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#### briefs Judge revokes probation

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG -A probation violation sent one Floyd Countian back behind bars this week, following a revocation hearing on Wednesday.

Jason Branham appeared in Floyd Circuit Court with his attorney, Jerry Patton, to face a probation violation. During the proceedings. Branham admitted to the court that he vioated his probation by being in possession and by using cocaine, mari-Juana, methadone and hydrocodone on March

12, 23, 24, and Sept. 1. Branham was indicted in August for two counts of second-degree trafficking in an unspecified drug and two counts of third-degree trafficking in

an unspecified drug. On Jan. 28, Circuit Judge John David Caudill handed down two concurrent threeyear sentences to Branham that were suspended for two years, during which time he was to be under state and private supervised probation. Additionally, Caudill sentenced him on that day to two 12month sentences to run concurrently with the other sentences

mposed. Following the hearing

#### **by MARY MUSIC** STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG - Three Floyd Countians indicted in April for drug trafficking charges were sentenced in Floyd Circuit Court on Wednesday.

for second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance and trafficking in a controlled substance within a 1,000 yards of a school; David Green, indicted for firstand second-degree drug trafficking; and Pete Hall, 41, indicted

Brandon Endicott, 21, indicted for first-degree trafficking in bation for his client, During the cocaine; were sentenced to 10 years collectively by Circuit that this was Endicott's first Judge John David Caudill.

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Endicott appeared in court with his attorney, Gerald Derossett, who requested that Caudill consider supervised pro-

proceeding, Derossett indicated felony offense and that he had "strong family support" to encourage rehabilitation.

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Caudill then stated that he "might" have considered granting

probation in the case, however, he said, referring to the commonwealth's offer on a guilty plea, Endicott "got an awful sweet deal to start with,'

"Do one thing, do it well"

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# for.

Archer Park was turned into a winter wonderland Friday evening, complete with the North Pole's number one elf. Santa was on hand Friday evening to welcome and get gift ideas from children such as brother and sister, Kelsey and Benjamin Cole.

# Lawyer seeks dismissal for faulty recording

#### by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG - Faulty evidence may lead to the dismissal of three drug trafficking cases - at least that's what the public defender's office is hoping

Public Advocate Michael P. Studebaker appeared in circuit court during motion hour on Wednesday with orders of dismissal in tow for three of his clients --- Kim Mynhier, 33, Judy Hicks, 46, and Liz Goble, 38.

All three defendants were indicted on April 8 for various drug trafficking charges and are scheduled to go to trial, according to documents on file at the court house, in January and March.

Mynhier was indicted for seconddegree trafficking in a controlled substance for allegedly selling Lortab. Hicks is charged with second-degree trafficking of an unspecified drug. Goble is charged with first-degree trafficking in an unspecified drug.

According to Studebaker, the audio tapes provided by the Commonwealth Attorney's office' regarding the alleged drug transaction are inaudible, a fact he says will impede the jury in providing accurate verdicts in the cases.

Tapes of phone conversations provided by the commonwealth are clearly audible, he said, but the tapes of the alleged drug

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# Three more sued by satellite provider



on Wednesday, Caudill reinstated these sentences, noting that Branham would not be allowed probation.

All of these sentences, said Caudill, would run concurrently.

"Try to get you some help," Caudill told him during the hearing. Wednesday.

Branham was transported to the Floyd **County Detention Center** following the hearing.

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#### by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE --- The California satellite company DirecTV filed three more lawsuits in U.S. District Court in Pikeville Wednesday against Two Floyd Countians and a Perry County resident they say purchased and used pirating devices to defraud them out of services and gainful profit.

The three lawsuits, filed against Martin residents Hubert

Vicars and Polly G. Vicars and Hazard resident Teresa Barnett, bring the total of individuals now named in complaints filed by DirecTV in Pikeville's federal court to 24.

The bulk of those 24 individuals named came from back-toback lawsuits in February and March. The company filed its first lawsuit at Pikeville in February and included 10 Eastern Kentuckians in that complaint.

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# W'wright may not be able to make loan payment

#### by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

WHEELWRIGHT Wheelwright city attorney Tim Parker says he doubts city commissioners will see their decadeold loan withdrawn in event the city fails to meet its \$11,000 payment early next month.

And Parker feels that payment period will come and go without the city forking over the money. "The payment is due early in

the first week of December and I

just don't think they'll be able to pay it," Parker said. "I don't think Ithe Kentucky Infrastructure Authority] will withdraw the loan. They might let one payment go by, but after the second payment they'll want to know what's going OD.

Parker, who said he experienced similar problems with water and sewer while working as city attorney in Martin, said if Wheelwright commissioners

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Mayor Thomasine Robinson, left, and city council members Deborah Bentley and Mahendra Varia, seated, discussed a map detailing the layout for Martin's new redevelopment site Tuesday during the city council meeting. According to Robinson, the new layout provides more space for the city school.

# **Martin Community Center** gets in full swing with funding

#### by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

MARTIN - The Martin Community Center is looking forward to a full season, after receiving its part of a \$150,000 grant that will cover the costs of years.

According to Rita C. Whicker, grant writer for the city of Martin, who was present during the city council meeting Tuesday, the Martin Community Center received the Ross

expenses for the next three Grant/Neighborhood Networks grant in partnership with the Housing Authority of Martin,

In addition to providing the salary for the program coordinator, the grant will place 20 new

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# Odds and Ends

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**EVERETT, Wash.** — por They're not clerks and sales personnel, but every year they brace all themselves for the onslaught that in

follows Thanksgiving. Plumbers.

"The day after Thanksgiving is our busiest day of the year," said David Deasis, assistant manager of the local office of Rescue Rooter. "A lot of people stuff what's left from dinner down the drain and it gets all clogged up. Then they call us."

One problem is that people assume a sink garbage disposal can grind and flush just about any scrapings from the plate, including chunky turkey bones.

"They're called garbage disposals, so people think they can stuff anything in the whole world down there," said Chris McIlrath, owner of AA Plumbing, "but they're not made for that.

"If you put the food on a plate into the garbage can and just rinse the plate off into the disposer, you'll never have a problem."

Thanksgiving also can produce plumbing problems elsewhere in the house as visiting friends and relatives overload toilets and sink and shower drains, said Robin French, a Roto-Rooter production manager in Lynnwood.

"The more usage, the more chance for them to get clogged," he said.

■ ST. PETER, Minn. — Call it "Operation Sweet Tooth."

Ernie and Bonnie Brandt are mailing more than a half-ton of candy to troops in Iraq where their son, Don, is serving in Mosul.

If all goes well, the candy will arrive in Iraq around Christmas thanks to the Brandts and many of their friends.

"If not, I'm sure they'll still enjoy it when they do get it," said Bonnie Brandt.

The candy project was born of opportunity. Ernie Brandt was talking with owners of the recently closed Shari Candies plant in Mankato about buying some candy to send to the troops. Company officials liked the idea and gave him a good deal: He left with nearly two pallets of 2 1/2pound bags of mixed candies.

The Brandts then called several military officials, seeking help in shipping the 1,100 pounds of candy to troops. Their efforts ran into government bureaucracy.

"We aren't going to wait for the government to ship it for free if they don't get it over there until next July," Bonnie Brandt said.

Mailing the 29 boxes of candy will cost \$1,000, and when word circulated among friends, other military families and business colleagues, donations began to come in.

The couple has raised nearly enough to cover the postage.

■ FAIRFIELD, Calif. — Maggots turn into flies — but flying maggots?

Students in a Fairfield High School literature class got a scare earlier this month when a halfdozen of the larvae fell through ceiling tiles onto their heads.

It was the "grossest experience" in the 17 years of David Day, who heard a little "boop" and looked down and an inchlong maggot wriggling on the floor.

"Then one fell on a student on the back of his sweatshirt," Day told the Fairfield Daily Republic. "And one fell on his book," The students crowded to one side of the room before fleeing. Pigeons were to blame.

Several birds that roosted under the portable building's roof died, and flies laid eggs in their corpses, said Bill Luna, director of administrative services.

Somehow, the maggots fell' through the tiles.

Maintenance has since condemned the portable building, which will be torn down during the Christmas break, said Rob Pierce, director of facilities and construction.

DRIGGS, Idaho — Officials say the grizzly bear was confused.

That's why it had been hanging out in people's doorways and garages before wildlife managers' from Idaho and Wyoming finally' captured it last week and moved it out of state.

By now, most bears have found a place to hibernate for the winter.

Idaho Fish and Game biologist Gregg Losinski said this could be the 2-year-old bear's first winter on her own, and maybe her denning instinct was confused. He said the homes probably looked warm and inviting to her.

The bear is being moved to a remote location near Cody, Wyo.

**Today in History** 

#### The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Nov. 30, the 334th day of 2003. There are 31 days left in the year.

#### Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 30, 1782, the United States and Britain signed preliminary peace articles in Paris, ending the Revolutionary War.

#### On this date:

■ In 1803, Spain completed the process of ceding Louisiana to France, which had sold it to the United States.

In 1835, Samuel Langhorne Clemens — better known as Mark Twain — was born in Florida, Mo. Louisville; he had lived with the device for 151 days.

#### Ten years ago:

President Clinton signed into law the Brady bill, which, requires a five-day waiting period for handgun purchases and, background checks of prospective buyers. Authorities in California arrested Richard, Allen Davis, who confessed to abducting and slaying 12-yearold Polly Klaas of Petaluma,

#### Five years ago:

Quebec's separatist premier, Lucien Bouchard, was returned to power but with only 43 percent of the vote, setting back the Parti Quebecois' goal of seeking independence from Canada. Deutsche Bank AG officially announced it was acquiring Bankers Trust Corp. for more than \$10 billion.

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In 1874, British statesman Sir Winston Churchill was born at Blenheim Palace.

■ In 1900, Irish writer Oscar Wilde died in Paris at age 46.

■ In 1936, London's famed Crystal Palace, constructed for the International Exhibition of 1851, was destroyed in a fire.

In 1939, the Russo-Finnish War began as Soviet troops invaded Finland.

In 1962, U Thant of Burma was elected Secretary General of the United Nations, succeeding the late Dag Hammarskjold.

In 1966, the former British colony of Barbados became independent.

■ In 1981, the United States and the Soviet Union opened negotiations in Geneva aimed at reducing nuclear weapons in Europe.

■ In 2001, Robert Tools, the first person in the world to receive a fully self-contained artificial heart, died in

#### One year ago:

International weapons hunters in Iraq paid an unannounced visit to a military post, previously declared "sensitive" and restricted by Baghdad. A nightclub fire in Caracas, Venezuela, killed 50 people.

#### Today's Birthdays:

Movie director Gordon Parks is 91. Actor Efrem Zimbalist Jr., is 85. Actress Virginia Mayo is 83. Former Rep. Shirley Chisholm, D-N.Y., is 79. Actor Robert Guillaume is 76. TV personality and producer Dick Clark is 74. Radio talk show host G. Gordon Liddy is 73., Country singer Teddy Wilburn is, 72. Country singer-recording.

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#### Drugs

probation and parole officer who prepared the pre-sentence investigative report, "was not satisfied" with Endicott's "truthful-

#### Loan

failed to make the payment to a certain point, the state would most likely send at least an initial threat.

"They probably won't send somebody down at first, but they'll threaten to," Parker said. "After that they'll send somebody and start asking for updates on the financial problems."

Parker said the state is more interested in loaning and borrowing money when it comes to dealing with cities, rather than having an interest in coming in and taking control of a city.

"It's not as if they'll be coming in and trying to run the city or anything like that, but they won't let the payments go for very long either," Parker said.

Through the Department for Local Government, Wheelwright borrowed approximately \$1 million roughly a decade ago in order to begin and finish sewer projects throughout the city, according to Mayor Marlee Sammons. As part of the agreement, the city signed on to pay back half of that amount.

Presently, the city still owes nearly \$200,000 on that loan, Sammons said.

Martin

computers in the center, said Whicker, bring the building into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, pay for broadband internet service, sassist with insurance and cover the cost for monitoring the security system.

According to Whicker, 16 teams with 135 kids ranging in age from 3 to 12 currently participate in the AAU basketball league, which uses the center. Games began last week, she said, and will continue every Friday and Saturday. According to her, concession stand proceeds for these games go to the AAU league and money received at the door goes to the community center to support

bation, Caudill noted that the ness" regarding his "substance charge. Additionally, he disabuse problem.

He sentenced Endicott to one year for the second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance

A good portion of the city's

growing financial dilemma can

be traced back to a trend in pay-

ing less for gas than they had

been selling it. However, com-

missioners Don "Booty" Hall

and Rodney Hall voted to

increase commercial gas rates by

\$4, hoping to cure that problem.

Commissioner Bruce Johnson

abstained from the vote, while

Sammons voted against the

place, city residents will now see

only a one-cent increase to their

past rate of \$6.94 per unit with

the increase to \$7, but commer-

cial customers, such as Otter

Creek Correctional Center, saw

their rates climb to \$15 per unit.

Sammons says the prison consti-

tutes about 50 percent of the

city's commercial gas use.

