-bolting machine at the mine, told state investigators that he saw Ratliff and Blair snorting ground-up pills in the mine for about two months before the accident. The two snorted the pills through a copper tube normally used to splice cable, Adams said.

Adams said he tried to get the two to stop.

"I don't think the accident would have happened had it not been for the drugs," the report

quoted Adams.

The report did not indicate what kind of pills the two men allegedly snorted.

No one connected to the mine has corroborated Adams' statement. Adams has declined to comment on the report.

The Lexington attorney representing Blair's family, Justin Morgan, said Blair was not abusing drugs.

He said Blair's wife and parents said that Blair "had not been feeling well for a few days before and had been using over-the-counter medications."

More than 200 prescription drugs have hydrocodone as an ingredient, according to the Drug Enforcement Administration.

## Murder

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that Jerry Dean could dispose of the gun and his clothing.

"He threw a piece of the gun out in one place, went up the lake and he threw looked like a gun barrel out, and that was all I seen him throw in the lake," David Dean testified.

David Dean said his father threw the gunstock out the window along the highway between his house and Laurel Lake. He also threw his boots out the window along the route.

Dean was arrested a day after the murder. He pleaded innocent, and was released from jail on \$1.5 million property bond put up by family and friends.

Peters testified that notes were found at Dean's home the day after Marcum's slaying. In one, he told his wife, Teresa, that he was not an adulterer or a killer. "Teresa, all those times a long time ago when you thought I was getting phone calls, I was not," he

wrote in one of the notes included in the court record. "I never did step out on you. I know you did not either. Did I ever shoot or kill anyone? No. I did not."

Commonwealth's Attorney Gary Gregory tried unsuccessfully to get the trial moved to another county, arguing that Dean's position as clerk made him well-known to almost every resident of Jackson County.

Reece opposed the motion, arguing Dean has a constitutional right to be tried where he is charged. Reece claimed media coverage was so widespread that people living in other parts of the state knew as much or more about the case as people from Jackson County.

Some 140 prospective jurors will be called in and questioned individually to determine whether they can serve impartially. From those, the plan is to select 12 jurors and one alternate to hear the evidence in the trial that is expected to last about two weeks.

Reece said he doesn't expect any problems in getting a jury.

"The question is not have you heard anything about this case," Reece said. "The question is have you formed or expressed an opinion on this, can you listen to the evidence with an open mind?"

Marcum's mother said she hopes a jury can be selected that will weigh the evidence and reach the proper verdict.

"I just want justice served," she said.

## Odds

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hours before he came in and did it."

Hughes is no slouch at either sport. His golf handicap is usually around 11, and he also bowls with a dozen seniors every Tuesday morning at Bowling Green.

He prefers golf because it's an outdoor sport, but he thinks bowling a perfect game is a

greater accomplishment.

"You need 12 perfect shots," he said.

Hughes hit a hole-in-one in 2000 and has bowled three other perfect games.

Accomplishing both feats in 24 hours is rare. David Howard, 39, of Brookings, S.D., is credited with doing the same in July 2000.

# Board approves LPC amendments

by KATHY J. PRATER  
FEATURES EDITOR

MARTIN — The Floyd County Board of Education held a special-called meeting at May Valley Elementary School this past Thursday evening, just following a meeting of the Floyd County Local Planning Committee held for the purpose of accepting public comments in regard to proposed amendments to the Floyd County Schools District Facility Plan.

The proposed amendments include moving forward from the 2006-2008 biennium to the 2004-2006 biennium, a construction project involving the new Prestonsburg-Clark Elementary service area school, and renovation projects involving Allen Central High School, Duff Elementary School and Allen Central Middle School.

Project dates have been moved forward as a result of newly acquired state funding that will be used in the construction of a new school facility in the Prestonsburg-Clark Elementary service area.

Though no public comments were offered during the meeting of the LPC, some discussion among board members in regard to adoption of the proposed

amendments was held during the special-called board of education meeting.

Primarily, board member Mickey McGuire voiced some disapproval of the plan questioning the proposals to construct new buildings while at the same time renovating old ones in light of the fact that county enrollment rates are decreasing.

McGuire questioned the plausibility of such projects, and, in particular, plans to construct a new consolidated county high school sometime after the 2004 biennium.

"It looks to me like you're planning facilities that may not be used to capacity," he noted to board members.

However, the board upheld the LPC plan, noting that many of the proposed projects were long-range projects and may not take place for another 10 years or more, and that the plan may be amended further in that space of time.

Ultimately, McGuire agreed to accept the plan, noting, as did board member Jeff Stumbo, that he did not agree entirely "with everything in the plan."

The locally approved plan will be forwarded to the Kentucky Department of Education officials for final approval.

## Embezzlement

sentence than he would have had an agreement been reached earlier.

During the hearing, Burgess told Circuit Judge Danny P. Caudill that he had been diagnosed with bipolar disorder, or manic depression, and was currently on roughly four or five different medications, including lithium, to address that mental illness.

However, when asked, Burgess contended that his illness had no bearing on his decision to plead guilty or his understanding of the case.

With his plea of guilty Friday, Burgess admitted to taking more than \$200,000 from the fire department's funds on various dates between April 1995 and August 2001. According to Turner's office, Burgess had written several checks from the department's funds and deposited them in accounts for his printing business. Those checks totaled \$200,000 alone. Approximately \$8,000 to \$10,000 more was taken through checks for smaller amounts made out to himself.

Members of the fire department's board, many of whom attended church with Burgess, gave the 52-year-old the volun-

teer position because they said they trusted him. Those members gave statements to the commonwealth's attorney's office that during the seven-year period Burgess had embezzled the money, they had no suspicion anything was wrong because they had received financial reports with summaries written by Burgess himself during regular monthly meetings that seemed to say the department was running normally. In addition, Burgess also provided the board members with a yearly audit, which is required of fire departments as a special taxing district.

The audits were presented in professional bound copies on a yearly basis, leaving board members now to only assume they had been fabricated.

Only assumptions can be made about the yearly reports because, after the case opened against Burgess in 2001, the copies of the reports kept on file at the department went missing, Turner said.

In fact, Turner says the entire scheme may have still been going on had it not been for an event which finally prompted the board members to take a closer look at their department's paperwork.

## UNITE

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combat illegal drug use in local communities through a comprehensive campaign of investigation, treatment and education. This initiative will integrate functions of government, the private sector, academia and, uncommon to some other drug programs the commonwealth has entertained, citizen volunteer participation.

Pointing out a letter from Congressman Hal Rogers sent to members of the Floyd Fiscal Court concerning the interlocal agreement, Magistrate Alan Williams urged those in the community interested in being part of the program to contact the fiscal court, particularly those from the religious sector.

"I think this will be good for our community," said Williams. "In the past a lot of these programs have been secular-based. In this they are urging people of

the faith, like pastors, to get involved, recognizing their importance."

Floyd Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson said Friday that the county would offer "full support" to the UNITE program.

"This program will have multi-county jurisdiction. That's the best route to go," Thompson said. "We'll be giving our full support to them."

Referencing a series of articles published by the Lexington Herald-Leader earlier this year which focused on Eastern Kentucky's growing epidemic with prescription drug abuse, Thompson pointed out that Floyd County began addressing the problem several months before the reports were published by forming a county task force made up of the sheriff's department and the Prestonsburg Police Department.

"Prior to the Lexington Herald's story on drug abuse, three months before, we formed the Floyd County Drug Task Force," Thompson said. "Since then, there have been 56 people arrested. Forty-three of those have either pleaded guilty or stood trial and been found guilty. There's not been a case lost."

The 10 counties which are combining will effectively form the Big Sandy Task Force, one of UNITE's three task forces. The others are the Cumberland Valley and Kentucky River task forces.

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## GuestView

# Breathitt's legacy one to make Kentucky proud

In another time and place when other southern governors were standing on courthouse steps vowing to fight segregation to the bitter end, Ned Breathitt was guiding the south's first civil rights law through the Kentucky General Assembly.

Breathitt promoted racial harmony and spoke out against prejudice and discrimination long before it was the politically correct thing to do. As governor, he challenged Kentuckians to examine their collective conscience and to become leaders in the fight for equality for all.

But Breathitt didn't stop with racial discrimination. He also became a champion for such diverse issues as education and coal miners. Again advocating a position well before others, Breathitt recognized early on that education was the key to Kentucky's future and the biggest hurdle to opportunity in the commonwealth.

Although known for affable ways, Breathitt was a fiery Democrat who made his share of enemies on both sides of the aisle during his political career, including the man whom he defeated for governor in the Democratic primary, Happy Chandler, and the other he defeated in the general election, Louie Nunn. Later in life, he and Nunn buried the hatchet and went on to serve on several boards together. He healed the rift with the Chandler family when he endorsed current gubernatorial candidate Ben Chandler.

Breathitt, whose love for Kentucky was undeniable to the end, died Tuesday at the University of Kentucky Hospital after collapsing Friday during a speech at UK.

His tenure in Frankfort, both as governor and as a member of the General Assembly, left an indelible impression on the commonwealth. Despite his years away from the capitol, he continued to be an advocate for the people. His passing leaves an emptiness that will be felt across the state, but his service leaves a legacy that will remain for generations to come.

