

# The Times

FLOYD COUNTY REGISTER

\*\*\*\*\*ALL FOR ADC 301  
12/27/2024  
LEWIS BINDERY  
190 LANDOR DR  
ATHENS GA 30606-2428

**"Do one thing, do it well!"**  
Eric C. Conn  
"A Social Security  
SSI Attorney"  
1-800-232-HURT  
This is an advertisement.

**OVER 18,000  
READERS,  
THREE TIMES  
A WEEK**

Associated Press • National Newspaper Association One Voice for Eastern Kentucky Kentucky Press Association • www.floydcountytimes.com

## briefs

### Blood drive slated

Times Staff Report

PRESTONSBURG — The Prestonsburg location for the Central Kentucky Blood Center, along with locations in Pikeville, Hazard, Somerset and Lexington, will be presenting its annual "Warm Your Heart" holiday blood drive from Dec. 15 through Dec. 19.

The drive ensures that for each pint of blood donated, the center will, in turn, donate a "Beanie Baby" toy to a local children's charity.

"Time is precious and our donors are setting aside enough of their volunteer time to save lives during the holidays," said spokeswoman Marsha Berry. "In their honor, we wanted to also make a donation of toys for kids. We're sure Santa will say they've been twice as good this year."

Donors will have the opportunity to personalize the donated toy with a handwritten message, if they chose to do so.

The toys will be delivered following the Dec. 19 deadline.

## Big Brothers/Big Sisters shuts down

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Big Sandy closed its office doors earlier this week, roughly a year-and-a-half after branching out from Mountain Comprehensive Care and forming its own agency.

In July 2002, the agency held its own independence celebration through an announcement that it would be opening its new office in the top floor of the tourism building in Prestonsburg. Workers and volunteers had been working from an office located above Billy Ray's Restaurant along Court Street.

However, after Billy Ray's burned earlier in 2002, the operation cut its losses, which included, among other things, several items of office equipment, and relocated to the tourism building.

Officials have not yet made public the reasons for closing the office, but rumors circulating since the doors closed point to

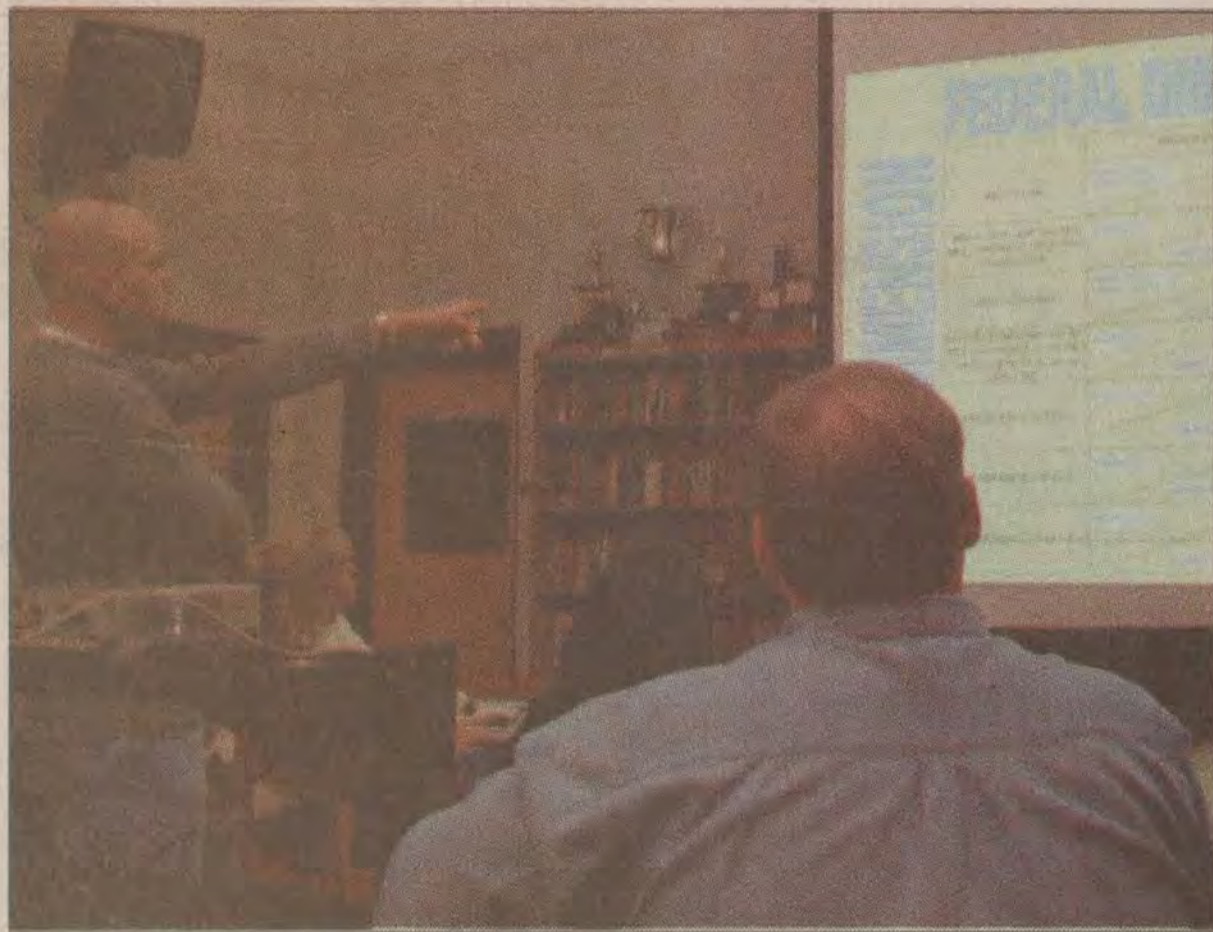
financial shortfalls that came as a result of escalating salary commitments.

The agency's director, Margaret Rice, could not be reached for comment Friday for further details about the closing or reports of financial problems.

In October the same year the Prestonsburg office was relocated

after branching away, Big Brothers/Big Sisters of America launched a national advertising campaign, the first in its 98-year history. The campaign was aimed at encouraging adults to become volunteers.

The agency currently serves 220,000 youths in 5,000 communities across the country.



Tommy Poe, curriculum resource teacher at PHS, gave a presentation regarding the No Child Left Behind Act during Thursday's site-based council meeting.

photo by Mary Music

## PHS council targets areas for improvement

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — While several Floyd County students were home sick with the flu, members of the Prestonsburg High School Site-Based Decision-Making Council were hard at it Thursday, addressing problems at the school and discussing ways to fix them.

Members emphasized ways in which rewards and punishments of the newly enacted No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) could affect the school. The act, enforced on the federal level to give an advantage to children who may otherwise get

left behind in education, sets the standard in Kentucky schools, which may lose funding and/or students to other schools if they don't meet the required adequate yearly progress in the same content area for two years.

Council members, who watched three presentations during the meeting, expressed concern about how the school would rank when numbers are compiled by the federal and state governments to determine whether or not the school meets the required adequate yearly progress.

"With what little knowledge I do have about this, it's going to be tough for high schools to meet

this," said Tommy Poe, curriculum resource teacher. "I think we'll see a lot of states with a lot of problems with this."

In his presentation to the council, Poe explained that schools must meet 100 percent of its goals in order to meet the required progress. The guidelines with the act, he said, are so strict that the school could meet 11 out of 12 goals and still not make the required progress.

During the meeting, Poe introduced the progress summary report, derived from scores given during the 2002-2003 school year.

(See PHS, page three)

## Lawyer asks for drugs to be tested

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

with drug trafficking along with Mynhier.

PRESTONSBURG — Attorneys for Kim Mynhier, the daughter of Martin Police Officer Fred Mynhier, filed motions Friday in Floyd Circuit Court that they say will ultimately work to increase the level of defense that can potentially be offered in the case.

Mynhier was arrested April 8, 2002, on warrants along with 45 other Floyd Countians in what was essentially the area's largest drug roundup.

The motions presented Friday were also in regard to two other defendants, Liz Goble and Judy Hicks, who were arrested and charged

Hicks was charged, like Mynhier, with one count of second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance, while Goble now faces charges of first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance.

All three pleaded not guilty to the charges against them, along with 10 other accused drug traffickers from the April roundup, on May 14, 2002.

Public Advocate Mike Studebaker presented motions Friday asking that the Floyd County Commonwealth's Attorney's Office submit evidence gathered in the case, most specif-

(See DRUGS, page three)

## Johnson student charged with attempted murder

The Associated Press

Detention Center pending a hearing in Johnson County District Court on Monday, said Lt. H.D. Dotson, a supervisor in the Johnson County Sheriff's Department.

PAINTSVILLE — A student at Johnson County Middle School has been charged with attempted murder after holding a knife on a classroom in a school restroom.

The boy is being held in the Breathitt County Juvenile

Dotson said the boy approached another boy from

(See STUDENT, page three)

## Officials investigating Virginia blackwater spill

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

FISHTRAP LAKE — State environmental officials are investigating the potential impact of blackwater discharges coming from two coal facilities in Virginia that have steadily coursed through into Fishtrap Lake and the river beyond.

According to Natural Resources and Environmental Cabinet, the investigation was initiated Thursday, three days after officials said the first discharge occurred

following heavy rainfall Monday afternoon.

The discharge Monday, the result of a heavy rains that washed away sediment from a coal road, has now generated what cabinet officials are referring to as a "plume" that has extended approximately 12 miles from the source into the headwaters of Fishtrap Lake and on into the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River.

Monday's discharge was followed Thursday afternoon by a second that officials are now saying was most likely the

result of an overflow from a surface impoundment approximately 20 miles from the border of Kentucky and Virginia.

The cabinet's Division of Water has busied itself with gathering water samples and evaluating potential environmental impacts, but has tentatively said that there should be no risk to public health in the aftermath of the blackwater spills.

No public water supplies are expected to suffer ill effects from the discharges, the cabinet said.

Cabinet investigators have said they

will continue to monitor the discharges and will work with Virginia officials to confirm the identities of the responsible parties. Once the identities are confirmed, cabinet spokesman Mark York said "appropriate enforcement action" will be taken.

In addition to the Division of Water, the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy are also investigating.

**2 DAY FORECAST**  
**Today**  
Cloudy  
High: 37 • Low: 26  
**Tomorrow**  
Wintry mix  
High: 39 • Low: 28  
For up-to-the-minute forecasts, see floydcountytimes.com

**TURN UP YOUR MIKE!**  
**Security**  
It feels good, doesn't it?  
Mikrotec Security  
Call 478-9100 for an estimate.

**MIKROTEC TELEPHONE SERVICE**  
**Local, Long Distance & Internet**  
We offer residential and business packages. Mikrotec Telephone Service has multiple plans that bundle our services to fit your needs, including Local and Long Distance service. We also offer an \*Unlimited Long Distance plan. Let us customize a plan for you. All these services are available on one bill from one local company you can trust!  
Call Toll Free 1-866-438-6648 or visit us on the web  
www.mikrotecphoneservice.com

# Odds and Ends

■ **KIRKWOOD, Mo.** — A man has apparently promised authorities he'll stop storing and brokering human body parts out of his home.

Richard Leutheuser, a designer and builder of swimming pools who dabbles in providing donated body parts for science, says he's working with this St. Louis suburb to find a location where zoning allows his sidelight business.

Leutheuser's business surfaced last month when FedEx workers opened leaking packages bound for his home and found an arm and two legs, each limb wrapped and placed in dry ice.

Leutheuser said he was a middleman for a California-based company, and investigators said he did nothing wrong, aside from having an unlicensed home business. City zoning

rules also bar the storage of business inventory in a residential area, whether "they're body parts or whatever," said Dan Niebaum, Kirkwood city planner.

Leutheuser has told the city he would move that business to a site commercially zoned, Niebaum said.

■ **AUSTIN** — The nation's first genetically engineered household pet, a zebra fish that glows fluorescent, could be swimming in fish tanks soon than expected.

Yorktown Technologies, which is marketing the Florida-grown fish, said Thursday that 5-D Tropical and Sequest Farms would begin shipping limited numbers of the fish to select locations because of high consumer demand. The fish are to be available nationwide on Jan.

5. The Food and Drug Administration said earlier this week that it won't regulate the fish because tropical aquarium fish are not used for food purposes and don't pose a threat to the food supply.

With the FDA's decision, and barring a federal court order, the GloFish will be legally marketed in every state except California, the only state that regulates genetically engineered fish to protect its native fish populations.

"Public demand for GloFish fluorescent fish has been extraordinary, even greater than we had anticipated," said Alan Blake, co-founder and CEO of Yorktown Technologies. "In response, our distributors have decided to make these fish available immediately to as many consumers as possible."

Joe Diaz, president of 5-D Tropical, said the company hasn't seen such interest in a fish in its 43 years in the ornamental fish business.

Singapore scientists gave the naturally black-and-silver zebra fish a fluorescent red glow by inserting a sea anemone gene.

■ **SHELBYVILLE, Ind.** — A rock found imbedded in foam insulation at a home construction site, suspected to be a meteorite, likely is of earthly origin, said a researcher who examined it.

Nelson Shaffer of the Indiana Geological Survey, who examined samples of the rock Thursday at his laboratory in Bloomington, said the rock contains quartz, which he said has never been found on a meteorite.

Shaffer also said the 4-inch rock is not metallic and lacks

the glassy coating usually found on meteorites.

Builders Bob Weddle, 51, and his son Brian Weddle, 27, discovered the rock Dec. 1 inside a stack of sheets of foam material left outside at a work site near Shelbyville, about 20 miles southeast of Indianapolis.

Bob Weddle speculated the rock might be a meteorite that had burned its way into the material.

The builders said they plan to consult other experts.

■ **TRAVERSE CITY, Mich.** — Some bonus.

Hourly workers at Tower Automotive received \$15 gift cards redeemable at Meijer grocery-retail stores before Thanksgiving. Then the automotive supplier decided the cards were "same as cash" gifts subject to federal and state

income taxes totaling 36.75 percent.

That means the "gift" will take \$5.51 out of the workers' next paychecks.

"It's got a lot of people ticked off," said Donald McKee of Kingsley, a welding technician. "This is the lowest they've gone yet to give us something and then take it back."

United Auto Workers Local 5110, which represents about 300 hourly workers, has filed a contract grievance over the matter. Some workers also have returned the gift cards rather than pay the tax.

Workers will still get Christmas bonuses. Tower said it will return to issuing gift certificates that can be redeemed for holiday turkeys or hams without being considered cash income.

## Pro-Fitness MULTISPORTS

**TWO LOCATIONS - NEW STORE IN PIKEVILLE!**  
 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg 886-8604 Wedington Plaza Pikeville 437-9242  
 www.multisports.net

*Lift, cycle, run, climb & paddle your body to great health and fitness.*

**BICYCLES / KAYAKS / FITNESS EQUIPMENT / FITNESS CENTER  
 PERSONAL TRAINING / CLOTHING & ACCESSORIES**

Bicycles by Cannondale & Trek  
 Kayaks by Dagger & Perception  
 Fitness Equipment by Schwinn,  
 Body Solid & Troy Barbell;



**WEIGHT LOSS:**  
 XENADRINE, HYDROXYCUT, THERMAL CUTS, RIPPED FORCE

**BODYBUILDING:**  
 CREATINE, SWOLE, WHEY PROTEIN, ECLIPSE, TWINLAB, SCI-FIT, CYTOMAX,  
 ACCELERADE, PROTEIN SHAKES

**INTERVALS CIRCUIT TRAINING PROGRAM FOR WOMEN**  
 \$20 SIGN UP FEE / \$25 PER MONTH

**ASK ABOUT OUR MEMBERSHIP SPECIALS**

# Give the gift that lasts a whole year

## SUBSCRIBE NOW!

If you are uncertain what to buy for your loved ones, **ORDER today and your subscription will start whenever you wish.**

★ ★ ★

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: The Floyd County Times  
 P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41659  
 WE ACCEPT M/C, VISA, & AMERICAN EXPRESS

★ **In County, \$53.00**  
 ★ **Out of county, out of state, \$63.00**  
 Call Patty, at 886-8506



# Today in History

**The Associated Press**

Today is Sunday, Dec. 14, the 348th day of 2003. There are 17 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 14, 1799, the first president of the United States, George Washington, died at his Mount Vernon home at age 67.

