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briefs

Wal-Mart now taking **Red Cross** vouchers

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

Flood victims will be able to use vouchers issued by the American Red Cross at area Wal-Mart stores.

Anyone who has been turned away recently should be happy to hear that a miscommunication over account numbers has been corrected, as of Thursday.

Wal-Mart Regional Manager Dwayne Miller explained that a communications mixup has been corrected. When told that area Wal-Marts still had signs posted apologizing about not being able to process vouchers he said, "We will call them immediately and straighten that

Managers at Wal-Mart stores in Paintsville and Frestonsburg confirmed that they received a call from their district manager and would be happy to process vouchers from victims of the Memorial Day weekend flood.

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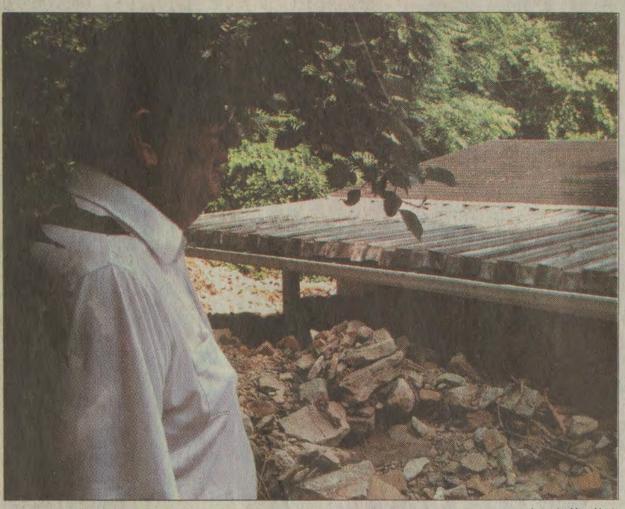


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Linzie Hale, 70, says this porch, now piled to the brim with rocks and mud, used to have an 8-foot clearance. But that was before an estimated 1,000 tons of hillside came crashing down onto his family home.

Flood buries P'burg home in a mountain of rocks, mud

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG - Picking up the pieces looks impossible for one elderly Floyd County couple, whose home was utterly destroyed in the Memorial Day flooding.

Linzie Hale, 72, says he and his wife, Virginia, 70, barely made it out alive the night of the flood when a mud slide pillaged their Ball Alley Curve homeplace, which they settled into more than 40 years ago.

"It's terrible," Hale said, standing on the mud-soaked living room carpet. "I just don't think we can fix it back. It's the most worse thing I have ever seen."

Hale said he and his wife were asleep at approximately 8:30 p.m. Sunday when a mudslide came roaring off the hillside behind their

"We got out about 3 minutes before it came

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The Hales were asleep in their bedroom when the Memorial Day flood washed rocks and mud into the home, several feet deep in some spots. The couple barely made it out alive.

Bush declares Memorial Day floods a disaster

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

WASHINGTON, D.C. -The clouds have parted for area residents left struggling in the wake of the Memorial Day flooding.

President George W. Bush approved Kentucky's request for a federal disaster declaration Friday, Hal Rogers said.

The declaration allows the release of federal funds for individual assistance for those affected by the flood in Floyd, Johnson, Knott, Letcher, Magoffin, Martin, Pike and 53 other Kentucky counties. It also will bring public assistance to state and local government agencies in Floyd, Clay, Daviess, Grayson, Henry, Johnson, Knox, Leslie, Magoffin, Martin, Morgan, Oldham, Owsley, Perry, Pike, Powell and Webster counties. All

HOW TO START

Flood victims can begin applying immediately for grants or loans to fix damage to personal or real property by calling (800) 621-FEMA, or, for the hearing impaired, (800) 462-4785.

Kentucky counties are eligible to apply for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, which provides assistance to state and local governments seeking to prevent or reduce damage from future hazards.

"It's not a cure-all for all the problems we face, but it certainly helps a lot in the respect that it gives people

(See DISASTER, page three)

Man robs night clerk at motel

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG -The Prestonsburg Police Department is continuing an investigation into a robbery at the Microtel Inn early Friday morning.

According to Det. Sgt. Brian Hall, an armed male, wearing a black baseball cap, black leather jacket and jeans, walked into the the lobby at approximately 1:08 a.m. and demanded cash from the night auditor.

manager, requested anonymity, said a dark colored Chevrolet Cavalier circled the parking lot twice before the robbery occurred.

"He came up to [the night auditor and asked about a room, so he started to check him in," the manager said. "Then the man started cussing him and said, 'Forget that, give me the money.' He looked up and the man had a gun to his

(See ROBBERY, page three)

JENNY WILEY THEATRE'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY

Actors consider venue a 'hidden gem'

STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG -Last week Michael Ceveris won a Tony Award for his performance in a New York production of "Assassins." Ceveris has also appeared in the television "Wiseguy" and costarred in the film "Steel and Lace."

But what many people at the Tony awards didn't know is that Ceveris got his start at the Jenny Wiley Theatre.

Through the years, the theater has proven to be a launching site for many talents, and this year's performers certainly have the talent to join their peers who have moved on to Broadway and Hollywood.

Adam Doran, of Paintsville, and Misty Daniels, who began at the theater 22 years ago, are featured in "My Way" and each appears poised for long careers in the entertainment community.

"Being part of the 40th anniversary season is a pure joy," Daniels said. "It's like reliving my childhood."

Doran is particularly proud to be back at Jenny Wiley and observed that he wants more people to put down their video games and VCR remotes and come out

(See ACTORS, page three)



photo by Tom Doty

Misty Daniels, foreground, takes center stage for a number from "My Way." In back, shaded in blue, are, from left to right, Leah Rohrer, Adam Doran and Dustin Lewis.

Review: 'My Way — A Musical Tribute to Frank Sinatra'

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

Jenny Wiley Theatre, now in its 40th year, has a history of challenging itself and does so again with this cabaret-style production which also acts as a trip

through the Frank Sinatra songbook. Sprinkled throughout the performance are brief stops where the actors impart a little Sinatra trivia, like the fact that at one point in his early days he crooned almost 100 songs a day while juggling radio and stage gigs. But the main attraction here is the music and everyone involved is up to the task.

The setting is a bar - Frank would

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Odds and Ends

WAITE PARK, Minn. Joe Fautsch was mowing his lawn when he came around a corner and expected to see the Virgin Mary.

The Holy Mother wasn't

"I don't think she walked away by herself," Fautsch said. Who would take her?"

He found out last week that his Virgin Mary statue was one of four that have been stolen in this central Minnesota town within the past few weeks, Investigator Ben Theisen said. They can be worth up to \$400, he

Fautsch's statue had accord on his lawn for about five years. He estimated the cost at \$ 125

"I put it out just to shaw that I'm Catholic." he sant. "Langat wake some other people up. Guess it didn't wake up whoever

"I wouldn't want to die and be judged for stealing Mary be

said. "Mary would come along and wonder, 'How come you stole me?

M ST. PAUL, Minn. -Calamity Jane has died.

dressing woman of the West infamous for her rough and raucous

It's time to mourn the bold bloodhound that made a name for herself in two high-profile searches for missing women.

Denny Adams, of Conde, S.D., said his search dog Calamity Jane died Wednesday.

The dog was involved in the long winter search for slain University of North Dakota student Dru Sjodin, whose remains were found this spring.

Calamity Jane also assisted in finding the remains of Erika Dalquist, a Brainerd woman who was missing for more than a year.

The hound became ill after she accompanied Adams to a

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memorial service for Dalquist last week, he said.

"Once she got home, she quit eating and she just wore out,"

Dalquist's body was discovered last month by searchers looking for Calamity Jane, who had bolted from Adams' hold and was later found lying near the

Adams said the extensive searches took a toll on the dog, who worked with volunteers looking for Sjodin throughout the harsh North Dakota winter.

'It was a long, cold winter up in Grand Forks," he said.

III WATERBURY, Conn. -

A food fight that started with fruit cup turned into a mealtime melee, serving up a full plate of arrests and injuries.

Seven seventh-graders were arrested after a spat in a middle school cafeteria left two teachers and a detective with injuries Wednesday.

The incident began at West Side Middle School after a girl dumped a fruit cup over a boy's head, police said. The two started fighting, then other students joined in, some jumping on tables and throwing food, police

"What was described as a riot situation developed in the cafeteria," Sgt. Christopher Corbett

A detective and two teachers suffered minor injuries breaking up the melee.

Three girls and fours boys ranging in age from 12 to 14

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were arrested on charges including breach of peace, assault and inciting a riot. All seven were released to their parents after promising to appear in juvenile

IN TERRE HAUTE, Ind. -Angela Holmes is on active duty with the Army Reserve in Iraq, and she's fighting an Illinois ambulance service over a \$270

The Indiana State University student who's been stationed north of Baghdad for five months, called home to Marshall,

"This is ridiculous," said Carol Holmes, who called the Marshall Ambulance Service to find out why the bill was sent to her daughter in Iraq. "I said, 'Why would you send a bill to someone fighting for our coun-

Angela and her twin sister, Amy, both serving in Iraq, were in an automobile accident four years ago. Two years ago, their lawyer wrote to the ambulance service and said the matter was

Ill., on Monday and asked her still being negotiated between mother, "What am I supposed to insurance companies and to not contact Angela, Carol Holmes

Jill Mueller, an Army spokeswoman with the Department of Defense, said it was up to service members to decide whether to

have mail forwarded to them. "I'm not allowed by law to discuss any medical or billing things," said Sonja Prevo, who does the billing for the ambulance service. "I'd love to defend myself, but I am prohibited by law to discuss anything like

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, June 13, the 165th day of 2004. There are 201 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 13, 1966, the Supreme Court issued its landmark Miranda decision, ruling that criminal suspects had to be informed of their constitutional rights prior to questioning by

On this date:

In 1888, Congress created the Department of Labor.

■ In 1900, China's Boxer Rebellion targeting foreigners, as well as Chinese Christians, erupted into full-scale violence.

In 1927, aviation hero Charles Lindbergh was honored with a ticker-tape parade in New York City.

In 1942, President Franklin D. Roosevelt created , the post. the Office of War Information, and appointed radio news commentator Elmer Davis to be its

■ In 1944, Germany began launching flying-bomb attacks against Britain during World

■ In 1967, President Five years ago: Johnson nominated Solicitor-General Thurgood Marshall to become the first black justice on the U.S. Supreme Court.

In 1971, The New York Times began publishing the Pentagon Papers, a secret study of America's involvement in

■ In 1977, James Earl Ray, the convicted assassin of civil rights leader Martin Luther

King Jr., was recaptured following his escape three days earlier from a Tennessee prison. In 1983, the U.S. space

probe Pioneer Ten, launched in 1972, became the first spacecraft to leave the solar system as it crossed the orbit of Neptune.

■ In 1993, Canada's Progressive Conservative Party chose Defense Minister Kim Campbell to succeed Brian Mulroney as prime minister; she was the first woman to hold

Ten years ago:

O.J. Simpson was questioned for several hours by Los Angeles police following the slashing deaths of his ex-wife, Nicole, and her friend, Ronald Goldman.

NATO soldiers shot dead two armed men as peacekeepers tried to contain new violence in Kosovo; Russian troops, meanwhile, blocked British troops from entering the airport in Pristina, the capital of Kosovo.

One year ago:

U.S. forces killed 27 Iraqi fighters after the Iraqis attacked an American tank patrol north of Baghdad. Trael broadened its campaign against Palestinian militants, saying it would strike political as well as military leaders who targeted Israel with terrorism. Hundreds of pro-cleric militants and security forces in Tehran clashed with Iranians throughout the capital.

Today's Birthdays:

T.V. host Ralph Edwards is 91. Singer Bobby Freeman is 64. Actor Malcolm McDowell is 61. Singer Dennis Locorriere (Dr. Hook) is 55. Actor Richard Thomas is 53. Actor Jonathan Hogan is 53. Actor Stellan Skarsgard is 53. Comedian Tim Allen is 51. Actress Ally Sheedy is 42. "The Early Show" co-host Hannah Storm is 42. Rock musician Paul deLisle (Smash Mouth) is 41. Singer David Gray is 36. Rhythm and blues singer Deniece Pearson (Five Star) is 36. Rock musician Soren Rasted (Aqua) is 35. Actor Jamie Walters is 35. Singer-musician Rivers Cuomo (Weezer) is 34. Actor Steve-O ("Jackass") is 30. Actor Ethan Embry is 26. Actress Sarah Schaub is 21, Singer Raz B is 19. Actress Kat Dennings is 18. Actress Ashley Olsen is 18. Actress Mary-Kate Olsen is 18.

Thought for Today:

"Of all forms of caution, caution in love is perhaps the most fatal to true happiness." -Bertrand Russell, English mathematician and philosopher (1872-

Mining board examines way to curtail drug use An autopsy on the miner

by KIMBERLY HEFLING ASSOCIATED PRESS

MADISONVILLE - Even when allegations of drug use by miners at the scene of an accident arise, investigators do not order drug tests to check, a state official said Thursday.

'We just don't have the authority to do that," said Tony Oppegard, general counsel for the Kentucky Department of Mines & Minerals.

Oppegard was speaking at a public hearing held in Madisonville by the Kentucky Mining Board to gather information about the best way to curtail drug and alcohol substance abuse by miners. The board is expected to make a recommendation to the General Assembly later this year.

The board is examining issues such as when - or if drug tests should be mandated and whether a mining company or the state should pay for them if they are done. It also is gathering information about company policies pertaining to drug use and testing.

A problem with drug use became apparent last June during an investigation at the Cody Mining Co. in Floyd County where one miner was killed and another seriously injured. Marijuana was found at the scene and another employee miners crushing painkillers and inhaling them.

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killed found illegal drugs in his system, said Holly McCoy, a spokeswoman for the mines and minerals department. Drug and alcohol use at coal

mines is illegal. But to test for drugs, "you can only do it through autopsy," said McCoy, who was not at Thursday's hearing. "If there is a fatality, you can find out about the person who was dead, but you can't find out about anybody else involved in the accident."

Marijuana also was found during a surprise inspection last fall at a different eastern Kentucky mine in Harlan.

A dozen people attended the hearing, but only three people

Heath Lovell, of Dodge Hill Mining in Sturgis, told board members Thursday he believes there is a reluctance in the mining industry to speak because more regulation is feared.

He said one solution might be to have toll-free numbers where miners could anonymously report drug or alcohol use by others on the job.

"They as employees don't like to point fingers," Lovell

Lovell said his mine, with 180 workers, already mandates drug tests for miners involved in an accident.

'We don't want anybody to told investigators he saw two have to work with somebody under the influence of drugs and or alcohol," Lovell said.

Edgar Oldham, who represents labor interests on the mining board, encouraged people at Thursday's meeting to speak out about the issue or the "board may come up with something you don't like.

A second hearing will be at noon on Aug. 19 in Prestonsburg at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. The board will accept written comments until Sept. 18.