— The Ledger-Independent, Maysville



# AMAZING NEW WEIGHT-LOSS PROGRAM



— Jim Davidson

## What is holding you back?

Are you familiar with the saying, "As ye sow, so shall ye reap?" Actually, this is part of a verse from the Bible and it can be found in the book of Galatians. What made me think of this was a quotation I discovered some time ago by C.A. Hall: "We sow our thoughts and we reap our actions; we sow our actions and we reap our habits; we sow our habits and we reap our characters; we sow our characters and we reap our destiny."

If you will think about this for a moment, I believe you will agree the key word here is "we," meaning you and me. We are the ones who do the sowing and we are the ones who will ultimately reap the consequences.

A proper understanding of this natural law that we call "Cause and Effect" will allow any thinking person to tell his or her own fortune. All we have to do is make sure we are sowing good seeds (actions) and we will continue to reap good rewards.

It is very important to understand that this is not something that happens overnight, but rather it is the persistent, day-by-day application of this wonderful law of nature that will make the difference.

On the other hand, if for some reason you feel that you have limitations that are holding you back, I believe this true story will be of some value to you. Several years ago, I remember talking with a friend who grew up in a rural area and their home was situated on the side of a mountain. This was back in the days when very few people had cars and when this family wanted to go anywhere, they would just hitch up a team of mules to a wagon.

My friend went on to tell me that the mountain their home was on was so steep that they would have to tie a log on the back of the wagon to hold it back to keep the wagon's momentum from running over the mules!

Now, if you have a vivid imagination, in your mind, can't you just see a wagon full of people coming down a mountain with a big log tied on behind it? If you can see this, I believe you will agree that this is a perfect illustration of how so many people go through life like there is something tied on behind them

that is holding them back. While it was in a humorous vein, one time I heard a speaker say that if Columbus had been married, his rear end would still be tied to the dock.

To be sure, this is just a simple analogy, but it would take months to count all the people who for one reason or another feel that something outside themselves is holding them back. If you or someone you love happens to be one of these people, see if some of these reasons don't hit you where you live: "I'm held back because of ..."

1. Lack of education,
2. Family responsibilities,
3. My age,
4. Not knowing the right people,
5. Lack of money,
6. My boss,
7. My appearance,
8. The fear of failure,
9. My IQ,
10. My husband or wife,
11. The fear of ridicule,
12. These times,
13. No specific plans, and finally,
14. I'm held back because of fate.

In the case of number 14, it's been said that the word "fate" is "the refuge of every self-confessed failure."

When it comes to sales, and we all have to sell ourselves, the fear of rejection is what keeps the vast majority of people from being successful. In most

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## — beyond the beltway

# We do have it — 'good and hard'

by DONALD KAUL

President Bush did it again the other week. He looked at black and called it white. He studied the empty glass and found it brimming. It was amazing.

Let's face it, all politicians lie a little; it comes with the territory. I'd lie if I were a politician, so would you. Our president, however, is unique in that he treats the truth like a vampire treats a crucifix.

His latest adventure into Never-Neverland involved the report of his weapons inspector on the presence of Weapons of Mass Destruction in Iraq (the reason we went to war, remember?).

David Kay's interim report to his boss found neither weapons nor any facilities capable of producing WMDs in the near future. Iraq used to have such programs, the report said, but they were pretty much dismantled or destroyed in the first Gulf War of 1991 or by President Clinton's "Desert Fox" strikes.

Even Saddam Hussein's attempt to buy missile technology from North Korea at a price of \$10 million didn't work out, according to Kay. North Korea took the money and didn't deliver the missiles. In other words, as an immediate threat to the region or world peace or us, Saddam Hussein was a dud.

Not to President Bush. His read on the report was that it proved that "Saddam Hussein was a danger to the world." Secretary of State Colin Powell, who increasingly plays Tonto to Bush's Lone Ranger, agreed with him. He said that the administration was "even more convinced, with the Kay report, that we did the right thing."

Bush went on to misrepresent the report to make his case. He said that Kay found that Saddam had a WMD program that "involved thousands of people, billions of dollars and was elaborately shielded by security and deception operations that continued even beyond the end of Operation Iraqi Freedom."

Which was true once upon a time but almost all of those thousands and those billions, the report found, dated to before the first Gulf War; since then the Iraq WMD program had dwindled to nothing. Meaning that it posed no immediate threat to us.

Remember what Secretary Powell said before the war? "The gravity of this moment is matched by the gravity of the threat that Iraq's weapons of mass destruction pose to the world...they are real and present dangers to the region and to the world. Leaving Saddam Hussein in possession of weapons of mass destruction for a few more months or years is not an option."

It should not be forgotten that France — that haughty, devious country that we're all supposed to hate so because it didn't stand with us — was right. It said that there was no hurry in going to war. It wanted proof that Saddam was an immediate threat first. Had we followed its advice we wouldn't be spending \$5 billion a month in Iraq and we wouldn't be having an American killed every day or two.

This administration reminds me of the boy that Ronald Reagan used to tell the story about. The kid is offered his choice of rooms, one filled with toys, one with his favorite foods and one filled with manure. He chooses the manure-filled room. Asked why, he says:

"With this much manure, there's got to be a pony in here somewhere."

George Bush keeps looking for his pony and we're stuck in that room with him.

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# Faith Extra

## Minister's Moment: *What is love?*

by **REV. BOB DAMRON**  
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When we read the Bible, especially the New Testament,

Jesus speaks very often about love. Love, sometimes a word that we use very loosely these days, a word that we can abuse — I love what my Toyota does

for me, I love my cat/dog, I love pizza.

But love — LOVE — is a precious four-lettered word, a word that even defines who God

is — God is love. What is this love that Jesus is talking so much about? Is our understanding/our experience of love the same as Jesus teaches and lives in his life? What kind of love is Jesus talking so much about when He says "love one another as I love you." Some of us may use the word love without truly understanding what this sacred word entails and demands.

To truly know what Christian love is, to know that love which Jesus is talking about, all we need to do is look at the life, death and resurrection of Jesus — especially His life (always reaching out to others) and His death (dying for others).

Each of us is born not knowing what love is or how to express love. Love is not a commodity or an instinct that we human beings automatically have at the moment of birth. When we are born, we do not know what love is or how to express love. We learn what love is from the people in our lives — our family, friends, parents, neighbors and church — and we learn how to show that love from those same people. If the so-called love that we have experienced from others in our lives is possessive, jealous, destructive or violent, then more than likely we will express our so-called love in a similar fashion.

So what is this love that Jesus talks about? Remember, we learn what love is how to express that love from the people in our lives. To truly know what Christian love is and how to express that love, we need to look more closely at the love that Jesus taught and lived in His life. To love as God asks us, we must love as Jesus does. But what are the different facets that define

the jewel of Christian love, that show us the kind of love Jesus has for us?

First of all, love is unconditional. I place no condition on my love. To the extent that I do attach conditions/strings to my love for you, I do not really love you. I am offering an exchange, not a gift.

Love cannot be bought or forced. No one can force you to love another. We freely choose to love another with no buts and no ifs. I will love you if ... (that is not love). Love is unconditional, with no strings attached. Love is a free gift — freely accepted or rejected by the other. This is the love that God has for us.

Love is also life-giving. Love is never violent, never abusive, never destructive. Love always gives life/enhances life in the other. When we are loved, the people who love us want us to be that person whom God cre-

ated us to be, not necessarily what they want us to be, but who God wants us to be. Love always wants the highest good for the other. Love gives life to the other person; love is self-sacrificing for the other; love always puts the other person's needs and dreams before your own needs; love is other-centered, not self-centered; love is the gift of self to the other; love is being Christ to the other person. Love is not what I must do for you, but love is what more can I do for you.

Love one another, says Jesus. Love one another as I have loved you. Love one another with a love that is freely given with no strings attached, with a love that is always life-giving and with a love that is tough and demanding sometimes, but with a love that is always hopeful, respectful and holy. Love one another, says Christ Jesus, as I love you.

## 'Joan of Arcadia' hints at a new dramatic trend: religiosity

by **FRAZIER MOORE**  
AP TELEVISION WRITER

NEW YORK — The search for truth takes many paths, especially on television, where truth-seekers can vary as much as Mulder and Scully differ from the schoolgirl of CBS' new "Joan of Arcadia."

Think back to a decade ago, when "The X-Files" drew on the occult, the metaphysical, the just plain weird as it proclaimed the truth to be "out there." Before long, a wave of me-too dramas were also tapping into viewers' unease with their world, to join "The X-Files" in dangling the prospect of answers "out there" in some faraway realm.

Then, three seasons ago, "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation" spurred a backlash against extraterrestrial truth. On "CSI," down-to-earth answers can be gleaned from material evidence close at hand. Truth reveals itself in rational terms. All Gil Grissom and his investigative team — or we — have to do is look.

Embraced by viewers for its clinical detachment from death

and doubt (particularly welcome after the tragic events of Sept. 11, 2001), "CSI" has spawned a wave of "forensics procedurals" — crime dramas like "Without a Trace," "CSI: Miami" and this fall's new "Cold Case" and "Navy NCIS."

But this trend, like every TV trend, could fast fall victim to oversaturation and viewer burnout.