### On this date:

■ In 1819, Alabama joined the Union as the 22nd state.

■ In 1861, Prince Albert, husband of Queen Victoria, died in London.

■ In 1911, Norwegian explorer Roald Amundsen became the first man to reach the South Pole, beating out an expedition led by Robert F. Scott.

■ In 1939, the Soviet Union was dropped from the League of Nations.

■ In 1946, the U.N. General Assembly voted to establish U.N. headquarters in New York.

■ In 1962, the U.S. space

probe Mariner Two approached Venus, transmitting information about the planet.

■ In 1975, six South Moluccan extremists surrendered after holding 23 hostages for 12 days on a train near the Dutch town of Beilen.

■ In 1981, Israel annexed the Golan Heights, which it had seized from Syria in 1967.

■ In 1986, the experimental aircraft Voyager, piloted by Dick Rutan and Jeana Yeager, took off from Edwards Air Force Base in California on the first non-stop, non-refueled flight around the world.

■ In 2000, the Federal Trade Commission unanimously approved the \$111-billion merger of America Online and Time Warner.

# Dozens of miners file lawsuits over respirator masks

**The Associated Press**

MORGANFIELD — Dozens of western Kentucky coal miners have filed lawsuits in Union County claiming they developed black lung disease or similar ailments despite using respirator masks.

The lawsuits claim the miners suffer pneumoconiosis or silicosis because respirators they wore failed to protect them from inhaling fine dust inside the mines. They name current or former manufacturers of respirators — 3M Co., Mine Safety Appliances Co., American Optical Corp., Flexo Products Inc., Aero Corp. and Cabot Corp. — as defendants along with several distributors of mine safety equipment.

The lawsuits contend that manufacturers made claims concerning the effectiveness or ease of use of their respirators.

But, plaintiffs attorney Eric R. Jacobi of Louisville said,

"You have more and more of these guys wearing respirators who are getting the disease at the same rate as the old guys" who didn't use respirators.

The lawsuits were filed in Union County Circuit Court, the first Oct. 16 on behalf of 23 former or current miners and the second on Monday naming 31 miners.

Most of the plaintiffs are residents of Union, Webster, Hopkins or Muhlenberg counties. Jacobi said the miners worked in or near Union County mines, for companies including Peabody Coal, Pyro Mining, Lodestar Energy, Island Creek Coal and Pittsburg & Midway Coal. The mining companies aren't named as defendants in the suits.

3M didn't return a phone call seeking comment Thursday. A spokesman for Mine Safety Appliances, Ben DeMaria, said

(See MASKS, page three)

### Ten years ago:

A Colorado judge struck down the state's voter-approved Amendment Two prohibiting

(See HISTORY, page three)


**THE ROCK & ROLL HALL OF FAME**



## PIN ZONE BOWLING CENTER

**94 MAYO HOLLOW PRESTONSBURG**  
 is offering a new league  
**Starting on Monday, December 15th, for open bowlers.**  
**This league will be 12 weeks in length and \$7 per night per person.**  
**Four to a team, any combination, men or women.**  
**This will be a handicap league.**  
**If interested, call Ed Spurlock at Pin Zone Bowling Center.**  
**886-1400**

If you save this ad, and bring it on a Friday, Saturday, or Sunday — you will receive one FREE shoe rental, and that person's game will cost only \$2.00 per game, instead of \$2.50 per game.



# Fletcher outlines 'first phase' of state government reorganization plan

by JOE BIESK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Gov. Ernie Fletcher outlined what he called the "first phase" of his plan to streamline state government, which calls for reducing the number of cabinets from the current 14 down to eight.

Fletcher met with reporters Friday and said the move sets the groundwork for his plans to save the state money in the future. Some of the duties currently being performed by exist-

ing cabinets would be merged into new ones, he said.

"This is to streamline the car. The car is running, the car is running well. It's not as streamlined, fast and efficient as it's going to be, but the car is running now," Fletcher told reporters outside the Governor's Mansion. "We will continue to work throughout the administration to make it run more efficiently, increase productivity and get more value to every taxpayer for their dollar."

The mergers were based on

early recommendations by Fletcher's "Blue Ribbon Commission," which was reviewing the current set up to find ways to make state government more efficient. From there, the panel would be analyzing the duties within each cabinet for further efficiency possibilities, Fletcher said.

An executive order to ratify the changes was expected to come next week, Fletcher said.

Under the proposal, state government essentially would be run through eight cabinets:

Education, Transportation, Finance and Administration, Health and Family Services, Justice & Public Safety, Environmental & Public Protection, Economic Development and Commerce.

There would also be a secretary of the executive cabinet under the plan.

"The bottom line is this gives us the first step to bring some more efficiency by reducing duplication," Fletcher said.

The existing Workforce Development Cabinet would be merged into the Education Cabinet, while the Revenue Cabinet would be spliced into the Finance and Administration Cabinet.

The new Commerce Cabinet would be created through the combination of the Tourism Development Cabinet and parts of the former Education, Arts and Humanities Cabinet. Also, the Cabinet for Health Services and the Cabinet for Families and Children would be merged into the new Health and Family Services Cabinet.

Perhaps the largest combination is the new Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet. That will include the Cabinet for Natural Resources and Environmental Protection, the Labor Cabinet and the Public Protection and Regulation Cabinet.

"I think it's important that we put all of these in a cabinet where the focus is on regulation. And I don't see a de-emphasis on any one of those," Fletcher said. "And yet, I'm sure we're going to receive some criticism, but we're ready to accept that."

Bill Londrigan, president of the Kentucky AFL-CIO, said the organization opposed Fletcher's reorganization plan. The move would lower standards for regulating workers' safety and diminish inspections at worksites, he said.

"We deplore and denounce the decision to essentially abolish the labor cabinet," Londrigan said.

Fletcher's plan was also criticized for merging the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet.

Tom FitzGerald, director of the environmental advocacy

group Kentucky Resources Council, said the state agencies aimed at regulating and protecting the environment were already stretched too thin.

"I fail to see that it will result in any positive benefit for those people that rely on these agencies to protect them ...," FitzGerald said. "It's hard to view it as anything other than a devaluing of those agencies."

Fletcher also named Bob Ramsey, a member of the "Blue Ribbon Commission," as director of the new Department for Personnel. Under the plan, the existing Personnel Cabinet would not be a separate cabinet, but rather a department reporting to the governor. Fletcher still has not appointed a secretary for his Finance and Administration Cabinet.

## Masks

Continued from p2

his company doesn't comment on lawsuits. But, he said, "One thing I can say is we've been in business for 90 years, and we think we make the best safety products in the world. We think that comes out in the end."

Tens of thousands of workers in the asbestos industry have filed similar claims against respirator manufacturers over the years.

3M said in a Securities and Exchange Commission filing Sept. 30 that some 84,500 individual workers have filed claims against it; Cabot, which formerly owned American Optical, said in a June 30 SEC filing that it faced some 84,000 claimants.

Cabot said it has been negotiating a possible settlement; 3M said it has set aside millions of dollars to cover potential respirator mask/asbestos liabilities.

But 3M also said that in a

case in Orange County, Texas, a jury found it innocent of any liability. That was only the fourth respirator case to reach a jury, it said, saying it has been absolved in three of those cases, with the fourth under appeal.

While those cases involved the asbestos industry, the litigation has moved to the coal fields. The West Virginia attorney general sued three respirator manufacturers in August, demanding they pay the state for the costs of treating 20,000 coal miners suffering from black lung, silicosis and other diseases, the Charleston (W. Va.) Daily Mail reported last month.

3M said in its SEC filing that it "believes that the allegations have no merit and is vigorously defending this lawsuit."

Coal-related lawsuits have also been filed in Eastern Kentucky.

## History

Continued from p2

gay rights laws, calling it unconstitutional. United Mine Workers approved a five-year contract, ending a strike that had reached seven states and involved some of the nation's biggest coal operators. Actress Myrna Loy died in New York at age 88.

### Five years ago:

President Clinton stood witness as hundreds of Palestinian leaders renounced a call for the destruction of Israel.

### One year ago:

Jordanian police announced the arrest of two alleged al-Qaida members in the October killing of American diplomat Laurence Foley.

### Today's Birthdays:

Jazz musician Clark Terry is 83. "60 Minutes" executive producer Don Hewitt is 81.

Actor-playwright George Furth is 71. Actor Hal Williams is 65. Actress Patty Duke is 57. Pop singer Joyce Vincent-Wilson (Tony Orlando and Dawn) is 57. Entertainment executive Michael Ovitz is 57. Actress Dee Wallace Stone is 55. Rock musician Cliff Williams (AC/DC) is 54. Rock singer-musician Mike Scott (The Waterboys) is 45. Singer-musician Peter "Spider" Stacy (The Pogues) is 45. Actress Cynthia Gibb is 40. Rhythm-and-blues singer Brian Dalmirple (Soul For Real) is 28. Actress Tammy Blanchard is 27.

### Thought for Today:

"To the memory of the Man, first in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen." — Henry Lee, American governor (1756-1818) on the death of George Washington.

## PHS

Continued from p1

The report, which indicates that both PHS and seven other schools across the county have not met the required progress, notes that students at PHS who are on the free and reduced lunch program are not proficient in reading or math. Additionally, students with disabilities did not meet measurable objectives in reading.

These scores, said Principal Ron Hampton, stand as the starting point for meeting progress requirements.

Members discussed ways to bring students at PHS up to par in these and other areas.

A school improvement specialist, Kari Fannin, is working with the school, Poe said, to initiate new ways to improve tests scores.

Suzanne Stumbo, vocational department chair, also gave a presentation during the meeting on Thursday. Stumbo's report, an in-depth study on the sophomore class for independent vocational living based on 2003-2004 school year, noted that the school was spending 50 percent of its instructional time on health, when it only makes up 35 percent of the index score on the CATS test. Additionally, the school spends 25 percent of available teaching time with physical education, which makes up 10 percent of the index score. Consumerism, which counts for 15 percent of the index score, takes up 12.5 percent of instructional time. Vocational studies, she said, which take up 40 percent of the index score takes only 12.5 percent of instructional time.

In addressing these issues, Stumbo noted that 74 percent of the sophomores at the school

score at or below apprentice in health, 68 percent are at or below apprentice in physical education, 67 percent are at or below apprentice in consumerism and 76 percent are at or below apprentice in vocational studies.

Stumbo's suggestion to the council was to implement a strategy where all classes cover careers related to their topics. Topics discussed in one class, she said, do not need to be re-addressed in another class.

While addressing the council with an update on the school's core content checklist in the English department, John Patton, who has taught at the school for 19 years, shared his concern that students in his freshmen classes were "not motivated" to learn and "have no discipline" to do their homework.

"They need more than I can give them," he said. "I have never had such a lack of response from my students."

Patton, who said that half of the freshmen in his classes are failing and "didn't care about the work," explained that only two of his 45 students turned in a homework assignment in which they were instructed to name 12 antonyms to words given. Patton said he's tried everything he can think of to motivate the students in his classroom, but nothing works.

"I really have no idea what to do," he said. "They have no work ethic. I've never experienced anything like it. Whether I give a happy sermon, or a sad sermon, or a loud sermon, it doesn't matter."

Patton mentioned that several of these students were capable

of the work, but have somehow "slipped through the cracks" in education, pointing out that it is difficult to get them to care about themselves and their futures.

In addressing this issue, several members noted that one possible cause of the lack of motivation could lie with parents who do not get involved in their child's education. They discussed the need to implement strategies such as an online resource for parents to be able to access grades and homework assignments on a daily basis.

"If we're the only person that does care, we got to do a lot more for them," said Hampton, who also noted that more parents have been requesting meetings since the school started mailing report cards and calling to inform parents that report cards are being issued.

During the meeting, site base council members also:

- Approved a draft of the school report card for the 2002-2003 school year. Members discussed a possible "discrepancy" in the "formula" used to calculate the student-teacher ratio, noted as being 20-to-1 against the state's 16-to-1.

- Discussed the Century Program, a mentoring program initiated through the Foundation for Excellent Schools that provides mentoring for students through the Prestonsburg Campus of the Big Sandy Technical and Community College. As one of 25 schools nationwide picked for the project, Hampton said that the program will give the school an opportunity to receive additional grant funds during the next five years.

- Discussed improvements at the school in regard to being cleaner and more inviting for students and visitors. Discussed the need for painting areas inside the school and redoing the gym floor. Also discussed the need to have the gym floor prepared prior to basketball practice.

- Considered a request made by Jerry Vance, junior representative on the student council, to appoint a sponsor for the student council.

- Discussed past and upcoming events initiated through the Youth Services Center, following a report given by director Karen Vaughn. Vaughn announced the hiring of assistant John Horn who has developed a senior-freshmen mentoring program at the school — a program that Hampton said was directly related to a decrease in social problems with students — and established morning intramural basketball games. Vaughn also discussed the Back-to-School health fair held in July, the Pardon Program which deals with social issues such as divorce and child custody, a workshop on drug and alcohol abuse given by KSP public relations director Scott Hopkins and the Reality Store program initiated for the sophomore class. Vaughn said during the meeting that her office will perform a needs assessment survey to get additional information on specific students needs.

- Discussed the possibility of bringing back Prestonsburg High School graduates as motivational speakers.

- Discussed the need for parent volunteers.

Site base council member Jack Pack was absent from the meeting.

## Drugs

Continued from p1

ically various unnamed prescription pills, for lab testing.

"We would just ask that the pills be tested to see that they are, in fact, what the commonwealth says they are," Stuebaker told Circuit Judge John David Caudill Friday afternoon.

Stuebaker also presented a motion that the commonwealth release the identity of the informants involved in Mynhier's case, as well as Goble and Hick's case, to the public advocate's office. Stuebaker said the

names of the informants would be of value to the public defender's office in that it would allow them the opportunity to assign their own investigators to interview the individuals in preparation for further court proceedings.

Judge Caudill took the motions under consideration Friday, telling Stuebaker that he not only had to consider the rights of the defendants, but also the rights of the commonwealth in making his decision.

# Pike judicial race expensive

The Associated Press

PIKEVILLE — The campaign to replace Pike County Circuit Judge Charles E. Lowe Jr. was an expensive one, with the winner spending \$181,905.

Steve Combs, a former Pikeville mayor, won the race, besting opponent Phil Stalnaker 9,403 votes to 4,876 in the November election.

Lowe resigned in April — just before the Judicial Conduct Commission issued a public reprimand to him. Lowe was accused of engaging in a sexual relationship with a woman involved in a child custody case that he was handling.

The written reprimand said that if Lowe didn't resign he could have been removed from office. Combs was appointed as interim judge until after the election.

Stalnaker, who spent \$27,216 on his campaign, said money became a vital factor in the race's outcome.

Combs said he doesn't believe money was the biggest factor in his win.

"I don't think money wins elections, but I think they're expensive," he said. "I think that it helps you get your message out. We ran a positive campaign, and I think that's the major factor."

## Student

Continued from p1

behind, cupped his hand over his mouth, and placed a 4 1/2-inch serrated knife against his neck. The victim fled when the alleged attacker dropped the knife.

"He held the knife at the victim's throat for several seconds," Dotson said. "It did leave marks on the victim's throat."

School officials reported the incident to the sheriff's department about 9:30 a.m. on Thursday.

"Based on statements that were made to school officials and related to us, it was not a joke," Dotson said. "It was an actual planned attempted murder."



**487 N. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg • 886-2800**

**ANY SIZE, ANY TOPPING**

**\$8.99** pick-up

**\$9.99** delivery

**SORRY, NO DOUBLE PORTIONS**

**Hurry in, this deal won't last long!**

# expression

Freedom of the press is not an end in itself but a means to the end of [achieving] a free society.  
— Felix Frankfurter

## GuestView

### Schools sending wrong message

Does this make sense? The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has given Kentucky a \$413,000 grant to develop an exercise and nutrition plan to fight rampant obesity among our kids.

Meanwhile, one reason children are getting obese is that their schools are actually selling junk food and sodas to them out of vending machines.

Why doesn't the state save the CDC money and simply tell the schools to get rid of the vending machines? That would probably have a bigger impact on the battle against teenage obesity than any program the money will help develop, and it wouldn't cost taxpayers a dime.

Obesity in Kentucky and nationally is a very serious issue. A recently released survey by University of Kentucky researchers says that 30 percent of kids in grades 9 through 12 are either obese already or at risk of crossing over that line. As the state public health commissioner says, this suggests "a very unhealthy future for these high school students."