With the new gas rates in

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missed the trafficking within 1,000 yards of a school charge. Endicott was given 45 days credit for time already served.

"Mr. Endicott, you've got a problem," said Caudill. "You better tag it or you're gonna go away for a long time."

In addition to Endicott's hearing, Caudill presided over two other drug trafficking sentencing hearings on Wednesday.

Green, indicted for first-degree trafficking cocaine and seconddegree trafficking in an an unspecified drug, appeared in court with his attorney, Bobby Williams.

When asked by Caudill to provide to court with any comments regarding the case, Williams requested that the court follow the recommendation of the Commonwealth, who provided an offer in return for a guilty plea in October.

Following that request, Caudill sentenced Green to two concurrent three-year sentences. In accordance with the Commonwealth's plea agreement, the first-degree cocaine trafficking charge was amended to a lesser charge of second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance.

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Caudill further ordered that the sentences be suspended after oneyear, at which time Green is to be put on supervised probation for a period of two years. Additionally, Green was given 45 days credit for time served.

Green was also informed during the hearing of an outstanding bench warrant against him in district court regarding a \$290 fine against him.

Sentencing was also imposed on Wednesday for Pete Hall, who was indicted for first-degree trafficking in cocaine. According

to Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner, Hall appeared in court prior to Wednesday's scheduled motion hour.

He was indicted in April along with Connie Owens, 45,6f Garrett, who allegedly assisted Hall in selling Oxycontin.

The Commonwealth Attorney's Office filed an offer for a guilty plea in October.

According to Turner, Hall received a three-year sentence during the proceedings.

All three men were transported to the Floyd County Detention Center following the hearings.

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#### Motion

increase.

transactions were not. Studebaker said during the hearing that he would accept enhanced tapes in which the

#### heard more clearly, but as they stand, he said, "all you can hear are people mumbling."

Brent Turner argued during proceedings that Studebaker's accusations regarding the tapes "provided no basis" to dismiss the Noting that the cases. Commonwealth feels that the tapes provided are audible, he continued by saying that the tapes provided to the public defender's office are not the original tapes, and therefore would sound differently than those that would be used during trial.

"The tape they get is a copy of a copy." he said.

As proceedings continued, Circuit Judge John David Caudill declined the commonwealth's offer to allow Studebaker to listen to the tapes Commonwealth's at the Attorney's office where enhancement equipment is available.

Instead, Caudill, who noted

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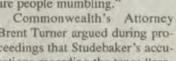
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dren, but the city still needs \$1,500 to finish funding the program, said Robinson.

Other upcoming events at the center include a fire department Christmas party on Dec. 6 and a Tap Enterprise tool sale on Dec

During the meeting, members also:

Discussed the appropriations of more than \$14,000 in funds from a sewer reserve bond. According to Robinson, \$4,200 of the funds will be allocated to the city's general fund, \$5,000 will go the the water fund, and \$5,000 will go into the city's savings.

Reviewed the new layout of the city's redevelopment site.

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the payment of referees. The center is currently looking for sponsors for these teams, she said.

In addition to providing a place for the AAU basketball, the center has also opened its computer lab to the public, with volunteers in place on Mondays and Tuesdays for assistance. The center also serves as a rental place for birthday parties, gatherings, and serves as gym for Piarist School basketball games and practices.

"The convention center is in full swing right now," said Mayor Thomasine Robinson during a city council meeting Tuesday. "It's really got started on the right foot."

According to Robinson, though the community center was opened earlier this year, it couldn't be utilized by the public because the Red Cross and Federal Emergency Management Agency used it for services following this year's floods.

During the meeting, city council members also discussed this year's planning of the "Christmas with a Cop" program, which will be held at the community center on Dec. 14. Twenty needy children in the community have been chosen to spend the day with a cop on that day. Personal and business donations have contributed donations and gifts for the chil-

According to Robinson, the new layout provides more land and parking space for the local school.

Approved a cost-of-living raise for city employees.

Approved Veterans Day as a holiday for all city employees.

All city council members were present for Tuesday's meeting.

#### DirecTV

The following month, the company again filed suit in Pikeville against seven additional people.

Since that time, and including the three filed Wednesday, DirecTV has filed seven additional lawsuits. Complaints against two individuals have been settled for undisclosed amounts, while two other defendants were slapped with default judgments - one for \$8,350 and the other for \$37,350.

All the lawsuits, including Hubert and Polly Vicars and Barnett's, have asked for compensatory, statutory and other damages, including injunctive relief.

In the suits filed Wednesday, it is alleged that Barnett purchased pirating devices designed to permit viewing of DirecTV programming normally reserved for paying customers. Barnett



he couldn't make an appropriate decision without hearing the tapes himself, opted to set a hearing in order for all three of the men to listen and consider "the same tape at the same time.'

"I want to be able to listen to what the jury listens to - that's the key," said Caudill,

The hearing is scheduled for Dec. 22 at 9 a.m.

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was, according to the suit, linked through Derek Trone, whom the government says sold the devices to Barnett, based on records of purchases seized from Trone on Nov. 29, 2001.

The company is asking for \$10,000 in damages, as well as attorney fees and other costs, listing four separate claims of federal offenses against Barnett.

Likewise, the company is seeking the same relief from Hubert Vicars and Polly Vicars, saying they, like Barnett, also bought pirating devices and used them to alter programming, both for themselves and others.

The government alleges that both Hubert Vicars and Polly Vicars also purchased their devices from Derek Trone, saying they were connected to Trone through purchase records as well.

Hubert Vicars and Polly Vicars made their purchases in July and May 2001, respectively, the government claims, while alleging that Barnett bought her devices later that year in August.

As with past lawsuits, the company claims the three violatboth the Federal ed Communications Act of 1934 the Electronic and Communications Privacy Act, also known as the Federal Wiretap Laws.

DirecTV's method of encrypting, or electronically scrambling, their satellite transmissions is a process they say provides customer security which they have invested more than \$1.25 billion to develop.



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Guest View Fletcher shouldn't **follow Patton's** example

Speaking at a statewide conference Tuesday on the future of education, Gov. Paul Patton denounced partisanship as a reason for so many of Kentucky's problems and a threat to the state's future prosperity.

He said if he had it to do all over again, he probably would have made a greater effort to break the political gridlock and reach out to leaders of the Republican Party.

But apparently Patton must feel he's too far down that road of partisanship to turn around now. Even while seemingly understanding that mistakes were made, he only continues to widen the gaps between Republicans and Democrats in Frankfort - and increase the public's distrust of government.

Two weeks ago, Patton filled 10 of the 11 seats on the Kentucky Racing Commission, including reappointing chairman Frank Shoop, who is a Democratic fund-raiser. Last week, he appointed more than 20 people to various state boards and commissions. And he apparently plans to fill seats on at least 29 more boards before he leaves office next month. The obvious goal is to deny the incoming administration the ability to fill these key positions.

To be clear, what Patton is doing has become somewhat of a tradition in the political realm. Leaders have long maximized the rules of the system to benefit their political party and to "pay back" those who've been supportive of their administrations.

But that doesn't make Patton's actions right. And it's this type of cronyism that has infuriated the public and led to the anti-government sentiment that continues to grow.

It's also the type of action that, at least partially, led to Emie Fletcher's being elected as the state's first Republican governor in 32 years. Fletcher ran on a campaign of change and "cleaning up the mess" in Frankfort. It was a message voters overwhelmingly endorsed.

The only trouble is that one of Fletcher's first actions as governor-elect looks a lot like what would be expected of the previous administration.

Fletcher's transition team - charged with the responsibility of examining various government agencies - contains 25 state lobbyists. The Associated Press reported that in some cases, these lobbyists are being asked to examine agencies with which they either do business or are involved in lawsuits.

Getting serious about teaching character

A while back I got an unsigned letter from a reader that made me mad. This reader was responding to a column I had written several months ago titled, "There are no winners in a school shooting." Here is what this person said:

"Two lines in your column says it all. Congress has proven over and over again that they are not going to do anything about mind pollution. There is far too much money there. Money is more mportant than life. Sounds callou maybe. In your columns you often speak of truth, honesty, integrity, fairness and justice. I believe these words are obsolete." The last line is what really made me mad. The words truth, honesty, integrity, fairness and justice are not obsolete. They are just as relevant in today's society as they have ever been, but unfortunately too many people have never been taught what they mean and the tremendous impact they will have on their lives as long as they live.

but we must also teach it in all of our schools and colleges just like we teach math, science, history and computer skills. But obsolete? Hardly!

It is with this in mind that I want to tell you about a college that is making a concerted effort to teach character to all new students who attend there. This is the College of the Ozarks, located in Branson, Mo. At the

beginning of each school year they hold an intensive 10day "Character Camp" and they have an agenda that makes it obvious they are serious about teaching character to their students. The camp is named for Willard

better way to learn than to share some time with mature adults who have been out in the real world for many years?

To my way of thinking, people in education are missing a real bet if they don't take advantage of people's experience who are willing to invest a little of their time in this way.

In order for you to have a little more insight into what I have been

saying I would like to give you some of the goals of the Character Camp and then highlight a few of the sessions in the ten day total experience.

n 1. Help students understand the college's expectations.

n 2. Assist students in understanding the purpose of higher education.

n 3. Develop familiarity



While the Fletcher administration says this transition team will have no influence on personnel or policy decisions and will receive nothing for their efforts, there's clearly at least the perception of a conflict of interest.

Fletcher has set the bar so high for bringing change to government that even this perception should be unacceptable. Kentuckians likely didn't view the "change" that Fletcher promised as simply a transfer of influence and political favors from "friends" of the Democratic Party to those of the Republican Party.

Gov. Patton seems committed to partisanship and abusing the system until the day he leaves office. Governor-elect Fletcher has promised better and shouldn't follow his lead.

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What I am saying is that we must teach character, not only in the home,

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#### and Pat Walker, who

gave an endowment to fund the Character Academy, which encourages young people to develop their character while gaining an education of the head. heart and hands.

It was my good fortune to learn about this Character Camp from a fine young man whose name is Andy Baldwin and he is attending this college on a basketball scholarship. One of the things that makes this camp so special is that they utilize the volunteer services of moms and pops who come to the campus and serve as peer counselors. What

with the physical surroundings.

n 4. Provide information and exposure to institutional services.

n 5. Provide information concerning academic policies, requirements and programs.

n 6. Introduce students to character development and reinforce how vital it is to success at College of the Ozarks and in life after college.

n 7. Convey the importance of good character, respect for yourself, others,

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might take the Oscar.)

They jam their help-the-insurancecompanies health program, their pollution-is-good-for-you environmental program and their let-our-kids-pay-for-it tax policy down the throats of Democrats, then complain when they

David Brooks, the moderate conservative who writes for "The New York Times." has called for a truce. He has suggested that a Democratic candidate might get traction by declaring a unilat-

eral ceasefire in the ongoing war between Democrats and Republicans, liberals and conservatives. He says that Howard Dean, the current Democratic front-runner, is "liberal aggression" and bad for the country. He writes (in the voice of his ideal candidate):

"I have seen Dean up close. The man hates his opponents. His kind thrives only during times of domestic war .... If he is elected, we will be a nation at war every second of his term. I don't even want to think about what our country would be like after four years of that."

That's the difference between Brooks' candidate and me. I love to think about it. Life without George Bush, Dick Cheney, Donald Rumsfeld and the rest of that crowd? Sheer heaven. Sometimes war is preferable to living under the boot of occupation troops.

The reason it's OK to hate the Republican leadership is because it is a hateful group.

It started with Richard Nixon, naturally. He was the one who adopted a "Southern strategy," casting himself as the anti-civil rights candidate without actually coming out against civil rights, and engaging in a dirty tricks campaign that eventually drove him from office. Then Ronald Reagan brought in Lee Atwater, who had honed his political

skills in South Carolina, where if they didn't have ugly, dirty. personal politics they wouldn't have any politics at all.

He was eventually succeeded by his protégé, Karl Rove, young Bush's Rasputin, who learned his lessons well. In the meantime you had Congress taken over by the worst the South had to offer, Newt Gingrich of Georgia and Tom Del ay of Texas, among others. All sense of fairness, all

comity was drained from our political system.

Now people like Brooks call for unilateral ceasefires? Unilateral disarmament is more like it. Fat chance, David.

It used to be that in each election I'd look for a moderate Republican I could vote for, just to prove I could do it.

Then came the Republicans' war against Clinton. Talk about hatred, I've

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## leaders deserve smiting by DONALD KAUL

Republican

The Republicans are saying that Democrats are being mean to them, that Democratic presidential candidates are being less than patriotic in not joining them in support of Mr. Bush's war. They're even complaining that liberals are writing nasty books making fun of them.

Except for the patriotic part (John Kerry has three Purple Hearts and that bunch of conservative draft dodgers has the nerve to call HIM unpatriotic?) I agree with all of that.

And I'm for it.

For too long have Democrats and liberals lived like cowardly curs, trying not to make any noise for fear Republicans would kick them again. And what did it get them? A lot of kicks.