Kentucky truck driver

The Associated Press

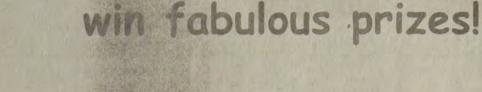
NAUGATUCK, W.Va. - A truck driver from Kentucky has been killed at a Mingo County

Robert Rice II, 52, of Lovely, was hauling dirt in a 10-wheel coal truck Thursday at the Marrowbone Development Co. complex when he apparently lost control of the vehicle, ran into a ditch and either exited or was ejected from the truck, said Mingo County Sheriff's Deputy

"From the point it ran into the ditch, the truck then traveled for: several feet back into the ditch and turned over on the passenger side into the haul road," Blair said. "It is believed Rice was run over when the truck came up out

of the ditch." The accident, which occurred: about 12:30 p.m., remains under investigation.

It was the fifth fatality at a West Virginia coal mine this;



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Environmental workshops planned at Pine Mountain

Times Staff Report

Nature enthusiasts are in luck this year, with three upcoming environmental workshops slated to be held at the Pine Mountain Settlement School.

The school, encompassed by 800 acres on the northern side of Pine Mountain in Harlan County, is a National Historic Landmark geared toward enhancing education of the Appalachian culture and natural environment.

Festivities commence later this month with the annual Appalachian Family Week, a five-day workshop on Southeastern Kentucky's culture and environment.

Classes, beginning June 27, are hands-on learning adventures for both adults and children and will include studies on the lives of Native Americans and early settlers in the region. Attendees will also learn about stream and forest ecology, and crafts (ceramics, weaving, stained glass and wood carving). Evening activities include night hikes, music, folk dances, and storytelling.

Guest are also invited on field trip excursions to the Kentucky Coal Mine Museum, Portal 31 coal mine, Kingdom Come state

Park, and Sand Cave on Pine Mountain.

The cost for this fun filled week, which covers lodging. meals, and all activities, is \$275 for adults, \$235. for children 7-12 and \$115 for children 3-6.

Beginning in August, the school will offer two other outdoor workshops.

The "In Search of Wild Mushrooms" workshop, Aug. 20 -22, will be lead by noted wild mushroom enthusiasts. John McGregor of the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Service and Bill Rudy will present lectures and lead participants on hikes to find and identify mushrooms in the Pine Mountain area. The workshop is suitable for those with no knowledge or limited knowledge of mushrooms.

Cost of the workshop is \$135.00, which includes lodging, meals, and all workshop activities.

On August 25, nature enthusiasts have the opportunity to attend a 4 day forest study classes with Lucy Braun, a renowned 20th century botanist and ecologist. Braun, backed by 25 years of field experience, authored "The Deciduous Forest of North America," a work which is still

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Home

through," he said. "We were lucky to get out. I told my wife to check the water and she got up and looked out the window and said it didn't look that bad. Then I got up and checked later and saw that it was raising. I went to the back porch to move a brick so that the water wouldn't come up on it and then it came and knocked it off. I had to run and get in the house and shut the door. She got out with her nightgown and a pair of shoes on.'

Rushing water forced more than 1,000 tons of rock through the couple's bedroom, pushing their bed, which was nestled next to the window, against the opposite wall. Rock and mud invaded the bottom level of the home, breaking through walls, doorways and the foundation, and tossing heavy appliances and furniture as though they were weightless. The bedroom, kitchen, dining room, living room, bathroom and utility rooms are completely demolished, smothered now with evidence of the disaster.

Rocks are piled at least 6 feet high against the roof the back porch, which used to have an 8-foot clearance, Hale said. The back yard, once beautifully landscaped with various fruit trees, is demolished, a mountain of rocks and

The couple was able to salvage several items from the upper level of the home, but everything else is destroyed.

Personal belongings are now scattered in piles and boxes. A tattered family Bible lies next to a box of mud-soaked memorabilia on the front porch. The faded picture of a little girl is stuck on a mud-masked end table - one Hale says he'll try to save. A deep freeze, pushed during the storm from the back

porch to a guardrail on the opposite side of the road, sits on what used to be a grassy front yard, next to mud swollen couch and love seat. A rack of dingy clothes hangs by the garage, near their mattress, which is also unsalvageable.

Hale, a retired construction worker and Floyd County Sheriff's Office funeral escort, bought a two-room dwelling 45 years ago on the property, which he remodeled during his off time into the once beautiful two-story home. He and his wife raised nine children there, all of whom "went to school,

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Review

have approved - where four patrons take the audience through the many phases of Frank's career. Each collection of songs has a central theme background (summer) or (Broadway).

The show opens with a Sinatra hit parade that includes vibrant renditions of "The Way You Look Tonight" and "High Hopes." Broadway is next with hits like the classic "My Funny Valentine," which is skillfully rendered by Misty Daniels, and the raucous "Makin' Whoopee." There are also selections of songs about cities ("New York, New York") and seasons, which features a solid rendition of "Summer Wind" by cast member Dustin Lewis.

The first act winds up with a medley of tunes about love and marriage which sets the stage for the second act, wherein the songs become more sentimental and wistful as Sinatra gets on in

Act Two opens with a mournful medley of songs about "Losers" but never gets maudlin as it segues into songs about the youthfulness that is brought on by a new love. It also features' some great stories about the sordid love affairs from Sinatra's just as famous private life, with a tale about about Ava Gardner that is sure to elicit a few belly

It all winds up with a grand interpretation of Sinatra's greatest, perhaps best-known, song, that is also an illustration of how he lived his life - "My Way."

The show works well because it never seems to stop. Every song opens the door for another and the passages are too smooth to keep track of time. The cast has a palpable energy that never lessens even though the tempo changes from one medley to the

It's a fine piece which showcases the versatility of the Sinatra songbook and the talents of a game cast that never flinches from performing standards that most artists fear because of Sinatra's unique gift that made every song he warbled sound like it was penned just for him.

Director Scott Bradley has done a fine job of setting a pace here that gives the audience only precious few seconds to applaud a number before the next one is begun. One feels as though they are being clobbered with great tunes to the point that it's a little

The cast stays with the tempo and one is staggered by the amount of great songs that Sinatra recorded. The fact that these songs don't even make up

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10 percent of Sinatra's work leaves plenty of room for future shows.

The cast deserve some recognition, too. Dustin Lewis is fine as a smooth-talking and alwaysin-command Sinatra-type, while Adam Doran, of Paintsville, actually seems to channel Sinatra's spirit so well that you might find yourself thinking he even resembles him. It's a neat

Leah Rohrer comes off as the perfect foil for Old Blue Eyes and in equal parts sultry and sturdy - the kind of woman that Sinatra would have lovingly called a "dame." Misty Daniels, who has performed at Jenny Wiley since she was a child, is an amazing performer who can handle a Gershwin tune like she was born singing them. She has the requisite timing, energy and skill to be a standout performer in any venue, so go see her now, folks, and you'll have some bragging rights in the future.

Declaration

access to money they need to fix and county officials, FEMA reptheir properties," Floyd County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt ing process to determine Thompson said Friday.

Representatives from the Emergency Management Agency visited the region after waters receded last week to conduct a "windshield survey," of the damages, officials said. They will now return and set up shop in the hardest hit counties, accepting applications for assistance from those affected by the flood.

"They're deploying as we speak and will be available very soon," FEMA spokesperson James McIntyre said.

After conversing with state

resentatives will begin a screenwhether or not individuals are eligible for governmental grants or low-interest loans from the Small Business Association, with annual interest rates topping out at no more than 8 per-

According to the SBA website, individuals can apply for a personal property loan, up to \$40,000, to help replace personal property. These funds can be used to replace anything that's not considered to be real estate agricultural property. "Extraordinarily expensive" items like antiques, collections,

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pleasure boats and recreational vehicles cannot be replaced with these loan funds.

The SBA will also provide real property loans, up to \$200,000, to repair damaged homes to their "pre-disaster condition." These loans can be increased by 20 percent to protect damaged real property from future disasters, the website

Financial assistance through grants and loans will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

Floyd County alone struggles with an estimated \$4 million in losses to homes, property, businesses and roads as a result of

McIntyre said Friday that those seeking assistance can wait for FEMA to set up offices in the county, or they can begin the process immediately by calling (800) 621-FEMA, or, for the hearing impaired, (800) 462-

"It's preferable that they call the number," McIntyre said. "Some people may not want to bother with the wait on a phone line, but we have people on hand who understand the stress they're going through."

The application process takes approximately 20 minutes, he

Actors

to the theater.

"I didn't really discover the theater here till I was a teenager," Doran said. "It's a hidden gem in the mountains and I hope more people discover it now."

Doran pointed out that theater has an edge over all forms of entertainment because, "It's right there. It's in your face. Anything can happen.'

Both Doran and Daniels have a work ethic that should see them go very far. Each of them performed a "My Way" matinee directly from a full rehearsal for this summer's children's musical, "Peter Pan." They both fol■ Continued from p1

lowed the matinee by going straight to another rehearsal, this time for "Into The Woods." "That is the nature of summer stock," Doran said.

Doran also commented on the strength of that old adage "the show must go on" when he remarked about the ability of the Jenny Wiley Theatre crew to get the theater ready after recent flooding caused a fair amount of

"That's what keeps Jenny Wiley going for 40 years," Doran said. "It is pretty much unparalleled in it's ability to

Robbery ■ Continued from p1

According to the manager, the auditor gave the man described as a white male with blonde hair and a goatee approximately \$600 from the cash box and the petty cash deposit.

The auditor, who didn't have access to the safe, was "shooken up," she said.

"I'm not sure he's going to be able to come back or not," she said. "I called him this morning and he said he was okay. I've always told them if anybody robs you to give them what they want. As long as they're safe, that's what matters. We're thankful that no one was hurt ... We're hoping they catch this guy and stop it from happening somewhere else."

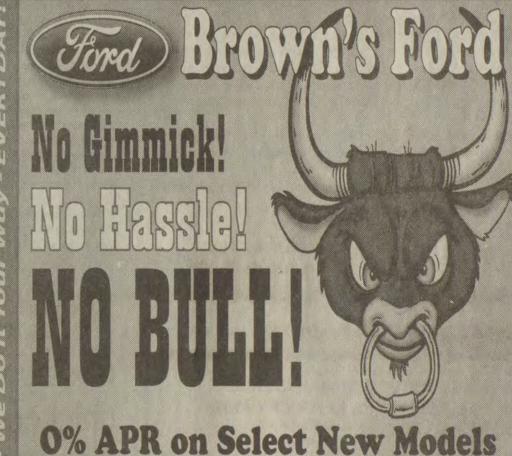
Upon exiting the building, the man got into the passenger side of the car, which sped away.

Hall said Friday that he, along with Sgt. Mike Conn are continuing the investigation.

"We're following every lead," Hall said. "We've already talked one witness and there's two more we need to talk to.'

Anyone with information regarding the incident is asked to call the Prestonsburg Police Department at (606) 886-1010.

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Guest View

Aggravation at the polls

Fayette County Clerk Don Blevins says his office phones "lit up like a Christmas tree" during a special election earlier this year. Voters leaving the polls in Lexington were being met by pollsters from a special interest group trying to determine their thoughts on the pending marriage amendment. Some voters disagreed with the group's position, and fierce arguments

In a nutshell, voters told Blevins, they wanted to be able to go to the polls without being harassed, intimidated or otherwise pestered. That's a reasonable expectation.

That's why we urge the Kenton County Fiscal Court - in fact all fiscal courts in Northern Kentucky - to adopt as an ordinance a proposal to ban active campaigning, called "electioneering," near polling places. The proposal is being pushed by the Kentucky Association of County Clerks as a stopgap measure until the legislature fixes election laws recently deemed unconstitutional by the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of

The temporary measure, which bans campaigning within 300 feet of the door to polling places, has been adopted in Fayette and Leslie counties and was proposed to Kenton County officials Tuesday by county Clerk Bill Aylor.

Technically, the polling in Lexington by the Kentucky Fairness Alliance during the February election might not be deemed electioneering, but the underlying point is clear: Voters have no tolerance for anything that disrupts their voting

County clerks had feared a deluge of electioneering complaints during the May primary, but they were sporadic. For example, some Campbell County voters were greeted by teenagers passing out literature for a candidate for state representative.

It was a strictly low-pressure bid for votes, but that might not be the case in November, with emotions high in the presidential race and over the constitutional amendment on marriage in Kentucky, Aylor said. "The country is polarized enough at this point, and if you have people from both sides of the issue trying to influence people at the polls, you are asking for problems," he said.

Laws banning campaigning near polls were passed in 1988 to clean up Kentucky's historically corrupt elections. Prior to that, voters sometimes had to walk a gauntlet of politicos trying to influence the election armed with signs, literature and in some areas - money to buy votes.

Unfortunately, federal judges struck down the law and others earlier this year, saying a 500-foot barrier was too big an area to restrict speech. Secretary of State Trey Grayson and others tried to get the state legislature to pass a more acceptable law during the 2004 session, but partisan squabbling killed the effort.

Now it's up to county officials to protect voters. We urge them to do so. And then we insist that the legislature do so on a permanent basis.

- The Kentucky Post, Covington



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SUMMER READING

-Jim Davidson

A unique center for manners and civility

The English playwright and philosopher George Bernard Shaw (1856-1950) once said that having good manners is "Behaving as if you were in heaven, where there are no third-class carriages, and one soul is as good as another."

There is an alarming trend in our country that, if not reversed, is doing more harm to the social fabric than anything that has come along in the past 200 years. I'm referring to increasing violence and aggressive behavior on the part of more and more of our citizens.

This is much deeper than what we see on the surface that is reported as murder, rape, aggravated assault, road rage, domestic battery and other crimes that show up as headlines in our nation's newspapers. What is even more disturbing for me is the obnoxious and rude behavior and the complete lack of good manners and civility that far too many of our citizens are exhibiting on a regu-

Just recently there was an article in our local newspaper where a school district in our state had adopted a policy to

curb bullying. This school district defined bullying as "any pattern of behavior by a student, or a group of students, that is intended to harass, intimidate, ridicule, humiliate or instill fear in another student or group of students." This is simply the end result of what is happening in our culture.

It's not against the law to be rude, discourteous and uncivil and until this

type of behavior crosses the line, nothing is done about it. The sad thing is that the parents or guardians of these bullies don't have a clue as to why we have serious problems in this area.

It's not just the bullies that are affecting the quality of life in our country. The bullies are those who are at the end of the spectrum, but what is more

alarming is the "normal" kids, and also the kids who grew up to become adults, that lack any social graces whatsoever. Whose fault is it? My prayer is that

you will think about this for a while.

I have a friend up in Corry, Penn., who is also deeply concerned about this problem and is trying to do something about it. My friend is George Sample, publisher of the Corry Journal, and has been a newspaper publisher for over 50 years. He and his sons own a group of newspapers in Pennsylvania, Maine and New Jersey.

When his wife Janet passed away a few years ago, George made the decision to memorialize her in a very special way. Jan, as she was called, was the epitome of grace and civility and treated everyone she ever met with respect. This lady was a model of graciousness throughout her life and this became the motivation for George Sample to give a

large endowment to fund the Janet Neff Sample Center for Manners & Civility at the Penn State University campus in Erie. George and six of his eight children are Penn State alumni and he has been a strong financial supporter over the

With regard to manners, George Sample said

that, "Manners become part of your character. If you're not a gracious person, you're going to stumble and fall on your way up the ladder of life. It's just that important."