So what will be the next big thing? The brashly offbeat premise for "Joan of Arcadia," and its sizeable audience in its first few weeks, suggest a swing back to the sacred for TV's truth-seekers.

Airing Fridays at 8 p.m. EDT, "Joan of Arcadia" introduces us to an ordinary 16-year-old girl with a penchant for running into folks who reveal themselves to her as God, then give her chores to do.

The tasks — like getting a part-time job at a book store or joining the chess club — may seem like odd things for God to be concerned with. Odder still: He doesn't really order Joan to do them.

"I give suggestions, not

assignments," says God, at that moment facing Joan as a sanitation worker. "Free will is one of my better innovations."

The reassuring message of the show: Divine intervention, and the answers it might lead to, can conceivably occur with any personal encounter.

But such deliverance can be exasperating. When God pops up as a little girl at the playground, a cafeteria lady or a TV anchorman, Joan can't help wondering, "Why me?"

Joan's father Will (played by Joe Montegna) is a staunch realist, especially when pursuing evil-doers as police chief in Arcadia. But Joan's mother Helen (Mary Steenburgen) is looking to regain her spiritual faith in the aftermath of a car wreck that put Joan's brother Kevin in a wheelchair.

A former high school athlete, Kevin (Jason Ritter) must deal with this physical loss, while Joan's younger brother Luke (Michael Welch) takes grateful refuge in his intellect: Luke is a science geek or, in his preferred

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### Davidson

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cases, we have to make our own way in the world.

Until our next visit, I hope you will think very carefully about these words of wisdom by P.G. Hammerton: "A strong life is like a ship of war. It has its place in the fleet and can share

in its strength and discipline, but it can also go forth alone to the solitude of the infinite sea."

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### Beltway

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The big political news of the day is that the great and sovereign state of California has elected as its governor an Austrian actor whose main qualifications for office are that he's a serial grop-er who has absolutely no qualifications for office.

I say this: Those who supported either Bill Clinton or George Bush for president have no reason to feel superior to Californians. Californians got done in one election what the nation needed two to accomplish.

As H.L. Mencken once said: "Democracy is the theory that the common people know what they want, and deserve to get it, good and hard."

Donald Kaul recently retired as Washington columnist for the "Des Moines Register." He has covered the foolishness in our nation's capital for 29 years, winning a number of modestly coveted awards along the way.

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# Regional Obituaries

## Floyd County

Billy Paris Conley, age 80, of Paintsville, formerly of Prestonsburg, died Friday, October 10, 2003 at Highlands Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Nell R. Wiley Conley. Funeral services were conducted Monday, October 13, under the direction of Burke Funeral Home.

Margie Leedy Layne, age 83, of Ivel, died Friday, October 10, 2003 at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, October 14, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Frances Ann Modlin, age 79, formerly of Wheelwright, died October 12, 2003, at her home in Michigan. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, October 16, under the direction of Martenson Funeral Home, Allen Park, Michigan.

Jimmie Ousley, age 77, of Langley, died Thursday, October 9, 2003, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Edith Ousley. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, October 12, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Ranold Smiley, age 56, of Utica, Michigan, formerly of Dana, died Thursday, October 9, 2003, at the University of Michigan Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Frances Smiley. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, October 15, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Milton Hall, age 89, of Garrett, died Thursday, October 9, 2003, at Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, October 12, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Claude Sheridan Robinson, age 88, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, October 13, 2003, at the Prestonsburg Health Care Center. He is survived by his

wife, Eleanor Patrick Robinson. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, October 15, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

Chester "Domer" Shelton, age 85, of Drift, died Friday, October 10, 2003, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Monday, October 13, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

James Hubert Harmon, age 72, of Pikeville, died Sunday, October 12, 2003, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, October 16, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Clyde O. Hinchman Sr., age 75, of Indianapolis, Indiana, formerly of Floyd County, died Tuesday, October 7. He is survived by his wife, Myrtle Hinchman. Funeral services were conducted Friday, October 10, under the direction of Kraft Funeral Home, New Albany, Indiana.

Bobbie Jewell Brown Osborne, age 63, of McDowell, died Wednesday, October 15, 2003, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, October 18, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Jo Agnes Humis Smith, age 70, of Weeksbury, died Wednesday, October 15, 2003, at Parkview Nursing Home. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, October 18, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Olivia T. May, age 87, of Langley, died Tuesday, October 14, 2003, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Friday, October 17, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Tilden Collins, age 89, of

Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, October 15, 2003, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Goldie Music Collins. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, October 18, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

Lewis Beverley Wills, age 82, of Leburn, died Thursday, October 16, 2003, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Parrot Green Wills. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, October 19, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

## Pike County

Robert W. Bartley, age 79, of Elkhorn City, died Thursday, October 16, 2003, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Mildred Wray Bolton Bartley. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, October 19, under the direction of Thacker Memorial Funeral Home.

Polly Bartley, age 80, of Rockhouse, died Wednesday, October 15, 2003, at Mountain View Health Care Center. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, October 18, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Matilda Brafford, age 85, of Colley Hills, died Thursday, October 16, 2003, at the Cynthiana Health Care Center. Funeral services arranged by Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Stevie Glen "Super Red" Casey, age 43, of Phelps, died Tuesday, October 14, 2003, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, October 18, under the direction of Phelps Funeral Home.

Johnny Elkins, age 43, of White Pine, Tennessee, died Tuesday, October 14, 2003, at the University of Tennessee Medical Center, Knoxville. He is survived by his wife, Cathy

Mullins Elkins. Funeral services were conducted Friday, October 17, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Sammy Fields, age 67, of Elkhorn City, died Saturday, October 11, 2003, at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington. He is survived by his wife, Emogene Little Fields. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, October 15, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Prue Johnson Gannon, age 96, of Kimper, died Tuesday, October 14, at Pikeville Health Care Center. Funeral services were conducted Friday, October 17, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Danny Joe Gillman, of Ohio, formerly of Kentucky, died Monday, October 13, 2003, at the Holzer Medical Center, in Jackson, Ohio. Funeral services were conducted Friday, October 17, under the direction of J.P. Rogers Funeral Home, Wellston, Ohio.

Easter May, age 71, of Elkhorn City, died Wednesday, October 15, 2003, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, October 18, under the direction of Thacker Memorial Funeral Home.

## Johnson County

Evelyn Preston, age 66, died Monday, October 13, 2003, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Paul V. Preston. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, October 16, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

James Emery Cantrell, age 78, of Red Bush, died Saturday, October 11, 2003, at Paul B. Hall Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, October 14, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Anna Leigh Castle McKenzie, age 94, of Staffordsville, died Saturday, October 11, 2003, in Lexington. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, October 14, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Connie Ratliff, age 54, of Morehead, formerly of Johnson County, died Sunday, October 12, at St. Claire Medical Center, in Morehead. She is survived by her husband, Alvin Ratliff. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, October 15, under the direction of Phelps & Son Funeral Home.

Travis Isom Grim, age 17, of Flat Gap, died Saturday, October 11, 2003. Funeral services were conducted Monday, October 13, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Montana Meade Callahan, age 63, of Grayson, died Saturday, October 11, 2003, at

her residence. She is survived by her husband, Jack Callahan. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, October 14, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Samantha Jo Fairchild, newborn daughter of Jim and Shyriana Fairchild, of Staffordsville, died Sunday, October 12, 2003, at UK Medical Center, in Lexington. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, October 15, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

## Magoffin County

L. C. Fletcher, age 59, of Salyersville, died Sunday, October 12, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Mary Jane Fletcher. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, October 15, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Barbara Imogene Caudill Vanderpool, age 71, of Cincinnati, Ohio, formerly of Salyersville, died Friday, October 10, at East Galbreth Nursing Facility, in Cincinnati. She is survived by her husband, Carl Joseph Vanderpool. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, October 14, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

## Obituary

### Bobbie Jewell Brown Osborne

Bobbie Jewell Brown Osborne, age 63, of McDowell, passed away Wednesday, October 15, 2003, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital. Born May 28, 1940, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Willie D. and Melvina Likens Brown. She was the owner of Osborne's Restaurant, at McDowell.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a sister, Beulah Martin.

She is survived by a son, Melvin Douglas Osborne, of Morehead; two daughters, Anita Jill Osborne, of Lexington, and Crystal Dawn Osborne, of McDowell; a brother, Bill Brown, of Ligon; five sisters, Annette Tackett, of McDowell, Genevieve Wright, of Edgewater, Florida, Bessie Newman, of St. Mary's, Ohio, Brenda Ratliff, of Sidney, Ohio, and Jonell Tackett, of Prestonsburg; and two grandchildren, Nathan Ryan and Natasha Renee.

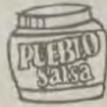
Funeral services were conducted Saturday, October 18, at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin. Woodrow Dye, and other Regular Baptist ministers, officiated.

Burial was in the Boyd Cemetery, at Hi Hat, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Palbearers: nephews.

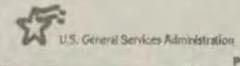
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## Trend

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term, a man of science.

On "Joan," there is no violence, nor are there grisly displays as in the corpse-populated "CSI" genre.

Another big difference: While those series try to solve each mystery surrounding a death, "Joan of Arcadia" confronts the mysteries of life.