Now that Democrats are getting up on their hind legs and growling a bit, Republicans are offended. They staged a snit-in in the Senate the other day to protest the fact that Democrats were blocking a few of the president's rightwing judicial appointments. Never heard of such a thing, they said. (In the hypocrisy sweepstakes, that one just

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# Faith Extra

# ·Minister's Moment: "We aim to Please"

by REV. TOM BIDDLE DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS ENTERPRISE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCHES

A phrase that I have heard many times in my life is. "We aim to please." You thank someone for a wonderful dinner and they say, "We aim to please." A business provides great service and they respond, "We aim to please." A husband takes out the trash for his wife, she thanks

#### to please."

That phrase came to my mind the other day as I pondered the inevitable question of how we say thanks to God for all He has done for us. One of our greatest attempts to please God is by the things we do. After all, it says in I Thessalonians 2:4 we are to "please God more than man." Which, by the way, is not a good excuse for husbands to use when they forget to buy their wives a gift at an anniversary or birthhim and he responds, "We aim day. You can't say to her, "I was

God than you." Trust me, if doesn't work. But what does it take for us to please God? How far do we need to go?

In the book of Hebrews 13:15-16, it gives a very detailed description of what we need to offer God. First of all, it says we need to give Him a "continuous sacrifice of praise." Two words catch my eye there. One of is the word "continuous". That means we are to praise God all the time. That

# **'Shields of Strength'** provide hope, **comfort for soldiers**

#### by BOBBY ROSS JR. ASSOCIATED PRESS

A "Shield of Strength" hung on the chain around Capt. Russell B. Rippetoe's neck when the Army Ranger and two other soldiers were killed in a car bomb explosion at an Iraqi checkpoint.

The 1-by-2-inch shield, which Rippetoe wore along with his military dog tags and a Christian cross, displayed a U.S. flag on one side and a quote from Joshua 1:9 on the other: "I will be strong and courageous. I will not be terrified, or discouraged, for the Lord my God is with me wherever I go."

Produced by a Beaumont, Texas, group, the shields may just

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seem like trinkets to some. But for son's Joshua 1:9 tag. more than 100,000 U.S. military personnel and their families, they offer comfort and hope in the most trying of times.

"All the men who served with my son wear the shield around their necks, as do many of the elite 75th Rangers," said retired Lt. Col. Joe Rippetoe, a Gaithersburg, Md., resident who was disabled in two tours of duty in Vietnam.

His 27-year-old son, from Arvada, Colo., died in early April and was the first soldier from the Iraq war laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetery. On Memorial Day, the grieving father visited at the White House with President Bush, who had heard about the Christian dog tag.

The first question Bush asked was whether Rippetoe had his

"As luck would have it, I had Russell's original tag and one that Chaplain (Brad) Baumann had given me at the unit memorial service," Rippetoe said.

Rippetoe kept the original tag, the plastic around its edges scorched in the bombing, and gave the president the other one. Bush mentioned it later that day in a memorial speech at Arlington National Cemetery.

The commander in chief receiving a Shield of Strength represented a milestone of sorts for Kenny Vaughan, who first had dog tags engraved with Scriptures in 1997.

Vaughan, a Beaumont native, wasn't part of the military. He was actually a water-skiing champion, who had just won his first national championship for long jumping after overcoming fears that had hampered his performance for sad times or painful times in your life, but even in those we can thank God for His presence. The other word is "sacrifice".

That means we are to give of our best, and even go beyond our limits sometimes. When sacrifices were made in the days before Christ, it was expected that you would take of the best of your flock or your crop and offer it to God. Now what God requires of us is our lives. Do we truly give our best?

Also, in that passage it tells us that this sacrifice of praise consists of "lips that confess His name" and "lives that reveal His love." Confession is more than just a simple salvation confession at an altar. It is the language that we use from that point forward.

Does everything that comes out of your lips reveal that you are a believer in Christ? Do you share the language of love, acceptance and forgiveness? Do you offer words of encouragement to those in need?

For example, I, like anyone, can get frustrate waiting in long lines at Wal-Mart during the holiday season. However, I made a decision a long time ago to

more concerned about pleasing doesn't mean you won't have never take it out on the casher or vent my frustration on them. Why? Because I always wonder if they came to my church of Sunday and saw me, what would their impression be if I treated them harshly?

The other part of that verse says we are to reveal His love through good deeds. That is not a big problem for most of us. In fact, many people do lots of wonderful things for others. The challenge, though, is that word we saw earlier - "sacrifice".

How many of us go beyond our limits to reach out to others? When was the last time your service to God altered your schedule or plans?

A couple of weeks ago, I attended a commissioning service for foreign missionaries in our convention. Two of those 69 people could not sit on the stage with the other 67 because the place they were going was so

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never seen such hatred directed Davidson at an American president as the right wing spewed at Clinton. He was sleazy, admittedly, but to attack him in the manner the Republicans did was, to me, close to treason. They were trying to destroy him for the sake of destroying him without any regard to consequence.

Right then I decided that I would never vote for another Republican. And I haven't and I never will. Even the best of Republicans is hostage to the rancid right wing controlling his party.

To those who say that attitude risks a partisan war, I say:

Fine. Bring it on.

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. donald.kaul2@verizon.net.

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your school and your country. Here are just a few of the highlights: "What is Character Camp?" "Talk on Character," "Campus Family Time," studies," "Character case "Campfire talks," "Character Development & Leadership Training Workshop," "Etiquette class," "Binge Drinking Video," "Challenge course," "Honor Induction/Etiquette Banquet."

One of the keys to student success is to create high expectations with regard to character in the learning environment. A final question: Could you use some of this information to do a better job of teaching character to those you love?

Jim Davidson is a motivational speaker and syndicated columnist. You may contact him at 2 Bentley Drive, Conway, AR 72034.

years His girlfriend Tammie, now his wife, had painted Scriptures on the handle of his tow rope, including this one from Philippians 4:13: "1

who strengthens me." "I wanted a daily reminder of God's word, but I figured I would look silly carrying my water ski rope handles," Vaughan said. "So I bought a few military dog tags and engraved the Scriptures.'

can do all things through Christ

Relatives and friends liked the idea - so much so that Vaughan kept giving his tags away and going back to get more engraved.

By the time he paid for each letter he had engraved, it cost him about \$20 a tag. He decided it would be more cost-effective to make his own.

So, he started an organization called Athletes for Christ and began producing Shields of Strength for athletes, police offi-

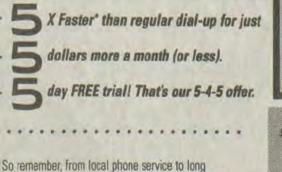
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# Regional Obituaries

#### Floyd County

Arnold Akers, 65, of Grethel, died Saturday, November 22, at the Saint Joseph's Hospital, Ft. Wayne, Indiana, Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, November 26, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Arlis Bates. 77. of Bevinsville, died Thursday, November 13, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, November 15, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home,

Charles Norman Brown Sr., 60. of Jacksonville, Florida, formerly of Kentucky, died Wednesday, November 12, at St. Augustine, Florida. Graveside services were conducted Sunday, November 16, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home:

Henry Bryan Burchett, 39, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, November 22, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin, Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, November 25, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Willard D. (Bud) Edmonds. 64, of Harold, died Saturday, November 22, at Kings Daughter's Hospital in Ashland. He is survived by his wife. Jewell Crum Edmonds. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, November 25, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Rebecca (Reba) Halbert, 65, of Langley, died Tuesday, November 25, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, in Martin. She is survived by her husband, Virgil Halbert Sr. Funeral services were conducted Friday, November 28. under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Edward James Hall, 82, of Bevinsville, died Monday, November 24, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Friday, November 28, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home,

Alice Allen Slone, 73, of 22, in Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg. She is survived by her husband, Charles Ray Slone. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, November 25, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Herman Slone, 78, of Vernon, Alabama, formerly of Topmost, died Sunday, November 23, at the Care Center of Vernon, following a long illness. He is survived by his wife. Irene Mosley Slone. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, November 26, under the direction of the Chandler Funeral Home.

Marguerite Stapleton Sparks, 76, of Somerset, formerly of Floyd County, died Thursday, November 20, at her residence, Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 24, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Johnson County

David Winfrey Burchett, 83, died Friday, November 21, at Hardin Memorial Hospital in Elizabethtown. Funeral services conducted Tuesday, were November 25, under the direction of Hager Funeral Home.

Clora Cantrell, 88, a Johnson County native, died Thursday. November 20, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, November 23, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

Martha Griffey Duty, 79, died Tuesday, November 18, at her residence. She is survived by her husband, Cleveland Monroe Duty, Funeral services were conducted Friday, November 21, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Gerald Lloyd "Buddy" Delong, 67, of Van Lear, died Wednesday, November 5, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Helen McKenzie DeLong. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, November 8, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Girlden Maggard Joseph, 84, of Paintsville, died Friday, November 14, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, November 18, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Estill, died Saturday, November the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

#### Knott County

Kenneth Ray Collins, 53, of Pippa Passes, died Wednesday, November 12, at UK Medical Center, Lexington, from injuries received in an auto accident. He is survived by his wife, Gloria Jean Collins. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, November 15, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

#### Martin County

Freda Elkins Crigger, 75, of Crum, West Virginia, died Friday, November 21, at Williamson Memorial Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 24, at Golden Springs Church in Stonecoal, and burial was in the Marcum Cemetery.

Verneda Crum, 60, of Union City, Ohio, died at Good Samaritan Hospital, Daytona, Ohio. She is survived by her husband, Mitchel Crum. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, November 20, under the direction of Richmond-Callaham Funeral Home.

T.J. Fields, 64, of Inez, died Wednesday, November 12, at Martin County Health Care Facility. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, November 15, under the direction of Richmond-Callaham Funeral Home.

Cleburn "Clay" Mills, a native of Tomahawk, died Sunday,\* October 26, in Weatherford, Texas. He is survived by his wife, Barbara Mills. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, October 30, at First Methodist Church, Weatherford. Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery in Weatherford.

Monroe Young, 65, of Inez, died Thursday, November 14, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. He is survived by his wife, Connie Guss Young. Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 17, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

#### Lawrence County

Wednesday, November 26, under November 18, under the direction died Sunday, November 16, at of Wilson Funeral Home.

> Rhoda Livingston, 78, of Columbus, Ohio, formerly of Blaine, died Thursday, November 20, at her home, Funeral services conducted Tuesday, were November 25, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

Charlie Lyons, 67, of Louisa, died Wednesday, November 12, at Three Rivers Medical Center, Louisa. He is survived by his wife, Zeola Mae Spears Lyons. Funeral services were conducted Saturday. November 15, under the direction of Young Funeral Home.

Jack Rutherford, 64, of Blaine,

Three Rivers Medical Center, Louisa. He is survived by his wife, Ruby Mullins Rutherford, Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, November 19, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

#### Magoffin County

Dudley Nickels, 77, of Valparaiso, Indiana, formerly of Magoffin County, died Sunday, November 16, at Porter Memorial Hospital, Valparaiso, Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, November 19, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Leonard C. Risner, 55, of

# Obituaries

#### Callene Click

Callene Click, 74, of Martin, died Wednesday, November 26, 2003, at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington.

Born May 4, 1929, in Prestonsburg, she was the daughter of the late Calvin and Gussie Shortridge Osborne. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ray Click.

Survivors include one son, John Alex Weddington of Marin; one sister, Justine Adkins of Salyersville; one step-brother, Carl Click of Warsaw, Indiana; three step-sisters, AdaThrasher and Dixie Miles, both of Warsaw, Indiana and Ellen Ratliff of Martin.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, November 30, at p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, with Jimmy Brown officiating.

Burial was in Ray Click Cemetery, Stephens Branch, Martin.

Arrangements by Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

#### Joe H. Arnett

#### Joe H. Arnett, age 92, of Prestonsburg, passed away. Thursday, November 27, 2003, at the Highland Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg, following an extended illness.

He was born September 7. 1911, at Dotson, the son of the late Daniel Boone and Minerva (Fitzpatrick) Arnett.

He was married to Susan Rebecca (Wallen) Arnett, who survives him.

He was a retired Kentucky and West Virginia Gas Company employee, and a member of the New Bethel Assembly of God Church at Salyersville.

He is survived by two sons and one daughter. Joseph Jackson Amett of Mt. Washington, Glenn Phillip Amett of Reston, Virginia. and Lolita King of Prestonsburg: one brother and one sister, John E. Amett of Wheelersburg, Ohio. Mary Johnson of and Prestonsburg; nine grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Sunday, November 30, at 2 p.m.,

Salyersville, died Wednesday,

November 5, at his residence. He

is survived by his wife, Elsie Ross

Risner. Funeral services were con-

ducted Saturday, November 8,

under the direction of Magoffin

Knott County

Pippa Passes, died Wednesday.

November 12, at UK Medical

Center, Lexington, from

injuries received in an auto

accident. He is survived by his

wife, Gloria Jean Collins.

Funeral services were conduct-

under the direction of Nelson-

Frazier Funeral Home.

ed Saturday, November 15,

Kenneth Ray Collins, 53, of

County Funeral Home.