The director of the center is Cathy Sargent Mester, and she told me that a number of other colleges and universities are beginning to teach courses on manners and civility including, Colorado State University, Princeton University, UC-Santa Barbara,

(See DAVIDSON, page six)

- beyond the beltway -

Gasoline — the chickens come home to roost

by DONALD KAUL MINUTEMAN MEDIA

Gasoline prices have soared through the \$2-a-gallon mark and are well on their way to \$2.50. Can \$3-a-gallon gas be far behind?

The wails emanating from people who are suffering the hardships of these higher gas prices have been picked up by astronauts at the Space Station, they're so loud. People have been considering putting their Winnebagos up on blocks for the touring season; others are contemplating quitting their jobs because they can't afford to drive to work anymore. Don't even ask about mothers who can no longer afford to drive their SUVs to the supermarket. It's

Always quick to respond to whining voters, our politicians have stepped up to the plate with proposals to solve the problem. President George W. Bush has been begging his buddies in OPEC (the oil-producing cartel) to pump more oil and John Kerry has come out for tapping into the nation's strategic oil reserve. Mr. Bush has also continued his advocacy of drilling in our wilderness areas. That's his idea of long-range thinking.

All of those "solutions" are laughably inadequate. We're now using about 20 million barrels of oil a day, 10 million of it imported, and none of those ideas will produce more than a minuscule fraction of that.

Nor does it look as though the situation is going to get better any time soon - or later, for that matter. Up to now we have been able to claim the lion's share of the world's oil supplies, but the rising industrial giant China is starting to soak up its share, making the scarce commodity even scarcer.

There's only one thing to do about it - slap a 50-centa-gallon tax on gasoline and the sooner the better. (I say 50 cents but it really should be more. Fifty cents would be a start, though.)

Hey, stop screaming. I'm not any more anxious to pay higher gas prices than you are, but we don't have any real choice in the matter. We are going to be paying higher gas prices no matter what. The only question is will the money go into the U.S. Treasury or into the pockets of the sheiks of the oil kingdoms and George Bush's oilmen-campaign con-

Don't feel sorry for yourselves. We deserve higher oil prices. We have earned them. Thirty years ago if you

had laid out a public and private policy with the express intension of high oil prices, you pretty much would have laid out the policy we've followed.

By failing to provide a public transportation alternative, we have addicted the public to the automobile as a mode of transportation, even when ridiculous-

ly inappropriate. Worse, we have made the vehicles bigger, more powerful and more fuel inefficient. We have neglected the development of alternative fuel sources and have encouraged land-use practices that made urban sprawl and a clogged freeway cul-

ture inevitable. And now we complain about high gas prices? What did you expect, that the Tooth Fairy would come and give us

free gasoline? Worst of all, you can't even talk sense about gasoline prices (unless you're a columnist and don't care what people think). A few years ago, a proposal to levy a 5-cent-a-gallon tax came up in Congress and was shouted down by farm state senators who said it would be a disaster to the farm economy. The price of gas went up anyway and the farm economy survived.

(See BELTWAY, page six)

Faith Extra

. Q&A with Southern Baptist Convention president

by BOBBY ROSS JR. AP RELIGION WRITER

PLANO, Texas - President Bush welcomes the Rev. Jack Graham to the Oval Office in a photograph that hangs in the conference room beside the Baptist minister's office.

In another picture, Graham - pastor of the 22,000-member Prestonwood Baptist Church in this Dallas suburb - poses with former President Bush and his wife, Barbara.

Other images show the minister joking around with a friend, the Rev. Jerry Falwell, and praying with the world's most famous evangelist, the Rev. Billy Graham, no relation

The photos attest to the influence of Jack Graham, 53, who grew up in the small town of Conway, Ark., and pastored small churches in Texas and Oklahoma before rising to the top of the nation's largest Protestant denomination.

Later this month, Graham will end a two-year tenure as president of the 16 millionmember, Nashville, Tenn.-based Southern Baptist Convention. At the same time, he will mark 15 years as senior pastor at Prestonwood, one of the nation's largest churches.

And to top it off, he's eagerly awaiting the arrival of his first grandchild.

In a wide-ranging interview with The Associated Press, Graham discussed same-sex marriage, public education. presidential politics and other issues likely to arise at the Southern Baptist annual meeting June 15-16 in Indianapolis:

QSo, it's been a busy time for you?

A This has been an incredible experience to be president of the Southern Baptist Convention for these two years. ... At the same time, I feel like what we've been able to say, what we've been able to express, has been helpful. The Southern Baptist Convention is the largest evangelical denomination in the world. So people have awakened to that. We are no longer viewed as a Southern, regionalized denomination, but more and more people recognize the presence of Southern Baptists is all across America. The impact is around the world.

QAnd I understand that you have proposed studying whether even to change the name of the Southern Baptist Convention.

All have made that proposal and there will be a motion at this convention from the floor that a study be done and that we consider the possibility of a new name that would reflect this national and international presence of Southern Baptists.

QAny names that come to your mind?

No, that will be the chal-Alenge of this committee will be to find a name that would somehow better represent us. There are many Baptist groups and there are many names and we don't want to confuse people as to who we are or our identity. There is a certain value of our current identity. ...

What do you think is the Agreatest accomplishment of you or Southern Baptists during the two years that you have served as president?

In the midst of the war on A ln the must of the terrorism and a cultural war over major issues of ethics and morality - the marriage amendment, for example, is a major issue - I have been able to express to the religious press and the secular press the conservative, biblical values and faith of millions of Southern Baptists and evangelicals. ...

Q You've probably followed the split that has emerged in the Episcopal Church over the ordination of a gay bishop. Even more recently, Massachusetts has started allowing same-sex marriages. How do you and Southern Baptists react to that?

Well, I oppose same-sex Amarriage. I am for the federal marriage amendment because we have state judges and other judges in America ... who want to restructure society and redefine marriage. And the people of America should decide that. It should not be decided in the courts. It should be decided among the people. And the only way to do that is through the marriage amendment. So, I'm certain there will be a strong statement of support at the Southern Baptist Convention in Indianapolis.

QHow have you reacted to the controversy in the Episcopal

You know, I don't speak for A Episcopalians. But let me put it this way: I am pleased with the conservative biblists within the Episcopal Church who are rising up. ... I certainly am prayerfully and hopefully expecting the conservatives and those who oppose this within the potential even to change it or to divide the church and move for-

Changing gears, there's been quite a bit of publicity about a proposed resolution for the annual meeting that would urge Southern Baptists to take their children out of public schools. Where do you stand on that?

You've got to understand the resolution process, that we have multiple resolutions that are presented for consideration. The resolutions committee may or may not choose to act on this proposal. We've had unusual proposals in the past that have not been considered. You know, somebody wanted to send missionaries to outer space at one

So, we certainly respect the men who are sincerely concerned about the public schools, and certainly Southern Baptists are concerned about the direction of some public schools. But on the other hand, many of our best people - administrators, teachers, coaches - are Southern Baptists working within the public school systems all around America. And we're training young people, even in our Christian schools, to teach

Episcopal Church to have the and many of these will teach in public schools.

> So, I find it highly unlikely that Southern Baptists will approve a resolution like this. And I personally believe that we should encourage our public school teachers and administrators to be salt and light, that is to have an influence within the public schools, to continue to work to improve the public schools in terms of their values and beliefs. ... I certainly don't believe, as the resolution suggests, that it would be sinful for Christian parents to put their kids in public schools. ...

It's a resolution, in my view, that will not move beyond the publicity it has received.

Will there be any major polit-Qical figures at the meeting, such as President Bush?

A President Bush is invited and we anticipate that he will speak to the convention via live satellite. But that at this point is still unconfirmed.

Qalong the same lines, how active do you expect Southern Baptists to be in the political process this summer? Baptists and evangelicals have

(See Q&A, page six)

Prosecutor cites religious beliefs , in seeking out of murder case

by BRUCE SCHREINER ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE Kentucky prosecutor has raised religious objections to the death penalty in asking to step aside in the case of two men charged with killing a couple and setting their house on fire.

J. Stewart Schneider, the commonwealth's attorney in Boyd County in northeastern Kentucky, said Thursday he filed his motion to withdraw from the case after spending last weekend at a religious retreat. Schneider also is a minister with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

"I spent that weekend in prayer," he said. "The more I thought about it, the more convinced I became that for me to make the decisions in asking for a penalty ... I would be speaking contrary to my calling.

"I would not be speaking Gospel, but would rather be speaking as a prosecutor. And I don't know that I can do both things, that I can wear two hats in that case.'

Attorney General Greg Stumbo will appoint a special prosecutor, as requested by Schneider, said Stumbo spokeswoman Vicki Glass.

Veteran employees in the attorney general's office in Frankfort could not recall a similar objection from another pros-

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Schneider said another prosecutor could decide what penalty to seek against the two defendants without "injecting other issues into it.'

"That seems to me to be the best way to be faithful to both oaths" - as a prosecutor and minister, he said.

His recusal request, filed Wednesday in Boyd County Circuit Court, was first reported by The Daily Independent of Ashland. It must still be

approved by a judge. Schneider said the case against the two defendants -Jonathon Nolan and Patrick Campbell - could potentially meet standards allowing prosecutors to seek the death penalty.

Nolan, 24, of Catlettsburg, and Campbell, 21, of Ashland, were indicted this week on two counts each of first-degree murder, one count of first-degree arson and one count of tampering with physical evidence.

Both men are charged in the slavings of Phillip "Bo" Booth, 32, and his wife, Shonda Booth, 26. The Booths were found dead May 24 in their home outside of Catlettsburg following a fire.

An autopsy revealed that Phillip Booth was shot and stabbed and his wife was stabbed before their home was set on fire, Kentukcy State Police said. Both were likely

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Nolan and Campbell were arrested at their homes shortly after the fire. Neighbors told police they saw the two at the Booths' home and heard gunshots moments before the fire out, the Daily Independent reported.

Nolan and Campbell are scheduled to be arraigned in Boyd County Circuit Court next week, Schneider said. Both are being held in the Boyd County Detention Center on \$1 million bond.

The Rev. Patrick Delahanty, head of the Kentucky Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty, said Thursday he applauded Schneider for "his faithfulness

to his religious convictions." But Delahanty said he wished Schneider would have prosecuted the case and sought life without parole as a possible punishment. A special prosecutor could come in and seek the

death penalty, Delahanty said. Schneider said he has never prosecuted a case in which he sought the death penalty. He has been commonwealth's attorney since 1993, and before that had two stints as an assistant prosecutor dating back to 1977.

He said his opposition to capital punishment was based on religious grounds. He said that with use of the death penalty,

dead before the fire started, (See PROSECUTOR, page six)

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Floyd County

Betty Sue (Smith) Branham, 65, of Cleveland, Ohio, died Wednesday, June 2, at Metro Hospital in Cleveland. Services were conducted Saturday, June 5, under the direction of Carey Funeral Home.

Anthony Matthew Clifton, 23, of Bonita Springs, Florida, died Thursday, May 20, in Fort Myers, Florida. He is survived by his wife, Jamie L. Specie Clifton. Funeral services were conducted Friday, May 28, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Lawrence (Larry) .Craft Jr., 27, of Auxier, died Wednesday, June 9, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Nola Hamman Craft. Funeral services were conducted Friday, June 11, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

Olgia Helen Ferrell, 63, of Harold, died Monday, June 7, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, June 10, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Jay Lee Hamilton Jr., 72, of Beaver, died Friday, June 4, at

his residence. He is survived by tion of Hall Funeral Home. his wife, Lizzie Beth Johnson Hamilton. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 8, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Belle (Endicott) Harless, 86, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, June 4, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center, following an extended illness. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, June 6, under the direction of Burke Funeral Home.

Jerome Herrmann, 70, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, June 5, at the U.K. Medical Center in Lexington. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 8, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Josephine H. Isaacs, 89, of Teaberry, died Wednesday, June 9, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, June 12, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Hazel King Hunter, 83, of Aberdeen, North Carolina, formerly of Floyd County, died Tuesday, June 8, in Aberdeen. Funeral services were conducted Friday, June 11, under the direc-

Arnold Johnson, 74, of Racine, Ohio, a Weeksbury native, died Wednesday, June 2, at St. Joseph's Hospital in Parkersburg. He is survived by his wife, Ruth Shain Johnson. Services were held on Saturday, June 5, under the direction of Cremeens Funeral Home. Racine, Ohio.

Gary Andrew James Tackett, infant son of Gary Gene Tackett and Angela Mollett of Harold, died Tuesday, June 1, at the University of Kentucky Children's Hospital, Lexington. Funeral services were conducted Friday, June 4, under the direction of Justice Funeral Home.

Elva Wnek, 85, of Wheelwright, died Saturday, June 5, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 8, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Jerome Herrmann, 70, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, June 5, at U.K. Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 8, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Alma Shepherd, 71, of

Hueysville, died Monday, May 31, at Bledsoe Erlanger Hospital, Pikeville Tennessee. Funeral services were conducted Friday, June 4, under the diretion of Nelson-Frazier Funeral

Johnson County

Gus Conley, 94, of Staffordsville, died Wednesday, June 2, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Geneva Reed Conley. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, June 5, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

Pike County

Margaret Fleming Childers, 83, of Shelby Gap, died Saturday, May 29, at Mountain View Health Care Center, Elkhorn City. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 1, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Dwayne Edward Coleman, 40, of Irvine, formerly of Pike County, died Tuesday, June 1, at Marcum Wallace Hospital. Irvine. He is survived by his wife, Teresa Lynn Adkins Coleman. Funeral services were conducted Friday, June 4, under the direction of Rogers Funeral

Roger D. Coleman, 46, of Pikeville, died Saturday, May 29, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by h is wife, Jacqueline Coleman. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 1, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

Zell Justice Harrington, 78, of Hurricane, died Thursday, June 3, at Pikeville Health Care Center. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, June 6, under the direction of J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Edgar Hawkins, 65, of Ashcamp, died Wednesday, June 2, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Rosetta Nelson Hawkins. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, June 5, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Ida Sword McCown, 90, of Island Creek, died Wednesday, June 2, at Mountain View Healthcare Center, Elkhorn City. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, June 5,

Church of Christ.

her husband, Perry Rice.

Survivors include her daugh-

ters: Agnes Rice of Auxier, and

Lorena Rice and Carrie Rice,

both of Garrett; six grandchil-

dren, 11 great-grandchildren,

and eight great-grandchildren.

Roscoe Vanover

Wheelwright, died Wednesday,

June 9, 2004, at the Hazard

Appalachian Regional Medical

Born July 2, 1920, in Hyden,

he was the son of the late

William and Emily Wooten

Vanover II. He was a retired

electrician for the railroad, a

member of the IBE&W, a mem-

ber of the Masonic fraternity,

UMWA 5899 at Wheelwright,

Florida, a World War II veteran,

He is survived by his wife,

In addition to his wife, sur-

vivors include: two sons:

Roscoe Vanover Jr., of Dallas,

four step-grandchildren, and

In addition to his parents, he

was preceded in death by one

son, Roger Vanover; four broth-

ers: Clayton, Ep, Dan, and

Manual Vanover, two sisters:

Nola Vanover, and Florence

Funeral services were con-

ducted Saturday, June 12, at 11

a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier

Funeral Home, at Martin, with

Burial was in the Little

Cemetery, at Price, under the

direction of Nelson-Frazier

Visitation was at the funeral

home, where Masonic services

were conducted, Friday evening,

by the Wheelwright Masonic

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five great-grandchildren.