Every lawmaker in Frankfort knows that will mean widespread health problems and soaring health care bills later. But still they refuse to do the obvious: take the junk food out of the schools.

It would be so easy. No re-education would be required. There would be no need for expensive public service ads. Schools would just call the snack food companies and have the vending machines hauled off.

Why won't lawmakers take this sensible step? Because junk food makes money for schools. The purveyors of junk food also tell them that taking sodas and snacks out of the schools would solve only part of the problem. Students could still bring in junk food. And they would still eat whatever they want when they go home.

That's all correct. But those are weak arguments against taking an action that could at least curb a growing problem. As the UK study shows, nearly half the 1,600 kids surveyed said they'd purchased soda daily from school vending machines. And 30 percent ate vending machine snacks for lunch at least once a week.

Educators know the lessons that really stick in life are the ones taught by actions. The message about nutrition in health class doesn't seem very serious if the school hawks junk food just outside the health class door.

Yes, in the short term, snack foods make schools money. But the long-term cost to the state and to the obese will be high.

Lawmakers need to get serious about this issue. They must get unhealthy snacks out of the schools. The UK study has made it absolutely clear that the supposed rule about keeping the machines turned off until after lunch is being almost universally ignored.

Taking \$413,000 from the federal government to solve a problem the state government is helping create is a perfect example of government waste. Schools, of all institutions, should not be using their influence to send destructive messages to youth.

— The Courier-Journal, Louisville

... AND A RAISE... AND A GREAT STOCK MARKET... A BONUS... MY 401 K TO GO UP...



### — Jim Davidson

### It's time to pull the plug

When it comes to the future of our country, especially as it relates to our children and grandchildren, there is a haunting question that keeps coming to my mind. Over the past 10 to 15 years I have witnessed the steady decline of decency, morality and virtue as portrayed in most segments of the media.

To be perfectly honest, I am terribly dismayed each time I attempt to watch television and try to find something fit to watch and all I see and hear is crude language, vulgar behavior and immoral sexual conduct. When you also add violence to this mix, the quality is, to say it bluntly, deplorable.

What's even worse, when I am lucky enough to find a decent program, they promo a filthy program right in the middle of it.

To be sure, these people are cunning and this is not by accident. The people who produce commercials for some of America's largest corporations have also gotten in on the act.

The haunting question that keeps coming to my mind, and if you have children and grandchildren you may feel the same way, is simply this: If we don't

turn this situation around, what kind of nation are we going to leave to those we love the most?

As you ponder what I am saying, don't think for a moment that I don't believe in the rights of these people to produce and peddle the kind of programs they want to produce. While I would be willing to die to defend these rights, this does not mean that I have to agree with them and that I cannot speak out against what they are doing, if I feel it is irresponsible and will ultimately lead to the demise of our nation. Just check your history books if you want to learn what happened to other civilizations that fell into rampant sexual immorality.

From the mail I have received from thousands of readers over the past several months, I know I am not alone in wanting to do something about what we see happening to our culture. A few weeks ago I received a letter from Louis and Mary Willett who live in Waynesboro, Pa. Quoting now, "While we agree with you Mr. Davidson, about the plethora of vulgar and objectionable programming of TV (Trashy Vision?), we believe we would be shortsighted if

we limited our observations and evaluation of the media to TV. We believe the problem is much larger. Movies, magazines, radio, music and video games all have long since departed from any acceptable standards of morality or even standards of decency." (I took note that the community newspaper was not listed among the offenders.)

There was a time a few generations ago, when respect for others was rampant and when standards of morality were inculcated in children by law-abiding and respectable parents and elders. Unfortunately, in time many people felt liberated from any standards.

Indeed, many people seemingly embarked on a mission of putting God and values in the closet. Without God, obviously there is no need for values. Many of these same people who had closeted God and values became significant in the media and in other industries that exercised leadership in our country. If you care about what is happening in this important area of our society, you may want to join me and millions of other people who want to do something about it. The answer is not to get mad and spout off, but rather to adopt a strong resolve that, over a long period

(See DAVIDSON, page five)



### — beyond the beltway

### Why bother with an election?

by DONALD KAUL

I hate to be the one to break the news to you, but it's over. As Dan Rather would say, it's time to call in the dogs and put out the fire.

The 2004 presidential campaign is done.

Oh, the actual campaign — with its debates, position papers and ads — will continue, like a war that drags on even after the outcome becomes apparent, but President Bush has it won. And I say that more in sorrow than in glee. A lot more, actually.

But when I saw that picture of him dishing mashed potatoes and turkey to the troops in Iraq on Thanksgiving Day, I knew. He has all but lapped the field. It will never catch up.

Those who point out that it was a phony gesture motivated by politics miss the point. It was, above all, a symbolic gesture, one meant to demonstrate our support for the troops and Bush's personal determination to see the pacification of Iraq through.

It got the job done. The president, against all odds, has become something of a master of the symbolic gesture during his time in office.

When he stood at Ground Zero after

the 9/11 attack, it symbolized America's determination to rise from the ruins and strike back at terrorism.

When he landed on that carrier in his fly-boy suit, with the "Mission Accomplished" banner behind him, it symbolized the defeat of Saddam's army.

And now, with his latest stunt, he completes the picture of a war leader: in charge, resolute, brave.

It's all moonshine, of course. Mr. Bush turned away from the war on terrorism shortly after 9/11 in order to wage war on Saddam, and the aftermath of our victory over Iraq has been more costly and cruel than the war itself.

So far as staying the course ... well, the jury's still out on that one. We may be able to put down the terrorists (although that's not clear) and we certainly can build roads, bridges and schools, but so far the road to democracy in Iraq has been bumpy.

We want a political structure in Iraq that is friendly to us and recognizes that three major factions, none of whom like each other much, divide the country. While we try and juggle the competing interests with a constitution and checks and balances, the leader of the Shiites, the largest faction, simply wants elec-

tions. (He believes in the Tom DeLay theory of governance: "When you've got the votes, count 'em.")

I think that this makes the chance of Iraq eventually dissolving into civil war far more likely than the chance of it becoming a model of democracy.

But for the time being, George Bush is doing great. The economy is starting to turn, old people can look forward to a drug benefit (someday), rich people's taxes are disappearing, nobody cares about the deficit and he cuts a dashing figure in uniform.

In addition, he's going to have several times as much money to spend on his campaign as his opponents will have. And if that weren't enough, because of population shifts, the states he carried in 2000 will have a net gain of seven electoral votes in 2004.

And if even that weren't enough, news comes from Paul Krugman of "The New York Times" that many of the touch-screen voting machines that are being installed throughout the United States are made by a company named Diebold. Because these machines leave no paper record of the voting, there is no way to check on miscalculations or fraud. According to Mr. Krugman, studies by researchers at Johns Hopkins and Rice Universities have found the machines unreliable and subject to

(See BELTWAY, page five)

## The Times

Published Wednesday, Friday & Sunday

Member, Kentucky Press Association  
Member, National Newspaper Association

263 SOUTH CENTRAL AVE.  
PRESTONSBURG, KY. 41653

Phone: (606) 886-8506 • Toll-free: (888) 450-6397  
Fax: (606) 886-3603

web@floydcountytimes.com

USPS 202-700

Entered as second class matter, June 18, 1927, at the post office at Prestonsburg, Kentucky, under the act of March 3, 1879. Periodicals postage paid at Prestonsburg, Ky.

Visit The Floyd County Times on the internet at  
www.floydcountytimes.com

Publisher: David Bowyer

#### Editorial

web@floydcountytimes.com

Ralph B. Davis, Managing Editor  
Steve LeMaster, Sports Editor  
Kathy Prater, Features Editor

#### Advertising

advertising@floydcountytimes.com

Kim Frasure, Advertising Manager

#### Composing

composing@floydcountytimes.com

Heath Wiley, Composing Director

#### Classifieds

Tammy Conn, Classified Manager

#### Accounting

David Bowyer, Business Manager

# Faith Extra

## Minister's Moment: What gift do you need?

by PASTOR  
MARK D. WALZ

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Three sons left home, went out on their own and prospered. Getting back together, they discussed the gifts they were going to give their near-blind, elderly mother for Christmas.

The first said, "I bought her a big house for Christmas." The second said, "I got her a Mercedes-Benz and a chauffeur." The third smiled and said, "I've got you both beat. You remember how Mom enjoyed reading the Bible? And you know she can't see very well. So I sent her a remarkable parrot that recites the entire Bible. It took a preacher 12 years to teach him. He's one of a kind. Mama just has to name the chapter and verse and the parrot recites it."

Soon thereafter, the woman sent out letters of thanks to her sons for the Christmas gifts. She wrote the first son and said, "The house you bought is so huge. I live in only one room, but I have to clean the whole house." She wrote to the second

son, "I am too old to travel. I stay home most of the time so I rarely use the Mercedes. And the chauffeur is so rude!" She wrote to her third son, "Son, you are the only one who has the good sense to know what your mother likes. The chicken was delicious."

We all get gifts for Christmas, and sometimes the gift we get is not the one we need.

In the Book of Isaiah there are four gifts we need. Wisdom, Peace, Comfort, and Salvation.

### The Gift of Wisdom

The book of Isaiah, in chapter 9, tells us of a Wonderful Counselor. Often we need good counsel, or wisdom the times in our lives we seek a counselor, because of the importance or gravity of the decision making. We do not just need someone with not just good advice, but wisdom. There have been many times in my life when I would seek out people and ask for their counsel, more importantly wisdom.

Think for a minute of the

times in your life you needed wisdom in making a decision. The decisions to start a career, or go to college, who to marry, the decision to have children, you have the house to buy, or how much to pay for it, or a career change, a move to another city, or a decision to do about an elderly parent, or a decision about your child. The list goes on and on. Important life changing events.

We all make decisions and many times need wisdom, from the Counselor. It is during the time when we seek counsel that we need wisdom from the Wonderful Counselor. Our first gift, wisdom from the Counselor.

### The Gift of Peace

I believe that there is no greater gift Jesus wants us to have at Christmas than peace. We live in a world filled with violence and hatred. We live where people hate each other so much they would sacrifice their own lives to spread their hate and killing with bombs in packages, cars and even donkeys.

This is easy for us to deal with because we are not being bombed or killed. But what about our families? How many times do we hear in our own homes, "I hate you," "I don't love you," and screams and yelling and throwing of dishes, and words happen every day.

Or what about ourselves? We don't have car bombs; we have heart bombs. We talk about one another, we have character assassinations, we get upset over silly things. We have so little patience, so little time for one another.

Today in the hustle and bustle of Christmas, even doing goodwill we need peace. Peace is gone when we get so busy baking cookies, decorating, festive meals, parties, plays, events ... peace is gone. We run from event to event, party-to-party, play after play, to the mall, to the store. We complain about how busy we are and the peace is gone. It is not the gift of hectic times the prophet announced, but the Prince of Peace. Peace comes through the gift of the Prince of Peace.

**The Gift of Comfort**  
Handel's Messiah, takes

Isaiah 40:1 and proclaims the comfort we need. "Comfort ye, comfort ye," is proclaimed for each of us.

We need comfort when people travel, we need comfort when one is in the hospital, or in the service fighting in a war, or when someone dies. What great joy it is to have comfort in times of distress, the times we cannot control, the times so horrible they put our stomach in knots. The broken heart, the sorrow, and when sadness overwhelms us. The comforter is there to help us to ease the pain, to wipe our tears, to encircle us with everlasting arms of love.

### The Gift of Salvation

Salvation for us was born in Bethlehem, the Messiah, the Son of God, appropriately named Jesus, which means "Yahweh is salvation". Salvation is the reason for the season.

In the Bible the word salvation is used to refer to overcoming obstacle; obtaining security from danger; rescuing the perishing; recovering stolen property; buying back slaves and delivering persons from adversity, captivity, death or any


enemy.

Anyone who wants victory over obstacles, freedom from foes, and deliverance from death wants salvation. Salvation is our deepest need, our ultimate concern. If salvation could be boxed, packaged and sold it would be the hottest item on store shelves. Salvation is not for sale, however. Salvation, like life itself, can only be obtained from God — as a gift.

God's gift of salvation removes the barriers that our guilt builds between us and God. Salvation enables us to be at one with God. The gift of salvation is for all who accept the gift. Will you accept the Gift God sent to us, the gift of salvation — Jesus?

### People know Pueblo for its...

...free federal information. You can download it right away by going into the Consumer Information Center web site, [www.pueblo.gsa.gov](http://www.pueblo.gsa.gov).

 U.S. General Services Administration

## Legislative leaders say expanded gambling in Kentucky unlikely

The Associated Press

COVINGTON — State lawmakers aren't likely to pass legislation allowing casino gambling in Kentucky when the General Assembly meets next year, two legislative leaders have said.

Unless Gov. Ernie Fletcher takes the lead on efforts within the state to expand gambling, the issue probably won't advance, Senate President David Williams and House Speaker Jody said at a joint appearance here. That seems unlikely, they said.

"This governor says he wasn't going to get out and advocate expansion of gambling," Williams, a Burkesville Republican, said. "I don't think the expansion of gambling will be addressed in this session."

The General Assembly convenes on Jan. 6.

Richards, a Bowling Green Democrat, agreed with Williams.

"The only way it will pass, any form of it, is if the governor uses his considerable clout and gets out in front and has a strong and clear lead," Richards said.

Prospects for expanding gambling as an additional revenue source for the state

became an issue during the gubernatorial campaign. Fletcher, a Republican, said he did not favor expanding gambling. However, he said he would leave the question up to voters.

Fletcher's spokeswoman, Jeannie Lausche, said Fletcher's position has not changed.

"The governor holds firm to his beliefs," Lausche said. "He does not believe the state should support expanded gambling."

### Davidson

Continued from p4

of time, we can begin to turn it around. There are four basic things that I hope you will do:

No. 1, When you begin to watch a television program and realize that it is crude and vulgar, switch channels.

No. 2, When you can't find a clean, decent program to watch, just turn it off and do something else with your valuable time.

No. 3, When you see a commercial by any company that flaunts sex to sell its products, write or call them and tell them it's unacceptable and if they persist, buy from another company.

No. 4, My last recommendation may have more potential than anything else. If we are going to change the culture in our nation and leave a place for our children and grandchildren to thrive and succeed, free from predators, we must be organized and focus on these important goals.

We can do this by e-mail. Write all the people you know who share our values and give them the gist of what I am saying along with the three things

### Beltway

Continued from p4

abuse, meaning that you can fiddle them to achieve a desired result.

Oh yes, one other thing. Walden O'Dell, the chief executive of Diebold, is a big fundraiser for Bush in Ohio. (Did I mention the machines were subject to fraud?)

If you can't win an election with all that going for you, Boss Tweed never lived.

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. Email: [donald.kaul2@verizon.net](mailto:donald.kaul2@verizon.net).

mentioned earlier. Then ask them to write their friends and repeat it until it spreads all across the nation.

One word of caution, do not send any message as a forward as most people just delete those. It must be a sincere message from your heart to people who respect you and care about what is happening to our country.

The thought I want to leave with you is simply this: What kind of nation are we going to leave our children and grandchildren, if we don't do something about the trash, vulgar language and violence in the media?

It's time to pull the plug.

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

## TURN UP YOUR MIKE! For dial-up that's feature packed.

### MIKROTEC REGULAR DIAL-UP INCLUDES:

- FREE Web Mail — keeps you in touch and connected wherever you are.
- FREE Spam Filter — helps control the junk mail.
- FREE Instant Messaging — chat online in real time
- FREE Game Server — cyber accommodations for heavy gamers
- FREE Email Virus Protection — extra security

### MIKROTEC SUPERFAST DIAL-UP INCLUDES ALL OF THE ABOVE, PLUS IT'S

**5** X Faster\* than regular dial-up for just  
**5** dollars more a month (or less).  
**5** day FREE trial! That's our 5-4-5 offer.

**545**

### Sign up by March 15th and get:

- Your 1st 3 months for half price!\*\*
- OR • 1 year of regular dial-up Internet service for just **\$16.95** a month!
- OR • 1 year of SuperFast Dial-Up for just **\$20.95** a month!

And don't forget to ask about our new unlimited long distance Talk Away Plan!

So remember, from local phone service to long distance, from dial-up & accelerated dial-up to high-speed Internet to Security Systems and Solutions for your home and business, you can count on Mike!