Curtis Boyd Mosley, age 81, of Baltimore, Maryland, died Wednesday, November 26,

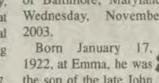
1922, at Emma, he was the son of the late John F. and Lula Boyd Mosley.

He was a 1940 graduate of Prestonsburg High School and attended Georgetown University. He served in the Army Infantry Division during World War II, and engaged in combat on the Island of Palau.

He is survived by his wife, Lilly Helton Mosley: daughter, Lillian Nuckolls, son-in-law, Robert T. Nuckoils; granddaughter, Ashley-Marie; grandson, Andrew Boyd, all of Baltimore, Maryland; sister, Berdell Cecil and niece, Quetta Sue Longo, both of Erlanger; nephew, Larry Cecil, of Prestonsburg.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Dorothy Blevins and Audrey Mosley.

Curtis Boyd Mosley Born January 17,



Ernest J. Hall, 64, of Melvin, died Wednesday, November 19, at Jenkins Community Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, November 23, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Gertrude Bentley Harris, 82, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, November 23, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, November 26, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

John Woodford Howard II, a native of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, November 16. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, November 20, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

Dallas Dean Hunter, 58, of Banner, died Sunday, November 23, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital. Funeral services were Wednesday, conducted November 26, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Nola C. Long, 90, of Martin, died Monday, November 24, at Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg, Funeral conducted services were Wednesday, November 26, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Robert L. Martin, 62, of Butler, Indiana, formerly of Wayland, died Friday, November 11. in the Dekalb Memorial Hospital, in Auburn, Indiana. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, November 25, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Earl Martin Jr., 73, of Ematilda, Florida, formerly of Kite, died Thursday, November 21, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Gertrude Bentley Martin. Funeral services were conducted Monday. November 24, under the direction of Beyer Funeral Home.

Roger Price, 54, a Johnson County native, died Wednesday, November 19, at Paul B. Hall Medical Center in Paintsville, He is survived by his wife, Sandy Picklesimer Price, Funeral services were conducted Saturday, November 22, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Velma "Toots" Blanton Tackett, 81, died Tuesday, November 18. at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Friday. November 21, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Frances Thacker, 75, of Meally, died Sunday, November 23. Funeral services were conducted

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executive Jimmy Bowen is 66. Movie director Ridley Scott is 66. Singer Rob Grill (The Grassroots) is 60. Movie writerdirector Terrence Malick is 60. Singer Luther Ingram is 59. Rock musician Roger Glover (Deep Purple) is 58. Playwright David Mamet is 56. Actress Margaret Whitton is 53. Actor Mandy Patinkin is 51. Musician Shuggie Otis is 50. Singer June Pointer is 50. Country singer Jeannie Kendall is 49. Singer Billy Idol is 48. Rock musician John Ashton (The Psychedelic Furs) is 46. Comedian Colin Mochrie is 46. Football and baseball player Bo Jackson is 41. Rapper Jalil (Whodini) is 40. Actor-director Ben Stiller is 38. Country singer Mindy McCready is 28. Singer Clay Aiken is 25. Actress Elisha Cuthbert ("24") is 21.

#### Thought for Today:

"Classic': a book which people praise and don't read." Mark Twain (1835-1910).

Robert Burgess, 96, of Louisa, died Saturday, November 15, at his residence. Funeral services conducted Tuesday, were

#### Hope

cers, firefighters and other professions. Within three years, the shields had spread to Christian bookstores in all 50 states. The tags sell for about \$5 each retail.

Army Command Sgt. Maj. Jacqueline R. Clay, in an e-mail from Baghdad, said she "cannot even begin to count how many soldiers are wearing them."

"It also has a spiritual camaraderie impact," Clay wrote, "for example, when you meet another Christian or military member and they have the shield on their ID tags ... it bonds you, even though you may not know them."

Ironically, Vaughan never marketed the product to the military. He worried that people serving their country might be upset by what he was doing. After all, he was a civilian and had not earned the right to wear a dog tag.

His concern vanished after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks when he received an e-mail from Fort Huachuca, Ariz. A soldier had come across a Shield of Strength at a Christian bookstore and shown it to Lt. Col. David Dodd, who wanted some for troops leaving for the war in Afghanistan.

The e-mail was sent on a Monday.

"By Wednesday, he had Fed-Exed 500 of them," recalled Dodd, now stationed at the Pentagon after serving in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Dodd said his wife, Sharon, keeps a Shield of Strength on her key chain. His daughters, Caitlin, 15, and Grace, 9, wear them around their necks.

"When you're over there and the only thing you have with you is your equipment," Dodd said, "it's an environment where people really start thinking about what's important.

'Most people start seeking some kind of spiritual fitness. So these were comforting words," he

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

from the Burke Funeral Home in Prestonsburg, with Rev. Arthur Sam Smith officiating.

Burial will follow in the Jack May Cemetery at Prestonsburg, under the direction of Burke Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

#### Linda Rae Braddock Weathers

Braddock Rae Linda Weathers, 62, of Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, November 25, 2003, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

Born December 2, 1940, in Martin, she was the daughter of the late William F. Braddock and Evelyne (Grace) Martin Braddock. She was a homemak-

She is survived by her husband, Eugene Weathers.

Other survivors include sons, Dusty Weathers, wife, Shelley, of Owingsville, Carl Brian Weathers of Salt Lake City, daughters, Utah: Cathy Weathers Matteini, husband, Vince, of Lexington, Cindy Mortensen of Salt Lake City, Utah; brother, William R. (Buddy) Braddock, wife Joanne of Reston, Virginia; grandchil-Elizabeth Catherine dren. Weathers of Owingsville, Marinda Lee Weathers, Stormie April Weathers, Christina Mortensen, and Marie McDaniels, all of Salt Lake City, Utah.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, November 28, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Yvonne Lafferty and Tommy Reed officiating.

Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Funeral services will be 3 p.m., Sunday, November 30, at Carter Funeral Home. Prestonsburg.

Visitation will be Sunday from noon until time of service. Final resting place, Richmond

Cemetery. Carter Funeral Home is serving the Mosley family.

(Paid obituary)

### Patricia (Trish) Crace

#### Blackburn

Patricia (Trish) Crace Blackburn, 48, of Allen, died Tuesday, November 25, 2003, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

Born December 12, 1954, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Estill Crace and Edna Adams Crace Sammons. She was a homemaker. saved and baptized at Irene Cole First Baptist Church, Prestonsburg and was a member of the Daniels Creek Fellowship Church of God.

She is survived by her husband, Frankie (Tom) Blackburn.

Other survivors include her step-father, Bennie Sammons of Martin; two brothers, Dennie Crace of Dwale, and Bill Joe Crace of Martin; three sisters, Rita Blackburn of Prestonsburg, and Judy Kidd and Linda Bentley, both of Allen.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and one son. Frankie Thomas Blackburn Jr., and one brother, Estill Jr. Crace.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, November 28, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, with Henry Lewis and Larry Adams officiating.

Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel. under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obinuary)

Comforting words not just for those fighting, but for those left

Vaughan mailed 1,000 Shields of Strength - at no charge - to Joe Rippetoe after his son died. To go along with them, Rippetoe had separate dog tags made with this inscription:

CPT RIPPETOE RUSSELL B JULY 21, 1975 APRIL 3, 2003 IRAQ WAR HERO

said.

behind.

cards, poems and money received after his son's death, Rippetoe gives well-wishers a shield and a

tomorrow."

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dangerous they were not allowed to be seen in public. That is going beyond the limits. To think I feel good sometimes about getting to church three times a week.

I guess the ultimate question that must be asked is, "Is God please with my life?" Our families and friends may be very please with us, and yet God may not be pleased. He knows what we are capable of doing. He created us. He will shape us when we allow Him to do so. During these days, I encourage you to ask yourself, "What can I do to please God?" Then take the first step by joining Him in a house of worship this Sunday.

As a "thank you" for letters, dog tag.

"The Shield of Strength is to remind them that when you need help, you look to the man upstairs," he said. "The other one is to remind you to love those around you today. Don't wait until

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# Former Blackcats end college grid careers

PROFILE

#### by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

Jeremy Caudill at Kentucky. Nathan Leshie at Marshall. John Ortega at Centre. Seth Crisp at Campbellsville. Four former Prestonsburg Blackcat football players have now ended their careers on the collegiate gridiron at four respective schools. All four leave their respective collegiate gridirons with an impact

made. Caudill, Leslie, Ortega and Crisp each made early impacts on the college football scene.

> Caudill. who played his final game at the University of

Kentucky Saturday against rival Tennessee, came in as a true freshman and started on the defensive

line in the tough Southeastern Conference. Caudill started in each of his four seasons at Kentucky and prior to the start of his senior season made a smooth transition from the interior defensive line to

defensive end. A 4 highlight of



photo by Steve LeMaster

South Floyd will join Pike Central, another 15th **Region boys** basketball team, in this year's Defenders of the Station tournament.

## H.S. BASKETBALL SFHS, Pike Central scheduled for play in Bryan Station tourney

#### by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON - Two 15th Region teams - South Floyd, Pike Central - are among 16 teams in this year's Defenders of the Station Invitational. The tournament., played annually, features talented teams from across the state. Games will be played at Bryan Station, Henry Clay, Scott County and Tates Creek high schools. First-round games will be played at various sites.

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#### BASKETBALL NOTEBOOK H . S .



Allen Central senior Rossi Samons Jooked for a pass during Wednesday night's scrimmage game against Portsmouth Clay, Ohio.

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#### **COLLEGE BASKETBALL**

# Centre men's team has **Floyd** ties

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

DANVILLE - Two Floyd County natives are strong ties that now help bind the Centre College men's basketball program. Stacey Hall, a Floyd County native who graduated from McDowell High School and most recently served as the head coach at Mercer County High School where he had a regional championship team in his first season, is an assistant coach on the Centre College staff. Centre is coming off an 18-9 record and a second-place finish in the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference Tournament.

This is Hall's first college coaching job.

With four starters returning and one of the best athletes in the history of Centre College still around, expectations for the 2003-04 season are extremely high. Returning starters include seniors Rob King.

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Leslie





Caudill

Caudill's career was the Wildcats' 7-5 season in 2002. A ban kept the Football Wildcats from going to a bowl game in Caudill's junior season. The Martin native is expected to be picked in April's

NFL draft.



Caudill will leave the Kentucky grid program with wars against Florida, Georgia and Tennessee behind him.

Leslie went into the University of Marshall football program after choosing the Thundering Herd grid program over Louisville and a few other schools. Leslie's stay on the Marshall gridiron was a very interesting one. He may quite possibly be the most versatile athlete to ever put on a Herd football jersey. During his freshman season, following a redshirt campaign, he saw time as a tight end. As a member of the Thundering Herd, he spent most of his career on the defensive line and also played on special teams. Like Caudill, prior to the start of his senior season, Leslie also made a position move, moving to offensive

line. At Marshall, Leslie has had the

(See CAREERS, page two)

# spotlight this week

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

With all the panoramas and scrimmages now history, it's time for regular-season high school basketball games. At least in the early stages, it appears as if some teams are more prepared than others.

South Floyd High head coach Henry Webb says this year's Raiders are the most defensive

bunch he's had since the 2000 team. The Raiders lived up to that billing Wednesday night by limiting scrimmage opponent Pikeville.

(See HOOPS, page two)

# H.S. BASKETBALL **Piarist will** field boys' basketball team

#### by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

MARTIN - After a one-year absence, the Piarist School in Martin will field a boys' basketball team and play a schedule that'll feature many opponents from the Three Rivers Conference. The last person to coach a boys' basketball team at the Piarist School was Gary Kidd in 2001. The Martin-based school did not field a boys team last season but did have a girls' basketball team. Anthony Ward

(See PIARIST, page two)

# TIGER HOOPS CLASSIC **East Carter, Morgan County** in Paintsville tournament

#### by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE - The field for the inaugural Tiger Hoops Classic includes four 16th Region teams. Teams hailing from the 16th Region in the first-ever Tiger Hoops Classic include Morgan County, East Carter,

Rowan County and Greenup County. Of the four, Morgan County is most likely the strongest squad. This issue, Morgan County and East Carter will be previewed.

Morgan County, coached by Matthew Perry, had an excellent season on the hardwood last season and will rely on the play of six-foot-three senior guard Ryan Phipps and sophomore Blake McCowan to provide scoring. Also returning to the mix for Morgan County is Whitney Perry and Whitney Allen (6-2), a senior forward. Morgan County posted a 24-7 record last season. The Cougars

(See PAINTSVILLE, page two)



**Betsy Layne** junior guard Kim Clark and her Ladycat teammates begin defense of the 15th **Region title this** week. The high school season arrives for most all teams this week



# PROFILE Spurlock has 14th Region favorite

#### by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

HAZARD - Floyd County native Kevin Spurlock is one of the hardworking high school coaches that can say he's served as a head coach in each of the "big three" prep sports. While at his high school alma mater, Allen Central, Spurlock served as head coach of both the Rebel baseball and football teams, while putting in time as the top assistant on the boys' basketball bench. Spurlock took his first head coaches job as a boys' basketball coach at Trimble County where he spent one year before returning to Eastern Kentucky to become the head coach at Hazard. Now, Spurlock, set to begin his second season at Hazard, has the 14th



Hazard Coach Kevin Spurlock played and coached at Allen Central High School.