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and a member of the DAV.

Pauline Walker Vanover.

Roscoe Vanover, 83, of

In addition to her parents and

under the direction of J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Harley Stanley, 74, of Brushy, died Wednesday, June 2, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Marcella Webb Stanley. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, June 5, under the direction of J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Lawrence County

Jeanette Smith Sparks, 58, of Louisa, died Tuesday, June 8, at the Pikeville Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Bill J. Sparks. Funeral services were conducted Friday, June 11, under direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

Martin County

Brooxie Goble Maynard, 88, of Inez, died Saturday, June 5, at Three Rivers Medical Center, in Louisa. Funeral services were conducted Monday, June 7, under the direction of Richmond-Callaham Funeral Home.

Obituaries Heavy rains take toll Mollie Marie Patton Rice, 94, husband, she was preceded in of Garrett, died Friday, June 11, death by one daughter, Verda 2004, at her residence. Born December 18, 1909, in Floyd County, she was the

him."

by BRUCE SCHREINER ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE - A spate of spring storms has washed out thousands of acres of corn and soybeans, forcing farmers back into the fields to replant.

For tobacco growers, it also means the threat of blue mold surfaced early. The fungal disease — which spreads by spores through the air and creates lesions on the leaf - thrives in

wet, humid conditions. Five days of storms that started late last month produced tornados, flooding and mud slides, and caused millions of dollars worth of property damage.

Rainfall totals in May were well above normal for a wide swath of Kentucky, according to the National Weather Service in Louisville. More rain fell Wednesday, and showers were forecast for Thursday with a chance of thunderstorms each day into early next week.

Despite the rains, nearly 60 percent of Kentucky's corn crop

"we terminate God's opportuni-

"Even murderers can be

Schneider said his views

about capital punishment never

came up in any of his cam-

paigns. "This hasn't been a hot

button issue in any election I've

been involved in," he said.

ty to work" to change lives.

redeemed," he said.

Prosecutors

was rated good or excellent this got the same high ratings.

potentially high yields for some farmers.

Daviess County farmer Jeff Rice said some area growers lost hundreds of acres of crops. Bottomland fields along rivers and creeks were the hardest hit.

ed," he said in a telephone interview this week. "And to have it wash down the river is a pretty sad thing to see happen. But they're not going to give up."

Rice replanted about five acres of soybeans. He lost some corn, but the surviving crop was so tall he couldn't get back in to replant.

For June-planted corn, yields typically are off about 25 percent, Rice said. For full-season soybeans, yields can drop 15

Schneider said he plans to

run for re-election in 2006.

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Schneider will face a backlash

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gious and moral convictions,

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politicians," Delahanty said.

"In a case where someone

from voters for his stand.

week by a crop-reporting service. Slightly more than 80 percent of soybeans planted so far

But the rains washed away

"We had a good crop startfarmers are very resilient, and

on state agriculture

percent, he said.

Rice said the lower production puts farmers "closer to just barely breaking even, and that's if the weather works good for

Jim Barton's fields turned into swamps in central Kentucky. The rains briefly cre-In western Kentucky, ated a 2-acre pond that attracted a flock of geese.

"If it's a big enough pond for geese to land on, it's a pretty good-sized pond," said Barton, who farms in Scott and Fayette counties.

Barton decided not to replant 40 acres of corn lost to high

"That's just going to have to be a loss," said Barton, who raises about 700 acres of corn.

Another 10 acres of tobacco were washed out, he said. He's plowing up ground to put out more tobacco plants to replace those that drowned.

The rains also took a heavy toll on his 200 acres of wheat, dampening his outlook for the harvest this month.

The wheat looks awful, Barton said. "Wheat just can't stand that much rain at this stage.'

Meanwhile, sporadic reports of blue mold loom as an ominous cloud for tobacco growers. Isolated cases in fields or greenhouses have been reported in Bracken, Bourbon, Jessamine,

(See RAINS, page eight)

Davidson

Evergreen State University and a number of others. Nothing would please my friend George Sample more than for every college and university in America

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The originator of these stick-

In reality, the only thing that separates our society today from the barbaric past is when human

good manners and civility as a way of life. I know a lot of wonderful people, young and old, who exhibit these qualities and you may rest assured that someone took the time to teach them.

have a choice to make. We can continue the downward spiral and become more barbaric, or we can insist on good manners and being civil to each other. Do you care? Can you make a dif-

Jim Davidson is a motiva-

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to teach courses in manners and

message across to students is a little blue sticker that is used in courses that are taught at the center: In the very middle of the sticker are the words, "Be Nice To Each Other" and then around the circle are the words, "Be Just, Be Gentle, Be Slow To Anger, Be Kind & Have Self Control."

ers is Mr. Robert Alexander, a retired marketing executive who lives in the Erie area. Much larger and more artistic posters with the same message now hang in every elementary and secondary school in the county and smaller posters in every individual

the First Baptist Church in beings are nice to each other. Let's get back to teaching

Texas, and Ricky Vanover of Atlanta, Georgia; two step-sons: Keith Taylor of Wheelwright, The people of America really and Michael Taylor of Albion, Michigan; one brother, Bill Vanover of Sloan's Valley; two sisters: Lillian Vanover Delph of Richmond, and Ruth Pennington of London; four grandchildren,

tional speaker and syndicated columnist. You may contact him at 2 Bentley Drive, Conway, AR

Beltway

Ten years ago, John Kerry offered a mild endorsement of a 50-cent-a-gallon tax and now the Bush people are raking him over the coals for it, inspiring him to back away from the proposal as fast as he can.

Kerry was right 10 years ago, wrong now. If we'd levied the tax then, we'd be in a lot better shape today. We might even

have avoided a war. Oh, I keep forgetting. We didn't go to war in Iraq because of oil. It was those nasty

Donald Kaul recently retired

and Moses Patton; sisters: Polly daughter of the late William Lafferty, Nannie Davis, Byrd (Bill) and Minerva Dawson Patton, and Julie Prater. Patton. She was a homemaker. Funeral services will be conand a member of the Hueysville ducted Sunday, June 13, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, at Martin, with She was preceded in death by

Johnson; her brothers: Willie

(Ticky) Patton, James Patton,

Mollie Marie Patton Rice

Chester Varney officiating. Burial will be in the Huff Cemetery, at Hueysville, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier

Funeral Home. Visitation is at the funeral

Geneva Mullins Hicks

Geneva Mullins Hicks, 61, of Pyramid, died Friday, June 11, 2004, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin.

Born February 16, 1943, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of Margaret Howard Mullins, of Hippo, and the late Henry Mullins. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Rockfork Bible Church.

She is survived by her husband, Aster O. Hicks.

Other survivors include her daughters and son-in-laws: Taunda Lynn (Doug) Prater of Hueysville, Astra Dawn (Regan) Ratliff of Hippo; brothers: Freddie Mullins of Hippo, Shelby Mullins of Ocala, Florida, Sidgel Mullins of Port Angeles, Washington, Charles Edward (Doc) Mullins of Auxier; sisters: Roberta Stumbo of Softshell, Linda Massie of Hamden, Ohio, Fayla Allen of Pyramid; two grandchildren: Paul David and Douglas McKay.

Funeral services will be conducted Monday, June 14, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, at Martin, with Rick Franklin officiating.

Burial will be in the Willis Hicks and family cemetery, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Rockfork Bible Church or Camp Nathaniel, at Emmalena

(Paid obituary)



Q&A

identified with Republicans such as Bush. Is that fair and will that continue?

No. 1, the 2004 presidential A No. 1, the 200 P tion. There probably hasn't been a clearer choice in terms of the future direction of America than we have right now. For me and for most Southern Baptists, it's not an issue or Republican or Democrat. It's an issue of biblical values vs. secular values and values that we share as opposed to values that we do not share.

Whether it be the marriage amendment or whether it be abortion, we're interested as Christians - as conservative, Bible-believing, evangelical Christians - we're interested in

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■ Continued from p5 the moral issue of abortion and marriage and the family. So we have heightened the awareness of our congregations of the issues at stake - and therefore have challenged our people ... to vote their principles and not their political parties. ...

Would that mean voting for Bush in this election?

That means that people are Agoing to make up their mind based on their values. I think it's a well-known fact that evangelicals, not just Southern Baptists, are very fond of this president and we believe he best represents what we believe and where we want to see America go in the days ahead.

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Weapons of Mass Destruction. What ever happened to them,

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.

Community Calendar

THE FLOYD COUNTY TIMES

CALENDAR ITEMS WILL BE PRINTED AS SPACE PERMITS

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ZEBULON MASONIC **LODGE 273 SCHEDULES** ANNUAL PICNIC

Zebulon Lodge No. 273, F&AM, will hold its annual picnic on Sunday, June 20, at 1 p.m., at Shelter No. 2, in the area below Dewey Dam. All members and families are urged to attend, and are requested to bring food to share.

OPEN HOUSE

LINKS (Low Income Housing Coalition of East KY, Inc.) and the Floyd Fiscal Court invite everyone to come June 17, 11 a.m. Food and drinks provided. Miss Jessica Newsome, 250 Hall's Branch, Grethel, Ky. 41631. This home was built by LINKS, Floyd Fiscal Court and volunteer labor. The home was funded by KHC HOME funds, NHPR, AHTF, United Way, and Private Donations from local citizens. Directions: Take South 23. Turn right at light at Harold onto 979. Go 6.5 miles. Turn left at mouth of Branham's Creek onto Route 3379. Go 5.3 miles. Turn left at the white brick house (chain link fence). Turn right on dirt road and go up hill.

HOME OWNERSHIP MONTH

In celebration of National Homeowner-ship Month, the Prestonsburg USDA Rural Development office will be holding an open house on June 17, between the hours of 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. The public is encouraged to attend. The office is located at 214 South Central Avenue, Ste 101, Prestonsburg.

WE'RE MOVING!!

Beginning with the meeting to be held on Friday, June 18. Jenny Wiley Chapter 3528, AARP, will be holding its meetings at the First Presbyterian Church, Prestonsburg, at 6 p.m., on the third Friday of each month. All members and friends are encouraged to attend these meetings.

FREEDOM BIBLE CHURCH

June 20 - Special Sunday morning services. Frankie Bryant will bring message. June 23-26 - Vacation Bible School, 7-8:30 p.m., nightly. Cookout - Saturday at 1 p.m.

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FCCD JUNE MEETING

Floyd County Conservation District will hold its June meeting on Tuesday, June 15, at 10 a.m., at the District office, located 1/2 mi. from the Lancer-Watergap intersection, near the entrance to Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. Public is invited to attend this open meeting. Call 889-9800 or email to: conserve@mikrotec. com for more info.

PRATT FAMILY REUNION

To be held Saturday, June 12, at Old Maytown School Lunchroom. Potluck dinner served at 1 p.m. Lunchroom reserved for all day - come early, stay late! Please bring covered dish, musical instruments. Will have access to playground, gym (3-5 p.m.), horseshoes, and volleyball. Call Loretta Pratt Hackworth at 886-3928; Larue Pratt Laferty at 785-3045; or Julia Pratt Jones at 285-3179 for more info.

STANLEY FAMILY REUNION

To be held Sunday, June 13, beginning at noon, at Dewey Dam Spillway, Shelter # 2. Families of Carmia Wireman Stanley and the late Roosevelt Stanley. Call 874-2473, or 639-2957 for more info.

DOWNTOWN VETERAN SHOWCASE

The 5th annual Veteran Showcase window display will be held June 21-August 1, at the office of Edward Jones Investments/Sam Blakenship, in dowtown located Prestonsburg, 255 W. Court St. Please bring your family photos, medals, uniforms, or any other memorobilia from Civil War to present time. Mr. Blankenship's office will proudly display, and protect, your cherished valuables. Call 889-9004 during business hours, or after hours call 886-3023, or 886-2654 for more information.

HAGER-SAMMONS FAMILY REUNION

To be held Saturday, June 12, at Paintsville Lake. Please bring covered dish, dessert, soft drinks, old pictures and folding chairs. For more info., call Barbara Estep at 265-3242 or email: bobaree2@yahoo.com, or contact Larry Ginslinger at fallcityrambler@aol.com

TEEN BIBLE STUDY GROUP

A teenage Christian study group meets the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month at 7 p.m., at the Burton Pentecostal Church, in Upper Burton, near Wheelwright. All interested teens cordially invited and encouraged to attend.

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Kids Sewing Camp - June 7-11, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Learn to sew, make own purse and other fun things. For kids over 8 years. Small fee will include sewing supplies and daily snack. For more info., call 886-0709.

STEPHENS-SLONE REUNION

Relatives of the late Samuel and Rebecca (Castle) Stephens, Samuel and Mary (Sammons) Stephens, and Carew and Callie (Brown) Slone will host a reunion that will be held at the Morsches Park Pavilion in Columbia City, Indiana, on Saturday, July 10, at 12 p.m. Register by July 3 by calling (260) 839-4206 or (260) 691-2830, after 4 p.m.

BLHS CLASS OF '94

The Betsy Layne High School Class of 1994 will hold their 10-year class reunion on July 24, 2004. Call 478-3253 or 587-1028 for more information.

PHS CLASS OF '69

The Prestonsburg High School Class of 1969 will hold a reunion on Saturday, September 4, 2004 (Labor Day weekend), at the May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Park. Pre-dinner meeting will be held from 5-6 p.m.; Dinner will be at 6 p.m., in

Lodge dining room; Reunion meeting following dinner, from 8 p.m. until midnight in Lodge conference rooms. For more info., contact Ken & Jan at 886-8328, or Mike at 886-0252.

FREE BODY RECALL CLASSES

Free Body Recall Exercise Classes will be held Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 9:30, at the Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg. Classes are held Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday, at 11 a.m. at the old R & S Building. Classes are offered by the Floyd County Health Department. Call the health department, 886-2788, for more information.

EARN WHILE YOU LEARN'

The Big Sandy Area C.A.P. office is taking applications for its "Senior Training Program." You must be 55 or older to apply. In Floyd, call 886-2929; Johnson, call 789-6515; Magoffin, call 349-2217; Pike, call 432-2775; and in Lawrence, call 638-4067.

"LOOKING FOR A SUPPORT GROUP?"