"Those are questions people wish they could ask God in person," says series star Amber Tamblyn, explaining why, like them, she identifies with her character.

"Joan is starting to focus on things she's never focused on before. But she's also an adolescent, and I know how that feels," says Tamblyn, 20. "You don't listen to people. You want to stay in your own little world."

Accordingly, Joan is often moody and self-centered.

"I'm NOT religious, you know," she informs God (who is now a cute guy at her school).

"It's not about religion, Joan," God tells her. "It's about

fulfilling your nature."

"Uhhh," she stammers, "I definitely haven't done that."

Hallelujah! A moment of truth!

CBS' "Touched By an Angel," whose nine-year run ended last season, dispatched its angels each week to help people in spiritual distress. A gentle drama preaching an explicit gospel (God loves us), it was tremendously successful. Yet it spawned no imitators, triggered no craze.

Maybe "Joan of Arcadia" will have a broader impact. It presents the sacred less in spiritual terms than as a Learning Annex seminar in character growth, with God himself the instructor. It feels good and it's thought-provoking. And since God in his omniscience can handle any load, it invites countless spinoffs.

More shows about people in more towns meeting God: This could be bigger than "Law & Order."

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**H.S. BASKETBALL**

## Bobcats have tourney-filled schedule ahead

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE – For Betsy Layne High School boys' basketball head coach Brent Rose, the past few months have been hectic. Rose, a BLHS former athletic director,

remains head coach of the Bobcats. Oh yeah, he also now serves as assistant principal at BLHS. This past Wednesday afforded Rose the opportunity to hold the first "official" practice of the 2003-04 pre-season.

In contrast to previous seasons, the Betsy Layne head coach and his staff has a healthy team to work with to start the pre-season.

"We've been lucky," said Rose, "everyone is healthy." The Betsy Layne boys kept busy over the summer by playing in tournaments, including a tournament at Morehead State University.

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Rose returns a team which finished runner-up in last season's 15th Region

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**H.S. FOOTBALL**

## Blackcats throttle Pike Central

Yates, Compton combine for 200 yards on ground

by JAMIE HOWELL  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

BUCKLEYS CREEK – The Prestonsburg Blackcats traveled to Pike County on Friday

evening to take on a Pike Central team that had only two wins on the season. Prestonsburg entered the game on the heels of a setback at the hands of the Belfry Pirates and needed a break out game to get well. Prestonsburg jumped out to a 21-0 lead with 11 minutes left in the second quarter and seemed to be on the way to a top-

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photo by Jamie Howell  
Prestonsburg junior Jesse Chaffin (19) got tangled with a Pike Central defender.

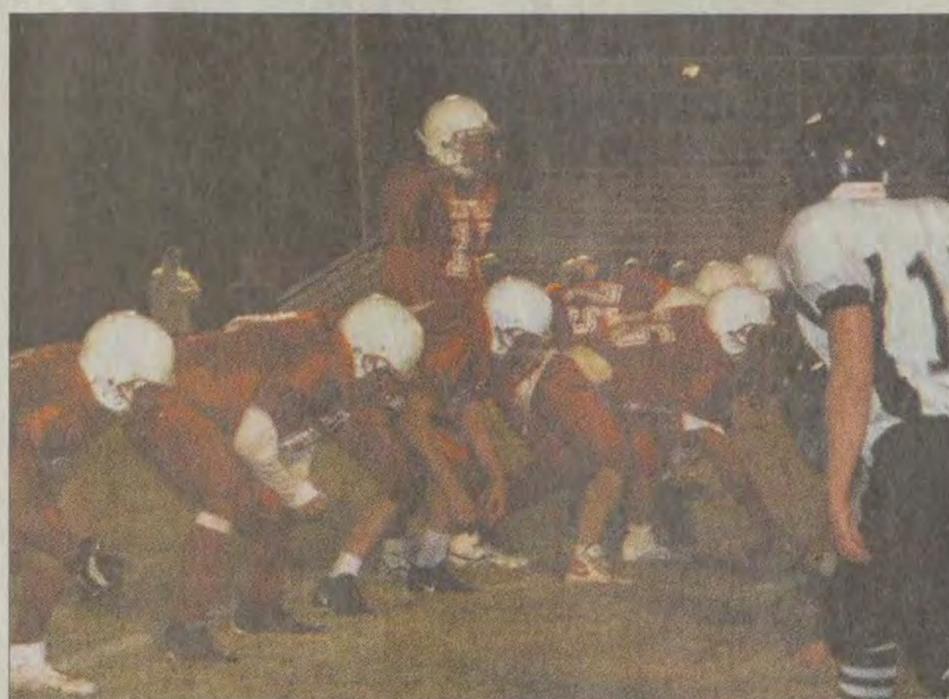


photo by Steve LeMaster  
Allen Central quarterback Ryan Hammonds looked over the South Floyd defense. Hammonds, a junior, came under pressure from the Raider defense much of the night.

**H.S. FOOTBALL**

## Blackcat Freshman stun Belfry

Layne scores winning TD for Prestonsburg

by JAMIE HOWELL  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

PRESTONSBURG – The Prestonsburg High freshman team was scheduled to travel to Belfry on Thursday evening to renew a heated rivalry with the Pirates, but a last minute change in plans had the game being changed to take place in Floyd County. In a very exciting game, it would come down to a touchdown in the contest's third overtime by Tyler Layne that eventually lifted Prestonsburg to a 22-14 win.

Prestonsburg put the first points of the game on the board on a 55-yard touchdown run from Wes Hall and the extra point kick from Seth Moore gave the Blackcats a 7-0 lead.

Belfry would quickly take the momentum for the Blackcats by punching in the touchdown and two-

(See STUN, page two)

# RAIDERS

# ROUT REBELS



photo by Steve LeMaster  
Raider receiver Justin Stone hauled in a touchdown pass for South Floyd in the second quarter.

Little runs big in win over Allen Central

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN – In a game being deemed the "Red, White & Blue Bowl" the visiting Raiders were anything but blue. South Floyd, on the road Friday night at Allen Central, had little trouble with the host Rebels. The Raiders led 14-0 at halftime, and in the second half, proceeded to pull away from the host team. When the final second ticked off in the fourth quarter, South Floyd was a 57-20 winner in a runaway game. The victory assures South Floyd of a break-even season. With one game, a matchup on the road Friday night at Paintsville, left on the schedule, South Floyd boats a 5-4

record as head coach Donny Daniels is his second year in the driver's season of the Raider grid program.

Allen Central won the toss Friday night and elected to receive the football. The Rebels couldn't do anything on their first drive of the game and were held out of the endzone the entire first half.

South Floyd senior running back Brandon Little, one of the state's leading rushers, got into the endzone at the 9:19 mark of the first quarter, only to have it called back on a penalty. However, he would return, more than once. Little hit paydirt for South Floyd's first score of the game with 7:41 remaining in the first

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**HUNTING**

## Turkey no pushover for shotgun season

by STEVE VANTREESE  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PADUCAH – Without being somewhat blinded by romantic inclinations, an autumn wild turkey is about 80 percent eyeballs.

And the rest is mostly ears, although they don't show.

It's a tough, untrusting customer that Kentucky hunters face for the state's first early autumn shotgun turkey season Oct. 25-29. A second fall gun hunt is Dec. 6-10, but the October session is the initial early go during which shotgun packers can confirm what archery hunters already know: Fall turkeys don't miss much.

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## Lykens rated No. 1 in region

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON – The storied prep career of Betsy Layne High School Ladycat basketball player Whitney Lykens is now entering its senior season. Lykens and the rest of the Betsy Layne High girls' basketball team began practice Wednesday as most teams around the state were also beginning practice. Coming into the 2003-04 as she and her team try and defend the 15th Region title, Lykens is ranked as the top girls player in the 15th Region in rankings released within The Cats' Pause Kentucky Basketball Yearbook. As a junior, Lykens helped lead Betsy Layne to a pair of regional championships and along the way had a hand in a State Tournament victory. She began to contribute to the Betsy Layne High varsity while a student at Betsy Layne Elementary.

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**UPDATE**

## Simpkins out following surgery

Three-sport star ranked among state's best seniors

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE – One of the top boys' basketball players in the 15th Region has been sidelined and may miss the entire 2003-04 hoops season.

Following a knee injury suffered

in the current football season, Paintsville High School senior Shane Simpkins, a three-sport star, is sidelined for the basketball season ahead. At least for the time being.

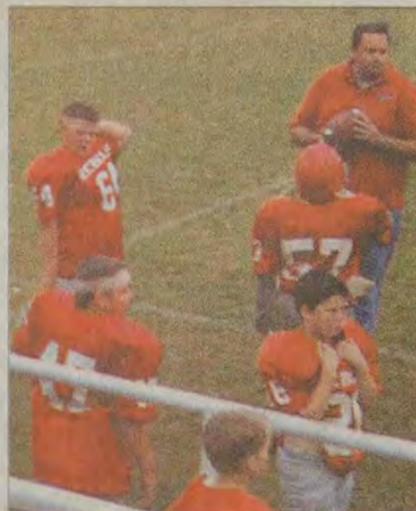
Simpkins, who went out of this year's Apple Bowl with a knee injury, and upon a trip to Doctor Ireland, found out the severity of the injury would require surgery, is now rehabbing the injury.