# Reds push naming new manager into next week

#### by ED TAYLOR SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving Day with your families and friends.

We certainly do have a lot to be thankful for.

I am thankful that someone else had to take all the insides of a turkey and dispose of it. I am thankful for those comfortable recliners that are so nice to try and watch football from on this special day.

I am thankful for DirectTV which affords me the chance to watch some of the UK basket-

## ALICE LLOYD COLLEGE Bulldogs go to 2-0 in AAC

#### TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIPPA PASSES - Union College improved to 2-0 in Appalachian Athletic Conference play thanks to an 83-77 win at Alice Lloyd College on Tuesday.

Freshman Chris Mullins posted a double-double with 16 points and 11 rebounds, while freshman Russ Bramlage led the Bulldogs in scoring with 17. Junior Aaron Troutman added 13 points with sophomores Josh Andrews and Paul Herald each knocking in 11.

Union led 39-32 at the half, and despite shooting 62.5 percent (15 of 24 shots) from the floor and a perfect 5-for-5 from 3-point range in the second half. Union was outscored 45-44 during the final 20 minutes. However, it wasn't enough for the Eagles to overtake the Bulldogs as Union netted the 83-

#### 77 victory.

For the game, Union connected on 30-of-58 shots (51.7 percent) and hit 42.1 percent (8 of 19 shots) from long range.

Alice Lloyd's Jeremy Daniels led all scorers with 18 points, while Micah Oden scored 16 and Jeremy Jackson 10.

#### Union soars past Lady Eagles in 99-65 AAC win

Lack of offense was not a problem of Union College on Tuesday as the Lady Bulldogs posted a 99-Appalachian Athletic 65 Conference victory at Alice Lloyd. Fourteen different Lady Bulldogs cracked the scoring column with sophomore Andrea Whitehead's 23 points leading the way. Senior Chasity Nunn chipped in 20.

## WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Shawnee wins battle of Lady Bears

#### TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - Shawnee

State hit all its first half free throws and dominated the glass to run past Pikeville College 80-57 Tuesday night.

Shawnee, 7-0 and ranked 10th in NALA Div. II, hit 17-of-17 from the line before the Ramanda Music

had 13 and paced the team with seven rebounds, as four players had at least five boards in the game.

Junior guard Nikki Tucker finished with 11 points thanks to hitting three three-point baskets.

Pikeville will now be off for a week to enjoy the Thanksgiving holi-

Union led 47-31 at the half before outscoring the Lady Eagles 52-34 in the second half.

#### Team

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Jason Atwell, James Booker, and sophomore Coy Zerhusen. One of the returnees is a Floyd County native.

All-conference football and baseball player John Ortega also returns for the Colonels. The Prestonsburg High graduate grabbed all-tournament honors last basketball season. He is one of six seniors.

Atwell, a first team all-conference selection last year, led the Colonels in scoring with a 14.3 average. Centre head coach Greg Mason said, "Jason is a phenomenal shooter, and I feel hopeful that he will even be better going back to his natural position at the wing." Atwell has led the Colonels in scoring the last two years and should join the 1000 point club this season.

Also returning is leading rebounder (7.1), shot blocker, and steals leader, Rob King. King averaged 9.3 points a game last year and was honorable mention all-conference. Defensive specialist James Booker gives the Colonels an experienced defender who usually draws the opponent's best scorer. Booker can score, too, averaging nine points a game in 2002-03 and shoots 83 percent from the free throw line. Hardworking Coy Zerhusen (10.3 points per game) gives the Colonels another good scorer and rebounder (6.6). Zerhusen also averaged three assists per game to lead the team.

The Colonels will play a 25game schedule including three tournaments. The season will culminate with the SCAC Tournament in Memphis, Tenn., on February 27-29.

"I can say Lamar, "hold that guy

to 10 points, any player," and he'll

hold them to 10 points," said

what concerned about his team's

play Wednesday night against

Prestonsburg. Many players,

including Sizemore and Williams.

were still shaking off the recent

football season. The senior pass-

catch duo, Sizemore the quarter-

back and Williams the receiver, led

Hazard to a Class A, District Eight

Betsy Layne, a team in which

Spurlock holds in high regard.

Hazard will open its season with

"I've heard they're pretty

Prestonsburg, like Hazard, is

good," said Spurlock. "(Coach)

Brent (Rose) does a good job up

still getting many players adjusted

to the hardwood from the gridiron.

The two teams played at Allen

Central Wednesday night with a

dominant Hazard team running

ranked in the top-five in the 15th

Region in many pre-season rank-

ings. Seniors Brandon Hall and

Jordan Kidd are each ranked

among the top players in the 15th.

The Bobcats, playing a Belfry team

which was without some its talent

due to an extended football season,

won easily. Many of the Betsy,

Layne Ladycats were at Allen

Central Wednesday night to cheer

25th in the Lexington Herald-

Leader pre-season boys' basketball

poll that was published Friday. The

Wildcats are two-time defending

15th Region champs. The Herald-

Leader preseason high school bas-

ketball section also ranked Shelby

Valley guard Seth Kiser as the top

Junior Kris Bentley, who trans-

ferred from Prestonsburg to Shelby

player in the region.

Shelby Valley was ranked

on their male counterparts.

The Betsy Layne boys are

away with the win.

The Hazard coach was some-

Spurlock.

there.

ball games. I am thankful that not all our youth have gone sour but we still have some pretty fine young men and women.

It may be next week before we are told who the new field boss for the Cincinnati Reds will be. I am getting to feel like a person who has been wondering for the past four months if his wife was going to come back to him or not - at this point, I just don't care.

1 still contend the Reds are waiting for some overture from the office of major league baseball on the reinstatement of Pete Rose. Oh, I know the Reds are not going to be able to hire major league baseball's all-time hits leader for the 2004 season but if he is reinstated and allowed to return to managing in 2005, then the Reds will hire Dave Miley, who they can reassign after the 2004 season.

TIMES STAFF REPORT

College Bears scored 15 of the

final 17 first-half points to

begin a roll that resulted in an

88-46 win over the Highland

Cavaliers of U.Va.-Wise

outburst by scoring 35 of the

first 54 points after the break,

turning a 26-20 lead into a 76-

from the field, getting a huge

game from senior Teon Knox.

The center from Baltimore

recorded his fifth double-double

of the season, hitting 9-of-13

from the floor to finish with 22

points and pulling down 13

rebounds. On the season, he's

averaging 15.4 points and 11.6

Gaines also recorded a double-

double, finishing with 15 points

and handing out 10 assists. In

addition, he had only one

turnover in a game that saw the

Bears give the ball up only

Senior point guard Kevin

Pikeville (6-0) hit 54 percent

The Bears completed the

Tuesday night.

41 rout.

PIKEVILLE - The Pikeville

OTHER MLB NOTES – The Boston Red Sox are courting Arizona's Curt Shilling and looks like they are willing to give up some pretty good young prospects to close the deal. I understand that the

decision is Shilling's to make. Meanwhile, the Houston Astros are showing a lot of interest in New York's Andy Pettite, a 12 game winner last year for the Yankees.

Megan Ousley BASKET-BALL - The high school basketball season opens next week and it should be an interesting season, From sources in Floyd County, coach Bret Rose should have a strong contender up at Betsy Layne

**PIKEVILLE COLLEGE** 

this season. Likewise, on the girls front, the Lady Cats of Betsy Layne are a clear favor to repeat as 15th Regional champions.

Mark Martin will lead the

Allen Central Lady Rebels as one on the new varsity coaches on the scene this season. Tony Isaac will be at the helm at South Floyd. Megan Ousley will return for her senior season for the Lady Raiders. I remember watching Megan

when she was just a sixth-grader and you could tell she was

going to be a good one in high school. The Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats will have a new

(See REDS, page three)

**Bears claw Cavs** markers. The one shortcoming for the Bears came at the line, where they managed only 11-of-21 for 52.4 percent, But handling the

> ball, dominating the glass and a pair of double doubles more than made up for it. U.Va.-Wise (3-6) was paced by seniors Jeremy Houseright and Bobby Hedrick, who scored 10 points each. Houseright, a Gate City, Va., product, led the

#### Iourney

Cavs with six rebounds.

In addition to South Floyd and Pike Central, another area team, Hazard, will play in this year's tournament, which is cheduled to run Dec. 19-23. Other teams in the invitational tournament include host Bryan Station, Woodford County, Ohio County, Henry Clay, Taylor County, Pleasure Ridge Park, DeSales. West Jessamine, Scott County, Tates Creek, Manual, Cawood and Lone Oak.

The Cavs struggled from the floor, hitting on only 18-of-52 for 34.6 percent. They also struggled from the line, hitting only 31.3 percent (5-of-16). The Bears will returned to

action on Friday night, playing host to Spalding Universit in the Community Trust Classic. In another game, Martin Methodist College was pitted against Knoxville College. The tournament was still in progess at press time.

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Dec. 19 at Tates Creek -Tates Creek vs. Manual, 6:30; Cawood vs. Lone Oak, 8.

Dec. 20 at Bryan Station -Quarterfinals, 4, 5:45, 7:30 and 9:15

Dec. 22 at Bryan Station -Semifinals, 7:30 and 9:15

#### Paintsville

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break to jump out to a 45-32 lead. They finished 22-of-26 (84.6 percent).

It also clearly won the rebounding battle, 50-38, and survived 22 turnovers to win.

Pikeville (4-3) was led by freshman center Heather Dillon, who had 13 points, 11 of which came in the first half. Freshman forward Ramanda Music tossed in 12 points while junior Amelia Cody added a dozen off the bench.

Pikeville also got eight points and a team-best eight rebounds from junior guard Selena Williams.

Shawnee State was paced by junior forward Cassie Hackworth, who flipped in 21 on the night to go along with six rebounds. To round out her night, she had five steals and four assists, both leading the team.

Senior center Mandy Goin

#### Spurlock

Region favorite and a loaded team that resembles a small college team in many regards.

Spurlock is excited about the upcoming season.

"We're looking forward to the upcoming season, we"ve got some great athletes," admitted Spurlock. "We'll play a tough schedule"

Steven Sizemore, the 14th Region's top player, returns for a Hazard team that will give Perry Central and all others in the region a stiff challenge.

Sizemore, a center, will be joined by 6-5 forward Lamar Williams, his favorite target in football, and guards Parker Carter (6-2) and J.J. Housley (6-2). Hank Gabbard is a 6-3 point guard who can move the ball and shoot.

The talent on this year's Hazard Bulldogs team goes up and down the lineup. The Bulldogs boast a deep team. Spurlock says he'll play eight

day, returning to action next Tuesday when it visits Knoxville College.

#### Hoops

At press time, South Floyd was on the Raider Arena hardwood against Morgan County in a final pre-season tuneup for both teams.

Hazard head coach Kevin Spurlock, a Floyd County native, could have the best team in Eastern Kentucky. Period. Hazard boasts seniors Steven Sizemore and Lamar Williams, two of the state's most talented athletes. Both are Sizemore and Williams are threesport athletes. Sizemore is leaning toward the sport of football at the next level. Williams is getting attention from many football coaches as well, but still holds a spot in his heart for baseball. Both can get things done on the basketball court.

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players. Spurlock's team will run up and down the floor.

Eric Mullins has transferred in from Harrison County and automatically makes the Bulldogs even better. Spurlock says Mullins has accepted his role on the Hazard team and will help the Bulldogs.

Senior forward Robert Lyttle, a player who played very well last season, junior guard Chase Patrick and sophomore guard Durrell Olinger add depth to a team which features several scoring threats.

The 2003-04 Hazard High boys' schedule is a tough one as it includes a December visit from national power Oak Hill Academy.

Spurlock was back in Floyd County Wednesday night for the Allen Central Panorama. The Hazard boys will open their season at bome against Betsy Layne at home on Tuesday, Dec. 9.

seven times. Senior Greg Davis hit three

rebounds per game.

three-pointers to finish with 17

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Valley, was on hand at Wednesday night's panorama at Allen Central. Bentley and his Shelby Valley teammates played on the Rupp Arena floor Saturday in a scrimmage game:

The Herald-Leader picked the Betsy Layne girls to repeat in the 15th. Like The Cats' Pause, the Herald-Leader tabbed Betsy Layne senior Whitney Lykens as the region's top girls player.

Junior Ryan Hammonds is a nice addition for Allen Central. Hammonds, who plays football, baseball, and now, basketball, went under center this fall as the starting quarterback for the Allen Central football team. Wednesday night, the Allen Central boys' basketball starting lineup featured three juniors (Hammonds, Tim Griffith, David Kilburn) and two seniors (Austin Francis, Rossi Samons).

Coach Johnny Martin was joined on the bench Wednesday night by a couple of former sharpshooters - Jeremy Hall and Nick Samons.

The crowd at the Allen Central panorama featured a virtual who's who of Floyd County basketball. Former Mercer County head coach Stacey Hall, now an assistant at Centre College, was present and looked to be keeping a very watchful eye on the talent. Hall is a graduate of McDowell High School where he played basketball for Johnny Ray Turner.