### Just turn it up.

\*3 to 5 times faster on average.  
\*\*3 months at \$9.95 per month based on regular rate of \$19.95 per month.  
† 12-month agreement and \$5.00 set-up fee required. See website or call for complete details.

1-866-GET-ON-IT (438-6648) [www.mikrotec.com](http://www.mikrotec.com)

**MIKROTEC**



### In Loving Memory James

Dwayne Hall

November 10th, 1952, to  
December 12th, 2002  
(It's Been A Year)

### The Broken Chain

We little knew that evening that God was going to call your name, and in life we loved you dearly, and in death we do the same. It broke our hearts to lose you, you did not go alone, for part of us went with you, the day God called you home. You left us peaceful memories, your love is still our guide, and though we cannot see you, you are always at our side. Our family chain is broken and nothing seems the same; but as God calls us, one by one, the chain will link again.

We love and miss you so much. Wife, sons, grandson, mother, daddy, sisters and brother

Pikeville College has been providing students with quality educational opportunities for more than a century. Several of our programs are consistently among the top performing in the state and nation. Most classes at Pikeville College have fewer than 20 students. You're not just a number; your success is our priority. Pikeville College provides an educational experience for the entire person — mind, body and spirit.

## Pikeville College

Changing our world...one graduate at a time  
[www.pc.edu](http://www.pc.edu) 606-218-5250

# Quality

## Spring Registration - January 6-9



# Regional Obituaries

## Floyd County

Larry Ben Bentley, 56, of Banner, died Saturday, December 6, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Monday, December 8, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Margaret Boyd, 75, of Dana, died Monday, December 8, at the Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, December 11, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Frances (Crider) Burga, 77, died Friday, December 5, at the Highland Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were held Monday, December 8, under the direction of Burke Funeral Home.

Clyde Burke, 72, of Weeksbury, died Wednesday, December 10, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, December 14, at 12 noon, at the Weeksbury Pentecostal Church of God, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Eli Bryant, 87, of Hi Hat, died Saturday, December 6, in the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Beatrice Newman Bryant. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, December 9, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Ervin Collins Jr., 62, of McDowell, died Friday, December 5, following a car accident at McDowell. He is survived by his wife, Dottie Castle Collins. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, December 10, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Grover J. Fannin, 78, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, December 6, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, December 9, under the direction of Burke Funeral Home.

Terry L. Marsillett, 40, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, December 5, at Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, December 9, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Lawrence Jonas Slone, 71, of Raven, died Monday, December 8, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Geraldine Holbrook Slone. Funeral were conducted Thursday, December 11, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Gladys Spears, 54, a native of Lawrence County, died Sunday, December 7, at her home at Allen. Funeral services were

conducted Wednesday, December 10, under the direction of Burke Funeral Home.

Lassie Artrip Tackett, 70, of Drift, died Thursday, December 4, at her residence. She is survived by her husband, Sherman (Billy) Tackett. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, December 7, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Catherine Hall Tibbs, 61, of Shelbiana, died Sunday, December 7, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, December 10, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Ricky Turner, 46, of Garrett, died Wednesday, December 3, following a house fire at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Monday, December 8, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Bobby D. Whicker, 68, of Tram, died Saturday, December 6, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. He is survived by his wife, Glenna Stewart. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, December 9, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

## Johnson County

Virginia Ruth Arms, 77, a native of Johnson County, died Tuesday, December 2, at Paul B. Hall Medical Center in Paintsville. She is survived by her husband, Sanford "Shorty" Arms. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 6, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Sanford "Shorty" Arms, 80, a native of Johnson County, died Wednesday, December 3, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 6, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Merry Maxine Vanhoose Blankenship, 62, a native of Johnson County, died at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 6, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Garnet Meade Branham, 95, of Paintsville, died Thursday, November 27. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, November 30, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

June Adkins Conn, 89, died Monday, December 1, at Florida Hospital East. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, December 7, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Ethel C. Hicks, 87, died at the Paul B. Hall Medical Center. Graveside services were conducted Saturday, December 6, at 2 p.m., at Highland Memorial

Park, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Mitchell Meade, 79, a native of Johnson County, died Saturday, November 29, at Paul B. Hall Medical Center, Paintsville. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, December 3, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Lula Ethel Daniel Montgomery, 93, died Monday, December 1, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, December 4, under the direction of Herald and Stewart and Halsey Funeral Home.

Dora Preston, 96, a native of Johnson County, died Sunday, November 30, in Miamisburg, Ohio. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, December 4, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Georgene Blevins Salyer, 71, died Sunday, December 7, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Dallas Salyer. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, December 10, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Hazel G. Phelps Sammons, 90, a Johnson County native, died Sunday, November 30, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Rev. John G. Sammons. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, December 3, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Marcus Spears Jr., 79, a native of Johnson County, died at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, December 11, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

## Pike County

Lorraine Stiltner Compton, 76, of Grundy, Virginia, a Pike County native, died Friday, December 5, a result of injuries sustained in a fire at her home. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, December 9, under the direction of Grundy Funeral Home.

June Adkins Conn, 89, of Orlando, Florida, a native of Pike County, died Monday, December 1, at Florida Hospital East, Orlando, Florida. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, December 7, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Tiny Johnson, 89, of Long Fork, died Wednesday, December 10, at her home. She is survived by her husband, Sill Johnson. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 13, under the direction of Hall & Jones Funeral Home.

Joan Jackson Odom, 74, of Ocoee, Florida, formerly of Marrowbone, died Monday,

November 24. Arrangements were under direction of Allen J. Harden Funeral Home.

Betty J. Sanders, 65, of Pikeville, died Wednesday, December 10, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. No services are scheduled. Arrangements are under the direction of Thacker Memorial Funeral Home.

Maggie Thacker Slone, 76, of Lower Pompey, died Thursday, December 11, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 13, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Maycene Tackett, 66, of Long Fork, died Saturday, December 6, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, December 10, under the direction of Hall & Jones Funeral Home.

James Thacker Jr., 69, of Pikeville, died Thursday, December 4, at St. Joseph Hospital Hospice Care Center, Lexington. He is survived by his wife, Cora Charles Thacker. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, December 7, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

## Martin County

Eula F. Carty, 71, of Louisville, a native of Inez, died Thursday, November 27, at Hospice and Palliative Care of Louisville's inpatient unit at Norton Audubon Hospital. She is survived by her husband, Arthur G. Carty. Funeral services were conducted Monday, December 1, under the direction of Arch L. Heady and Son, Okolona.

Earnest Allen Kennedy, 84, of Inez, died Thursday, December 4, at King's Daughters' Hospital, in Ashland. He is survived by his wife, Magdalene Hinkle Kennedy. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 6, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Gabe McCoy, 59, of

Galloway, Ohio, formerly of Beauty, died Monday, December 1, in Ohio. He is survived by his wife, Sandy Moore McCoy. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 6, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Paul Meade, 61, of Tomahawk, died Thursday, December 4, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Harriett Kirk Meade. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, December 7, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Donald Ray Mullins, 61, a native of Pilgrim, died December 6. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, December 10, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

## Lawrence County

Audrey Reese Boggs, 83, of Louisa, died Sunday, December 7, at Three Rivers Medical Center, Louisa. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, December 11, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

Ronnie L. Curnutte, 40, of Blaine, died Wednesday, December 3. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Fay Curnutte. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, December 7, under the direction of Young Funeral Home.

James Edward Hale, 26, of Louisa, died Friday, December 5, at Three Rivers Medical Center, Louisa. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, December 7, under the direction of Young Funeral Home.

Curtis Jarrell, 70, of Louisa, died Sunday, December 7, at Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital, Ashland. He is survived by his wife, Effie Preston Jarrell. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, December 10, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Nola Mae Sparks Skaggs, 63, of Martha, died Friday, December 5, at King's Daughters' Medical Center, Ashland. She is survived by her husband, Morgan Skaggs. Funeral services were conducted Monday, December 8, under the direction of Young Funeral Home.

## Magoffin County

Alka Faye Daniels Crace, 63, of Salyersville, died Friday, December 5, at Paul B. Hall Medical Center, Paintsville. Funeral services were conducted Monday, December 8, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Epp Fletcher, 84, of Salyersville, died Sunday, December 7, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. He is survived by his wife, Emma Jean Cole Fletcher. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, December 10, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Rodney Keeton, 69, of Salyersville, died Sunday, December 7, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. He is survived by his wife, Jeanette Meade Keeton. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, December 10, under the direction of Salyersville Funeral Home.

Charles Marshall, 70, of Salyersville, died Saturday, December 6, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. He is survived by his wife, Mary Elizabeth Bailey Marshall. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, December 9, under the direction of Salyersville Funeral Home.

Eulah Patton Reed, 87, of Salyersville, died Thursday, December 4, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, December 7, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

# Obituaries

## Robert Eugene Harris

Robert Eugene Harris, age 76, of Allen, passed away, Friday, December 12, 2003, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital, at Pikeville, after an extended illness.

He was born March 20, 1927, at Emma, the son of the late James E. (Speed) and Helen (Herald) Harris. He was a retired construction worker and owner of the R.E. Harris Excavating Co., a Master Mason with the Zebulon Lodge of Prestonsburg, and W.W. II veteran.

He is survived by two daughters: Mrs. Ellen Harris, (wife of Jack Pack of Prestonsburg), and Mrs. Lisa Suzane Harris of Ashland; two brothers, John B. Harris of Louisville and Taylor D. Harris of Prestonsburg; four grandchildren: Kristi Lyn Spears, DeLora Lynne Holbrook, Robert Boyd Holbrook and Leah Suzanne Reynolds, and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one brother: Paul J. Harris; one sister: Nancy Florance Harris.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, December 20, at 2 p.m., at the Burke Funeral Home Chapel, of Prestonsburg, with Rev. David Garrett officiating.

Friends may call after 12 p.m., Saturday, December 20, at the Burke Funeral Home of Prestonsburg.

Family has requested that in lieu of flowers that a donation be made to the Cancer Society.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Burke Funeral Home, of Prestonsburg.

(Paid obituary)

## Ruth Little Hall

Ruth Little Hall, 81, of Hi Hat, died Tuesday, December 9, 2003, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Born December 2, 1922, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late John L. and Bertha Sanders Little. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of God of Prophecy, at Ligon.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lloyd Hall.

Survivors include one son, Kermit Dailey of Hi Hat; three daughters, Benita Ray of Beaver, Katrina Howell of Grethel, and Loletta Pearl Little of Hi Hat; a grandson whom she raised, Nicholas Wayne Little; two brothers, Collier Little of Hollywood, Florida, and James Little of Beaver; four sisters, Patty Tackett of Beaver, Bonnie Newman of London, Helen Stickrod of Winchester, and Geneva Miracle of Taylor, Michigan; 11 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one brother, Charles Little; and two sisters, June Kenney and Naomi Little.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, December 12, at 11 a.m., at the Church of God of Prophecy, at Hi Hat, with ministers of the church officiating.

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

Visitation is at the church.

(Paid obituary)

## Terry L. Marsillett

Terry L. Marsillett, 40, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, December 5, 2003, at Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg.

Born August 28, 1963, in Magoffin County, she was the daughter of the late Tom and Dorothy Back Marsillett. She was a disabled clerk, a member of the K.O.D.A., and the Brushy Fork Missionary Baptist Church, at Gunlock.

Survivors include one son, Justin Dean Hackworth of Prestonsburg; one brother, Tom Marsillett of Prestonsburg; three sisters, Gladys Scott and Emma Minix, both of Salyersville, and Alpha Poe of Prestonsburg; and several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one son, Jarrod Randall Francis.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, December 9, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Ollie Watts officiating.

Burial was in the Marsillett Family Cemetery at Middle Fork, in Salyersville, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

**FREE!** *free* **FREE!**

**Do you have Something to Sell?**  
Let us help you out!!!

If you are an individual needing to place an item for sale in our **Classified Section**, now you can do it

**FREE!!!**

You can place 1 item valued at \$100 or less in our **Classified Section** for 1 week

**TOTALLY FREE OF CHARGE!**

Come in today & let us help you move these items!

Contact Tammy Conn, Classified Department

**606.886.8506**  
email: [fctclass@bellsouth.net](mailto:fctclass@bellsouth.net)

**FREE!**

**Homeowners Renters Business Owners Disaster Assistance Is Available Register Today**

To apply for disaster assistance, call the toll-free registration number **1-800-621-FEMA (3362)** (TTY 1-800-462-7585 for the hearing- and speech impaired)

**You May be Eligible, But You Must Register**

Sports Editor:  
Steve LeMasterPhone Number:  
Floyd CountyTimes:  
(606) 896-8506  
Fax: (606) 896-3603

www.floydcountytimes.com

Regional  
SPORTS

Sunday, December 14, 2003

## Inside

- Junior Hunting • B3
- Scoreboard • B3
- Sunday Comics • B4
- Sunday Classifieds • B5

TIMES Email: sports@floydcountytimes.com

## COLLEGE BASEBALL

Harmon  
signs with  
Central  
Missouriby STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE — One of the top pitchers to come out of the Eastern Kentucky high school baseball ranks in this millennium has signed to continue playing baseball at the next level.

Chas Harmon, who starred in three sports at Paintsville High School, is a right-handed pitcher who may one day end up on the pitching staff of a Major League Baseball club. Harmon has signed to play baseball at Central Missouri State University in the 2005 season. Harmon was one of

(See HARMON, page two)

Lady Raiders  
top host  
Sheldon Clarkby STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

BLACKLOG — South Floyd seniors Amanda Jo Johnson and Megan Ousley came through in a clutch situation Thursday night. Both are no strangers to big games and big situations. Such was the case Thursday night in Martin County. Both Lady Raiders stepped to the free throw line and hit critical free throws in the fourth quarter to lead South Floyd to a 69-65 win over the home-standing Sheldon Clark Lady Cardinals.

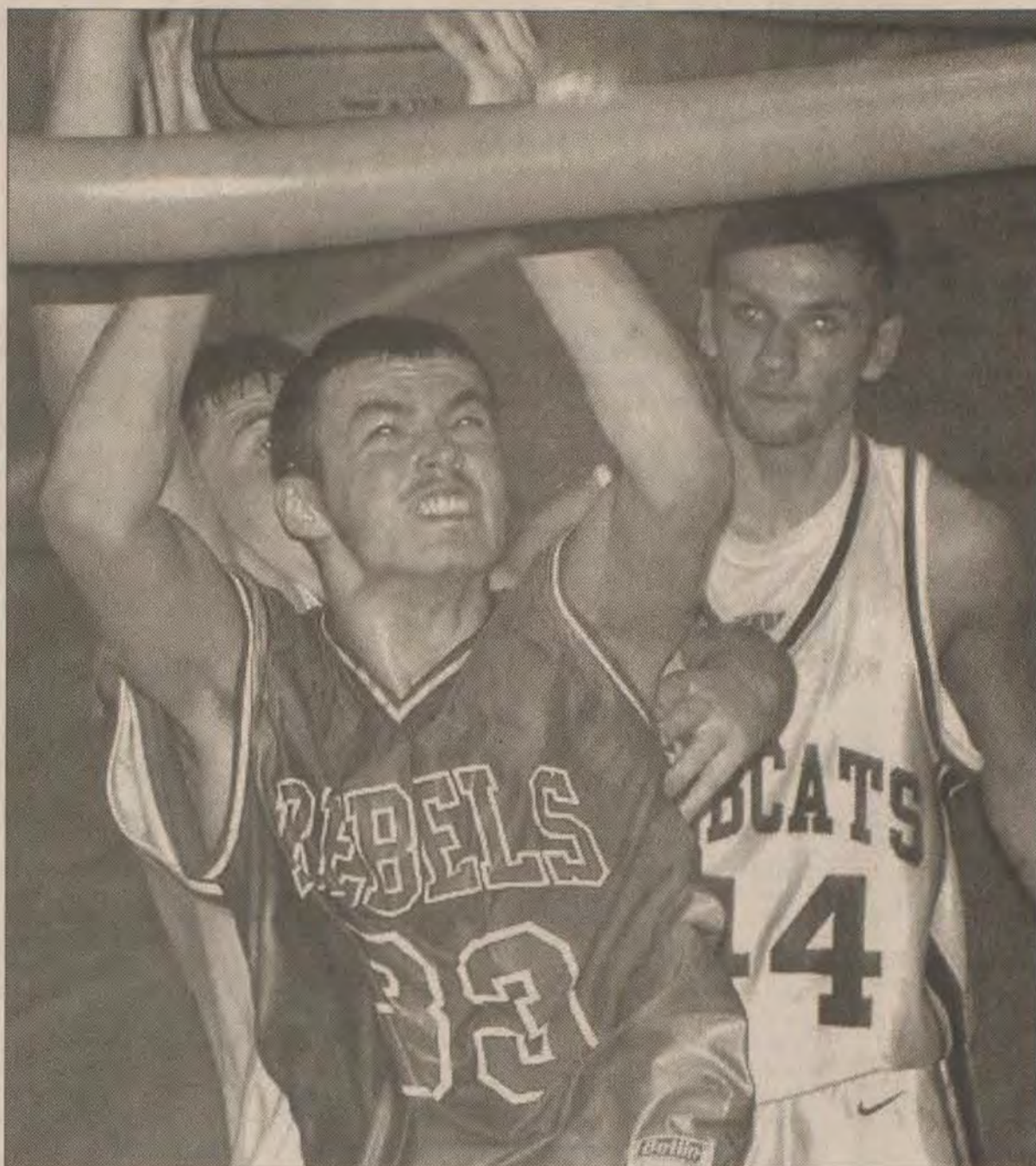
Johnson finished the game with a game-high 19 points. South Floyd (3-1) struggled with foul trouble in the first half and played some of the first two quarters without some of its starters in the game.