Over the summer, Simpkins was ranked as one of the top basketball

prospects in Preseason Kentucky Rankings by Rick Bolus. Paintsville was ranked 17th in the state by Bolus. Mason County. No other 15th Region team was ranked in the Top 20. Ashland Blazer, a team out of the 16th Region, ranked 14th. Clay County, out of the 13th Region, ranked 15th. Wayne County, a perennial power out of the 12th Region and a favorite this season ranked 10th.

Bolus is in his 31st season as the

(See SURGERY, page four)



The Allen Central Middle School fifth and sixth grade football team scored a 22-0 win over Paintsville in a game played on Tuesday night. Allen Central team members include Miles Hamilton (66), Logan Crowder (63), Steven Conley (18), Kevin Conley (15), Josh Stone (32), Justin Jackson (38), Bradley Fields (52), Steven Thornsberry (54), Travis Blair (46), Benjamin Carraway (45), Chase Hansford (73), Travis Thornsberry (49), Justin Conley (71), Chad Nelson (12), Hunter Crowder (64), Brad Little (25), Zach Spears (50), Corey Bailey (26), Blake Salisbury (24), Billy Guess (47), Clyde Hamilton (59), Anthony Blair (34), Jonathan Carraway (56), Corey Cordial (57), Jacob Hicks (43) and Jordan Osborne (43).

# Pitino: Cardinals a year away from 'greatness'

by CHRIS DUNCAN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Next year, Louisville coach Rick Pitino said, the Cardinals will have the potential to be one of the nation's elite teams.

An already impressive 2004-05 recruiting class got another boost late Thursday, when Brooklyn prep star Sebastian Telfair verbally committed to play at Louisville.

As for this year, Pitino expects the Cardinals to look a lot like last year's team.

And that could be very good. "I don't think you'll see greatness from a talent standpoint until next year. But I do think this team is capable of big things. How big? I don't know, because I haven't seen them practice," Pitino said at Louisville's annual media day.

The Cardinals went 25-7 last season, winning the Conference USA tournament and advancing to the second round of the NCAA tournament.

Two cornerstones of that team — Reece Gaines and Ellis Myles — won't be around this

year. Gaines was a first-round NBA draft pick and Myles will redshirt as he rehabilitates a knee injury.

Pitino is confident that 6-foot-7 sophomore sharpshooter Francisco Garcia will blossom into the clutch performer Gaines became. Gaines was

Louisville's best point guard last season, and Pitino will first look to sophomore Taquan Dean to fill that void. Dean played shooting guard last year.

Pitino met with Dean and Garcia recently to explain the pitfalls of the so-called "sophomore jinx."

"That's when someone gets a big head, they think they've arrived and they stop working at their trade and they don't improve," Pitino said. "I said, 'You guys have really got to get better because now you're known and people will play you differently.'"

"Both of those players have remained with that 'P-H-D,' he said. "They both have an incredible work ethic. You could come out here before you go to work and see those guys shooting. That's a daily routine. They're very hungry."

Dean was all smiles at media day, ready to embrace his new role — and the adjustment that

comes with it. "Shot second, pass first. I'm used to being a scorer and a shooter. Now I have to distribute the ball and that's fine with me. I'm not a selfish person," said Dean, second on the team with 61 3-pointers last season. The loss of Myles could end up being tougher for Louisville

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## COLLEGE BASKETBALL

# Pelphrey enters season number two at USA

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

MOBILE, Ala. — The University of South Alabama men and women's basketball programs officially tipped off the 2003-04 season Friday night as part of Midnight

"Hoops" Madness at the Mitchell Center.

Both Jag programs were excited to begin preparations for the upcoming season.

"I think Midnight Madness is a fun time for our basketball team and the fans," said second-year men's coach John

Pelphrey, a Paintsville native. "It was a time for the players and the fans to interact. Our guys want to have large crowds in the Mitchell Center, and they want to be a part of the student body. We want the student body and the Mobile community to be a part of our basketball team. This is their team, and this will be an evening for us to have some fun together."

Following a 14-14 season in Pelphrey's first season, expectations are higher for USA in 2003-04. With the return of four starters and eight letter-winners, the Jags will be striving for a conference championship this season. Senior guard Chris Young, the league's Newcomer of the Year, headlines a starting group from last year that features 6-foot-6 forward Malerick Bedden, 6-9 junior center Justin White and 6-6 sophomore small forward Richard Law. Senior center Henry Williams and senior small forward Larry Thompson will be in the hunt for starting roles as the wind down their final seasons. Replacing four-year starting point guard Demetrice Williams is one of the biggest questions facing the Jags. Freshmen guards Greg Spencer and Carlos Smith will be in a battle for the starting spot.

USA begins exhibition play Nov. 9 vs. the EA Sports All-

(See USA, page four)



photo by Jamie Howell

Betsy Layne Ladycat Kaitlin Lawson put the dribble down on a free throw in Thursday night's game against Adams.

# Adams falls to Betsy Layne

by JAMIE HOWELL  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

BETSY LAYNE — The lone blemish on an otherwise stellar season thus far for the Betsy Layne Ladycat Middle School team came at the hands of the

Adams Middle School Lady Blackcats, but on Thursday evening the Lady Bobcats got revenge by beating Adams 43-18. Kaitlin Lawson, who recently scored her 500th point, led Betsy Layne with 17 points on the night, while Megan Hamilton followed with 14. Betsy Layne jumped out to a 10-4 lead after one quarter and increased the lead to 21-10 at the half.

Adams was led by Rikki Hughes who finished with six points on the night. Megan Hamilton tossed in six of her 14 points in the third quarter when Betsy Layne went on a 12-3 run to put the game out of reach. Jessica Jarrell and Andi Meade each finished with four points for the winners. Adams got five points each from Julie Ford and Tasha Wallen.

In B-Team action it would be Adams who would get revenge after Betsy Layne had defeated them only one night earlier. The Lady Blackcats pulled out a close win by a final of 21-18. Adams got a balanced scoring attack from Linsey Fields, Alexis DeRossett, Tasha Wallen and Julie Compton who finished with six, six, five and four points respectively. Adams led 5-3 after one quarter but trailed 11-10 at the half. Megan Hamilton led Betsy Layne with eight points on the night and Kendra Case pitched in with four points. Adams went on a 11-5 run late in the third quarter to come away with the win. In C-Team

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## COLLEGE FOOTBALL

# MSC honors Briscoe

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Mid-South Conference had a pair of kickers share the Special Teams Player of the Week honor, with one being from Pikeville College.

Kyle Briscoe was honored after his tremendous performance in Pikeville's 53-0 win over U.Va.-Wise on Thursday night, October 9.

Briscoe, a 5-11, 161-pound freshman from San Antonio,

Fla., scored 17 points in the blanking thanks to four field goals and five PATs.

"Kyle is an outstanding kicker, somebody we're very fortunate to get a player of his caliber here," said Coach Jerry Mynatt. "He's an outstanding kicker and somebody we can rely on. If we get to the 30, we've got a chance to score. You don't see many kickers like him on this level."

Briscoe's first field goal Thursday was a 47-yarder,

breaking his own record by two yards. He had booted a 45-yarder against Georgetown.

He added kicks of 25, 37 and 37 yards and made good on five of six PATs.

Briscoe shared the honor with Campbellsville kicker/punter Donnie Johnson, who hit three of four field goals, including one from 50 yards out, had four punts covering 179 yards with a 61-yarder included, and had seven of eight kickoffs go for touchbacks in the Tigers' 51-28 win over Belhaven.

For the season, Briscoe is 8-of-10 on field goal tries and is 13-of-16 on PATs. He leads the Bears with 37 points this season. He is the leading scorer among Mid-South Conference kickers and ranks ninth nationally.

## Stun

point conversion to give the Pirates an 8-7 lead.

Prestonsburg would take the lead before the half on a 15-yard touchdown scamper from Ed Osborne. Seth Moore tacked on the extra point and Prestonsburg led 14-8 at the half. Belfry would tie the game at 14-14 in

the third quarter, but a failed two-point conversion would keep the game even after three quarters. Prestonsburg seemed to put the game away in the last minute on an 80-yard touchdown from Ed Osborne, but a penalty would wipe out the score and force the game into overtime.

In the first two overtimes neither team could put points on the board and the game went to a third overtime period. Prestonsburg would hit paydirt on the first play of the third overtime on a 10 yard touchdown run by Tyler Layne and the two-point conversion by Layne gave Prestonsburg a 22-14 lead.

The Blackcat defense was asked to stop Belfry one more time and they would not disappoint as Zack Ousley sacked the Belfry quarterback on third and goal to help the Blackcats come away with the win. Belfry had one last shot at the endzone but on fourth and 25 a long pass sailed out of bounds and allowed Prestonsburg to preserve the win.

## Ahead

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All "A" Classic and is led by a trio of returning seniors, all of whom started last season as juniors — Brandon Hall, Jordan Kidd and Brent Newsome. Most area teams now have schedules filled and games in place for the 2003-04 season.

Rose, in the upcoming season, expects his team to be able to contend in both the 58th District and the 15th Region. His team will play a schedule which will include three tournaments in a two week span.