If you're a fan of either boys" or girls' high school basketball, msybe both, get ready and jump onboard for what looks to be another wild ride. The Boys' Sweet Sixteen is March 17-20 at Rupp Arena. 'The Girls' Sweet Sixteen is March 24-27 at Diddle Arena in Bowling Green. As of right now, every team in the state of Kentucky that hits the hardwood can dream of a trip to one or the other and that's why this roundball season at this level is still fun.

Pike Central will play Pleasure Ridge Park in a firstround game. South Floyd drew Scott County, one of the state's top teams. First-round pairings and a schedule for the tournament follows.

Defenders of the Station Invitational

Dec. 19 at Bryan Station -Bryan Station vs. Woodford County, 6:30; Hazard vs. Ohio County, 8.

Dec. 19 at Henry Clay -Henry Clay vs. Taylor County, 6:30; PRP vs. Pike Central, 8.

Dec. 19 at Scott County -DeSales vs. West Jessamine, 6:30; Scott County vs. South Floyd, 8.

#### Careers

opportunity to play against such top-notch programs as Florida and Virginia Tech.

Leslie entered his senior season with bowl games and MAC (Mid-America Conference) titles already to his credit.

 Ortega initially attended the University of Kentucky and played on the UK junior varsity football team with then head coach Hal Mumme at the top of the Wildcat program. When UK didn't offer a scholarship, Ortega moved on to Centre College where he has become a legend. Gathering honors in football, basketball and baseball, Ortega is the first Centre College Colonel to compete in all three sports in 50 years. Much like he did as a student at Prestonsburg High School, Ortega stands out in all three sports. The recent grid season saw Ortega help Centre to a share of the SCAC (Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference title). Ortega has also drawn the attention of some professional football franchises and scouts.

In his freshman season at Campbellsville University, Crisp, a quarterback in high school, went under center for the Tigers as a starter and performed like a veteran college quarterlost to Rose Hill Christian in the second round of the 16th Region Tournament.

East Carter didn't have as good a campaign as Morgan last season, but did win 19 games. The Raiders finished 19-11 and were in the middle of the 16th Region boys' basketball pack. East Carter ended the 2002-03 season with a loss to Russell in the first round of the 16th Region Tournament.

Seniors Richie Savage and Nathan Davis, both six-footthree, return inside for East Carter. Marc Messer is a talented sophomore who returns for East Carter. The Raiders are coached by Brandon Baker.

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back. As a freshman, Crisp helped lead the Tigers to the KTWO Bowl in Missouri.

Crisp, who also played baseball and basketball in high school at Prestonsburg, was moved to wide receiver a couple of seasons ago and finished his career at that position. Crisp is the son of Prestonsburg High boys' basketball coach Jackie Day Crisp.

#### Piarist

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will coach the Piarist boys.

Andrea Preston takes over for Darnella Bradley and will coach the Piarist girls. Both teams were busy this past week with practices. Some practices have been held at the Martin Community Center. Each team will begin regular-season play this week with Three Rivers Conference Tournament games.

By playing last season, the Piarist girls' basketball program likely benefitted. The team returns several experienced players from last season's squad, including Tommie Sue Tussey and Bethany Tackett. The Lady Knights will still play a 58th District schedule. The Piarist boys will not.

# Little League announces dates for World Series

sites and dates for the eight World Series tournaments in Little League Baseball and Softball were announced today by Stephen D. Keener, president and chief executive officer of Little League Baseball.

For the 58th year, the Little League Baseball World Series will be played in Williamsport, Pa. The first games will be played on Friday, Aug. 20, and the tournament will end on Sunday, Aug. 29 with the world championship for baseball players 11-12 years old.

Williamsport has been the home of Little League since it was founded there in 1939, and the final game of the tournament is traditionally on the weekend before the Labor Day weekend. Labor Day in 2004 falls on Sept.

Last August, 26 of 32 games of

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. - The the 2003 Little League Baseball World Series were televised on ESPN, ESPN2 or ABC. It was the first time since the World Series expanded in 2001 from eight teams to 16 that all teams had at least one game on national television. In 2004, 27 Little League Baseball World Series games are scheduled to be televised.

"Each year, Little League is blessed with these high-profile events that allow us to bring the benefits of Little League to thousands of people locally, and to millions of people worldwide on television," Keener said, "We are looking forward to another outstanding tournament season in 2004, and to reaching even more people than ever."

#### Forty-three games to be televised

In all, 43 games in Little League Baseball and Softball will

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL

# Betsy Layne 73, . South Floyd 46

#### TIMES STAFF REPORT

HI HAT - Visiting Betsy Layne placed four players in double-figures scoring and got double-doubles from two of the four to beat South Floyd soundly, 73-46.

Tim Honaker led Betsy Layne in scoring with a gamehigh 22 points. Tyler Hamilton recorded a double-double for the Bobcats with 21 points and 10 rebounds. Ted Honaker netted 12

Brennan Case flipped in 11 points and pulled down 10 rebounds.

The Bobcats doubled up South Floyd in the first quarter and led the Bobcats 20-10 through one period.

Betsy Layne led 39-18 at halftime and 56-34 at the end of three quarters en route to the

#### win. Samuel Keathley scored five

points for Betsy Layne and Jimmy Lee Meade chipped in two. Jordan Tackett rounded out the Betsy Layne scoring with one point.

Wes Akers paced South Floyd with 17 points. He was the only player to break into double-figures for the Raiders. Tyler Mitchell flipped in six points on two three-point fieldgoals. Kyle Howell tossed in six points on three fourth-quarter field-goals.

Justin Isaac netted three points, all in the second quarter. Eleven different players scored for South Floyd. Richy Bentley, Derek Triplett, Marty Dye, Kody Howell, Brandon Tackett, Deven Adams and Tyler Greer each had two points for

South Floyd.

be televised nationally in August 2004.

For the second year, six games of the Little League Softball World Series (for 11-12-year-old girls), will be televised live on ESPN2 from Portland, Ore. That tournament is set for Aug. 11-19.

The championship game of the Junior League Baseball World Series (for 13-14-year-olds) will be televised on a tape-delayed basis on ESPN2. That World Series will be played Aug. Aug. 15-21 in Taylor, Mich.

The championship game of the Big League Softball World Series (16-18-year-old girls) will be tele-

**Plenty at stake on Daytona Bud Pole day** 

#### SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. -NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Series drivers dream for the chance to lead the 43-car field to the green flag in the "Great American Race" - the Daytona 500.

That opportunity will be up for grabs on Sunday, Feb 8 with Bud Pole Qualifying for the Daytona 500, which determines both the Daytona 500 pole and outside pole.

Qualifying for the Daytona 500 is different from any other race in the world. Bud Pole Qualifying for the Daytona 500 determines the pole and outside pole as every Daytona 500 entrant completes an all-out two-lap qualifying run.

Following the time trial session, the rest of the Daytona 500 entrants will have to fight it out in the Gatorade 125's for starting spots in the "Great American Race'

Although their starting spots are already secured in the Daytona 500, the Daytona 500 pole and outside pole winner will also start on the pole for their respective Gatorade 125mile qualifier, with the pole winner leading the way in the first Gatorade 125 and the outside pole winner will take the same honor in the second Gatorade 125.

If you are not on the pole or outside pole, it's still important to have a solid qualifying speed because you never know what will happen in the Gatorade 125's. While starting positions 3-30 are finalized in the

Gatorade 125's, positions 31-36 in the Daytona 500 are determined by qualifying speed and positions 37-43 are determined by provisionals.

During 2003 Daytona 500 Bud Pole Qualifying, Jeff Green delivered enough speed to capture the Daytona 500 pole and bump Dale Earnhardt Jr. to the outside pole. Green said his Daytona 500 pole would go down as one of the top achievements of his career.

"The championship in the Busch Series is definitely a great accomplishment for me as a race driver in my career." Green said. "But, to come to the hub of racing at Daytona the first race of the year and we're the class of the field - that's saying a lot in this sport."

By winning the Bud Pole for the Daytona 500, the motorsports eye is on the pole-winning driver from the time he gets out of the car until the green flag drops for the Daytona 500.

"Anytime you go to Daytona and you have success, you remember it," Green said.

With more than 50 cars expected to attempt to crack the 2004 Daytona 500 field, fans can look forward to another

vised on a tape-delayed basis on ESPN2. That tournament, played in Kalamazoo, Mich., will be Aug. 16-21.

The other four World Series dates and sites are: Senior League Baseball (14-16-year-olds), at Bangor, Maine, Aug. 15-21; Big League Baseball (16-18-yearolds), at Easley, S.C., July 30-Aug. 7: Junior League Softball (13-14-year-old girls), at Kirkland, Wash., Aug. 15-21; and Senior League Softball (14-16year-old girls), at Roxanna, Del., Aug. 15-21. As of November 2003, these games are not scheduled to be televised. Of all the World Series tournaments in Little League Baseball and Softball, only the Senior League Softball World Series is being played at a site different from last уеаг.

For the eighth consecutive year, ESPN2 will again televise all of the U.S. Regional final games in the Little League Baseball Division. However, all the championship games will be played on eight nights, as opposed to two final games for each of four nights.

The Southeastern Region final game (St. Petersburg, Fla.) is first,

(See LEAGUE, page four)

# OUTDOORS Ducks may be learning about spinning-wing decoys

#### by STEVE VANTREESE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PADUCAH - Putting some life in the decoys still accounts for many a bird in hand among Kentucky duck hunters.

A waterfowling phenomenon of the past four seasons, the "flying" duck decoy with motorized spinning wings still pays dividends for hunters - but that advantage may be muted somewhat by fowl familiarity

The spinning wing decoy craze was initiated by the Robo Duk and furthered by a wave of similar battery-powered, wing-spinning copies. Initially, they seemed to because they are too effective, but because their distinctive looks may

teach ducks to beware such sites. "Still, I don't want to be the only one without them in my set-ups," he said.

Waldon doesn't have mixed feelings about another kind of motion decoys. He always hunts with regular decoys attached to remote "jerk strings" that can be pulled to give movement to the otherwise inanimate blocks. And he's especially sold on the Pulsator feeding duck decoy.

The Pulsator - originated and marketed by Paducah Shooters Supply, a Paducah outfitter and

ning wing decoys be banned - not and they aren't as wary," Waldon said. "They don't get shy from seeing what looks realistically like. another duck feeding. These decoys go on as soon as we go into the blind and stay on the whole. time.'

Reds

of the year.

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coach in veteran coach Jack Pack. Boy, I remember when Coach Pack took the Wheelwright job and the excitement he brought to the boys program up there.

Veteran coach Johnny Martin will have the Runnin'

Rebels running up at Allen

Central and defending district

champion South Floyd will still

be a threat behind coach Henry

Webb. Boy, do I miss this time

I wish all the teams the best

# No. 1 Connecticut, No. 7 Syracuse fall

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

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Georgia Tech's fast-paced play and Charlotte's Brendan Plavich cut the Big East's top two teams down to size.

Georgia Tech surprised No. 1 Connecticut 77-61 on Wednesday night in the semifinals of the Preseason NIT, and Plavich made 10 3-pointers and had a career-high 31 points in Charlotte's 96-92 victory over defending national champion Syracuse.

"I very rarely get deflated," Connecticut coach Jim Calhoun said. "I get upset. I get angry. I get all those emotions. But tonight I got deflated. We were getting dunked on. We were getting beat down the floor, sometimes four-on-one. Those are the effort kind of things that scared me."

B.J. Elder and Isma'il Muhammad each had 22 points for the Yellow Jackets, who will face Texas Tech in the title game Friday night at Madison Square Garden. Bob Knight's Red Raiders beat Utah 65-54 in the first semifinal.

Syracuse coach Jim Boeheim said he knew the No. 7 Orangemen were vulnerable after their humbling 83-70 exhibition loss two weeks ago to the physical Harlem Globetrotters.

"If we play like we did tonight, we might have a chance to win 10 or 12 games," Boeheim said. "I had this fear coming in.

"We have to play to the best of our ability every game this year to be in the game with everybody we play. ... They

optimism in these two games."

In other Top 25 games Wednesday night, No. 12 Illinois beat Mercer 93-61; No. 22 Pittsburgh defeated Robert Morris 75-61; and No. 24 routed Oklahoma State Colorado State 82-49.

In New York, Georgia Tech (4-0) played a high-speed transition game, often beating the Huskies (3-1) down the court.

"That's how we play," coach Paul Hewitt said. "Let's see who's in better shape."

With Connecticut center Emeka Okafor, the leading vote-getter on the preseason All-America team, nursing a sore back, the Yellow Jackets drove to the basket time after time.

"Georgia Tech came in to win the game and I thought they handled us in every single way," Calhoun said. "Georgia Tech got into us and we didn't respect good defense so we took bad shots. We thought the answer was the quick 3."

UConn was 1-for-10 from 3point range, 25-for-66 overall from the field and made just 10 of 30 free throws.

Ben Gordon led Connecticut with 13 points, and Okafor had 13 rebounds and nine points on 2-for-10 shooting.