- Alzheimer's Association Care-giver Support Group -Meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the First Presbyterian Church (near Jerry's Restaurant), at 7 p.m. For more info., call Dana Caudill at 886-0265.
- Alzheimer's Association, East-ern KY Regional Office -24-hour Helpline, call 1-800-272-3900 for emotional support, local resources, and other infor-
- Fibromyalgia Support Group - Meets first Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m., at the Betsy Layne Senior Citizens Building, on the Pike-Floyd Hollow Road (just above the Betsy Layne Fire Dept.). For more info., call Sharon at 478-5224, or Phyllis at 874-2769.
- MS Support Group -Meets third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Seton Complex, Martin. Offers group support for MS patients and their caregivers.
 - Overeater's Anonymous

(O.A.) - Meets each Monday, at 3:30 p.m., at the St. Martha Catholic Church, Water Gap Road. For more info., call 886-

- Community Weight Loss Support Group - To meet Thursday's at 6:30 p.m., at the Martin Community Center, beginning Feb. 5. For more info., call 377-6658. Those who have had gastric bypass surgery most especially welcome to attend. Meetings being offered as support to anyone needing extra support in dealing with. weight loss.
- Domestic Violence Hotline - 24-hour Crisis Line manned by Certified Domestic Violence counselors. Call 886-6025, or 1-800-649-6605. Remember, "Love Doesn't Have to Hurt."
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Classes will be taught by Pine Mountain staff and state experts on the forests of the Pine

Mountain area. The workshop includes field trips, lectures and slide presentations. Field trips will require hiking four to eight miles a day. Some of the hikes

will be strenuous. The cost of the workshop is \$250, which includes classes, meals from Wednesday supper through Sunday lunch, and lodging for four nights. Enrollment is limited to 20 people.

For more information about these activities or to receive a registration form, please call the School (606) 558-3571, send an e-mail to pine mountain@earthlink.net. Registration forms for each of these events can be obtained at pinemountainsettlement.com.

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call 886-4326.

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■ Disabled? - You may be eligible for grant money to assist in your daily living. For an application or more information,

A.S.K. (Adoption Support for Kentucky) - Support group for all adoptive parents (public, private, international, and kinship care), foster parents and all others interested in adoption. To meet the 2nd Thursday of each month, at Pizza Hut, in Prestonsburg. For more information, contact Nelva Skaggs, adoptive parent liaison, at Blueboy@foothills.net.

■ East Kentucky S.T.A.R.S. Homeschoolers -Will hold monthly meetings at the Paintsville Recreation Center. For more information, call Trudy at 889-9333, or 297-5147. Everyone welcome.

Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Each Wednesday, from 7-8 p.m., in the Atrium Conference Room, 2nd floor, May Tower, Pikeville Methodist Hospital. For more info., contact Chris Cook at 606-433-1119 or christophercook@hotmail.

Home

got an education and are doing real good," Hale said.

The decades the family spent at the Ball Alley Curve residence were a "blessing," Hale said, smiling as he remembered walking his children across the road and down the hill for fishing excursions on the riverbank.

Hale, surviving on a fixed Social Security income, says he won't even begin to clean up the mess until he hears from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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"Even if we got it cleaned out, I'm afraid to move back in here," he said. "I'd be afraid that it'd happen again."

With the help of their children, the couple is currently renting a home Prestonsburg, awaiting news from FEMA and their insurance company.

"We'll make it, I think," Hale said as a June apple plunked against the ground from a tree in his front yard. "We're lucky to be alive."

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by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

Editor's note: Portions of the following story appeared in last Sunday's Floyd County Times, but an error resulted in the end being omitted. It is reprinted in its entirety here.

PRESTONSBURG — Edgar Tackett was extremely late for court on friday but got a big break from Judge Danny Caudill, as well as some advice that should help his marriage.

When his name was called from the docket, Tackett was not present for a hearing to determine a trial date for two counts of drug trafficking. His lawyer eventually left the court and a warrant was issued for Tackett's

Tackett did, however, make it to court two-and-a-half hours

When called upon by Caudill, Tackett explained, "I was at the cemetery and got a call from my old lady. I got here as fast as I could."

"I get along well with my wife because I never call her

that," Caudill said. Tackett was then placed into custody and told a decision would be made after the day's business was through for the

Later, Judge Caudill recalled

"I could put you in jail," the judge told Tackett. "I hope you know I'm giving you a break."

Tackett was given another date for his next appearance and told to be there on time. A happy Tackett was halfway out of the room when Caudill stopped him for one final bit of advice.

"I suggest you call her your wife from now on," he said.

Rains

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Green, Taylor and Logan counties, said Gary Palmer, a University of Kentucky extension tobacco specialist. "It's a huge threat," he said.

"I'm surprised that we haven't had more reports than we have. The conditions have been favorable."

He said farmers should take advantage of any break in the rains to spray tobacco with fungicides to protect it against blue mold.

The heavy rains caused longterm problems for some growers. The soggy ground has stunted root systems for some tobacco plants, making them susceptible to drought damage this summer, Palmer said.

"It will be hard-pressed to get the yields to come out even with good weather from now on to what they should have been," he

Just over half of the set

tobacco statewide was rated in good condition, the Kentucky Agricultural Statistics Service said early this week. Another 29 percent was fair and 7 percent excellent. The rest was poor or very poor, said. Growers had set 62 percent of the burley crop as of last Sunday, the report said, slightly ahead of last year's

Kentucky is the nation's leading burley tobacco producer.

Meanwhile, hay thrived from the rains but fields were too wet for harvesting, the report said. Eighty-two percent of the state's hay crop was in good or excellent condition, it said, but poor curing conditions will reduce quality.



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• Jamerson, Football All-Stars begin practice

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON – Prestonsburg High School graduate Nick Jamerson and the rest of the Kentucky All-Stars today will report to the University of Kentucky for the first of several practices before the annual game against the Tennessee All-Stars. Jamerson will remain at the University of Kentucky over the summer where he'll work out with the Wildcat football team as a pre-



Nick Jamerson

ferred walk-on. He is following in the footsteps of his grandfather, UK legend Wilbur "Shorty" Jamerson, who, while a member of the UK football team, starred in the Sugar Bowl, among other games.

Prestonsburg High football team will shuttle a bus and head to Knoxville to support Jamerson and the Kentucky All-Stars.

Perry County Central quarterback Al Holland has been added to the Kentucky roster.

The Kentucky-Tennessee All-Star Game, to be played Friday, is set for a 7 p.m. kickoff.

Basketball All-Stars in Owensboro

Kentucky's basketball All-Stars are in Owensboro. They arrived yesterday and are busy preparing for their two-game series against Indiana. The Kentucky and Indiana squads will play each other on Saturday at the Owensboro Sports Center and June 26 at Conseco Fieldhouse in Indianapolis. Kentucky has struggled in recent years. Indiana's boys have won nine of the last 10 games. The Indiana girls have won nine of the last 12.

Reds release tryout camp schedule

TIMES STAFF REPORT

of Cincinnati Reds tryout camps in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana.

Players must be between the ages of 16 and 22. It is not necessary for players to attend more than one camp.

In the past a tryout camp has been held at Johnson Central High School in Paintsville. This year, the closest tryout camp will be held at Henry Clay High School in Lexington.

Registration will begin one hour before the start of each camp. American Legion players must bring with them written permission from the post commander or coach.

In order to work out, players under age 21 must have a written release from a parent or legal guardian accepting full legal liability. There will be no exceptions to this requirement. Insurance waivers will be provided at registration.

(See REDS, page five)

Raiders in MSU team camp

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT – South Floyd, one of the most successful 15th Region boys' basketball programs, is busy preparing for another season on the high school hardwood. The 2004-05 season offers much to look forward to for the Raiders, perennial region contenders.

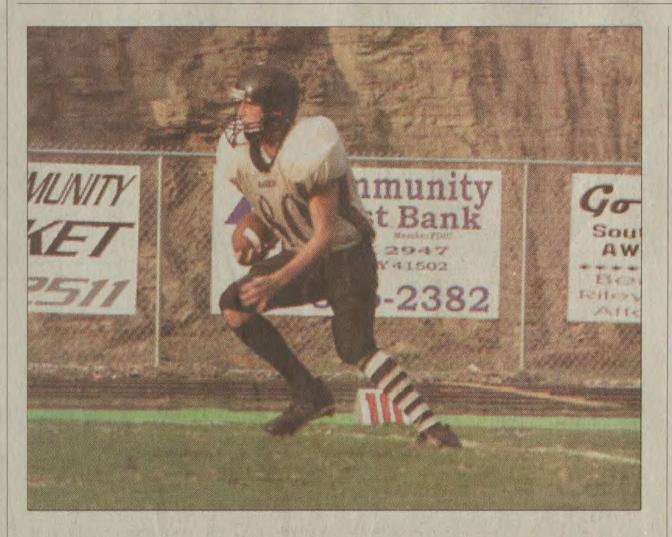
South Floyd will return three of five starters and a host of other players will talent to back up what will likely be a high preseason ranking. Steven Stanley, Burnett Little and Ryan Johnson are returning starters. Mason Hall, Ethan Johnson and Wes Hall lead a strong cast that also saw a great amount of playing time last season. The Raiders, coached by Henry Webb, left Friday for a team camp at Morehead State University. The MSU team event is a camp South Floyd is quite familiar with, having played in it before.

(See CAMP, page five)



file photo by Jamie

Ryan Johnson started in the Raider backcourt as a sophomore. He is one of three returning South Floyd starters.



TACKETT HEADED TO MOREHEAD FOOTBALL PROGRAM

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT – One of the top all-around athletes in South Floyd High School history will continue playing at the next-level. After receiving word from Division I-AA football program Morehead State University, Adam Tackett knows where he'll attend college in the fall. Tackett, who, as a South Floyd Raider, excelled in both football and basketball, will attend Morehead State University and join the Eagle football program.

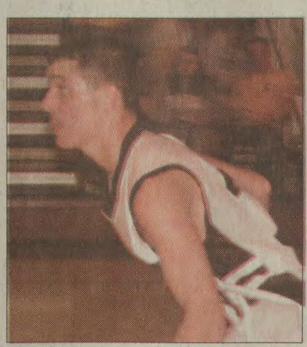
Morehead State gains a Floyd County student-athlete that knows his way around the gridiron.

Tackett, who played offense, defense and special teams throughout his South Floyd High football career, during a game, rarely came off the gridiron. He was an accomplished receiver on offense and a talented defensive back on defense. On special teams, he played various key roles

"Adam Tackett is a great athlete and a great kid," noted South Floyd High School principal and boys' basketball coach Henry Webb. "We're all very excited

On the basketball floor, Tackett helped lead South Floyd to 58th District titles. On the gridiron, his senior

(See PROGRAM page five)



photos by Steve LeMaster

South Floyd High graduate Adam Tackett made an impact both on the football field and the basketball court. Tackett has committed to play football at Morehead State University.

SFHS grid team to play 6 home games

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT – Six home games dot the 2004 schedule for the South Floyd High football team. The Raiders, fresh off an appearance in the State Playoffs in 2003, will open up the upcoming 2004 season at home on Aug. 20 against Powell County. South Floyd will end regular-season play at home on Oct. 22 against Class A, District 8 rival Paintsville.

Also included in the six home games is a Shorty Jamerson Bowl contest against Pike County Central. Other home games for South Floyd include dates against East Ridge, Hazard and in-county rival Allen Central.

Road dates include away games against district foes Phelps, Pikeville, Fleming-Neon and Jenkins. Pikeville is the defending Class A, District 8 Champion.

The 2003 season ended for South Floyd (6-5) with a loss to Lynn Camp

(See GAMES, page five)

Area players among those joining Centre football squad

TIMES STAFF REPORT

DANVILLE – Head football coach Andy Frye has announced that 29 high school seniors have committed to play football at Centre College, beginning in the fall. The Colonels landed players from perennial powers Ashland, Lawrence County, Sheldon Clark, Beechwood, St. Xavier, Owensboro Catholic, Hamilton (Ohio), Oakwood (Ohio), and

Colerain (Ohio).

"Overall," said Frye, "this class is as good as we've had in a long time. We've got some outstanding prospects in the offensive and defensive lines, which is where graduation hurt us the most. We're also bringing in some good linebackers who will contribute down the road because all three of our current linebackers will

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New UK football uniforms unveiled for 2004 season

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – The University of Kentucky unveiled its new home and away football uniforms Friday at Commonwealth Stadium. The updated uniforms were designed in conjunction with Nike and will be worn by the Wildcats beginning in 2004.

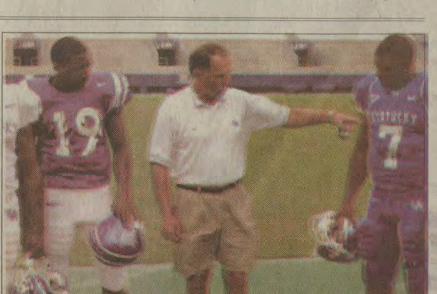
The objective in the updated uniforms was to create and enhance instant brand recognition. The unique uniform silhouette with the traditional team brand across the chest salutes the past and represents the present and future of

Kentucky football. It also provides instant visual identification of the brand "Kentucky."

"With the uniforms we previously had, if you didn't already know our team, you really wouldn't be able to see that we were Kentucky," senior quarterback Shane Boyd said. "Now, we will wear "Kentucky" across our chest. The new look is great."

Both current and former players met with Nike designers and UK Athletics personnel to add input for the new look.

(See UNIFORMS page tv/o)



The University of Kentucky football team introduced a new look Friday with new uniforms.

Uniforms

The uniform designers took the lead of the student-athletes in the development of the new uniforms. Additionally, extensive research was performed by designers anto the history and traditions of the

will be available for purchase at the UK Bookstore, beginning Friday, June 11 and at Dawahare's and All Sports later this month. The jerseys also will be available. for purchase on ukathletics com

The Cats will don a throwback uniform on Oct. 2 versus Ohio

A replica of the throwback jersey, bearing the No. 98 will be available in retail outlets this summer Game worn throwback jerseys will be auctioned on warhable at all six home games and

Description of uniforms:

authentic Kentucky Blog They are adorned by applique "Kentucky" across the thest of numbers. A white stripe is lapered. four inches from the arm pit and inches above the free Additionally, the players have will be on the reverse of the for sey. The neck and sleeve ring will have colors opposite that of the jersey's primary color. That is, the home jersey (blue) has a white band around the neck and sleeves while the away jersey (white) has a blue band around the neck and

sleeves. From the shoulder to the

waist band the jersey will have sil-

The throwback jersey is derived from the designs of several uniforms worn by Kentucky in the past. The throwback jersey is solid blue with two white stripes around the shoulders. The helmet was worn in the late 1960's but the jersey has never been worn before. The jersey is from no specific year, but is a potpourri of Kentucky uniforms of the past. Likewise, the helmet is blue with two white stripes down the top. The mark on the side of the helmet is the silhouette of the Commonwealth with a Wildcat's

Garth Brooks' Teammates for Kids Foundation goes to bat for Little League Challenger Division

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. - The Garth Brooks Teammates for Kids Foundation, together with 28 current and former Major League Baseball players, has established a \$2 million endowment to provide annual support to the Little League Baseball Challenger Division beginning with the 2005 season.

The Teammates for Kids Foundation was co-founded in 1999 by country music star

president Bo Mitchell. It exists to develop and implement concepts that generate funds for children's charities.

To date, The Teammates for Kids Foundation has donated more than \$37 million to various charities. On Saturday, Aug. 21, during the 2004 Little League Baseball World Series, "The Mighty Casey," a 14-foot bronze rendition of the fabled slugger from the iconic baseball poem "Casey at the Bat," will be unveiled in recognition of this endowment to Little League

"Garth Brooks and I are very excited to be partners with Little League in the Mighty Casey

Garth Brooks and foundation project," said Mr. Mitchell. "To see 28 Major League players join together to help expand the Challenger Division is truly an inspiration. It is our hope that everyone who sees Casey in the years to come will be as encouraged as we are to see baseball, kids and charity all come together for such a great cause.'