The tournament road for the Bobcats will begin on Dec. 26 in

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## Season

Unlike the traditional spring season, there is no breeding period under way to motivate turkey gobblers to come to simulated hen calls.

Lacking such a lure, hunters must use alternative strategy, mostly just getting where turkeys already are going and letting one walk into shooting range — without it detecting human presence by means of its razor sharp senses of sight and hearing, of course.

Fall hunters have the latitude to take turkeys of either sex. Unlike during the spring season, any autumn turkey is fair game. That raises the odds of encountering a legal bird, although hens are just as spooky and alert as their male

counterparts.

October finds turkeys clustered in fewer areas but in greater concentrations where they gather in flocks. Social groups of the season typically represent hens and young-of-the-year birds, sometimes in dozens, and smaller flocks of mature gobblers. In most cases, consequently, a hunter must avoid detection by even more inquiring eyes and ears.

Flocks of autumn turkeys frequently adopt regular roosting areas and establish regular daily patterns of movement — flapping down from the trees each morning and setting out on a routine feeding patrol. Hunters who scout their hunting area often can learn the birds' common travel habits and establish an ambush along a regular route.

As in the spring, full camouflage from head to toe and extreme stealth are recommended for bushwhacking a turkey. Many fall hunters find that escaping the eyes of suspicious birds is easier with a portable blind or one constructed of natural materials.

An alternative to ambush is a much less stealthy method, the scatter and call-back. The ploy involves startling a flock of turkeys, forcing them to flap away in multiple directions. Once scattered, the hunter sets up, perhaps sitting at the base of a tree near the place from which the spooked birds dispersed. There, the hunter begins calling to mimic the sound of the birds recalling their own to again assemble.

Using the sound of "lost yelps" and the "kec-kees" of young birds, or more coarse gobbler yelps if tom turkeys were what was scattered, the hunter sometimes can use the gregarious nature of autumn birds to draw them to him.

Scattering a flock calls for

unstealthy hunter behavior — running and shouting toward the birds — abruptly enough to force turkeys to run and flush in all directions. An orderly retreat doesn't achieve the effective break-up.

Scattering turkeys creates a new safety consideration; running with a loaded firearm is risky, so a flock break-up should be attempted with an unloaded gun. On the charge, there is little hope getting close enough for a controlled shot anyway.

As always, turkey hunters should apply full caution to the pursuit. Because hunters are obscured in camouflage, all should assume anything heard is another hunter and not a turkey. Hunters should be absolutely certain of their target to avoid any "mistaken for game" accident.

To pursue autumn gobblers or hens, each hunter must have an appropriate hunting license and a fall turkey permit. The fall limit is one turkey of either sex.

## Region

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The senior forward is followed in the Top 10 by teammate Kim Clark, a junior guard. Three other players from Floyd County rank in the Top 10. The three players (all from Allen Central) are Becky Thomas, a junior center, ranked fourth; Megan Harris, a junior forward, ranked sixth; and Terri Mullins, a senior guard, ranked seventh. The Kentucky Basketball Yearbook, which costs \$10.95, is now on sale. For more information on book, go online to [www.thecatopause.com](http://www.thecatopause.com)

### The Cats' Pause 15th Region Top 10 Players

1. Whitney Lykens, Betsy Layne
2. Kim Clark, Betsy Layne
3. Anna Bevins, Belfry
4. Becky Thomas, Allen Central
5. Savannah Howard, Magoffin County
6. Megan Harris, Allen Central
7. Terri Mullins, Allen Central
8. Desiree Haney, Paintsville
9. Calloray Howard, Magoffin County
10. Patience Hylton, East Ridge

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# Marvin Lewis faces his old defense

by JOE KAY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Marvin Lewis hit the "play" button, watched images dart across the screen and got a little misty.

There was Ray Lewis, treating the ball carrier like a rag doll. There was Peter Boulware, turning the quarterback into kindling. There were the Baltimore Ravens, winning with defense.

Their former defensive coordinator watched their game tapes last week, trying to find some flaws. Instead, he found himself blinking back emotions.

"You almost want to tear up

because they're fun to watch," the Cincinnati Bengals' first-year head coach said. "They're guys that mean a lot to me."

"When you're in a room with those guys as much as you are for so long, and all the young guys we drafted — to see what they're doing now — it's fun. But now it's time to go to work and beat them."

That will depend to a large degree on whether Lewis can overcome the defense he helped create.

The Ravens (3-2) have moved atop the AFC North by winning games with a running game, special teams and defense

— the combination that was so successful in their 2000 Super Bowl championship season.

Lewis was their defensive coordinator then, before moving on to Washington and Cincinnati (1-4). The Ravens' schemes have changed since he left — defensive coordinator Mike Nolan switched to three down linemen instead of four — but many of the players are the same.

"Marvin knows everybody's strengths and weaknesses," Ray Lewis said. "It's going to be interesting, their game plan coming out."

Normally, the two teams would have a similar plan: Give the ball to the guy who set an NFL single-game rushing record.

Cincinnati's Corey Dillon set the record in 2000, when he ran for 278 yards against Denver at Paul Brown Stadium. Baltimore's Jamal Lewis topped him by running for 295 yards against Cleveland in the second game this season.

"We're in the same category, as far as we both broke the record," Jamal Lewis said. "I'm sorry I had to break his; that's the way it goes. Somebody is going to break mine one day. That's part of it."

Lewis is still rolling with four consecutive 100-yard rushing games, a franchise record. Dillon is still struggling with a groin strain that forced him to sit

out the Bengals' last game before their bye week.

The last time the NFL's top two single-game rushers faced each other was Oct. 28, 1979, when Walter Payton (275 yards) and O.J. Simpson (273 yards) played in the same game. Although Dillon is expected to play against the Ravens, no one knows how much he can handle.

"He's willing, but let's make sure he's totally able and he's back to where he can be Corey," Marvin Lewis said.

If not, it will be up to quarterback Jon Kitna to try to get the best of his coach's old defense. In two losses to the

Ravens last year, Kitna threw for a season-high 308 yards and for 272 yards.

Kitna didn't even have to worry about getting decked or intercepted by Ray Lewis. The linebacker played in only five games last year, none against Cincinnati, before being sidelined by a shoulder injury.

"You know that Ray Lewis is one of the most dominant players that ever played the game," Kitna said. "He is someone that you know is going to make plays, and you kind of have to game-plan around him a little bit. But you don't fear him, and you're not intimidated by him."

The linebacker is impressed by the way Kitna has stopped forcing throws this season — only one interception in the last two games.

"He's being more patient," Ray Lewis said. "He's not making as many mistakes as he used to in the past. So there are a lot of little adjustments that Jon Kitna is making, but with the pressure, we'll find out."

That matchup — chaos-creating linebacker against mistake-prone quarterback — will have a lot more to do with the outcome than anything Marvin

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## GIRLS' BASKETBALL

### Skeens means wins

#### South Floyd tops Stumbo 46-37

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

MUD CREEK — Vanessa Skeens wears No. 14 on her back, and she consistently turns in No. 1-type performances. Skeens, a member of the South Floyd Middle Lady Raiders basketball program, helped her team to a 46-37 win over John M. Stumbo Thursday night.

Skeens scored 16 points, 10 in the third quarter, in the win over the host Lady Mustangs. The player wearing No. 14 caught fire in the first frame, netting six points. South Floyd Middle jumped out to a 9-6 lead in the first quarter. However, the tide turned in the second quarter as Stumbo outscored South Floyd and held Skeens scoreless. Stumbo held a 21-18 lead at the break, but quickly lost the advantage in the second half. South Floyd battled back in the third period, outscoring the Lady 'Stangs 17-8, thanks in huge part to Skeens' 10 third quarter points. The Lady Raiders held the scoring advantage in the final quarter, 11-8.

Stephanie Stone netted nine

points and Amber Tackett pushed in eight for South Floyd. Katie Crum scored five, while Faith Little and Lindsey Dye each had four apiece.

In the game, South Floyd hit 20 field goals.

The Lady Raiders are coached by April Bradford.

Stumbo had two players to score in double figures, led by 12 points by K. Flannery. K. Hamilton finished with 11.

The Lady Mustangs are coached by Terri Daniels.

## COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

### Lady Bears cruise past Mountain State

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Pikeville College Lady Bears moved within one match of sweeping the home schedule with a 3-0 win over Mountain State University Thursday night.

The Lady Bears won their ninth straight match and moved to 7-0 at home this season. The

final home match will be Monday night when they play host to the 10th-ranked Lady Tigers of Georgetown.

"We played pretty well tonight, much better than Tuesday," said Robert Staggs after his team's 30-18, 30-18, 30-24 win. Pikeville needed five games to knock off Asbury College two days ago. "We bounced back pretty well and played the way we're supposed to. I was very happy with our play."

Senior Tereza Morano had 19 kills, 18 digs and 13 blocks, with three being solos. She added two service aces and one assist. Senior Rebecca Van Meter contributed 15 kills, 13 digs, four block assists and two service aces.

Sophomore Lindsay Hill finished with 12 kills, 16 digs, six service aces and two block assists. Sophomore Hilary McKenzie added 12 kills and seven blocks, while senior Brooke Suthers totaled 10 digs and one service ace.

Senior Amanda Sammons had 37 assists, 10 blocks and seven kills. She also finished with five digs and three service aces.