Ousley tossed in 18 points for the Lady Raiders and Ashley Johnson, another accomplished senior, added 12.

Brandy Anderson chipped in

(See RAIDERS, page two)

## — H.S. BASKETBALL —



Allen Central junior center Tim Griffith (33) went up in the second half for a score over the Betsy Layne defense. Griffith finished with 10 points for the Rebels. P

photo by Jamie Howell

Rebels outlasts  
Betsy LayneRunnin' Rebs overcome  
early 15-point deficit to winby STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE — Never count a Johnny Martin-coached basketball team out of the mix. The current edition of the Allen Central Runnin' Rebels are now 3-0 on the season following a 77-68 win over host Betsy

Layne Thursday night.

The head Rebel walked away from Betsy Layne's Dome Thursday night feeling rather good about his team's efforts.

"We played pretty well," said Martin. "It was a real physical game. Betsy Layne is a good basketball team. It was a good win for us."

The Allen Central starting five of Austin Francis, Rossi Samons, Justin Hall, Tim Griffith and Ryan

(See OUTLASTS, page two)

## H.S. BASKETBALL

No clear  
favorite  
in 58th  
Districtby JAMIE HOWELL  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Each of the past four basketball seasons in the 58th District the South Floyd Raiders have taken care of business and came away with the district title. This year, however, could be the most balanced that the district has shaped up in some time.

All four Floyd County high school boys' basketball teams have played well in spurts this year and all four have struggled at times. Just for the sake of speculation let's look at the four teams and the outlook for each one.

■ Allen Central — Johnny Martin's Rebels have been the surprise team of the district thus far. The young Rebs have opened the season with three straight wins over Phelps, Pike Central and Betsy Layne. The Rebel team

(See DISTRICT, page two)

## TIGER HOOPS CLASSIC

Prestonsburg,  
Shelby Valley  
prepare for  
Hoops Classicby JAMIE HOWELL  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

PAINTSVILLE — The first annual Tiger Hoops Classic will take place at Paintsville High School beginning on Friday, Dec. 26. Several area teams will play in the tournament with both Prestonsburg and Shelby Valley set to participate. Prestonsburg will enter the field as an athletic team with a runnin and pressing style of offense and defense.

The Blackcats are led by Nicholas Jamerson and Trevor Compton. Several other Blackcats will also con

(See CLASSIC, page two)

## OUTDOOR FEATURE

## Canada geese proving to be Kentucky honkers

by STEVE VANTREESE  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PADUCAH — Canada geese, the big game birds for Kentucky waterfowl hunters, increasingly aren't from Canada nowadays.

The big black- and white-headed,

sooty gray-bodied honkers now are in season over most of Kentucky. And most of the birds to be found in the state at this point are "homers" — giant Canada geese that nest and dwell right here in Kentucky year-round.

The "other" birds are interior Canada geese that are, in fact, migrants

from Canada. They once were the only goose option in Kentucky before giants were re-established from near-oblivion. The giant subspecies was thought extinct some 40 years ago, rediscovered, protected and gradually coaxed back to abundance.

Far western Kentucky lies in the

Mississippi Flyway and traditionally receives a late fall and winter migration of interior Canadas each year. That annual migration has withered because of changes in weather patterns and land usage to the north of Kentucky.

Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources migratory bird

coordinator Rocky Pritchert said the population of Canada geese in the Mississippi Flyway actually has increased over the past several years — there are approximately 1.6 million of them. However, Kentucky often get

(See HONKERS, page two)



photo by Steve LeMaster

Betsy Layne controlled things on both ends of the floor and Allen Central dropped the ball more than once in a Thursday evening meeting between the two teams.

## H.S. GIRLS' BASKETBALL

## Ladycats live up to billing

Betsy Layne blasts  
Allen Central 58-32by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE — Dominance on both offense and defense — that would best describe Betsy Layne's performance Thursday night against Allen Central in the first 58th District girls' basketball game of the season. The Ladycats, defending 15th Region champs, dominated on both ends of the

floor and left very little doubt in the outcome of the game following dominating outputs early. The Ladycats ruled in each quarter. The Betsy Layne defense held Allen Central to nine points or less in each of the four periods. Coach Cassandra Akers and team turned back visiting Allen Central, winning 58-32.

Playing without the services of starting center Becky Thomas didn't help Allen Central any. The Lady Rebels were outscored and outrebounced.

Betsy Layne (2-1) slowly pulled away in the first quarter and led 19-9 at the end of the initial period. Senior Whitney Lykens and junior Kim Clark each

(See BILLING, page two)

# Professor writes another book on UK Basketball

## SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LOUISVILLE — Thanks to a college professor from the southeastern Kentucky mountains, the faithful Kentucky Wildcat fans will have another basketball book to enjoy this winter.

Middlesboro's Jamie H. Vaught, who is also a veteran

sports writer, has penned his fourth book on UK basketball, *Krazy About Kentucky: Big Blue Hoops*, which was just released in late November. The new 220-page paperback, which is published by Wasteland Press in Louisville, is another entertaining look at UK's hoops program through the eyes of former players and individuals who

have connections with the school.

Through exclusive taped interviews, the book contains

enjoyable stories and personal profiles of Mike Casey, Mike Pratt, Bob Guyette, Jamal Mashburn, Jared Prickett, Herb

Sendek, Scott Padgett, Reggie Hanson, Mrs. Tubby Smith, among others.

"If you are a Kentucky Wildcat fan, you will enjoy reading about the former Cats as well as the outspoken wife of coach Tubby Smith and former UK assistant Herb Sendek, who is now the head coach at North Carolina State," said the author. "If you like my three other books, which were published during the 1990s, you will enjoy *Krazy About Kentucky*."

"In addition to my teaching job at Southeast Community College, I really love to write and I just can't stop writing. I'm very fortunate to have met many interesting people in the Wildcat camp over the years."

Vaught, 47, is a respected authority on UK basketball. A former columnist for *The Cats' Pause* magazine for 13 years, Vaught is a sports columnist for several publications in Kentucky, including *The Daily News* in Middlesboro and the *Big Blue Nation* magazine. He

also has written articles for *Kentucky Monthly* in recent years, including one on legendary Kentucky coach Adolph Rupp. A graduate of UK with two degrees — B.S. in accounting and MBA, Vaught once served as sports editor of UK's student daily newspaper, *Kentucky Kernel*, in the late 1970s.

Interestingly, Vaught's childhood interest in sportswriting grew after he personally got to know baseball superstar Roberto Clemente of the Pittsburgh Pirates in the late 1960s and early 1970s before the outfielder was killed in a plane crash. Vaught is also mentioned in at least three biographies of Clemente.

Clemente once told the author, who is severely hard of hearing or hearing-impaired (lip-reading along with the voice), that he didn't have to hear well to enjoy baseball.

"At first, I think Clemente

(See UK, page three)



Allen Central head coach Johnny Martin and assistant coach Jeremy Hall talked with senior Austin Francis during the fourth quarter.



Allen Central head coach Mark Martin spoke with Tab Caudill during a first-half free throw attempt.

## Raiders

11. "It was a big win for us in a very hostile environment," said South Floyd head coach Tony Isaac. "Sheldon Clark is a tough place to play."

The entire South Floyd coaching staff came away from Sheldon Clark with heads held high.

"Our girls really grew up in the game against Sheldon Clark," said Lady Raider assistant coach Greg Johnson.

South Floyd trailed Sheldon Clark 14-10 at the end of the first quarter and 35-21 at halftime before mounting a game-winning comeback in the second half. South Floyd outscored Sheldon Clark 27-15 in the third quarter and 21-15 in the final period.

For South Floyd, it was the third win of the season. The Lady Raiders had already scored wins over Shelby Valley and East Ridge.

Sheldon Clark couldn't make things click for the better at the free-throw line. The host Lady Cardinals hit just 18-of-40 tries from the charity stripe.

Tausha Moore led Sheldon Clark in scoring with 13 points. Tiff Meade scored 12 and Renee Jude added 11. Betsy Allen tossed in 10 for the Lady Cards.

Next up for South Floyd is Allen Central on the road Tuesday at J.E. Campbell Arena in a key 58th District matchup. Allen Central opened up 58th District play Thursday night with a loss on the road at Betsy Layne.

## Harmon

eight signees for Central Missouri. Harmon, in the spring, will enter his second season at St. Catherine Junior College. His younger brother, Tate, is also a member of the St. Catherine baseball team.

Harmon was a National Junior College Athletics Association All-Region XII pick last year. The right-handed hurler went 8-2 last with a 2.58

earned run average and 66 strikeouts in 73 and a third innings with the Patriots.

Central Missouri State University is located in Warrensburg, Mo. The CMSU baseball team, coached by Darin Hendrickson, is the defending NCAA Division II National Champion. Hendrickson was named the school's 12th baseball coach back in June.

## H.S. ROUNDUP

### Pikeville boys lose, Lady Panthers win

#### TIMES STAFF REPORT

**BOYS** — Sheldon Clark 66, Pikeville 41

Sheldon Clark's defense held Pikeville to eight points in the first quarter and Brandon May hit 22 points for the Cardinals as they beat the Panthers 66-41 in Pikeville's home opener at T.W. Oliver Memorial Gymnasium on Tuesday.

May hit a trio of three-pointers in the first eight minutes; Sheldon Clark (3-0) had only one other basket in the period but it was a Jason Hammond three-pointer. Steven Howell added 16 points for the

Cardinals, who are scheduled to visit Belfry tonight.

Robert Shurtleff led the Panthers (0-3) with 19 points and Jesse Parrish had 10. Tyler Shockey scored five, Chad Walls netted four and Seth Wheat came off the bench for three points.

**GIRLS** — Pikeville 67, East Ridge 62

Pikeville placed four players in double figures scoring to beat East Ridge. The Lady Panthers, following the win, even their

(See PIKEVILLE, page three)

## Billing

helped Betsy Layne out to the 10-point advantage.

Lykens scored a game-high 22 points and Clark added 18, still more than any other individual Allen Central player could come forth with.

Betsy Layne outscored Allen Central 14-7 in the second quarter, doubling up the visiting Lady Rebels and taking a commanding 33-16 lead into the intermission.

Allen Central (2-2) didn't manage to do much better in the second half as the turnover bug bit and the Betsy Layne defense didn't back off of its intense play.

The loss for Allen Central is its second straight. The Ladycats are now on a two-game winning streak.

## District

has the look of a contender not only in the 58th District but in the 15th Region as well. Not many people gave the Rebels a mention in the preseason but as always Johnny Martin has put a very competitive team on the floor. Justin Hall, Rossi Samons, Ryan Hammonds, Tim Griffith and Austin Francis have given Allen Central a potent offense early in the year and with the win on Thursday over Betsy Layne, the Rebels have assumed the early drivers seat in the district.

■ **Betsy Layne** - Probably the early favorite to win the district with four starters returning from last year's team, however the Bobcats have stumbled early and a Thursday night loss at the hands of Allen Central has put the Bobcats' backs against the wall. Betsy Layne has a starting five as good as any, but the lack of a finishing punch has hurt Brent Rose's team early in the season. Jordan Kidd, Brent Newsome, Brandon Hall, Preston Simon, Brandon Kidd and Ryan Bryant give the Bobcats a good nucleus and if Betsy Layne can put it all together the Bobcats could make a run at the title.

■ **Prestonsburg** - Combine the fast paced tempo of the Blackcat offense and the athletic talent on the Prestonsburg roster and those two aspects alone make the Blackcats a force in the 58th District. Prestonsburg opened the year with a 11-point loss at Boyd County, but has

since reeled off wins over Phelps and Magoffin County. The Blackcats pressured Magoffin County throughout the entire game and forced the Hornets into 34 turnovers to win 82-60. Prestonsburg will rotate 9 players and look to keep a fresh five on the floor. Joe Blackburn, Trevor Compton, Nicholas Jamerson and Michael Stephens as well as Sean Leslie have provided an early season spark for the Blackcats and if Prestonsburg can get out of the district, the regional tournament will be on the Blackcats home floor.

■ **South Floyd** - Henry Webb and the Raiders are the Kings of the 58th district at least until someone can knock them off the throne.

The Raiders seek an unprecedented 5th straight district title. South Floyd must replace the likes of Michael Hall, Tyler Hall and Charles Ray, but several Raiders have stepped up and Webb's team looms large in the district. Jack Slone and Adam Tackett return from last years team and the addition of Burnett Little and Steven Stanley as well as Ryan Johnson at the point and the Raiders seem loaded again. South Floyd lost early to Johnson Central but has since rebounded to beat Cordia and Fleming Neon and the Raiders are starting to get things rolling.

This season could be very entertaining one for Floyd County high school basketball and if the first week is any indication of things to come, then it's anyone's district.

## Classic

tribute as well. Jesse Chaffin and Sean Leslie look to provide some size in the middle for Prestonsburg. Shelby Valley is the two time defending 15th Region Champion and the Wildcats hope to bring home the hardware from the area tournament.

Shelby Valley is led by Seth Kiser and Kelsey Friend both of

whom return from last year's team. Kris Bentley transferred from Prestonsburg and adds a three-point threat for Rodney Rowe.

The Paintsville tourney will host 16 of the best teams from Kentucky and the eastern United States. A great week of hoops is on tap for the last week of December in Paintsville.

## Honkers

Continued from p1

little impact from that population's proliferation because the birds increasingly haven't migrated this far south.

"The migrations are later now than they were years ago, and a lot of the migration never reaches us because of changes in the weather," Pritchert said.

The primary migrational nudge that geese require is significant snow and ice cover, and recent years just haven't provided that like winters in the past have, Pritchert said. Farming practices that leave more grain on the surface of fields, more open water at power plant cooling lakes and the presence of more giant Canada geese that serve as live decoys all have combined to stop migrants short of Kentucky when they do push south, he said.

In the west, the long-term goose wintering stronghold of Ballard County Wildlife Management Area once frequently attracted 60,000 or more migrants, but nowadays it is more apt to hold 2,000 to 8,000 before any particularly harsh winter conditions to the north. The Henderson-Sloughs WMA of Henderson County has attracted more than 40,000 Canadas in past winters, but now typically would have perhaps less than a fourth of that in a wintering build up.

"We can still get 60,000 or 80,000 geese at Ballard County, but we have to have some severe winter weather up in Wisconsin and northern Illinois

to push them south," Pritchert said.

Meanwhile, as Kentucky's giant Canadas have flourished on waters throughout the state, areas that once had few or no geese that now have significant numbers winging about.

"While our migration has declined, Kentucky hunters are harvesting more geese now than they were 20 years ago, and that's because the giants have created goose hunting in central and even eastern parts of the state where there didn't used to be any," Pritchert said.

"Resident geese now are the better part of our goose harvest," he said. "Last year, close to 60 percent of our goose harvest statewide was giants. And back 15 years ago, only about seven percent of our goose kill was made up of giants."