In Syracuse, Plavich set a Carrier Dome record with his 10 3-pointers to help spoil the Orangemen's regular-season opener.

"When I'm open, sometimes it's good and sometimes it's bad," Plavich said. "I didn't have a good game last time, but Coach told me not to worry

haven't provided any reason for about it. That's made a big difference."

The 49ers (2-1) shot 56.7 percent and held the Orangemen to 35.3-percent shooting in the first half to take a 50-29 lead, then barely held on as Syracuse pressed to get back in the game.

"That's as good was we can play," Charlotte coach Bobby Lutz said. "We had a real good game plan and thought our ability to change defenses kept them off-balance."

Gerry McNamara scored 28 of his career-high 34 points in the second half for the Orangemen.

#### Texas Tech 65, Utah 54

At New York, Andre Emmett scored 16 of his 23 points in the first half for Texas Tech (4-0). Richard Chaney had 17

points for Utah (3-1).

#### No. 12 Illinois 93, Mercer 61

At Champaign, Ill., Dee Brown scored 18 points and Roger Powell added 16 points and 10 rebounds for Illinois (2-

Jacob Skogen had 15 points for Mercer (1-3).

#### No. 22 Pittsburgh 75, **Robert Morris 61**

At Pittsburgh, Carl Krauser scored 21 points and Jaron Brown had 19 to help Pittsburgh (3-0) to its 24th straight home victory.

Chaz McCrommon led Robert Morris (0-2) with 18 points.

work wonders in attracting ducks from great distances. More recently, reviews have flagged somewhat.

"There's been quite a bit of scientific study on the spinning wing decoys that show that they, in fact, are effective in drawing ducks." said Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources biologist and waterfowl coordinator Rocky Pritchert. "In tests, set-ups with spinning wing decoys attracted more birds than set-ups without them."

Duck responses to the spinners, however, seems to be dampened somewhat by the proliferation of the motorized wings up and down the flyway, Pritchert said.

"The ducks get educated to them," he said. "They're using Robo Ducks all the way up into Canada, and the ducks see them a lot before they even get here."

Pritchert said the mechanical advantage of the spinning wing decoys has gotten them banned by some Western states, although there is no motion afoot for the same thing to happen in Kentucky.

'I don't anticipate that happening here unless a large segment of the hunting program comes out against the spinning wing decoys or unless the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service does something on a national basis," Pritchert said.

Ricky Waldon of Waldon's Lodge, a commercial hunting club near downtown Monkey's Eyebrow and one of the most successful duck hunting spots in waterfowl-rich Ballard County, said spinning wing decoys are only a part-time tool in his spreads.

"We still use one Robo Duk per blind, but not all the time," Waldon said. "They work much better on cold, sunny days when you can pull ducks in from a distance. They aren't as good on cloudy days, and we don't use them then.

"Ducks see these in hunting spreads all the way from Canada for months before they get here," Waldon said. "I think they're educated against spinning wing decoys, especially the older ducks. They'll see them at a distance and turn toward them, but at 70 yards, they may figure it out and hang up.

Waldon would prefer that spin-

Internet marketer - is a "duck butt" decoy that replicates a topsyturvy, feeding mallard. Its backside skyward, the decoy bobs on the surface via a battery-operated pump that makes it move and create ripples on the water like a real dining puddle duck.

> "The ducks see that feeding part as they open next week.

> > DEER HUNTING

# DNR says floods don't deter hunters

#### THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLESTON, W.Va. -Most public land on which hunting is permitted was not seriously harmed by recent floods, though damp weather is being blamed for low kill totals after the first day of West Virginia's bucks-only gun season.

Still, state wildlife officials are confident that lingering high water won't deter an estimated 350,000 hunters in the Mountain State,

"Hunters are hardy people," Division of Natural Resources spokesman Hoy Murphy said Tuesday, "They're out there on foot, so they can make their way around obstacles. They have places they go to year after year, and they know how to get there."

A spot check Tuesday showed that about 20,000 deer -10,000 fewer than in 2002 were killed Monday, the opening day of the bucks-only gun season, Murphy said. A mixture of rain, sleet and snow flurries Monday likely prevented hunters from registering high numbers of kills.

Historically, one-third of all deer killed during the 12-day bucks-only gun season are killed on the first day, and the first three days of the season account for half the kill.

"We're going to have some good weather here this week and next week, so we expect the numbers will go back up." Murphy said.

Portions of the Bluestone Lake Wildlife Management Area in Summers, Mercer and Monroe counties were closed last week because of flooding, Murphy said.

About 30 campsites likely will be shut down until spring because of high water and mud removal, and hunters are being routed to several alternate campgrounds in southern West Virginia, he said.

Murphy said his office hasn't received complaints about access to the state's other public hunting areas, but that most hunting takes place on private land.

"It's really difficult to tell how bad it is" on private property, he said. "I'm sure there are some dirt roads and access roads that have been washed out."

Officials call the buck season the state's most popular sporting event. Schools are closed this week in more than half of the state's 55 counties

DNR officials estimated that 100,000 deer - or about onetenth of the state's whitetail population - will be killed by the end of bucks-only gun season on Dec. 6.

# Xtreme DirtCar buys Renegade DirtCar Series

#### SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

After weeks of negotiations between Renegade DirtCar Racing Series President Rick Gross and Xtreme DirtCar Series owner Doug Bland agreement has been reached between the two parties for the sale of the Apple Creek,Ohio-based sanctioning Bland's organization to Mooresville,NC based sanctioning organziation. The sale was

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.

West Virginia University did it.

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Two days after WVU

announced that it will rename

Mountaineer Field in honor of

multimillion-dollar contributor

Milan Puskar, Marshall put

rumors to rest Wednesday by

announcing that its football stadi-

um will be renamed for a wealthy

Joan C. Edwards Stadium at a

halftime ceremony Friday during

the Thundering Herd's game with

Ohio University. The field is

already named in honor of

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Marshall spokesman Dave

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said the stadium will be the only

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Marshall President Dan Angel

said in a news release.

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completed November 4 with the name of the organization changed to the Northern Xtreme DirtCar Series

"Rick and I have been talking about this for quite a few weeks," said Bland. "There was a lot of give and take in our negoatiations but both of us are happy and we both feel that this is for the betterment of DirtCar racing as a whole. I know there has been a lot of speculation and rumor recently

about this situation but now all the remain on board and Rick Gross changing." rumors can be laid to rest. It's a done deal.'

When posed the question of what is in store for the Northern Xtreme DirtCar Series Bland said, "The series will run independent of the national touring Xtreme DirtCar Series. There are no plans whatsoever to shut down one of the most popular organizations in our sport. All the former Renegade Series employees will

will remain with the series for the next two years in a consultant/advisory role. And, the sale will have no bearing on the upcoming races at East Bay Raceway Park in February, I'm really excited to be able to work with Rick, Bret Emrick, Walter Burson and the rest of the staff of the former Renegade Series. They are all class individuals and are very good at what they do. When we did the first ever co-sanctioned event at WVMS a few weeks back, which was very impressive in how both staffs worked so well together, that had a great deal to

do with our decision." Bland also stated that until January 1 the offices of the new Northern Xtreme DirtCar Series will remain at the Apple Creek,OH location. "Rick has agreed to let us keep the office location where it's been at all these years, for now. But, after January 1 there will be a different location with different contact numbers and everything else that goes along with it. Once we get all that taken care of we will release that information. And, I'll be getting to work to get the 2004 schedule completed as quickly as possible and the few race rules and race procedures we will be

Rick Gross, who along with his father Don, have owned and promoted the series for the past 18 years said, "Both dad and myself thought long and hard about this. But, we feel that it's time to pass the torch on to an enthusiastic entrepeneur, which Doug is. We believe that Doug will be a true

leader and a catalyst that will breath fresh air into our sport. Yes, this was a hard decision to make but we feel it's for the betterment of the sport. Doug has some great ideas and resources to take the sport where it's never been. That's exciting for all of us. And, I'll do my best to help Doug reach those goals he has set."

## WEIGHT LIFTING **Pro Fitness to host** championships

#### by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - Pro Fitness will host its annual powerlifting and bench press championships on Saturday, Dec. 20. The event, which is not a sanctioned event, will obey USPF rules. The championships will be held at Pro Fitness Multisports in Weddington Plaza in Pikeville. Weigh-in will be held from 9 a.m. to noon. The rules meeting

will start promptly at noon. Lifting will begin at 12:30 p.m. No early weigh-ins will be allowed. A one-piece suit is required for all lifts. The format is squat, bench press and deadlift. Awards will be given for first through third-place finishers in each weight class.

Entry fee is \$25

For more information, call Don Fields at 606/886-8604. Email inquiries may be sent to profitns@multisports.net.

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#### PITTSBURGH VS. CINCINNATI

## Steelers aren't accustomed to meaningful games against Cincinnati teams came in averaging an NFC-best 120.5 yards and had gained at

#### by ALAN ROBINSON ASSOCIATED PRESS

PITTSBURGH - Ask the Pittsburgh Steelers how it feels playing a win-or-else game against the Cincinnati Bengals with a season winding down, and the response is a puzzled look or a blank stare.

After all, none of these Steelers has played in such a game - not. when it counted, not when a season was on the line, not when the Bengals were in first place and

years trying to catch (Pittsburgh) and the team with which they're tied (Baltimore). Since the Bengals last won their division in 1990, the Steelers have won seven division titles and appeared in four AFC championship games and one Super Bowl.

"They've always played us well, and always played hard, but they've never really found a way to win games. They've always seemed to have bad luck," guard Alan Faneca said Wednesday. "Last year, I remember Corey Dillon being stopped at the goal line (in the Steelers' 29-21 win in Pittsburgh) at the end of the game. Now they're finding a way to overcome things like that.

the kind of confidence they've lacked for so long.

"They're flying around and playing with a sense of urgency, and I believe you couldn't really say that years ago," Bettis said. "That is noticeably different."

So are the circumstances. This is the first time since Cincinnati's 16-12 victory at Three Rivers Stadium on Dec. 2, 1990, that both teams will be in contention so deep in a season - even if Pittsburgh is only on the fringe of it.

That year, the Bengals, Oilers and Steelers tied at 9-7 but, based on tiebreakers, Cincinnati won the AFC Central, Houston got a wild card and Pittsburgh got left out. Since then, Pittsburgh is 19-6 against Cincinnati, with half those losses coming during consecutive losing seasons in 1998 and 1999.

#### Herd has compiled a staggering to Appalachian State on Nov. 7, 95-6 home record, including a 33game winning streak from 1996-2000

**COLLEGE FOOTBALL** 

Marshall changes stadium name

Marshall also won its first 14 games at the stadium before a loss

1992, the same year Marshall won its first national championship. Before the current stadium,

Marshall played at Fairfield Stadium from 1927-1990.

## **PRO FOOTBALL** Lions 22, Packers 14

#### by LARRY LAGE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DETROIT - Brett Favre threw away a game and hurt the Green Bay Packers' playoff chances. Against the Detroit Lions, no less.

Favre tossed three interceptions - two to Dre' Bly - and lost a fumble, and the Lions relied on five field goals by Jason Hanson to stun the Packers 22-14 Thursday.

At 4-8, the Lions surpassed their victory totals from each of the past two seasons and extended their home winning streak to four straight games.

#### League

University officials have said it on Aug. 7, followed by: the will cost Marshall \$1,4 million in Midwest Region final and the Midwest Region final and the Great Lakes Region finals (both in Indianapolis) on Aug. 8 and 9, respectively; the Southwest Region final (Waco, Texas) on Aug. 10; the Northwest Region final and the West Region final (both in San Bernardino, Calif.) on Aug. 11 and 12, respectively; and the New England Region final and the Mid-Atlantic Region final (both in Bristol, Conn.) on Aug. 14 and 15, respectively.

> problems. He said results from a neurological exam were normal.

of the helmet at the end of a run in

weekend's loss

INDIANAPOLIS - Colts

quarterback Peyton Manning is

expected to play Sunday against

New England after an MRI on his

Doctors still advised Manning

right elbow revealed no damage.

not to throw during Thursday's

practice, a day after Manning said

he felt a "twinge" in the elbow on

his throwing arm. - The

Bledsoe was kneed in the back

three games. The Packers (6-6) dropped 1

1/2 games behind the Minnesota Vikings, who play at St. Louis on Sunday. Green Bay had won three of its previous four games to get back in the division race, but the Lions' defense was just too tough in Detroit's traditional

Thanksgiving Day game.

In addition to harassing Favre

throughout, the Lions stifled

running back Ahman Green,

holding him to 57 yards. Green

least 100 in a franchise-record

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Specific times and dates for all televised games will be announced in June 2004.

#### Early start for LLB regionals

The Little League Baseball Division regional schedules are

school, which also bears Edwards' name, is the only one in the nation named for a woman.

Marshall has played in its current stadium, known as Marshall Stadium, since the 1991 season. During that time, the Thundering

FLOWERY BRANCH.