Pikeville (14-3) will get back into Mid-South Conference play Saturday afternoon when they travel to Campbellsville. The Lady Bears are tied with Georgetown at 2-0 atop the league standings.

## COLLEGE BASKETBALL

### MSU basketball opens practice

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — The Morehead State University men's and women's basketball teams were on display in Johnson Arena in a special preview session immediately following

Saturday's Homecoming 2003 football game between the host Eagles and Davidson on Saturday. Saturday was the first day that NCAA Division I teams can begin practice for the 2003-04 season.

Coach Kyle Macy's Eagles were co-champions of the Ohio

Valley Conference last season and return three starters, including 2002-03 OVC Player of the Year Ricky Minard of Mansfield, Ohio, and second-team All-OVC performer Chez Marks of Paris High School.

Coach Laura Litter's Lady Eagles were 16-12 last season. Among their top returnees are Kandi Brown of Olive Hill's West Carter High School and Devonda Williams of Lexington Bryan Station High School.

Former Sheldon Clark stand-out Mandy Harmon is a sophomore on the MSU women's roster.

## MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

### Cub fans curse latest disappointment

by DON BABWIN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — Chicago Cubs manager Dusty Baker insists there's no curse on his team.

But 75-year-old Dorothy Stott has been around a lot longer than Baker, and her memory goes back further than Tuesday night, when a fan's hands got between Moises Alou's glove and a fly ball with the Cubs five outs from making it to the World Series.

She can tell you about the ground ball that rolled through Leon Durham's legs in 1984 and took the Cubs' hopes of getting to the World Series with it. Or the way the Cubs took an insurmountable lead in the 1969 pennant race and, well, surmounted it.

And she knows all that happened after a local tavern owner put a curse on the team in 1945 when he was not allowed to bring his pet goat into Wrigley Field during what turned out to be the last World Series the Cubs ever played.

"I never thought of a curse, but I always said they had bad luck," said Stott, who lives a few blocks from Wrigley. "Bad luck is a curse, so, yeah, there really must be something."

Others think so, too. "I think they're somehow jinxed, I really do," said Ian Mulford, 42, who took his 11-year-old son, David, to Wrigley on Wednesday night when the Cubs lost to the Florida Marlins 9-6 in the final game of the NL championship series. "Something keeps cropping up and something keeps happening to them."

For her part, Mari Merrell, 30, of Aurora said this year's strange event came during the eighth inning of the sixth game, when fan Steve Bartman deflected a ball that Alou was about to catch for the second out of the inning.

"The billy goat is gone," she said. "Now we have the curse of the moron."

Many fans, though, said the failure to win the NL series after

taking a commanding 3-games-to-1 lead — or to win the sixth game after taking a 3-0 lead into the eighth inning Tuesday night — had nothing to do with a real goat.

Nor, they said, did it have anything to do with Bartman, who was vilified by some Cubs fans after he deflected the ball.

"It seems like that was just one little small thing," said Vern Lemke of Plainfield, who was at Wednesday night's game. "There were so many places after that when they could have put the hammer down on these guys, so many bad pitches after that."

The Cubs agreed, saying in a statement Thursday that Bartman was simply trying, as every fan does, to catch a foul ball and that it was "inaccurate and unfair to suggest that an individual fan is responsible for the events that transpired in Game 6."

No matter who they blamed, Cubs fans said this year's ending was especially painful, certainly worse than when the team finishes well down in the standings.

## GIRLS' BASKETBALL

### County B-Team Finals

#### Betsy Layne 33, Adams 30

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG

Leading at the end of one quarter, 5-3, Adams found the goings tough and competitive Wednesday night in the finals of the Floyd County County Grade School B-Team Girls' Basketball Tournament. Adams, playing on its homecourt, trailed Betsy Layne 14-11 and then 19-17 at the end of three quarters. In the end, Betsy Layne held on for a 33-30 victory and a tournament championship.

Megan Hamilton netted 20 points, including a three-pointer in the second quarter to push

Betsy Layne to the win. Kendra Case just missed double figures for Betsy Layne as she finished with nine points.

Betsy Layne's Ladycats edged the host Ladycats 14-13 in a pivotal fourth quarter.

Samantha Stewardson and Jessica Jarrell rounded out the Betsy Layne scoring with two points each.

Adams guard Linsey Fields led all scorers with a game-high 22 points. Tosha Wallen flipped in four and Alexis DeRossett, on a first-quarter trey, added three. Hallee Hicks had a point for Adams on a fourth quarter one-of-two performance from the free-throw line.

Fields led a great effort for Adams in the final quarter, scoring 10 of her game-high 22 points.



The Adams Middle School football team finished the regular season undefeated, thanks in part to a win this past week over South Floyd. The team is coached by James DeRossett.



Kaitlin Lawson drove the lane against Adams defenders Davana Farthing (51) and Linsey Fields (30). Looking on for Betsy Layne is Jessica Jarrell (33).

photo by Jamie Howell

# Love of dogs brings participants to world raccoon hunt

by **KIMBERLY HEFLING**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AURORA — Dressed in his best Elvis outfit — a shimmering white jumpsuit — Wesley Sanford lovingly slipped a matching Elvis T-shirt on his favorite raccoon-hunting dog.

That was Sanford's way of celebrating their win in a preliminary round in the 2003 Professional Kennel Club's Super Stakes for young dogs.

"Everybody's got to make a fool out of himself once in awhile," he said.

For raccoon hunters, it's the love of dogs and the thrill of a hunt that sends them into the woods night after night with lamps attached to their heads chasing after raccoons. The 10-day event, which started Thursday night, is the top hunt

for members of the Professional Kennel Club.

The ultimate winner for the world hunt earns \$30,000. The top 2-year-old dog earns \$17,500 and \$12,000 is given for the best 1-year-old in the Super Stakes.

The competition is more addictive than any stimulant, said Todd Drake, a poultry farmer and father of two who drove in from Monroe, N.C., to compete.

"It's worse than running around with women," Drake said.

Outside the indoor tennis center that serves as the hunt headquarters, the six breeds of hunting dogs that participate barked from hillsides where they were tied to trees and staked in the ground. Some slept with their head in their

paws. In all, 3,000 dogs are expected to participate.

Vendors sold everything from deep-fried Oreo cookies to "coon hunter's wife" T-shirts.

The event is estimated to bring \$2.5 million to \$5 million to the area economy from hunters buying meals, gas and hotel rooms. After meeting in Aurora, the hunters are dispersed to wooded areas within 60 miles in Kentucky, Tennessee and Illinois to hunt.

Participants come primarily from states bordering the Mississippi River or from the eastern half of the country. Most have blue-collar roots, but do come from a variety of professions. Most are men, but women also compete.

"It's a sport of love. You've got to like animals and you've

got to like the outdoors. Not everyone likes trampling around in the dark," said Randy Booth, of Springfield, Ill. "There are people who are multimillionaires or poor people who scraped the money together to get here and hope to make money for gas to get home."

The competition can get ugly, with hunters questioning calls and accusing each other of cheating.

"You put that much money on the line and you're going to have disagreements," said dog owner Debbie Griffeth, of Manchester, Ill.

But primarily it's a gentleman's sport that starts with a handshake among hunters in casts of four. A judge uses a plus and minus system to rate the dog's performance as it traps a raccoon in a tree. The hunter must identify the sound of the dog's bark to earn points as part of the hunt.

A light shines on the eyes of the raccoon in the tree, but it is not killed in the competition.

Rodney Ridenhour, a father of six from New London, N.C., said he likes that there's no cussing, alcohol or guns allowed, making it the ultimate family sport.

"Where can you take your child these days with that kind of atmosphere?" he said.

Ridenhour said a few years ago, a family friend asked him to go hunting with a 14-year-old boy who had been getting into trouble. The now-19-year-old is happily married and out of trouble after their talks while out raccoon hunting.

There was "time to explain to him about the Lord, about sex and stealing. We had a lot of time to sit and talk one on one," Ridenhour said. "How can your kid get into trouble in the woods?"

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## Barnhart presents annual report to Kentucky athletics board

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Eighty-five percent of University of Kentucky athletes who exhausted their NCAA eligibility during the 2002-03 school year went on to graduate, Kentucky athletics director Mitch Barnhart told the UK Athletic Association board of directors Friday.

Making a status report to the board, Barnhart said 32 Kentucky athletes earned a 4.0 grade point average during the fall 2002 semester, and seven

different Kentucky teams had a team grade point average of 3.0 or higher during that semester.

Barnhart also said that Kentucky boosters have donated a record \$5 million to the newly organized K Fund, which replaced the Blue-White Fund in April. Kentucky's athletics Web site ranked 10th nationally in page views and the school finished 10th in collegiate licensing royalties, he said.

Funding is in place to pay for construction of a multipur-

pose room at UK's Nutter Field House, and money has been raised to pay for the design of a proposed new basketball practice facility, Barnhart said.

"Mitch has brought great passion to the job, not just in the area of men's basketball and football, but to the student-athletes, coaches and staff in all 22 sports," UK President Lee Todd said. "Plus, he's been a tremendous help to me in more fully integrating athletics into our overall university."

## Pitino

to overcome.