Some Kentucky goose harvest is composed of giant Canadas that migrate a relative short distance from states along the northern border of the commonwealth. Those states also have seen a growth of homebody geese. Giants tend to be "semi-migrational," moving south to find feeding areas free of snow cover only in stressful winter conditions.

"We get giants out of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois when the snow gets deep there just like we provide some Kentucky geese to places like northern Mississippi and Alabama when severe winter conditions move into our areas," Pritchert said.

## Outlasts

Continued from p1

Hammonds played the majority of Thursday's game and battled back after a disastrous 23-8 first quarter to beat Betsy Layne 77-68. The win puts the Runnin' Rebels at 1-0 in the 58th District, one game ahead of all other teams. South Floyd and Prestonsburg have both yet to play a district game.

The only thing that hinders Allen Central at this point in the season is its depth. By the early goings of the second quarter of Thursday night's game, the jerseys of the five Allen Central starters were soaked with perspiration.

"Our five starters have to play," admitted Martin. "Depth is a question for us. It's hard for us to develop some of our talent right now because we're trying to win ballgames."

And the Rebels are winning ballgames. At 3-0, Allen Central is a lead team in the 15th Region.

After scorching Pike County Central for 24 points Tuesday night, AC Rebel Justin Hall checked in with a game-high 31 points Thursday night versus Betsy Layne. Samons, before fouling out, scored 16. Hammonds scored 12 and Griffith added 10 to give Allen Central four players in double figures. Francis had six points.

Reserve Wes Tackett came into the game and hit two key free throws for Allen Central in the fourth quarter. Ryan Slone played for Allen Central, but did not score.

One player who didn't play for Allen Central Thursday night was junior David Kilburn. Like many in the area as of late, Kilburn has battled the flu.

Preston Simon paced Betsy Layne with 21 points. Brandon Hall scored 14 and Brandon Kidd chipped in 12. Ryan Bryant came in off the Betsy Layne bench and added 11 points.

Senior point guard Jordan Kidd scored five before fouling out.

Betsy Layne led Allen Central 37-35 at halftime following a putback by Brandon Kidd just before the intermission buzzer. Allen Central led the host Bobcats 51-39 after three quarters.

Betsy Layne cut the Allen Central lead down in the fourth quarter and could have tied in a late possession, but couldn't convert.

Allen Central will be back in action Tuesday when it hosts four-time defending 58th District Champion South Floyd. Betsy Layne will host Prestonsburg in another key 58th District game on Friday.

**ALLEN CENTRAL** (77) — Francis 6, Samons 16, Griffith 10, Hammonds 12, Hall 31, Tackett 2.

**BETSY LAYNE** (68) — Bryant 11, Hall 14, Newsome 2, B. Kidd 12, Simon 21, J. Kidd 5, Case 3.



# Bengals try to keep 49ers 0-for-the-road

by JOE KAY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — The scuffed shovel leans against a pillar in the locker room, reminding the Cincinnati Bengals of a grand afternoon that seems so long ago.

Coach Marvin Lewis hoisted the shovel over his head after the Bengals knocked off undefeated Kansas City and moved into first place on Nov. 16, the biggest victory in Paul Brown Stadium's history.

The Bengals (7-6) haven't played at home since.

"One month between home games," tight end Matt Schobel marveled. "It will sure be good to be back in front of our fans."

The NFL's feel-good story of the season is going to need a frenzied home crowd — and a little cold and a few snowflakes mixed in — to avoid being written off.

After winning two-of-three on a long road swing, the Bengals have to beat San Francisco (6-7) to stay in the front wave of playoff contenders. A 31-13 loss in Baltimore

ended the three-game road trek and left them one game behind the Ravens in the AFC North and on the periphery of the wild-card chase.

The NFL's worst team since 1991 has shed its distinction by learning how to win at home — four in a row, capped by that high-profile victory over the Chiefs. Lewis used the shovel as a prop for that game, urging his team to keep focused and keep digging.

The thing they can't do now is dig themselves a hole with another loss like the one in Baltimore.

"That woke us up," right tackle Willie Anderson said. "We've seen it. We've learned from it. We've moved on."

The 49ers wish they could say the same thing. They haven't learned their most important lesson of the season: how to win on the road.

The 49ers are one of five teams that have yet to win away from home this season, going 0-6. They have a Top 10 offense and defense but don't play like it.

"We don't seem to play with the

same excitement or flair that we do at home," quarterback Jeff Garcia said. "There's not any reason for that."

The road record is uncharacteristic. Since 1981, the 49ers have had only four losing records on the road. They haven't gone an entire season without a road win since 1979, Bill Walsh's first season as head coach.

When they're away from home, the 49ers tend to start slowly, make mistakes, fall behind and spend the rest of the game futilely trying to catch up. They've lost in overtime twice: 27-24 at St. Louis and 16-13 at Arizona.

When the 49ers got the Cardinals at home last week in the rematch, they routed them 50-14 as Garcia threw for four touchdowns

and ran for two more.

Go figure. "It's got to be a mental thing on the road," fullback Fred Beasley said. "We've been a good team, but our record just doesn't show it. For some reason, we just can't put it together. There's no way we should be 0-and-whatever on the road."

In the 1980s, the 49ers were the model for how to travel. Of course, Walsh had a star-studded lineup that won two Super Bowls against the Bengals and could play well anywhere.

Times have changed. San Francisco has lost its last seven road games since last season. It hasn't dropped eight straight since 1980-81.

Coach Dennis Erickson spent last week talking to his players about the road and analyzing every detail of the itinerary, trying to figure out why every trip seems to trip them up.

"I've thought about that a lot of times," Erickson said. "You can only do certain things in preparation to play a football game."

"You leave on Friday, can't

change that. Stay in a hotel, can't change that. We're on an airplane, I can't change that. We go 5 1/2 hours, I can't change that."

"We just have to focus and get energy on the road."

A loss Sunday would end their already slim chances of making the playoffs, a bitter disappointment for a team that won the NFC West last season.

"You can't take the approach to these last few games that the playoffs are unlikely," linebacker Julian Peterson said. "You've got to go out there thinking that we've got a chance to make it. When you talk about the playoffs, it's a difficult thing to consider, and it won't matter if we don't win all three of the games that we have remaining."

The Bengals see it the same way, figuring they have to win their last three to make the playoffs. After wiling in Baltimore, they think they've got a better idea of how to handle big-game pressure this time around.

"We had it last week, we'll have it again," Lewis said. "Let's have it again and again."

## MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

### Indians to host Reds next season

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CLEVELAND — Baseball's Battle of Ohio will be back at Jacobs Field next season after all.

The Cleveland Indians announced Thursday they will renew their interleague rivalry with the Cincinnati Reds at home with a three-game series at the Jake from June 11-13.

The Indians were originally scheduled to host the Montreal Expos on those dates. However, the club asked Major League Baseball to drop the Expos and replace them

with the Reds.

"They were able to accommodate us," Indians team spokesman Bob DiBascio said. "We felt the Reds were a better draw for our fans."

The Indians will play at Cincinnati on July 2-4.

Ohio's two major league teams have played 27 times in the regular season since baseball adopted interleague play in 1997. The only season when the Indians and Reds didn't meet was in 2002.

The Indians lead the series 15-12.

## KENTUCKY FOOTBALL

### Mills, White earn freshmen honors

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — University of Kentucky nose tackle Lamar Mills and linebacker Durrell White have been named Freshman All-Americans by The Sporting News.

Mills, a redshirt freshman from Slidell, La., was a first-team Freshman All-America choice. He made 52 tackles during the season, an outstanding total for a player at his position. His excellent quickness enabled him to make six tackles for loss this season, including two quarterback sacks. He also was credited with two quarterback hurries. His best game came at South Carolina when he had seven tackles, including two TFL and a sack.

White, a true freshman from Middlesboro, was a third-team choice for Freshman All-America. White accounted for 43 tackles during the season, including seven tackles for loss and 2.5 quarterback sacks. He also had three pass breakups, six quarterback hurries, and recovered one fumble. His top performance came against Florida when he notched a season-high seven tackles, including a quarterback sack, and a pass breakup.

This year marks the first season since 1998 that the Wildcats had more than one player on the TSN Freshman All-America teams. Strong safety David Johnson (first team), defensive end Dennis Johnson (second team), and offensive tackle Matt Brown (third team) were selected in 1998.

Mills, White, and wide receiver Keenan Burton were chosen for the Freshman All-Southeastern Conference team selected by the Knoxville News-Sentinel.

Burton, a true freshman from Louisville, caught 20 passes for 221 yards and two touchdowns. His first collegiate reception was an acrobatic 31-yard TD grab vs. Louisville and he also had an impressive tightrope touchdown catch in the back of the end zone at South Carolina.

Having three Wildcats selected by the News-Sentinel ties for the second-most Freshman All-SEC performers in school history. The school record is five 'Cats named Freshman All-SEC for the 2000 season, when wide receiver Derek Abney, offensive tackle Antonio Hall, quarterback Jared Lorenzen, defensive tackle Dewayne Robertson, and running back Chad Scott were honored.

## H.S. FOOTBALL

### JCHS football job posted on KHSAA site

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE — Johnson Central High School is again in the middle of a search for a new head football coach. Bill Tom Ross, who has been plagued by health problems following a stroke he suffered shortly after accepting the Johnson Central grid job in the spring of 2002, stepped down back in November. Johnson Central High principal Steve Trimble is heading the search for a new football coach.

Many names have swirled for the open position of the Class 4A program, including former head coach Bill Musick, who currently serves as an assistant coach and principal at Fairview High School.

As in previous years, the names of Chuke Williams and current Sheldon Clark head

coach Jim Matney have emerged as possibilities.

Eddie Blair, the head coach of the Johnson County Middle School eighth-grade grid team, is also reportedly interested in the position.

The following appears on the KHSAA website under the open jobs section.

#### Johnson Central — Job Title: Head Football Coach

Johnson Central High School is taking applications for Head Football Coach. Please send letter of intent and resume to:

Johnson Central High School  
Harry Burchett  
257 North Mayo Trail  
Paintsville, KY 41240  
Contact: Harry Burchett,  
(606)789-2500  
Ref.#: 2476

## HUNTING

### Free Junior Hunting Weekend

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FRANKFORT — Kentucky's first Free Junior Hunting Weekend December 27-28 is quickly approaching and will give hunters ages 15 and under a special chance to hunt deer and small game license-free.

This new opportunity is aimed at encouraging adults to take young people afield during the holidays and let them experience hunting without the added cost of buying a hunting license or deer permit — a Christmas gift, if you will, from the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission to benefit the state's future hunters and supporters of wildlife conservation.

Opportunities for youth to hunt and fish free accomplish two important goals. First, eliminating the cost of a license and/or permit for young hunters may help remove part of the "expense" obstacle that parents or adult guardians who want to introduce kids to the hunting sports sometimes face. Hunting licenses and permits for kids aren't that expensive, but these days a buck is a buck — no pun intended.

Second, providing hunting opportunities where youngsters are the focus shows that the Kentucky Fish & Wildlife Department, with the help of current Kentucky hunters, share a commitment to supporting the hunting tradition.

Many youngsters lives could be enriched by outdoor recreation if given the chance to try it — the chance to decide for themselves. Research shows that when kids go hunting, many of them find the experience enjoyable, educational and choose to continue participating as adults. At the very least, they are offered an environment proven to increase the value of wildlife in their minds. Some just need a mentor to take them. Some adults may need the added "boost" of not having to dig as deep in their wallet to go do something fun with their kids.

There are lots of factors that affect whether or not a young person decides to take up hunting or fishing, or whether an adult elects to introduce a youngster to these

pursuits. However, the KDFWR is doing what it can to give adults every advantage to take youngsters afield, let them see what hunting is about, and perhaps ignite a life-long interest in that activity.

Sportsmen are the strongest group of supporters of wildlife conservation efforts. Sustaining the value of wildlife into the next generation through the experiences hunting and fishing present is key to the success of conservation work in the future.

Deer gun hunters ages 15 and under must be accompanied by an adult who remains beside the youngster at all times while afield. All deer season bag limits and zone restrictions apply during the special Junior hunting weekend, except that no license or deer permit is required. The season limit of one antlered deer per hunter remains in effect. ALL hunters and those who accompany a hunter afield during a firearms deer season must comply with Kentucky's hunter orange clothing law, except waterfowl hunters.

Hunter education laws still apply as usual.

Successful deer hunters must report their harvest by calling (800) 245-4263 as required during all other deer seasons. Successful deer hunters must immediately log the date, county and sex of the animal on paper before moving the deer from where it's recovered. Check the 2003-04 Kentucky Hunting Seasons Guide for complete details, or log onto fw.ky.gov.

After all the gifts under the tree have been unwrapped, don't forget about the "gift" that still awaits you and your youngster outside the house this holiday season. Bundle them up and take them with you on a rabbit hunt or a deer hunt. It's guaranteed — they'll remember this Christmas not just because they got to hunt — but because they got to do it with you.

The KDFWR manages, regulates, enforces and promotes responsible use of all fish and wildlife species, their habitats, public wildlife areas and waterways for the benefit of those resources and for public enjoyment.

## UK

Continued from p2

felt sorry for me since I didn't hear very well," said Vaught, who grew up in the sleepy town of Science Hill in Pulaski County.

"But we eventually got to know each other well by visiting him when the Pirates played the Reds in Cincinnati. We also visited him in Atlanta as well. We once ate breakfast together at a hotel where the team stayed and I even paid for it. I also met his beautiful wife, Vera. He was a superstar who took the time to be a caring friend. He was a good role model for me and many other kids. He didn't drink or smoke.

"If Clemente hadn't been around, I probably wouldn't be writing columns or books today. He really got me enthused about

sports back then. Since I wasn't very good in athletics, I decided sportswriting would be a good way to stay involved with sports."

Along with his writing duties, Vaught is now at Southeast Community College in Middlesboro where he has taught since 1991. The Somerset native is a full professor of business administration and accounting.

Vaught and his wife, Deanna, live in Middlesboro with their daughter, Janna.

Vaught's Krazy About Kentucky is available at many bookstores in Kentucky and on various Web sites, including Amazon.com. The book also can be ordered by calling the publisher at 1-888-772-9678.

## H.S. BASKETBALL SCOREBOARD

### Boys' games from Thursday night

Allen Central 77	Betsy Layne 68
Jackson County 79	Oneida Baptist Institute 69
June Buchanan 90	Riverside Christian 22
Knox Central 84	Harlan 50
Lawrence County 89	Rose Hill Christian 36
Perry County Central 97	Leslie County 74
Pineville 53	Thomas Walker, Va. 48
Rockcastle County 110	Lynn Camp 52

### Girls' games from Thursday night

Betsy Layne 58	Allen Central 32
Cumberland 33	Harlan 32
Fleming County 71	Pendleton County 55
Oneida Baptist Institute 53	Piarist School 41

(Three Rivers Conference Tournament)

Perry County Central 82	Leslie County 48
Pikeville 67	East Ridge 62
Pulaski County 53	North Laurel 47
Pulaski Southwestern 53	Whitley County 50
Rockcastle County 57	Lexington Christian 33
Russell 67	East Carter 63

(EKC Tournament)

Scott County 89	Estill County 34
Shelby County 67	Lincoln County 63
Somerset 59	Garrard County 49
South Floyd 69	Sheldon Clark 65
Thomas Walker, Va. 61	Pineville 56
Williamsburg 47	Barbourville 37
Wolfe County 63	Owsley County 52

## COLLEGE FOOTBALL

### Pruett to coach in Blue Gray Classic

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

Marshall University head football coach Bob Pruet has accepted an invitation to serve as coach of the blue team in this year's Blue Gray All-Star Classic on December 25th.

"I'm excited to have the opportunity to represent Marshall and the Mid-American Conference in the Blue-Gray game," Pruet said. "We are going to have a few of our players in the game and it is an honor to be a part of it."

Pruett, the winningest active coach in major college football with an overall record of 88-17(.838), will coach the offense along with Marshall quarterbacks coach Larry Kueck, Northern Illinois head coach Joe Novak and defensive coordinator Scott Shafer will handle the Blue defense.

The Gray team will be coached by Baylor's Guy Morris and Brent Pease, and North Carolina's John Bunting and Dave Huxtable.

Marshall's Darius Watts, Nate McPeck, and Luke Salmons are expected to participate in the game.