Ga. - Michael Vick will be in

uniform for the first time this sea-

son today, standing by as the

Atlanta Falcons' backup quarter-

since breaking his right leg in pre-

season, practiced for the second

straight day. During a two-hour

workout, Vick rolled out on pass

plays after working exclusively in

the pocket Wednesday. He also

the Falcons visit Houston but Vick

**III JACKSONVILLE, Fla.**-

Doug Johnson will start when

stopped, started and took cuts.

The Pro Bowl QB, sidelined

back at Houston.

will be available.

than in previous years to avoid conflicts with the 2004 Olympic Games. "The Little League Baseball

World Series and the regional tournaments leading up to it have become highly visible public events," Keener said. "It is certainly in everyone's best interests to ensure that television viewers around the world will be able to watch both Little League and the Olympic Games next year."

Region tournament start dates will vary, but the slightly earlier dates will not translate to earlier starting dates for district tournaments (the most basic level in the Little League International Tournament). In 2004, most district tournaments will begin on or about July 1, with the earliest date being June 28. (District administrators may request, however, to start their district tournaments on June 26.)

Little League Baseball is Little League is the world's largest organized youth sports program, with nearly 2.7 million baseball and softball players ages 5-18 in the U.S. and scores of other countries.

The Jaguars waived Keith Mitchell, halting the comeback hopes of the linebacker who briefly lost feeling in his arms and legs in a game two months ago.

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Mitchell was taken off the field on a stretcher Sept. 14 against Buffalo. The numbness that he felt disappeared by the time he got to the hospital.

Mitchell came back from the injury and played in two games, but had been inactive in five of the team's last six games.

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. - Drew Bledsoe is experiencing headaches and nausea after a mild concussion, but the Bills' quarterback hopes to play against the Giants.

Bledsoe did not practice and is listed as probable for Sunday's game at the Meadowlands. He plans to practice Friday.

The Bills on Wednesday attributed Bledsoe's problem to an upset stomach. Bledsoe revealed the extent of the injury Thursday, citing headaches and some vision

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#### BASKETBALL

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#### YMCA Youth Basketball Tournament

The Pikeville Family YMCA has scheduled a youth holiday basketball tournament for Dec. 12-14. There will be nine-andunder and 12-and-under divisions. Trophies will be presented to the top three teams in each division, with the runner-up teams in each also receiving individual trophies. For more information, contact Greg Boggs at 606/433-9622.

#### Warrior Classic Tickets

Tickets for the second annual Warrior Classic to be held Dec. 12-13 at East Ridge High School are on sale now at the school Reserves seats in the lower bowl cost \$6 per person, with upper arena seats costing \$5 per person.

#### Pancake breakfast

The Pike Central boys' basketball team has scheduled a pancake breakfast for 8-10 a.m. Dec. 6 at Applebee's in Pikeville. Tickets cost \$5 per person and may be obtained at the door or by contacting Coach David Rowe (phone: 606/432-4352) or any Pike Central basketball player.

being played a few days earlier Philsburgh was trying to catch them.

The Steelers (4-7) and Bengals (6-5) have played in the same division since 1970, yet only a handful of their previous 65 games was as meaningful to both teams as Sunday's game in Pittsburgh.

The Bengals have won five of six, but their next two games are against the team they've spent

"That's where you start to make a turnaround with your organization."

Running back Jerome Bettis said it's evident when watching the Bengals that they're playing with

'Now they're finding a way to win games, and that's all it takes," Faneca said.

# **HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL GAMES ON TAP**

#### Boys

#### Monday, Dec. 1

Buckhorn-Piarist School Cordia-Oneida Baptist Institute June Buchanan-Red Bird North Laurel-Perry County Central

#### Tuesday, Dec. 2

Ashland Blazer-Lewis County Barbourville-Cumberland Betsy Layne-Magoffin County Boyd County-Prestonsburg Cawood-Middlesboro Clay County-Evants Corbin-Pulaski County Cordia-Red Bird Fleming County-Rowan County Fleming-Neon-Knott County Central Harrodsburg-North Laurel Haysi, Va.-East Ridge Jellico, Tenn.-Whitley County June Buchanan-Oneida Baptist Institute Knox Central-South Laurel McCreary Central-Pulaski Southwestern Menifee County-Estill County Paintsville-Pike County Central Phelps-Shelby Valley Raceland-West Carter Rose Hill Christian-Elliott County Russell-Johnson Central Sheldon Clark-Fairview South Floyd-Letcher Wolfe County-Jackson City

#### Girls

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Monday, Dec. 1 Barbourville-Evarts (Lady Dragon Invitational) Breathitt County-Hazard Cawood-Jackson County

East Carter-Greenup County Elliott County-Morgan County Fleming-Neon-Cordia Harlan-Lynn Camp Holy Cross (Covington)-Mason County Jackson City-Bath County Lee County-Buckhorn Madison Southern-Powell County Magoffin County-Allen Central

(Lady Hawk Tip-Off) McCreary Central-North Laurel Menifee County-Nicholas County Owsley County-Oneida Baptist Institute Pike County Central-Leslie County

(Lady Hawk Tip-Off) Pineville-Knox Central Pulaski Southwestern-Casey County Raceland-Lewis County Riverside Christian-Red Bird Scott-Bishop Brossart South Laurel-Bell County St. Patrick-Fleming County Pike Central-Leslie County (Lady Hawk Tip-Off) West Jessamine-Wolfe County Whitesburg-Shelby Valley

#### Tuesday, Dec. 2

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Corbin-Pulaski County Harlan-Barbourville Haysi, Va.-East Ridge Hopkinsville-Lyon County Jellico, Tenn.-Whitley County Knott County Central-Pikeville (Lady Hawk Tip-Off) Lynn Camp-Evarts (Lady Dragon Invitational) Paintsville-Rose Hill Christian Prestonsburg-Belfry (Lady Hawk Tip-Off)

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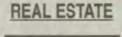
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700 - SERVICES 610 - Apartments 705 - Construction 620 - Storage/ home, 2 BR, 2 BA.

510 · Commercial

530 - Homes

550 - Land/Lots

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590 - Sale or Lease

600 - RENTALS

FOR SALE: 1995 Fleetwood Reflection Mobile Home, 2 BR, 2 full BA, new central air, all appliances included. Asking \$12,500. Call 874-5492

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Office Space

630 - Houses

840 - Land/Lots

650 - Mobile Homes

650 - Miscellaneous

Property

690 - Wanted To Rent

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710 - Educational

713 - Child Care

715 - Electrician

735 - Legal

755 - Office

760 - Plumbing

to 6 p.m.

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Human Resources **Big Sandy Health Care, Inc.** 1709 KY Route 321, Suite 3 Prestonsburg, KY 41653 Fax: (606) 886-8548 Email: hr@bshc.org

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Please contact or submit a résumé or application to: Sonya Bergman, Human Resources Department, ARH Regional Medical Center, 100 Medical Center Drive, Hazard, KY 41701; Fax: 606-439-6682; email: sbergman@arh.org



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#### PATIENT CARE COORDINATOR

ARH HOME HEALTH SERVICES West Liberty & South Williamson, KY

The ARH Division of Home Health Services is accepting résumés from candidates interested in full-time positions of Patient Care Coordinator at the West Liberty and South Williamson, Kentucky, HomeCare

As Patient Care Coordinator, the successful candidate will assure that needed services are available and accessible to patients with respiratory problems. Working with physicians, the Patient Care Coordinator will establish a treatment plan to meet needs of patients and will work closely with patients' families to assure understanding and participation in the treatment plan.

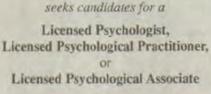
Requirements include successful completion of a ormal respiratory therapy training program with RRT or CRT Certification and appropriate state licensure/certification as required. Licensed Practical Nurses with state licensure are also invited to apply for these Patient Care Coordinator opportu

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THE FLOYD COUNTY TIMES

#### NOTICES 805-Announcements

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#### 812-Free

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FREE FILL DIRT Creek. call 606-874- Records 2444.

#### 815-Lost & Found

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900 - Legals

PUBLIC (LEGAL) NOTICE ADVERTISEMENT FLOYD COUNTY EMERGENCY PLANNING

COMMITTEE

Pursuant to Section 324, Title 111, of the Records Law. 1986 Superfund Right-to-Know requirements of the SARA Law, and the open records provisions of Prestonsburg Kentucky

Westminster Street, Suile 209. Prestonsburg, KY 41653, or contacted by telephone at (606)-886-0498. The Floyd County Emergency Planning Committee conducts meetings at 313 Westminster Street, Prestonsburg KY 41653, or at other locations, in accordance with the Kentucky Open Meeting Law. fied of regular or spe-

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> open for inspection, and members of the public who wish to review these records may do so between 8:00 a.m., till 5:00 p.m. Easterns time, 5 days a week at 313 Westminster Street, Prestonsburg. KY 41653, as required by the Kentucky Open

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## Special advertising feature **Statewide Inventory Reduction Extravaganza Comes to Paintsville**

Repossessed, Off-Lease and other used vehicles to be let go at rock bottom prices; Four days only at John Gray Pontiac Buick GMC

PAINTSVILLE, KY-Aunique opportunity takes place this are some of the most sought week for consumers in the mar- after vehicles in the used-car ket for cream of the crop used vehicles.

This Wednesday, December 3rd through Saturday, Decem- Jarrell said, "Management has ber 6th, John Gray Pontiac Buick brought in vehicles from all GMC-in cooperation with Fleet over the state to allow for a Liquidators of America - is host- great selection for this sale. We ing the "Auction, Off-Lease, Repo & New Car Trade-In Ex- with the intent of passing the travaganza." Over 175 repos- great savings on to the cussessed, off-lease and other used tomer. We even have vehicles vehicles are being offered direct for as low as \$79/mo\*\*." to the public at rock-bottom prices.

Henry Jarrell of John Gray Pontiac Buick GMC stated, "The Auction, Off-Lease Repo & New Car Trade-In Extravaganza is a unique opportunity for We'll mark the payments right car buyers to get a great preowned car at an incredible price. For a \$59 down payment,\* customers can get into the quality repossessed or other used ve- owned car," stated Mr. Jarrell. hicle of their choice\* at absolute rock bottom prices. This is will be on hand to assure cusa once-in-a-lifetime event, so tomers prompt, quality service adjust your schedules and make and the best finance terms posroom for this four-day event."

While repossessed vehicles market today, they are also the most difficult vehicles for the public to come by. But, as Mr. have obtained these vehicles

Almost every type of vehicle and price range will be available, from luxury 4x4s to basic transportation. Many are even still under warranty.

"We've made it easy for you. on the windshield. Just pick your vehicle and pick your payment. You won't find a faster, easier way to purchase a great pre-

Extra sales and finance staff sible. Mr. Jarrell said, "We'll have over \$3 million in financing available for this event, so chances are we can arrange financing for just about anyone who is employed."

"The Eastern Kentucky bargain-hunters dream come true happens this Wednesday through Saturday only at John Gray Pontiac Buick GMC. Every repossessed, off-lease and other used vehicle is just \$59 then start making payments.\* Customers may never see savings like this again." said Mr. Jarrell.

"Make plans to attend the Auction, Off-Lease, Repo & New Car Trade-In Extravaganza this Wednesday through Saturday only at John Gray Pontiac Buick GMC."

After the Auction, Off-Lease, Repo & New Car Trade-In Extravaganza ends at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 6th many of these vehicles will be sent to auction. Questions can be directed toll free to 1-888-608-2385. John Gray Pontiac Buick GMC is located at 1004 Third St. in Paintsville.

**GARAGE SALE** 

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REDUCTION EXTRAVAGANZA INFO: LOCATION: John Gray Pontiac Buick GMC DAYS AND TIMES: Wednesday, Dec. 3 9am - 7pm

STATEWIDE

INVENTORY

Thursday, Dec. 4 9am - 7pm Friday, Dec. 5 9am - 7pm Saturday, Dec. 6 9am - 6pm

#### IMPORTANT EVENT INFORMATION:

Number of Vehicles: Over 175 Repossessed, Off-lease & other used vehicles Makes Available: Pontiac, Dodge, Ford, Buick, Toyota, Chrysler & More Available **Down Payment Amt.:** \$59 then make payments\* **Monthly Payment** Amount: Payments From \$79/mo.\*\*

\*With approved credit \$59 down plus tax, title & fees. Additional down payment may be required for credit approval. \*\*Example: 1996 Mazda MPV, Sale Price \$3100. \$79/mo for 48 mos. @ 10.5% APR, \$59 down payment. Total amount financed \$3,041 plus tax. Subject to credit approval & prior sale. Subject to lenders final approval. Copyright G&A Marketing, Inc. 2003.

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

> WHAT. Describe the type of sale you're hosting. Is it mostly household goods? Nursery furniture? Apparel?



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SANTA CLAUS NORTH POLE

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa Claus, Terry and I have made our list. We've both been very, very good. Please bring u a doll house, 2 doll and a swing and s set for our back Mommy & Dadd en good too.

Dear St. Nick.

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by noon on Friday, Dec. 12, so get busy and let Santa know how nice you've been this year, and what your Christmas wishes are this Christmas.

> Letters will be published in the Wednesday, Dec. 17 issue of

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