The statue is one of four crafted by sculpture Mark Lundeen of Loveland, Colo. It will stand proudly outside of Howard J. Lamade Stadium as a reminder that The Teammates for Kids Foundation is giving "Casey" another chance to hit one out of the park for the children who play in the Challenger Division.

The Major League players are all contributing partners to the Touch 'em All Division of The Garth Brooks Teammates for Kids Foundation.

In 2003, more than 350 Major League Baseball players pledged their support to make a difference in the lives of children across the country. In addition to these MLB players, the Teammates for Kids Foundation has many different "teammates" all over the world. Among these teammates are professional hockey players and football players, celebrities, corporations, other foundations, and

"With this endowment, the Teammates for Kids Foundation acknowledges and appreciates the benefit of the Challenger Division," said Stephen D. Keener, president and chief executive officer of Little League Baseball and Softball. "This statue will stand as a symbol for those people who have set aside the limitations of their disabilities for the opportunity to experience the emotional development and fun that comes with playing Little League Basehall.

The Major League players and their families, who have contributed to the "Touch 'em All" division of the Teammates for Kids Foundation have donated based c their on-field performance in a particular category. They are: Bruce and Kim Bochy; Andy and Tracy Ashby; Jeff and Cindy Brantley; Kevin

(See BROOKS, page five)

Area

be seniors this fall.'

Lawrence County wide receiver Kyle Barnette and Sheldon Clark defensive back Mark Cornette were among the 29 to commit to be Colonels.

The Colonels were 8-2 in 2003 and co-champions of the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference. "Another area that we've improved is our kicking,' said Frye. "We've created competition in that phase of the game. Centre can't depend solely on Kentucky as a primary recruiting base because our academic standards are so tough. Therefore, we've done a good job spreading out to other states to get kids who can qualify. I believe we got a lot of players who can help-us win."

Centre is scheduled to open the 2004 season on the road at Bluffton on Sept. 4. The opener will be followed by a home game against Kenyon College on Sept. 11.

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Football Commitments

Andrew Allen, Casey Co.,

V.J. Anderson, Hamilton

Paul Boccieri, Valley, WR Tyler Boron Soddy Daisy,

(TN), DB Kyle Bumgarner, El Paso Chapin (TX), LB

Jason Chadwick, Mercer Co., Cocanougher, Matthew

Washington Co., K Mark Cornette, Sheldon Clark, DB

Tyler Francisco, Cumberland Gap (TN), DB

Thomas Gregory, Oakwood

Chris Jackson, Columbia Central (TN), C

Matt Johnson, Ashland, LB Josh Martin, Beechwood, OL Tyler Moody, Colerain (OH),

Justin Moore, Lexington Christian, WR Jon Moore, Madisonville,

Clark Norris, Ashland, DE

Billy Price, Starr's Mill Chad Riney, St. Xavier, OL

Chris Riney, Owensboro Catholic, CB Travis Stephens, Lafayette,

Jerrod Stump, Jessamine, OT Cole Tomlinson, Shelby Co.,

Co. (TN), DT

Joshua Wood, Eminence, LB Nick Wood Louisville, Holy

Jarrod Williams, Carroll Co,

BJ Wright, Manual, RB

Crew chief Stoddard Kyle Barnette, Lawrence not upset with Waltrip

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

HIGH POINT, N.C. - Bill Davis Racing crew chief Frank Stoddard refuted Tuesday an Internet report published Sunday in which an intercepted scanner transmission ripping driver Michael Waltrip was attributed to incorrectly Stoddard.

The comment on the BDR frequency for the No. 22 Caterpillar Dodge driven by rookie Scott Wimmer bluntly demeaned Waltrip's driving

"I didn't say it - Michael and I are friends and still were, the last I knew," Stoddard said. "There are 18 guys on my crew that are on that frequency and that doesn't count the guys on the 23 crew (BDR's second car) that also have access to it."

Dave Blaney, driving Davis' No. 23 Ollie's Dodge, was involved in an accident with Waltrip Sunday that prompted the radio commentary.

"There has to be some responsibility used when you access scanner transmissions," Stoddard said. "If you asked me for a comment, I would give you

"In this case, I think there were general comments about this accident being like speedway racing and a number of drivers were acting like idiots - not anyone specifically."

Stoddard said his concern, in addition to potentially being quoted out of context, is that teams, drivers and crew chiefs might alter their radio communication for fear of similar mis-

"Some teams scramble their radios now and I don't think that's right," Stoddard said. "Our radio communication is part of the total experience for

"I would hate to see a day when all fans could hear on the radio would be 'we're taking four tires next time."

Three penalized for post-race altercation

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

NASCAR Busch Series driver Brad Teague, Jeffrey Smith, motor coach driver for driver Kevin Harvick, and James Caldwell, a public relations representative for Harvick, were issued varying penalties for their involvement in an altercation following the May 29 NASCAR Busch Series race at Lowe's Motor Speedway, NASCAR officials announced Tuesday.

Teague and Smith each were fined \$2,500 and placed on pro-DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. - bation until Dec. 31 for their involvement in the incident that occurred in pit lane following the race. Caldwell was suspended until July 21 in addition to being fined \$2,500 and placed on probation until Dec. 31.

All three were penalized under Section 12-4-A of the NASCAR Busch Series Rule Book (Actions detrimental to stock car racing: Involved in an altercation on pit road after the conclusion of the race.)

inappropriate language SPECIAL TO THE TIMES Chevrolet, violated Section 12-NASCAR Busch Series driver mental to stock car racing: Use Ron Hornaday was penalized of inappropriate language) for with a \$10,000 fine and loss of his comments during an inter-25 NASCAR Busch Series view from the live radio broad-

Hornaday penalized for

view at Saturday's NASCAR Busch Series race at Dover (Del.) International Speedway,

Hornaday, driver of the No. 2

4-A of the NASCAR Busch Series Rule Book (Actions detrichampionship driver points for east of Saturday's 200-lap race the use of inappropriate lan- that was later postponed by rain after 29 laps and completed

The loss of 25 driver points adjusts Hornaday's season total NASCAR officials announced to 1,718, but he still maintains eighth place in the NASCAR Busch Series championship.

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Martinsville resurfacing project begins

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MARTINSVILLE, Va. -After a couple of months of thought, research and planning, Martinsville Speedway's racing surface is now for a total facelift.

Construction crews began demolition of the concrete in the turns Wednesday morning in preparation for a total resurfacing of the .526-mile oval. The project, which includes new concrete in the turns and asphalt on the straights, should be finished by mid-July.

"I think the drivers are going to like what they see when they come back in the fall," said Martinsville Speedway president Clay Campbell. "A lot of time and effort has been put into this to make the racing surface as smooth, as near-perfect as it

Drivers and fans alike will notice a slight change at the exits of the second and fourth turns. The two grooves of concrete will be extended about 100 feet past the exit point of the

"Drivers have expressed concern for years about the transition between the concrete and asphalt," said Campbell. "In the past they were still trying to accelerate off the corner while they were changing surfaces. Now the concrete will extend out further. It will be less upsetting to the car."

The transition point from asphalt to concrete entering the first and third turns will remain the same. "Entering the turn isn't really an issue," said Campbell

Surveying crews spent several weeks carefully charting the racing surface to make sure the finished product was as smooth

"The resurfacing will be done with computer precision," said Campbell. "The track is going to be very smooth; the transition points will be nearperfect."

Junior preps for **Pocono** with **Kentucky test**

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

SPARTA - NASCAR Nextel Cup Series points leader Dale Earnhardt Jr. brought his No. 8 Budweiser Chevrolet to Kentucky Speedway Thursday to tap the karma that has led to two of his three wins this sea-

Earnhardt Jr. has converted weekday Kentucky tests into Sunday wins in both March and May so far this season. He tested at Kentucky Speedway on March 11 and visited Victory Lane at Atlanta three days later. Earnhardt Jr. repeated the accomplishment on May 15 at Richmond International Raceway, just three days after testing an engine combination for that race at Kentucky

Should he visit Victory Lane in Pocono, Pa., this week, he will become the second NASCAR Nextel Cup Series driver to combine a Kentucky Speedway test with a Pocono win. Dale Jarrett first accomplished the feat in June 2002.

Earnhardt Jr. enters the Pocono race with 98-point lead over the second-place Jimmie Johnson. Along with his three wins, Earnhardt Jr. owns a total of eight top-five and 10 top-10 finishes this season.

Other drivers testing at Kentucky Speedway Thursday included NASCAR Busch Series drivers Clint Bowyer, Billy "Catfish" Parker, Hermie Sadler and Kenny Hendrick.

'Moccasin' mix-up: Water snake apprehensions unjustified

by STEVE VANTREESE FOR THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PADUCAH - The snakes that represent Kentucky's largest family of slithering reptiles are probably the most misidentified of the lot.

Widely feared and loathed without good reason, water snakes of multiple species likely are more numerous than any other category of snake in the state; according to John MacGregor, a herpetologist for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

"For a lot of people, if they see a snake in the water, it's a cottonmouth," MacGregor said. "And if it's on land, it's a copperhead," he said.

It's common for people to be unable to identify water snakes, MacGregor said, and often the first impulse is to label any aquatic snake as a "water moccasin." Some people mean that term to categorize all species of water snakes, but many people misidentify virtually all snakes that are swimming as moccasins, he said.

The big difference, of course, is that the cottonmouth - rather uncommon and of very limited distribution — is a venomous pit viper. All the water snakes are nonpoisonous.

"The most common water snake across the state is the northern water snake, and down in the western end of the state it's the midland water snake, which is just a race of the same species," MacGregor said.

The northerns and midlands are crossbanded snakes with contrasting dark brown to reddish brown on light gray to tan. The pattern and shades are often similar to the appearance of the upland copperhead, another public relations stroke against the water snake, MacGregor

He said other species are more common in the wetlandsrich area of far western Kentucky.

"On some of the bigger waters, like oxbow lakes, you have a lot of diamondback water snakes," he said. "These are big, heavy snakes, up to about 5 feet long, and people see these as cottonmouths a lot of times."

Diamondback water snakes are brownish to olive overlaid with a dark chain-like pattern.

"In some of the smaller swamps, the yellowbelly water snake, a subspecies of the protected copperbelly water snake, is the most common," MacGregor said.

Both these have dark gray to green-gray backs, and the yellowbelly has an appropriately yellowish belly while the copperbelly has a pinkish to coppery tone on its underside.

Only in about the central

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

RANDLEMAN, N.C. - Pro-

Image 2, Microsoft and the

NASCAR Technical Institute

have teamed up to build eight

racecar simulators for Adam's

Race Shop at the Victory

Junction Gang Camp, which

provides year-round camp ses-

sions for children aged 7-15

with life-threatening illnesses.

The racecar simulators at

Adam's Race Shop, one of the

signature buildings at Victory

Junction Gang Camp, will allow

third of the state, a common water snake is the queen snake, a light brown reptile with a yellowish linear stripe on the lower sides of its body. It's belly is pale yellow with dark stripes.

The real cottonmouth, Kentucky's only venomous aquatic snake, is dark gray to dark brown and crossbanded, and very heavy-bodied. It's found almost exclusively in the river bottom and swamp country of far western Kentucky - and not even uniformly throughout these areas, MacGregor said.

Water snakes feed on fish, often injured or ailing fish, as well as frogs, tadpoles and other small life forms.

"They're no problem except maybe around fish hatcheries, which sort of serve as a buffet for all kinds of wildlife," MacGregor said.

MacGregor said water snakes tend to be fervent defenders if molested but otherwise are nei-

Simulators to give VJ

ther aggressive nor venom-bear-

"But you're never going to get people not to kill snakes," he

How to tell: All of Kentucky's non-venomous snakes, including waters snakes, have round eye pupils, a double row of scales on the underside of the tail beyond the anal plate, and slimmer body and only a

The pit vipers (cottonmouths, rattlesnakes and copperheads) have vertical pupils in their catlike eyes, a single row of scales on the underside of the tail, and a significantly wider, triangular shaped head.

"For a fisherman or someone who would get close to a snake in a boat, if you get right over its head and look down and see its

eyes, it's not a venomous snake," MacGregor said. "Looking straight down it, the pit viper like the cottonmouth has a ridge over its eyes that would keep you from seeing them."

Unfortunately, to those people who generally find snakes more objectionable, they generally refrain from perspectives close enough to distinguish varieties and species.

Good news about youth hunting

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

While young hunter Carson Torhorst didn't connect with a gobbler on his first turkey hunt, the time he spent in the woods this spring allowed him to connect with something far more important. Seven-year-old Carson and his father, Bill, were able to spend two weeks togeth- ticipate in big game hunting. er they'll treasure forever, thanks to a new provision in the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resource's Learn to Hunt program.

hunt with Carson. We had so much fun. It was awesome," said Bill Torhorst, volunteer for the National Wild Turkey Federation. "Carson may only be 7 years old. However, as his father, I know he's ready and mature enough to hunt with me. Not only did this experience allow us to spend time together, hunting is also a great way to teach what it means to be responsible."

Dr. Randal Eaton, evolutionary psychologist, agrees that hunting does have a positive influence on youth develop-

"Hunting itself teaches universal virtues ranging from patience and generosity to courage and humility, and the taking of life engenders respect, responsibility and compassion. It opens hearts," Eaton said in x=an article published in The Outdoor Edge.

While hunting allows for that American ideal, quality family time, and experts believe that mentoring youth in hunting teaches respect for life and responsibility, not every state offers young people the opportunity to hunt.

States with a minimum age requirement to hunt big game

Currently, 23 states restrict the age a person can hunt big game, a classification that often includes the wild turkey. Sixteen states require youth to be at least 12 years old before they can parNew York, which is the most restrictive, prevents youth under 16 years of age from hunting big game with a firearm.

"Clinging to the tradition of "I was thrilled to be able to not allowing young people to hunt until they've turned 12 or

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University of Louisville's Taquan Dean has hernia surgery

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE - Louisville junior guard Taquan Dean had surgery Wednesday to repair a hernia, the university said in a written statement.

The surgery was performed at Hahnnemann University Hospital in Philadelphia by Dr. William Meyers, the university said. It repaired two partial tears in Dean's abdominal wall.

Dean's recovery is expected to take about 12 weeks, just in time to begin individual workouts in the fall semester, the university said.

Dean averaged 10.8 points per game last year for the Cardinals, who went 20-10 during the season. He also led the team with 71 three-point field goals for the season.

Stewart returns to sports cars at **Daytona in July**

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASCAR star Tony Stewart will co-drive with sports car champion Andy Wallace in the Paul Revere 250 next month at Daytona and again in the Grand American Rolex Sports Car Series in August.

"I really feel like it will help me be a better road racer when it comes time to go to road course races with Cup this year," said Stewart, the 2002 Cup champion. "We learn so much from the guys who are professional road racers. You pick up little things here and

Stewart and Wallace combined with Dale Earnhardt Jr. in February at Daytona to finish fifth in the 24-hour race. Wallace is a former winner in the Le Mans 24-Hours, the Rolex 24 at Daytona and the 12 Hours of Sebring.