## Pikeville

Continued from p2

season mark to 2-2.

Pikeville, coached by Cindy Halbert, was led in scoring by Shawn Howard's game-high 19 points. Samantha Howard scored 15 and Emily Colvin chipped in

13. Erin Shockey tossed in 10 for the Pikeville girls.

East Ridge trailed Pikeville 19-17 at the end of the first quarter, but led every quarter after that. East Ridge is now 2-4 on the season.

# Sunday Comics

## Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



## MAMA'S BOYZ

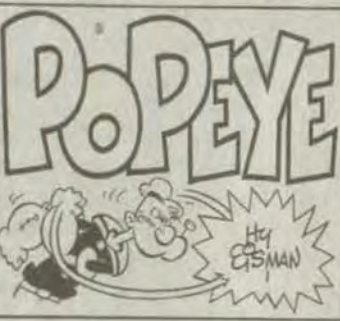
WWW.MAMASBOYZ.COM

JERRY CRAFT



## R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



## THE ROCK & ROLL HALL OF FAME

MAGIC MAZE

Q U R O L I E B Y V S Q N K H  
E B Y W T R O L J G T E B Y W  
U R P N K I G D B H Z X V S Q  
O W M N K I G E E C N G A Y C  
W A U D A O R B I S O N S O Q  
P T N I R L E R L J S I O H F  
E E C D A A Y Y E X L K V I U  
S R Q D T R H D P D E B N M D  
K S E L R A H C J H N B F E C  
B Z E E Y A G Y I N W O R B X  
V S B Y Y E L S E R P U W T R

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

B.B. King  
Berry  
Brown  
Charlies  
Cooke  
Diddley  
Dion  
Dylan  
Gaye  
Nelson  
Orbison  
Presley  
Richard  
The Beatles  
Wonder

## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

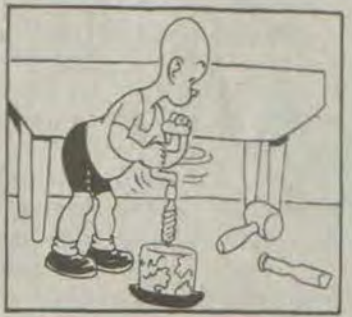


Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Plant is on table. 2. Woman's bow is missing. 3. Picture is hung on wall. 4. Box is different. 5. Shoes are black. 6. Cabinet has no doors.

Answers to Crossword Puzzle and Magic Maze can be found on page A2



## Super Crossword

- ACROSS
- 1 Stevenson scoundrel
  - 5 Epps of "The Program"
  - 9 One of "The Three Sisters"
  - 13 Monstrous dance?
  - 17 Deserve a check
  - 18 Possess
  - 19 Obscure
  - 21 Flu symptom
  - 22 Mr. Asner's gift?
  - 24 Esteem
  - 25 Pal
  - 26 Smooth transition
  - 27 River reptiles
  - 29 Sup in style
  - 31 Olsen of vaudeville
  - 32 Fury
  - 34 Ms. Rivers' gift?
  - 38 Lee and Bradley
  - 42 Wheels of fortune?
  - 43 Yule purchase
  - 44 Frehley of Kiss
  - 45 — market
  - 47 Green land
  - 49 "Nabucco" number
  - 53 Mr. Reynolds' gift?
  - 57 Noblewoman
  - 61 Like opposites
  - 62 —relief
  - 63 English poet
  - 64 James Herriot, for one
  - 65 Abbreviated address
  - 68 Popped down
  - 70 Spartacus, e.g.
  - 71 Swiss canton
  - 72 David's instrument
  - 75 Mr. Myers' gift?
  - 78 Sharp
  - 79 Palindromic dictator
  - 80 Largest antelope
  - 81 Court
  - 82 In addition
  - 84 Gun the engine
  - 85 Note
  - 86 Letters of desperation?
  - 88 Reunion attendee
  - 92 Word with eel or eye
  - 94 Mr. Von Sydow's gift?
  - 98 Dickens' Pecksniff
  - 99 High-flying toy
  - 101 Summer-
  - camp activity
  - de France
  - 103 Novelist Paton
  - 107 Beloved
  - 109 Dangers
  - 112 Mr. Griffith's gift?
  - 116 Director David
  - 117 "Tobacco Road" character
  - 118 To be, in Toulouse
  - 119 Steen stand
  - 122 Forum figure
  - 126 Way
  - 128 Pumice product
  - 131 Ms. Conn's gift?
  - 133 "Mila 18" author
  - 134 Kitchen implements
  - 135 Obligation
  - 136 Merry abandon
  - 137 Break suddenly
  - 138 Doe's darling
  - 139 Yam
  - 140 Unspecified amount
  - 1 Musical Myra
  - 2 Big name in locks
  - 3 Smidgen
  - 4 Tolerate
  - 5 Triumphant
  - 6 "La Boheme" role
  - 7 Maintain
  - 8 Change the decor
  - 9 Vintage
  - 10 Actor Herbert
  - 11 Lead through the wilderness
  - 12 Directionless
  - 13 Singer Davis
  - 14 Blessed sound?
  - 15 Coach Don
  - 16 Bruisers
  - 19 Quick change artist?
  - 20 Murcia mister
  - 23 Dread
  - 28 NCO
  - 30 Poetic reposition
  - 33 Fisherman's need
  - 35 Fail to mention
  - 36 Postman's Creed word
  - 37 Patou or Plagat
  - 38 Sound of shock
  - 39 Return address?
  - 40 Astronaut Armstrong
  - 41 Belgrade denizen
  - 46 Took down a peg
  - 48 Levi's
  - "Christ Stopped at —"
  - 50 Variety show
  - 51 Grenoble's river
  - 52 John of "The Addams Family" author
  - 55 —la-la
  - 56 Lofty initials?
  - 58 Vigilant
  - 59 Party hearty
  - 60 — Fine Day
  - 66 More proficient
  - 67 Biscayne Bay city
  - 69 Haul a heap
  - 70 Buss
  - 72 Takes on
  - 73 "Jane Eyre" character
  - 74 Fasten firmly
  - 76 Criticize
  - 77 Painter Bonheur
  - 78 Actor Dullea
  - 80 CPR provider
  - 83 —Cat (winter wheels)
  - 87 Exclude
  - 89 Nolde or Jannings
  - 90 Holler
  - 91 Former spouses
  - 93 Actor
  - 94 British gun
  - 95 Downspouts
  - 96 Adept
  - 97 Holy day
  - 100 Mrs. Eddie Cantor
  - 104 Caustic stuff
  - 105 In search of
  - 106 "McTeague" author
  - 108 Rug type
  - 110 "The Gong Show" panelist
  - 111 Negative terminals
  - 112 "The Plague" novelist
  - 113 Decorate
  - 114 Gymnast Comaneci
  - 115 Do a double take, perhaps
  - 120 James Herriot, for one
  - 121 — May Oliver
  - 123 Actor O'Shea
  - 124 TV's "— 12"
  - 125 Workday start
  - 127 Kreskin's letters
  - 129 Cousteau's milieu
  - 130 Unit of work
  - 132 Sugary suffix

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16			
17					18				19		20			21				
22			23						24					25				
26					27		28			29		30		31				
		32		33			34		35	36				37				
38	39	40				41	42					43						
44				45			46		47		48		49	50	51	52		
53		54	55				56			57	58	59	60					
61							62								64			
		65		66	67		68		69		70				71			
72	73	74			75		76			77					78			
79				80					81		82		83					
84				85					86		87		88		89	90	91	
92		93						94	95			96	97					
98							99	100			101					102		
		103	104	105	106			107			108		109		110	111		
112	113	114					115						116					
117				118					119		120	121		122		123	124	125
128		127		128				129	130		131		132					
133				134							135					136		
137							138				139					140		

# The Floyd County Times Classifieds

**Classified Rates: for 20 words or less**  
**Sunday, Wednesday, Friday, only \$12.00**  
**Sunday, Wednesday, Friday & Shopper \$13.00**  
 An additional charge of .25 per word for every word over 20  
 Classified Manager: Tammy Conn. ext. #19

**DEADLINES:**

- **Wednesday Paper, Noon Mon.**
- **Friday Paper and Shopper, Wed. 5 p.m.**
- **Sunday Paper, Thurs. 5 p.m.**

**CONTACT US AT: (606) 886-8506**



South York, Ky.  
**(606) 886-3603**  
 24 HOURS

**100 - AUTOMOTIVE**

- 110 - Agriculture
- 115 - ATV's
- 120 - Boats
- 130 - Cars
- 140 - 4x4's
- 150 - Miscellaneous
- 160 - Motorcycles
- 170 - Parts
- 175 - SUV's
- 180 - Trucks
- 190 - Vans

**200 - EMPLOYMENT**

- 210 - Job Listings
- 220 - Help Wanted
- 230 - Information
- 250 - Miscellaneous
- 260 - Part Time
- 270 - Sales
- 280 - Services
- 290 - Work Wanted

**310 - Business Opportunity**

- 330 - For Sale
- 350 - Miscellaneous
- 360 - Money To Lend
- 380 - Services

**400 - MERCHANDISE**

- 410 - Animals
- 420 - Appliances
- 440 - Electronics

**445 - Furniture**

- 450 - Lawn & Garden
- 460 - Yard Sale
- 470 - Health & Beauty
- 475 - Household
- 480 - Miscellaneous
- 490 - Recreation
- 495 - Wanted To Buy

**500 - REAL ESTATE**

- 505 - Business

**510 - Commercial Property**

- 530 - Homes
- 550 - Land/Lots
- 570 - Mobile Homes
- 580 - Miscellaneous
- 590 - Sale or Lease

**600 - RENTALS**

- 610 - Apartments
- 620 - Storage

**Office Space**

- 630 - Houses
- 640 - Land/Lots
- 650 - Mobile Homes
- 660 - Miscellaneous
- 670 - Commercial Property
- 680 - Wanted To Rent

**700 - SERVICES**

- 705 - Construction

**710 - Educational**

- 713 - Child Care
- 715 - Electrician
- 720 - Health & Beauty
- 730 - Lawn & Garden
- 735 - Legal
- 740 - Masonry
- 745 - Miscellaneous
- 750 - Mobile Home Movers
- 755 - Office
- 760 - Plumbing

**765 - Professionals**

- 770 - Repair/Service
- 780 - Timber
- 790 - Travel

**800 - NOTICES**

- 805 - Announcements
- 810 - Auctions
- 815 - Lost & Found
- 830 - Miscellaneous
- 850 - Personals
- 870 - Services

The FLOYD COUNTY TIMES does not knowingly accept false or misleading advertisements. Ads which request or require advance payment of fees for services or products should be scrutinized carefully.

**AUTOMOTIVE**

**130-Cars**

**2000 PONTIAC GRAND PRIX SE** 59,000 original miles, showroom condition, \$8900. Call 889-0172.

**1992 CHEVY CORSI-CA** for sale. If interested call 889-0872 or 226-0062.

**150-Miscellaneous**

**1998 PACEARROW MOTORHOME** 36' ft with slide, leveling jacks, 40,000 original miles, loaded. \$45,000. Call 889-0172.

**160-Motorcycles**

**1998 YAMAHA YZ80** New tires, pro-circuit pipe. \$1600. Call 452-9599 for more info.

**FOR SALE:** 1999 Black Fat boy, bike includes smokey windshield, leather saddlebags and lots of chrome accessories. 15,000 miles. Interested inquires call at 886-2030.

**FOR SALE:** 1996 Ultra Classic, low mileage 14,000 mls, black/green motorcycle with lots of accessories. Interested inquires call at 886-2030.

**180-Trucks**

**FOR SALE 1996 Blazer**, excellent condition, fully loaded. Call 886-0824.

**FOR SALE:** 88 Chevy 4X4, automatic, loaded. Asking \$4000. Call 874-2879.

**TRUCKS FOR SALE** Chevys, GMCs, Nissans, 1/2 ton thru 1 ton size. All manuals, transmissions. Also, used furniture for sale. Please call for more info 606-478-9443 days or 606-478-2377 evenings.

**Classified ads work!**

**WANTED CADD (Draftsperson)**

Mining engineering firm seeks computer drafting technician, proficient in Autocad & Survcadd. Experience with EXCEL, WP & MS Word helpful. 40-50 hrs/wk., BC-BS Health Ins., Delta Dental, Pd. Vac., Pd. holidays. Work would include all maps for mining permits. Pay based upon qualifications, opportunity for advancement. Walturn Eng. office, located at Hueysville, near Garrett. Call 606-358-4481 or 9127, for more information.

**EMPLOYMENT**

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

**205-Business Oppt.**

**FOR SALE:** Laundrymat located in Salyersville. Business & equipment only you assume lease on building. Only one in town, great location. Price \$30,000. Phone 606-886-1915 after 5 p.m.

**210-Job Listing**

**HOSPICE OF BIG SANDY, INC.** Join a team of health professionals caring for the terminally ill in the Home. Practice your art as never before! Visit the office and make make out an application. 1520 Ky. Hwy. 1428, Hager Hill, Ky. 41222 606-789-3841.

**AVON**

Earn your own money, \$10.00 sign up fee. Free gift. Call Jancy at 886-2082.

**220-Help Wanted**

**TAXI CAB DRIVERS WANTED:** Must pass drug, criminal & driving test \$6.00 per hour, over 40 hours \$9.00 per hour. Alternate nights & week ends. Paid weekly. 285-3140 Appalachian Transportation, Inc.

**EARN HOLIDAY INCOME!** \$200-\$500 weekly assembling greeting cards. For more information send a self addressed stamp envelope to Holiday Greeting Cards, P.O. Box 612290, Miami FL., 33261.

**WANTED: Full-time teacher** for grades K-5, 5-8, or K-8, for a small private school located in Prestonsburg, Ky. Please call Dr. Khattab at 606-789-5541 or fax 606-789-9445 for details.

**EDUCATION FACULTY POSITION:**

Midway College is seeking a full-time faculty member for teacher education. The individual will have responsibility for teaching one class each session at Whitesburg, Prestonsburg and Williamson(WV) and be responsible for advising students and other duties related to the program. The individual will also help to identify/recruit adjunct instructors at each location. Applicants must have a minimum of a master's degree with 18 graduate hours in their teaching discipline (doctorate preferred). Send a letter of application, curriculum vitae, unofficial transcripts and names, address, and phone numbers of at least three references to: **Dr. Ron Pelfrey, Chair of Teacher Education, Midway College, 512 East Stephens St., Midway KY 40347. EEO/AA Employer.**

**HOUSEKEEPER NEEDED** for Prestonsburg home. Please call 606-886-6405.

**CLASSIC CLEANER NEEDS PART TIME HELP** for Paintsville & Prestonsburg area, to run cash register & wait on customers. Call 789-7748 or 886-223310.

**MERCHANDISE**

**440-Electronics**

**FOR SALE: PIONEER HOME STEREO** Includes CD player, cassette player & recorder, 2 large speakers, turntable and stand. reduced to \$250 but will negotiate. 874-4604 after 5:30 p.m. \*

**445-Furniture**

**ALMAR FURNITURE** Big selection of living room, bedroom, dining room, refrigerators, stove, washers and much more. **606-874-0097**

**FOR SALE:** Queen Anne chair & table. Chair is blue in color, table is cherry finish. Excellent condition. Also, Bow Flex machine. Call 886-8685 if no answer leave message.

**ALLEN FURNITURE ALLEN, KY**

Furniture, used appliances, living / bedroom suits, bunkbeds, and lots more! **Call 874-9790.**

**RAY'S BARGAIN CENTER**

New & Used Furniture & Appliances @ unbelievable prices. Come in today for incredible savings. Shop At The Little Furniture Store & Save!! **RT. #122, McDowell. Call 606-377-0143.**

**480-Miscellaneous**

**FOR SALE:** 3/4 karat diamond ring, Asking \$500. Call 874-4981.

**FOR SALE:** Home exercise equipment: AB/lower back machine and Stepper machine. \$100 each or \$150 pair. Call 789-8380 after 6 p.m.

**FOR SALE:** Paintball gun. 2003 Core Sharc. semi-automatic, black and chrome, 12" barrel. \$130 (OBO) Call 886-8506 or ask for Kathy (day) 789-8380 evening.

**FOR SALE:** Give that special someone a "golden" gift that will last all year 'round! For sale now: Tanning bed-brand new bulbs. \$600. Call 874-0467.