Myles ruptured his right patellar tendon against Marquette on Feb. 27. Luke Whitehead ably replaced him, logging double-digit rebounding totals in five of Louisville's last six games last year.

Kendall Darte, the tallest Cardinal at 6-10; 6-8 Otis George; and 6-9 junior-college transfer Nouha Diakite will also contribute down low.

"We're going to rotate and help each other," said the 6-6 Whitehead. "Everybody's going to crash the glass."

Still, the Cardinals won't have a traditional, post-up player, and that concerns

Pitino. He said Louisville's frontcourt depth is its main weakness.

"The only real back-to-the-basket guy we have is Ellis Myles," Pitino said. "The other guys can catch the ball in the low post, but they are more apt to face the man up in the low post than they are to making a post move."

The Cardinals' strength will be their shooting. Guards Alhaji Mohammed, Larry O'Bannon and Prileu Davis, junior-college transfer Nate Daniels and freshman point guard Brandon Jenkins will

complement Garcia and Dean on the perimeter.

"Two years ago, I thought we were the weakest shooting I'd ever witnessed, never mind coached," Pitino said. "Here today, in a very short period of time, we are an outstanding shooting team. It is really, really nice to see."

"Shooting does cure a multitude of sins and we can put a lineup on the floor with four or five people who can really stick it from the outside," he said. "That's an exciting team to coach and an exciting team to watch."

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publisher of High Potential Basketball Recruiting and is the co-camp director of the Cage Scope/High Potential "Blue-Chip" Basketball Camp which will be celebrating its 25th anniversary next summer at Georgetown College. The camp's web page address is

## Marvin

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Lewis can pull on his old defense, the one that's still so good it makes him get teary.

Plus, Ravens coach Brian Billick knows exactly what his former assistant likes to do on defense, so the familiarity angle essentially evens out.

"You have to do what you do best," Billick said. "And you have to be very careful you don't turn it into a bad Abbott and Costello routine: 'I know that he knows that I know that he knows, so I'm going to do such and such.' You can get yourself in trouble like that."

## USA

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Stars and closes out the pre-season Nov. 17 against Houston Elite. The Jags start the regular season on the road Nov. 21 at Jackson State. USA's home opener is slated for Nov. 30 against Alabama State.

Midnight Basketball Madness is an annual event that starts the fall practice season. Each team went through multi-hour workouts throughout the

## Throttle

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sided win.

Jeremy Carr got the Blackcats on the board with 9:20 left in the first quarter on a six-yard run and a Seth Moore extra point gave the cats a 7-0 lead. Pike Central would be unable to move the ball and the Blackcats would punch another score into the end zone on a 48-yard touchdown pass from Trevor Compton to Nicholas Jamerson with 2:50 left in the opening quarter. Prestonsburg would take a 13-0 lead after one quarter of play and add another score at the 11:47 mark of the second quarter when Chad Allen scooped up a Hawk fumble and rumble 45 yards for another Blackcat touchdown.

Prestonsburg led 21-0 and seemed in command but Pike Central would start to move the football on the next possession and the drive would end on a three-yard touchdown run by Chase Snodgrass.

A two point conversion from Pike Central would cut the Blackcat lead to 21-8 with 6:02 left in the first half. After Prestonsburg was stopped on fourth-and-seven, Pike Central would march 53 yards in 8 plays and hit pay dirt on a four-yard touchdown by Erik Coleman. Pike Central failed on the conversion and Prestonsburg would take a 21-14 lead to the half. The Pike Central offense controlled the clock in the first half as Prestonsburg only had three offensive possessions in the first two quarters.

Prestonsburg would kickoff to the Hawks to start the second half and the Blackcat defense would force a Pike Central punt. Chat Yates would put six on the board late in the third quarter on a five-yard run and a two point conversion pass from Compton

to Jesse Chaffin gave the cats a 29-14 lead with 3:08 left in the third quarter. The crucial play of the game came on the next Pike Central possession as quarterback Chase Snodgrass was leveled by a Blackcat defender and fumbled the football away. Prestonsburg recovered and Trevor Compton put the game out of reach on a five-yard touchdown run with 1:00 left in the third quarter to give Prestonsburg a 36-14 lead.

The Blackcats would tack on a score late in the game on a 33 yard run from Compton to make the final score 42-14. Prestonsburg improved to 4-4 on the year while Pike Central fell to 2-6. The Blackcats will host Shelby Valley on Friday night at Josh Francis Field with kickoff set for 7:30.

## Ahead

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Belfry in the annual Mountain Schoolboy Classic. After that, the Bobcats will ring in the new year, beginning on January 1, 2004 in Pike County at Pike County Central High in the Coca Cola Hoops Classic. After the Pike Central tourney, it's off to Knott County Central on January 6. The tournament — the WYMT MOUNTAIN Classic.

During the upcoming season, the Betsy Layne boys will step out of the 15th Region in early January and play on the road at 14th Region favorite Hazard, a team which has Floyd County native and Allen Central High graduate Kevin Spurlock calling the shots. The Bobcats will travel to Greenup County in February 2004.

## Rout

quarter. The Raider PAT Kick by Joe Osborne was no good and South Floyd led 6-0.

The Raiders carried the 6-0 advantage into the second quarter.

South Floyd senior quarterback Landon Hall found receiver Justin Slone for a 40-yard touchdown with 10:11 left in the second frame. Joe Osborne took a pitch from Hall and returned the favor to Little on the two-point conversion. Little made it for the two markers and the Raiders led 14-0.

Allen Central had its best opportunity to score in the first half in the final two minutes of the second quarter only to see time drift away. The Rebels had a third-and-goal as time expired in the first half. The South Floyd defense stiffened in the first half and kept up its play in the second half. In the first half, Raider defensive end T.J. Hall had a pair of sacks to lead the way.

When play resumed following the intermission period, South Floyd went right back to work.

Little ran in a 72-yard touchdown just 17 seconds into the third quarter to put the Raiders up 20-0. With 9:12 showing on the clock in the third quarter, Osborne got in on a 34-yard jaunt to make it 26-0. Not to be outdone, Little again made pay-dirt at the 5:47 mark. Hall found Justin Slone on the two-point conversion to make it 34-0.

The closest Allen Central could get to South Floyd was 34-12. Robbie Vanderpool scored for the Rebels on the offensive

end. Jonathan Vanderpool scored on defense when he scooped up an uncharacteristic Raider fumble and ran it in.

Leading 34-12, South Floyd got more in the fourth quarter. Little scored with 11:53 remaining in the fourth quarter and Osborne added the PAT kick to put the visitors ahead 41-12 and put the game out of reach for the homestanding Rebels.

Friday night's South Floyd-Allen Central game was sponsored by Appalachian Wireless. Allen Central also observed Senior Night by recognizing senior football players.

South Floyd will return to action on Friday night when it

travels to Paintsville to play the Tigers in a season finale. The Raiders have the final week of the regular season open. Paintsville will come into the home game against South Floyd following a 51-6 loss to Class A District Eight frontrunner Hazard. Kickoff for the Paintsville-South Floyd game is 7:30 p.m.

Allen Central will also hit the road, taking to Pikeville to play the Panthers in another game set for a 7:30 p.m. kickoff. For the Rebels, Friday night's game against the Panthers will be the last of the 2003 season. Allen Central has been eliminated from the playoff picture.

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Rockcastle County	44	Madison Southern	0
South Floyd	d57	Allen Central	20



At the conclusion of the 15th Region Volleyball Tournament, an all-tournament team was honored. The team is pictured above.

# Belfry takes 15th Region title in two straight

by **STEVE LeMASTER**  
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN — When host Allen Central was knocked out of the 15th Region Volleyball Tournament, Betsy Layne became the team fans in Floyd County rallied behind. With Coach Harold Tackett in his first season at Betsy Layne, the Ladycats prevailed through the first two rounds and entered Thursday night's championship match against perennial power Belfry with hopes of an upset win and a trip to next week's State Tournament. But the Lady Pirates of Belfry had other plans. Belfry came out in its match against Betsy Layne and played in dominating fashion, beating Betsy Layne 2-0 (25-7, 25-15) to take the championship.

Elsewhere, in the 14th Region, Whitesburg topped Hazard 2-0 (25-14, 25-9) to earn the neighboring regional crown.

At the conclusion of the 15th Region event, an all-tournament team was honored

The 15th Region Volleyball All-Tournament Team included Ashley Kendrick (Shelby Valley), Victoria Maynard (Allen Central), Savannah Moore (Paintsville), Joanna Thesis (Pike Central), Tabitha Howard (Magoffin County), Jennifer Howard (Magoffin County).

Anne Floyd (East Ridge), Kristal Daniels (Betsy Layne), Misty Tackett (Betsy Layne), Brian Akers (Betsy Layne), Vicki Hall (Belfry), Dana Runyon (Belfry) and Heather Rutherford (Belfry).

Belfry's Anna Bevins was named Tournament MVP.

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Qualifications: (1) Master's degree in social work, psychology, family studies, or related fields, or (2) certified alcohol and other drug counselor (CADC) with two years of experience. Knowledge of criminal justice system, the field of mental health, substance abuse issues, and related community resources preferred.

Grade 9, starting salary is \$2,321 per month with full state benefits. Applications must be received by the deadline of October 30, 2003. Send updated state application and résumé to:

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