"I'm really looking forward to driving with Tony again at these two events," Wallace said. "Together with Dale Jr., we had a fantastic race as we battled it out for almost 24 hours at Daytona earlier this year."

campers to virtually race against each other and the stars of NASCAR at one time. "Before agreeing to be a part

campers ride of lifetime

campers to learn about various

aspects of professional stock car

racing by allowing up to eight

of this project, I went to see just what the Victory Junction Gang Camp was all about," said Dan Grayson, President of Pro-Image 2. "It was simply mindboggling to see the thought and effort that was placed behind making this a special place. We are certainly proud to be part of the main attraction in Adam's Race Shop and appreciate the opportunity to provide a memorable experience for the children in attendance."

Pro-Image 2 provided the design concept and technological guidance to create the simulators built by NASCAR Technical Institute student and instructor volunteers. Each of the eight simulators are run by Xbox consoles, donated by

"Microsoft is thrilled to support the Victory Junction Gang Camp through this collaboration," said Microsoft Regional Manager Fred Rubino. "These simulators will give the kids an exciting opportunity to meld technology with imagination, and we're proud to be a part of that excitement."

"NASCAR Technical Institute is proud to partner with Pro-Image 2 and Microsoft in fabricating the simulators for the Victory Junction Gang Camp," said Vice President Business Alliances

Universal/NASCAR Technical Institute Dennis Hendrix. "Because of the professionalism and the important cause behind the Victory Junction Gang Camp, the NASCAR Technical Institute team is very excited and looks forward to a long term relationship with the Victory Junction Gang Camp." Victory Junction Gang Camp

was founded by NASCAR professional racer Kyle Petty and his wife, Pattie, in honor of their late son, Adam. Once completed, the 75-acre site - which opens June 20, 2004 - will house a total of 32 buildings, including a dining hall, gym, pool, theater, therapeutic equestrian center, arts and crafts center, race shop and cabins. The camp will also offer a sophisticated, professionally-staffed medical facility capable of administering to the campers' special needs, including chemotherapy treatment.

"We brainstormed for a long time on how to allow the campers to experience racing, knowing that some campers will have physical or sight limitations," says Victory Junction Gang Camp founder and NASCAR professional racer Kyle Petty. "These simulators are the ideal way to allow children to safely experience the sight, sound, and feel of driving a race car. We are grateful to the folks at Pro-Image 2, Microsoft and the NASCAR Technical Institute for donating their time and product to build these amazing simulators.'

CTS driver to visit Hindman church

TIMES STAFF REPORT

HINDMAN - NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series driver Randy MacDonald will visit the area one week from today, Sunday, June 20. MacDonald,

an NCTS driver, Busch car driver and car owner, will share his testimony and answer questions about life on the NASCAR circuit when he visits Hindman Student Ministries Center, formerly Methodist Church.

photo by Jamie

Quarterback Trevor

Compton gives Prestonsburg a threat on the ground and through

the air.

2004 NASCAR Nextel Cup Schedule/Results June 13 - Pocono 500, Long 500, Concord, N.C. Feb. 15 - Daytona 500,

Daytona Beach, Fla. (Dale Earnhardt Jr.)

Feb. 22 - Subway 400, Rockingham, N.C. (Matt Kenseth)

UAW-March DaimlerChrysler 400, Las Vegas (Matt Kenseth) March 14 — Golden Corral

500, Hampton, Ga. (Dale Earnhardt Jr.) March 21 — Carolina Dodge

Dealers 400, Darlington, S.C. (Jimmie Johnson) March 28 - Food City 500,

Bristol, Tenn. (Kurt Busch) April

Samsung/RadioShack 500, Fort Worth, Texas (Elliott Sadler) April 18 - Advance Auto Parts 500, Martinsville, Va.

(Rusty Wallace) April 25 - Aaron's 499, Talladega, Ala. (Jeff Gordon)

May 2 - Auto Club 500, Fontana, Calif. (Jeff Gordon) May 15 - Chevy American Revolution 400, Richmond, Va.

(Dale Earnhardt Jr.) May 30 - Coca-Cola 600, Concord, N.C. (Jimmie

June 6 - MBNA America Kansas City, Kan. 400, Dover, Del. (Mark Martin)

Pond, Pa.

June 20 - Michigan 400,

June 27 — Dodge/Save Mart 350, Sonoma, Calif.

July 3 — Pepsi 400, Daytona Beach, Fla. - Tropicana 400, July 11 Joliet, Ill.

July 25 — New England 300, Loudon, N.H. Aug. 1 — Pennsylvania 500,

Long Pond Aug. 8 - Brickyard 400, Indianapolis

Aug. 15 - Sirius at The Glen, Watkins Glen, N.Y. Aug. 22 - Michigan 400,

Brooklyn Aug. 28 - Sharpie 500, Bristol, Tenn.

Sept. 5 - Pop Secret 500, Fontana, Calif.

Sept. 11 — Chevrolet Monte Carlo 400, Richmond, Va. Sept. 19 - Sylvania 300,

Loudon, N.H. Sept. 26 - MBNA America 400, Dover, Del.

Oct. 3 - EA Sports 500, Talladega, Ala. Oct. 10 - Banquet 400,

Oct. 16 - UAW-GM Quality

Oct. 24 - Subway 500,

Martinsville, Va. Oct. 31 — Bass Pro Shops

MBNA 400, Hampton, Ga. Nov. 7 — Checker Auto Parts 500, Avondale, Ariz.

Nov. 14 - Southern 500, Darlington, S.C. Nov. 21 -Ford 400, Homestead, Fla.

Driver Standings

1. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 1,963

3. Matt Kenseth, 1,784

4. Tony Stewart, 1,767

5. Jeff Gordon, 1,709

6. Kurt Busch, 1,648 7. Elliott Sadler, 1,646

8. Bobby Labonte, 1,642

9. Kevin Harvick, 1,632

12. Kasey Kahne, 1,525

13. Mark Martin, 1,521 14. Rusty Wallace, 1,505

17. Casey Mears, 1,390 18. Sterling Marlin, 1,357 19. Robby Gordon, 1,348

20. Michael Waltrip, 1,335

2. Jimmie Johnson, 1,865

10. Ryan Newman, 1,596 11. Jamie McMurray, 1,532

15. Jeremy Mayfield, 1,497 16. Dale Jarrett, 1,434 Kentucky 7on-7 Passing

photo by Jamie Howell

Prestonsburg defensive back Brandon Peters (4) ranks as one of the best players at his position in Eastern Kentucky. Peters and his teammates were in action yesterday during University of

Tournament.

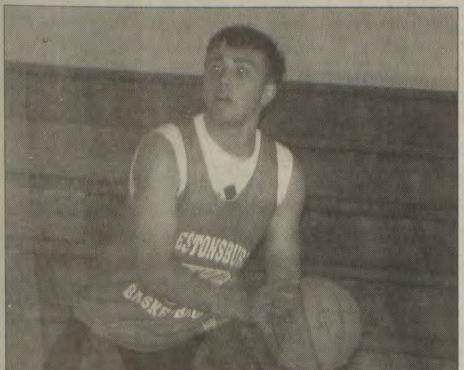


photo by Jamie

Prestonsburg's Nick McGuire looked to make a pass earlier in the month during the Johnson **Central High School Summer** Slam. Many area high school basketball keep a busy schedule throughout the summer months.

The Chuckie May race team was one of the first teams lined up outside of turn four on Wednesday evening at Eldora Speedway. THE DREAM race was held last night. Results were unavailable

at press time.

PLAYER

*-Redshirted last season



Kentucky Wesleyan put on probation

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

OWENSBORO — The Great Lakes Valley Conference has put Kentucky Wesleyan's basketball program on one-year probation.

The Division II league's Council of Presidents voted on June 3 to deem the Panthers ineligible for the conference championship, the conference's postseason tournament or the NCAA tournament. The penalties follow NCAA sanctions handed down last year for two secondary violations, said league commissioner Naumovich.

Kentucky Wesleyan officials said the sanctions were too

"The GLVC's recent decision is excessive," said president Wesley Poling. The school plans to appeal the league's decision.

Kentucky Wesleyan, an eight-time national champion, is the winningest program in Division II history, with 1,400

Last August, the NCAA ordered Kentucky Wesleyan to vacate its runner-up finish in the 2002-03 NCAA tournament because two players were ruled

ineligible. The Panthers forfeited all 31 of their victories that season and received only 10 percent of the NCAA funds it earned from its postseason run. The Panthers finished 22-8 in

Though not eligible for the league championship or postseason play, Kentucky Wesleyan will be allowed to participate in the 2004-05 regular season and its players will be eligible for individual conference awards.

The GLVC also threatened to oust the school if it did not become competitive in other sports within two years.

The league has a rule that

allows it to expel a member "that consistently fails to field competitive teams in a significant number of the conference sports, but such action may not be taken until two years after the institution is put on notice for such failure."

In 2003-04, Kentucky Wesleyan finished last in the league in six of the nine sports in which it participates.

Kentucky Wesleyan officials said the school has addressed the non-competitive issue by increasing athletic scholarships and hiring more experienced coaches in golf, tennis and vol-

H.S. SCOREBOARD

Thursday's semi-state baseball scores

Heath 4,	.Glasgow 2
Christian County 6,	
North Hardin 10,	
Trinity 6,	
Harrison County 6,	
Pulaski Southwestern 11,	
Johnson Central 3,	Hazard 1
Ashland Blazer 11,	. Rockcastle County 3

2004-05 Southeastern Conference Men's Basketball Newcomers

HOMETOWN/LAST SCHOOL

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PLAYER	PU5.	HG I.	WGI.	HOMETOWN/LAST SCHOOL
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LSU Glen Davis Garrett Temple Tyrus Thomas	F G F	6-8 6-8	260 190 200	Baton Rouge, La./University High Baton Rouge, La./University High Baton Rouge, La./McKinley HS
OLE MISS Bobby Clark Jeremy Parnell Brandon Patterson	G F/C G/F	6-6 6-9 6-6	195 240 180	Jackson, Miss./Lanier H.S. Gosnell, Ark./Gosnell H.S. Altheimer, Ark./Altheimer H.S.
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TENNESSEE Jordan Howell* Chris Lofton Andre Patterson* *-Redshirted last season	G G F	6-3 6-2 6-7	175 180 218	Aubum, Ala./Bob Jones HS Maysville, Ky./Mason County HS Los Angeles, Calif./UCLA
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13 causes us to miss an important window of opportunity," said Rob Keck, CEO of the NWTF. "The window for recruiting new hunters is when they're between 6 and 15 years old. If they're not allowed to hunt until they're 12 or older, we're missing the chance to share this time honored tradition with our children and grandchil-

Concerns about the safety record of young hunters may be unfounded. The Hunter Incident Clearinghouse database shows that in 2002, junior hunters age 11 and younger accounted for only 28 incidents, 3 percent of the 849 total incidents occurring that year.

States that have opened the door to young hunters are finding that it's a positive and safe experience. The Missouri Department of Conservation initiated a special youth turkey hunt in spring 2001 and then started the youth firearms deer hunt in the fall of the same year. These special seasons allow youth ages 6 to 15 years to pur-

chase a permit where they can hunt with an adult who has passed a hunter safety course.

Hunting is a safe activity for all ages

Hunting is actually a safe activity for all ages with only 6.1 incidents per 100,000 hunters. As of 2001, turkey hunting incidents nationwide have been reduced to 2.95 per 100,000 from a high of 8.1 per 100,000 in 1991. This reduction is due in part to the National Turkey Hunting Task Force's efforts to bring safety to the forefront.

"There's been a lot of public support for the youth hunts," said Bill Heatherly, wildlife programs supervisor for Missouri Department of Conservation. "And there have been no hunting incidents during either of Missouri's youth hunting seasons since their inception.

Ohio Division of Wildlife has found their youth hunting seasons have generated great public support. Their youth hunt program provides special seasons for hunters 17 years of age and younger accompanied by an adult who is not hunting.

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"Our first ever youth deer hunting season, held in 2003, was a big success with 15,000 to 20,000 youth participating. We received rave reviews from parents along with lots of photos of happy youngsters," said Steve Gray, chief of the Ohio Division of Wildlife. "And by expanding our youth turkey season this year from just public lands to all lands statewide, we involved over 6,500 youth."

While Ohio's youth deer and turkey seasons are new, the Division of Wildlife has offered special youth rabbit, pheasant, quail and waterfowl seasons for years. Since 1999, only 5 nonfatal incidents, out of thousands of participants, can be attributed to junior hunters.

"Adult supervision is a critical part of hunter safety. The combination of a young person with an experienced adult creates the safest hunters out there," said Keck. "Today's hunters need to understand they are the key to our future because it takes a hunter willing to serve as a mentor to make another hunter."

With a good track record when it comes to safety and the quality time it offers families in today's busy, demanding world, some people wonder why more states aren't working to offer youth hunting.

"Parents and grandparents in states that don't allow youth hunting are really missing something, Torhorst said. "Not only did I get to hunt with Carson, he got to help call in the very first turkey his mother has ever taken. His 19-year-old sister Cassie also hunted with Carson, my wife and me. It really was a family affair this year. We all shared some very magical, very special moments this spring."

Match-ups set for Big Ten/ACC Challenge

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

The sixth annual Big Ten/ACC Challenge match-ups have been determined with the event once again featuring top college basketball programs playing for conference supremacy and the Commissioner's Cup. ESPN and ESPN2 will combine to televise the nine-game Challenge Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, November 29 through December 1, from nine different college campuses. It will mark the third consecutive year that every game will be televised nationally in a threeday schedule (ESPN Regional Television televised one game each of the first three years).

Since 2000, these two conferences have combined to make 10 Final Four appearances, capturing three of the last five NCAA Championships. In addition, the Big Ten and ACC rank either first or second in all-time NCAA Tournament bids, victories and Final Four appearances.

Big Ten/ACC Challenge Schedule (ALL TIMES ET)

Monday, Nov. 29 7 p.m. - ESPN2 - Purdue at N.C. State

Tuesday, Nov. 30

Georgia Tech 7:30 p.m. - ESPN2 - Florida State at Minnesota 9 p.m. - ESPN - Michigan

State at Duke 9:30 p.m. - ESPN2 Maryland at Wisconsin Wednesday, Dec: 1

7 p.m. - ESPN - Wake Forest at Illinois 7:30 p.m. - ESPN2 - Ohio

State at Clemson 9 p.m. - ESPN - North Carolina at Indiana

9:30 p.m. - ESPN2 Virginia at Northwestern

Senior development clinic set for today

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE - The University of Louisville football team will hold its Senior Development Clinic today. The Senior Development Clinic is for upcoming high school seniors only. Participants will be instructed and tested in an NFLstyle combine. For a price of \$25, they will be taught 7 p.m. - ESPN - Michigan at advanced skills in speed 502/852-6325.

improvement and agility for their position. The U of L coaching staff will work with the campers on drills for their specific positions, and instruct each camper on the rules and certification procedures you must go through in order to be eligible under NCAA guidelines.

For more information or to register contact the University of Louisville football office at

www.americanheart.org

Little League mourns the passing of President Reagan

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. – Along with America, Little League mourns the passing of Ronald Reagan, 40th President of the United States.