**FIREWOOD FOR SALE:**

Call after 6 p.m. 889-9793.

**STEEL BUILDINGS** Huge savings on factory seconds & freight damaged. 20X26, 25X34, Financing available, 90 days. Same as cash, no reasonable offer refused! 800-222-6335.

**FOR SALE: Home Interior Items,** full size comforters & curtains to match, Avon collectible items, collection of novels. Call after 4 p.m. 886-3326.

**FOR SALE:** 8 ft' refrigerated deli case, \$1000, small pizza oven, \$400, small juice cooler, \$150, washer & dryer, \$150 pair. Call 886-2367.

**FOR SALE:** 8 ft' deli cooler, \$950 and Gas conduction oven, \$450. Call 886-2367.

**KAY'S WALLPAPER 205 DEPOT RD.**

**PAINTS/FLAT, HUNDREDS OF PATTERNS OF WALLPAPER & BORDERS** All under \$10.00. Open Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Closed Sunday & Monday. 789-8584.

**REAL ESTATE**

**530-Houses**

**HOUSE FOR SALE:** Allen area. 3 BD, 2.5 BA. Call 606-435-2391.

**HOUSE FOR SALE** 109 Main Street, Dwale. 3 BR, large kitchen & bath. Asking \$38,500 Call 734-483-3665 or 606-874-2446.

**550-Land/Lots**

**LARGE LEVEL LOT** convient to Martin or Prestonsburg. Call 859-749-4286 days or 859-901-1636 evenings.

**FOR SALE:** Almost 1 acre near Long Bow Boat docks at Cave Run Lake. Asking \$6500. Call 606-886-3836.

**570-Mobile Homes**

**FOR SALE 12X60 Mobile Home.** Underpinning & steps included, needs repairs, excellent for parts or storage, \$1000 OBO. Call after 5:30 874-4604.

**590-Sale or Lease**

**FOR SALE OR LEASE: 16000 sq. ft. building,** more or less w/apt. attached. 2 BR, 1 BA. Seperate metal bldg. 40x50 & 2 + 1/2 acres of land. Large road frontage. Between Allen & Martin. close to WMDJ Call 859-512-6812.

**FOR SALE OR LEASE:** Large home, newly remodeled, 5 BR, 2 1/2 BA, central h/a, 2 fireplaces & adjoining 2BR apt. new appliances. Large yard, outside pets only. Call 886-8366.

**RENTALS**

**610-Apartments**

**FOR RENT:** 1 BR apartment in Prestonsburg. New furniture & appliances, new carpet. References required, utilities furnished. No pets. Call 886-8366.

**FOR RENT:** 1 BR apartment located between Garrett and Hueysville. \$350 mo., includes all utilities. Call 606-358-4036.

**FOR RENT:** 3 BR apartment. Kitchen, living room, 1 BA, wall to wall carpet, no pets allowed. There is a deposit required. Apartment is next to doctor's office on Rte. 321. Call 886-1714, 285-9000 or 285-3412.

**FOR RENT:** 1 BD apartment, extra nice, very modern, furnished or unfurnished. No pets. Also, 3 BD, 2 BA house for rent, hardwood floors, garage, nice patio. Call 606-447-2191 or 226-1925.

**FOR RENT:** New 1 BR apartment, central h/a. Call 886-1032.

**2 BR DUPLEX FOR RENT** central h/a, on US 23, 1 mile N. of Prestonsburg. Call 886-9007 or 889-9747.

**1 BR APARTMENT FOR RENT** \$250 + electric. Located in Martin area. Call 285-9976.

**2 BR APARTMENT** in Harold. \$350 mo., includes water & trash pick up. Call 673-3835.

**SEASONS APARTMENTS FOR RENT OR LEASE** 1 & 2 BR apartments, completely new! New appliances. Located on Rte. 1428 between Allen & Martin. Call daytime 874-2770 or evenings 285-9019

**Move into your new home by Christmas** Prestonsburg-Part Place Apartments. Immediate occupancy for qualified applicants. 1 Br/\$305 mo. 2 Br/\$325 mo. Call 886-0039

**GREETINGS FROM LIGHTHOUSE MANOR,** Terry & Sharon Smith. We have apartments for rent that are efficiency apartments, all utilities paid. For more info call 606-886-2797.

**FURNISHED 1 BEDROOM APARTMENTS:** Central heat & air. Rent starting at \$350 month, + \$300 deposit. Located near HRMC. 889-9717.\*

**1 EFFICIENCY APARTMENT,** \$300 mo. + \$250 dep. Lease and references required. Utilities paid. 886-3154.

**FOR RENT:** New 1 BR apartment, central h/a. Call 886-1032.

**2 BR DUPLEX FOR RENT** central h/a, on US 23, 1 mile N. of Prestonsburg. Call 886-9007 or 889-9747.

**1 BR APARTMENT FOR RENT** \$250 + electric. Located in Martin area. Call 285-9976.

**2 BR APARTMENT** in Harold. \$350 mo., includes water & trash pick up. Call 673-3835.

**630-Houses**  
**2 BR HOUSE,** equipped kitchen, near schools, Prestonsburg area. References required. Call 886-0825 before 5 p.m.

**RENOVATED 2 BR HOUSE FOR RENT** located in residential section of Martin. \$375 mo. Call 285-3025 or 285-9812, for appointment.

**FOR RENT:** 2 BR home on 1091. Call 452-9135 or 765-662-2946.

**HOUSE FOR RENT:** Left Fork of Little Paint Creek. 3 BR, 2 BA, about 25 minutes from Federal Prison. If interested call 874-0307.

**FOR RENT OR LEASE:** Large house located on US 23 between Prestonsburg & Pikeville. 3-4 BR, 3 BA, garage, no indoor pets. Great for business offices. \$600 mo. Call M. Tackett 874-1700.

**FURNISHED HOUSE FOR RENT:** Just outside city limits, suitable for 2 people. Call 886-2474.

**2 BR HOUSE FOR RENT** Furnished kitchen. In Prestonsburg, \$350 mo. \$300 deposit, references & lease required. Call 886-3154.

**650-Mobile Homes**

**3 BR, 1 BA MOBILE HOME FOR RENT.** Newly renovated. \$425 mo plus utilities & sec. dep. Call 606-874-2802.

**TRAILER FOR RENT:** \$250 mo. Rte 7, Salt Lick. Call 358-4524.

**670-Commercial Property**

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

**To place your ad call Tammy or Charlotte at 886-8506**

**HIGHLANDS REGIONAL**  
 The Medical Center of Eastern Kentucky.

**Come grow with us !!**

Highlands, a growing premier healthcare facility in Prestonsburg, is currently recruiting for **RN - House Supervisor**

Coordinates patient care services and acts as liaison to administration, regarding general hospital business. Works collaboratively with clinical managers to control costs without compromising quality. Actively participates in training and updating skills of staff. Graduate of accredited school of nursing. Current licensure by the KBN as a Registered Nurse. Associate Degree in nursing, BSN preferred. One (1) to two (2) years experience as a charge nurse or equivalent. Management training required.

Interested applicants may apply to the Human Resources Department, Highlands Regional Medical Center 5000 Kentucky Route 321, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653 (606) 886-7530 • Fax: (606) 886-7534 • E-mail: [tolark@hrmc.org](mailto:tolark@hrmc.org)

Highlands is an equal opportunity employer.

Please visit Highlands web site at [www.hrmc.org](http://www.hrmc.org)

**"Think Healthy. Think Highlands!"**

**Presbyterian Child Welfare Agency**

**Case Manager Big Sandy**

**Treatment Foster Care Program**

Must be willing to work with emotionally behaviorally disturbed youth in community programs in the Floyd and Pike County area. Responsible for developing the treatment plan, directing and providing services, and overall case management guidance. May require some on-call/after hours work. Requires B.A. degree in the human services field.

To apply, send resumé and letter of intent to:

Melissa Slone  
 Treatment Foster Care  
 308 Maple Street  
 Hazard, KY 41701  
 606-487-1023  
 606-435-2496 (FAX)

**EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER**

**Manufacturing-Industrial WORKERS NEEDED**

A rubber products company relocating to Hager Hill, KY, is in immediate need of workers with Manufacturing-Industrial Skills.

Company provided training in manufacturing processes. Company provides competitive wages and benefits package.

If interested in applying for positions, please contact David Pelphrey, Big Sandy Community and Technical College, toll free (888) 641-4132 ext. 3466, ext. 4288, or locally (606) 886-3863, or Mayo Campus (606) 789-5321, ext. 4288. Fax number (606) 886-2110.

**HIGHLANDS REGIONAL**  
 The Medical Center of Eastern Kentucky.

**Come grow with us!**

Highlands, a growing premier healthcare facility in Prestonsburg, is currently recruiting for **RN - Emergency Services**

Pre-Start, New Hire Bonus being offered to eligible candidates.

HRMC, a good place to work, offers a competitive salary, and a generous benefits package including:

- Nine (9) Paid Holidays • Retirement Package • Medical/Dental Insurance

Interested applicants may apply to the Human Resources Department, HRMC, 5000 KY. Rt. 321, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653 (606) 886-7530 • Fax: (606) 886-7534 • E-mail: [tolark@hrmc.org](mailto:tolark@hrmc.org)

HRMC Job Line: (606) 886-7510.

Highlands is an equal opportunity employer.

Please visit Highlands web site at [www.hrmc.org](http://www.hrmc.org)

**SERVICES**

**705-Construction**

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

**NOTICES**

**805-Announcements**

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

**812-Free**

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

**FREE FILL DIRT** right fork of Bull Creek. call 606-874-2444.

Your ad could be here!

Be an Angel.

Become a Kentucky organ & tissue donor. Sign the back of your driver's license or place a Donor Dot on it & tell your family of your wishes.

For information contact: 1-800-523-7456 or www.trusttolife.org



**Wildfire**

**Before & Prepare**

Prepare your home, family & community for survival.

- Keep flammable vegetation and leaves at least 30 feet away from your house.
- Keep dry grass and brush cut short.
- Clean roof and gutters of flammable materials and leaves.
- Have an evacuation plan ready.
- Remember backfiring is illegal.

In a wildland fire emergency, call 9-1-1, your local Fire Department, or your local Division of Forestry district office.



WE DO IT YOUR WAY • WE DO IT YOUR WAY • WE DO IT YOUR WAY • WE DO IT YOUR WAY

# NO GIMMICK!!

# NO HASSALE!!

# NO PROBLEM!

\*with approved credit

## WE DO IT YOUR WAY

<b>2002 Ford Explorers</b> <b>\$21,995</b>	<b>2003 Ford Escape</b> <b>\$19,995</b>	<b>2003 Mercury Gr. Marquis</b> <b>\$18,995</b>	<b>2000 Ford F-150 Ext. Cab 4x4</b> <b>\$20,995</b>	<b>2003 Ford Ranger 4x4</b> <b>\$17,995</b>	<b>2003 Ford Van E350 15 passenger</b> <b>\$23,995</b>	<b>2003 Ford Focus</b> <b>\$10,995</b>
---	--	--	--	--	---	---

A.P.R. as low as **4.99%** on Used Cars, Trucks, SUV's & Vans

Rebates and Discounts up to **\$7,000**

<b>1999 Ford Taurus</b> <b>\$8,995</b>	<b>2001 Ford Taurus</b> <b>\$11,995</b>	<b>2003 Ford Taurus</b> <b>\$14,995</b>	<b>2002 Lincoln LS. LOADED</b> <b>\$21,995</b>
---	--	--	---

# BROWN'S AUTO SALES

(606) 789-5301      213 S. Mayo Trail, Paintsville, KY 41240      (606) 789-5301

WE DO IT YOUR WAY • WE DO IT YOUR WAY • WE DO IT YOUR WAY • WE DO IT YOUR WAY

## The SPORTS You Need

Basketball

Soccer

Outdoors

H.S. Golf

Editorials

Running

News & Notes

Baseball

Youth News

A Look at Sports

Sports Fan

Athlete of the Week

Events...

Sports Information

Editor: Steve LeMaster

Phone: 606.886.8506 ext. 22

Email: sports@floydcountytimes.com

**The Times** FLOYD COUNTY

The Floyd County Times • 263 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, KY, 41653 • www.floydcountytimes.com

# Service

## IS OUR BUSINESS

<p><b>J&amp;M Seamless Guttering &amp; Siding</b></p> <p>Located at Weeksbury, Ky.</p> <p>14 Years Experience</p> <p>Free estimates, call anytime</p> <p>606-452-2490 or 606-424-9858</p>	<p><b>Need Firewood?</b></p> <p><b>SEASONED FIREWOOD FOR SALE</b></p> <p>Call (606) 874-4233</p> <p>"WILL DELIVER"</p>	<p><b>J&amp;L Electrical Contracting</b></p> <p>Residential &amp; Commercial Electrical Services</p> <p>Home Improvements and Repairs</p> <p>Free Estimates • Reliable</p> <p>Ph: (606) 886-2785</p> <p>Pager: (606) 482-0229</p> <p>John K. Lewis, Master Electrician</p> <p>Licensed: ME8643, CE8644</p>	<p><b>Firewood For Sale</b></p> <p>Hardwood, Oak and Hickory.</p> <p>Dry and split.</p> <p>Good-size load.</p> <p>Call: 886-1048</p>	<p><b>P&amp;N Construction</b></p> <p>Residential &amp; Commercial</p> <p>All Types of Building, Remodeling, New Construction, Roofing, Vinyl Siding, Replacement Windows, Electrical, Masonry and Concrete Work</p> <p>• Free Estimates •</p> <p>Phone 631-9991</p> <p>Cell Ph: 477-9837</p>	<p><b>TRIP'S MINE TRAINING &amp; TECHNOLOGY INC.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Teaching Newly Employed 24 Hour</li> <li>Annual 8-Hour Refresher Classes</li> <li>Mine Medical Technician Instructor</li> <li>American Heart C.P.R. and First Aid</li> </ul> <p>Phone 606-358-9303 (Home)</p> <p>606-434-0542 (Mobile)</p> <p>Garrett, Kentucky</p> <p>Terry Triplett, Instructor</p>
<p><b>Now Open</b></p> <p><b>Mill Branch Horse Boarding Stables</b></p> <p>Located 5 miles up Kentucky 114, on Mill Branch Road.</p> <p>For information, call: 606-889-9362</p>	<p><b>Aiken Technology LLC</b></p> <p>Commercial &amp; Residential</p> <p>HEATING, COOLING AND ELECTRICAL</p> <p>We do it right the first time!</p> <p>Above-Code Work</p> <p>Call 606-874-2516</p> <p>M02745</p>	<p><b>TRIPLE R EXCAVATING</b></p> <p>Minnie, Kentucky</p> <p>606-377-2323 • Cell: 791-6083</p> <p>ANY TYPE CONSTRUCTION WORK</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Septic System</li> <li>Pond Cleaning</li> <li>Site Preparation</li> <li>Backhoe Work</li> <li>Brushing</li> <li>Home Remodeling</li> <li>Dirt Removal</li> <li>Concrete Work</li> <li>Block Work</li> <li>Dozer Work</li> </ul> <p>NO JOB TOO BIG OR TOO SMALL</p> <p>We deliver and spread gravel.</p> <p>Free estimates • Commercial and Residential</p> <p>www.tripler.foxfinder.com</p>	<p><b>Mine Safety &amp; First Aid Training</b></p> <p>Newly Employed 24 hr. Class (surface) 40 hr. (underground) 8 hr. refresher (surface &amp; underground)</p> <p>Also Electrical Classes</p> <p><b>285-0999</b></p> <p>Train at your convenience.</p>	<p><b>FOR ALL YOUR BUILDING NEEDS!</b></p> <p>New homes, remodeling, roofing, patios, block, concrete or siding. Have 30 years experience.</p> <p>Call Spears Construction, Romey Spears</p> <p>(606) 874-2688.</p>	
				<p>Commercial - Residential</p> <p>Mobile Home Hook-ups</p> <p>Free Estimates</p> <p>House Wiring</p> <p><b>NELSON'S ELECTRIC</b></p> <p>Licensed &amp; Insured</p> <p>606-889-9883 • 606-791-4210</p>	<p><b>Tree Trimming</b></p> <p>Hillside, lawn care and light hauling.</p> <p>Garage and Basement Cleaning.</p> <p>Also Firewood for sale!</p> <p><b>886-8350</b></p>