President Reagan was a great baseball fan, often meeting with Little League Baseball World Series participants while he was in office both as president, as the governor of California, and after he left public office.

At the start of President Reagan's eight years in the Oval Office, not a single Little Leaguer was playing in the countries of Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Bloc.

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Once, a 19-1 longshot, won the

featured \$49,100 allowance race

Thursday for fillies and mares, 3-

year-olds and up at Churchill

Touch Gold, covered the 1 1/4

miles in 2:06.20 and paid \$40.60,

\$16.20 and \$4.00. All At Once,

The 3-year-old daughter of

LOUISVILLE - All At

All At Once pulls

upset in feature race

at Churchill Downs

Because of the demise of Communism brought about during President Reagan's tenure, local Little League programs have sprung up in the countries of Albania, Armenia, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Macedonia, Moldova, Poland, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan.

"Tens of thousands of children in those countries have played Little League and enjoyed its benefits in the past 15 years, with millions more in generations to come," said Stephen D. Keener, president and chief executive officer of

ridden by Joe Johnson, was ninth

second. She paid \$7.60 and

\$2.80. Silent Oath finished third

trained by Gary Hartlage, All At

Once earned \$30,745 to more

than double her career earnings to

\$57,440. The win was her second

and paid \$2.20.

in seven starts.

Munchkin closed late to finish

Owned by Anita Ebert and

in her other only start this year.

Little League Baseball and Softball. "More importantly, however, hundreds of millions of people now enjoy the blessings of freedom and liberty, thanks in large part to the leadership of President Reagan. Our thoughts and prayers go to his family and all who knew him."

Games

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in the first round of the Class A Football State Tournament. Lynn Camp, the eventual region champ, prevailed, winning 47-20.

South Floyd was successful on both sides of the football during the 2003 season, outscoring opponents 342-272.

"We got back to the playoffs last season, and that's a goal we had set," noted South Floyd head coach Donny Daniels.

South Floyd was able to get

South Floyd was able to get some spring practice time in a couple of months back and will begin fall practice some time in July.

South Floyd High School 2004 Football Schedule

> Aug. 20 Powell County Aug. 27 Pike County Central (Shorty Jamerson Bowl) Sept. 3 East Ridge

Sept. 10 at Phelps Sept. 17 at Pikeville

Sept. 24 at Fleming-Neon Oct. 1 at Jenkins Oct. 8 Hazard

Oct. 15 Allen Central Oct. 22 Paintsville

Oct. 29 Open

Olympic Stadium gets first test at Greek track championships

by ROB GLOSTER ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATHENS, Greece — From the air, the long-awaited Olympic stadium looks like a butterfly. From the ground, it seems to need a little more time in its cocoon.

The unfinished centerpiece of the Athens Games got its first test Thursday, hosting the Greek track and field championships as bulldozers and cranes continued preparing the site for the Summer Olympics that begin in two months.

With construction workers in

Morehead State University Football Camps

2004 Camp Sessions 7-on-7 Passing League June 22-23 July 12-13 Cost per team - \$150

Run & Soar (Individual Camp/Two-Day Camp) June 17-18 Cost per individual - \$100

High School Team Camp July 25-July 31 Aug. 1-7 Cost - \$39 per athlete

Call Coach John Gilliam, Camp Coordinator, in the MSU Football Office at 606/783-2151 for information about football camps. hard hats peering down from the ballyhooed steel-and-glass roof and a handful of spectators sitting on pipes destined to become prime seats, the stadium hosted its first — and only — event before the Aug. 13-29 Olympics.

The pounding of jackhammers was interrupted by a starter's pistol. Temporary signs directed visitors to their "seats" and to a storage area for baby strollers. Six workers in overalls swept dirt off the marble steps leading to an entrance.

But the nine-lane track is in great shape, one of the two score-boards is working and few athletes seemed bothered by the commotion surrounding the track. For many, it was the culmination of a long and anxious wait.

"I'm very impressed. It's almost done," said Ekaterini Thanou, the defending Olympic silver medalist in the women's 100 meters. "We have two months more to finish some small things."

Organizers will use the threeday championships as a way to test the 75,000-seat stadium that will host the Olympic opening and closing ceremonies as well as track and field events. It will be a run-through for 700 volunteers, as well as countless police and other security personnel.

Though organizers said they would have staffers purposely try to circumvent metal detectors during the championships to see if the security system works, there was little sense of urgency on a sun-swept Thursday morn-

A reporter who showed up 15 minutes before the start of the first event, the men's discus

Program

season was capped off with an appearance in the State Playoffs.

As a senior, he was named All-State in both sports by the Louisville Courier-Journal.

"Adam is an exceptional football player," said South Floyd High football coach Donny Daniels. "He's a player that'll do anything you ask of him. He loves to compete. During his senior (football) season he played nearly every down."

Morehead State finished the 2003 season with an 8-3 record and won its second consecutive Pioneer Football League South Division Championship.

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Tackett will play for Eagle head coach Matt Ballard. Ballard, the 2002 and 2003 Pioneer Football League South Division Coach of the Year, became Morehead State University's all-time winningest football coach in 2003, his 10th season at the helm of the Eagle football program.

Ballard is a former head football coach at Union College and assistant head coach and defensive coordinator at MSU. Prestonsburg native John Gilliam is the Morehead State defensive coordinator. Tackett will likely play in the Morehead State grid program as a defenthrow, got bemused looks from the 11 police officers at one security checkpoint when he offered to open his laptop bag for inspection. The police waved him through without opening the bag.

Security seemed tighter at night, with all visitors directed through metal detectors.

Signs around the stadium implored visitors to "Please Keep the Venue Clean," but that was a lost cause. The area ringing the stadium is a pile of rubble, and everything inside is coated with dirt. One officer stooped to wipe dirt off his blue-gray pants. A row of concrete-caked shoes lined a hallway.

There are about 8,000 seats in place, and organizers told Athenians they could attend for free. But only a few dozen were on hand as the championships started Thursday morning. For the evening session, perhaps 2,500 spectators were in the stands.

VIPs sat on plastic chairs. Pipes poked out of the marble floor in the media center. Wires hung from ceilings, wheelbarrows sat idle in rooms destined to become offices.

The two arches of the massive roof, designed by Spanish architect Santiago Calatrava, are in place and many of the glass panels have been installed. Mired in delays that at one point led Olympic officials to consider eliminating the roof, it soars gracefully above the stadium.

The roof is part of a massive remodeling of the stadium for the Olympics. The total price tag for work on the main Olympic complex — which includes several other facilities — was more than \$250 million.

Landscaping will be done later. The rubble now dotted with backhoes and cranes eventually will include tree-lined promenades, fountains and flowers. More than 3,000 trees will be planted in coming weeks, along with 160,000 shrubs.

"It'll be beautiful when it's done," said John Kirkland of Orlando, Fla., who with three friends watched the morning session. "But I just don't see (the Athens Olympics) being polished like Atlanta or Sydney."

One of his traveling companions, Gretchen Wolfe of Tampa, Fla., said she was a bit unnerved by the construction workers on the roof high above her head.

"We sat down and looked up, and we started saying, 'What if something breaks?"' she said.

Reds

2004 Reds tryout camp schedule

ale	Tillie	Location
ine 16	10 a.m.	Derby City Field
ine 20	1 p.m.	University of Cincinnati
ine 21	10 a.m.	Fifth Third Field
ine 22	10 a.m.	Henry Clay High School
ine 23	10 a.m.	Dublin Coffman High School
ine 24	10 a.m.	Cleveland State U./Forest Hills Park
ine 26	10 a.m.	Butler University
ine 27	1 p.m.	Ottawa-Glandorf High School
une 30	10 a.m.	Lone Oak High School

Location

City/State

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Louisville
Cincinnati
Dayton, Ohio
Lexington
Columbus
Cleveland
Indianapolis
Ottawa, Ohio
Paducah

Lucas Waters signs to play baseball for Eastern Kentucky

TIMES STAFF REPORT

RICHMOND – Eastern Kentucky University head base-ball coach Elvis Dominguez has announced the signing of Lucas Waters to a national letter of intent. Waters is scheduled to enroll at EKU and play for the Colonels during the 2004-2005 school year.

Waters is a 5-11 middle infielder from Stearns, where he was a four-year starter for the McCreary Central baseball team. As a senior, Waters batted .373 with 12 doubles, seven triples, 30 runs scored and 28 stolen bases in 28 attempts for the Raiders. He was named All-District and All-Region the past two seasons and was a member of the District and Regional All-Tournament teams both years, as well. Waters was selected to play in the Kentucky East-West All-Star game and in the summer of 2003, he was a member of the American Legion's Somerset Twins team that won a state championship. Waters batted .316 for the Twins and led the team in runs batted in, triples and stolen bases and ranked second on the team in hits and

Waters was a two-year starter and is a member of McCreary Central's 1000-point club after averaging 20 points per game as a senior. He was named to the 47th district All-Tournament team for basketball after scoring

Bengals

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tackle Mondre Dickerson was

waived Wednesday by the

Cincinnati Bengals, who signed

him as an undrafted free agent in

Tennessee and was one of 18

college free agents signed by the

Bengals after the draft. The

Bengals are looking to upgrade

played

CINCINNATI - Defensive

21 points in the Raiders' loss to Wayne County in the district championship game. Waters was named Honorable Mention All-State by the Courier-Journal last year and received All-District and All-Region honors. He was also named to the Academic All-Region team.

"This young man is a tremendous athlete and he will have a chance to make an immediate impact on our program as a freshman," said Dominguez. "Lucas is a slick-fielder, he runs well and he has great hands. He will fit well into our style of play because of the way he runs and we're excited to have him at EKU."

Waters becomes just the second McCreary Central baseball player to play Division I base-

Slone signs to play for Marshall

Former Paintsville High School baseball standout Jeremy Slone has signed to play for Marshall University. Slone has spent the past two seasons playing for Saint Catherine College. Marshall is coached by Dave Piepenbrink. Marshall finished the 2004 season with a 27-27 record (10-13 in the conference). For the first time since returning to the MAC (Mid-American Conference), Marshall won four conference series.

- Steve LeMaster

Marshall University Summer Camps

Baseball

MU Summer Baseball Camp Ages: 8-12

Cost: \$150 for one week; \$225 for two children for one week Time: 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Dates: June 21-24, 2004 (June 25 rain day)

Where: University Heights Baseball Field (Marshall's home venue) Contact: Tom 304/696-6454

Men's Basketball
High Intensity Camp: June

Father/Child Camp: June 19-20

Day Camp: June 21-25 Contact the basketball office at 304/696-6460 for more information.

Brooks

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and Candace Brown; Sean and Mandi Casey; Steve and Amy Finley; Keith and Mandy Foulke; Jason and Kristian Giambi; Jeremy and Naia Giambi; Mark and Tanya Grace; Jason and Dana Grimsley; Mike and Kautia Hampton; Shea and Jessica Hillenbrand; Sterling and Carrey Hitchcock; Al and Lori Leiter; Greg and Kathy Maddux; Matt and Erica Mantei; Kevin and Rena Millwood; Eric and Kim Milton; Mike and Robyn Myers; Rick and Dee Reed; Harold Reynolds; Reggie and Wyndee Sanders; Curt and Shonda Schilling; Mike and Shara Sweeney; Steve and Sarah Trachsel; Larry and Angela Walker; and Todd and Julianne

The Challenger Division is Little League's fastest-growing division, with more than 25,000 participants annually. This groundbreaking program enables every child the opportunity to participate in a structured athletic program – regardless of their ability. It also helps to establish strong bonds of friendship and understanding between Little Leaguers from other programs and Challenger children in an atmosphere of sharing and caring.

Little League Baseball and

Little League Baseball and Softball is the world's largest organized youth sports program, with nearly 2.7 million players and 1 million adult volunteers in every U.S. state and scores of other countries.

Camp

April.

Dickerson

their defensive line.

During a phone interview Friday, Webb expressed his optimism in regards to the upcoming season. "We have a group coming back," said Webb. "Our outside game has really improved. We're looking forward to playing some other people."

The MSU team camp began

Friday and will run through today.

South Floyd posted an 18-11

South Floyd posted an 18-11 record last season. The Raiders fell to upset-minded Prestonsburg in the first round of the 58th District Tournament.

South Floyd will play in a variety of tournaments during

the 2004-05 season, including the renewed Jenny Wiley Invitational. Another game penciled in for the Raiders is against the Oak Hill Academy Red Team.

25th Annual Kyle Macy Basketball Camps

2004 Camp Sessions
Today: High School Team

Today: High School Team
Camp
Morehead State University

(concludes today)
June 14 - June 17: Morehead
Day Camp

Morehead State University

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Boys & Girls 6-15 June 17 – June 19: High School Team Camp

Morehead State University
June 21 - June 24: Russell
Day Camp

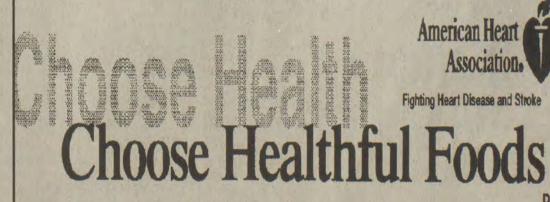
Russell High & Primary Schools Boys & Girls 6-15

June 27 – July 1: Morehead Overnight Camp

Morehead State University Boys 10-18

July 5 - July 8: Lexington
Day Camp
Lexington Christian

Academy Boys & Girls 6-15



TODAY'S FREEBIE

Look in your paper today and every day for a value worth more than the cost of the paper. PAGE A3

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SPECIAL COLUMN

This Town, That World

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

IR PERFECT MEN MAKE MACHINES IMPERFECT

If it had to happen, we're glad it was Martin County and not Floyd, that "jimmied" the voting machines. We're sold on the machine method of voting, but not beyond manipulation if there's an absolute unanimity of opinion among those in charge that manipulation is the thing to do.

This comment from Martin

"It used to be Mr. Green who counted-now it's the Lever Brothers.'

Did you hear about the student who had so much of the rabbit in his system that he was afraid of a dog-eared book? Or the fellow who was so chicken he was afraid to open his mouth, lest he lay an egg?

COMPLETE DISGUISE

'Uncle" Mart Crabtree was telling the fellows at the courthouse, Wednesday, of the time when a "revenooer," name of John Hall, ventured into a lawless "river" section, down in his home state of Tennesseee, years ago, and got himself killed by a moonshiner. Everybody in the vicinity was haled into court during the investigation, as the law made a

(See WORLD, page seven)

Please, keep 'em coming!

Our pet photos file needs replenishing, and we know that you have lots of precious pics to share with us, so, please, send them along! And while you're at it, help Dr. Carol get her creative thoughts jumpstarted by sending along a few questions about "pet things you've always wanted to know but have been afraid to ask"! You can send both pictures and questions to: Kathy Prater at the Floyd Courty Times, P.O. Box 390, Presumsburg, KY 41653, or you may e-mail to: features @ floydcountytimes.com. You may also send questions only to Dr. Carol at: 1768 KY Rt. 7, Estill, KY 41666, or email to: carolbcac@tiusa.net. We'll be waiting to hear from you!

APPALACHIA



Ernest Dale Brewer

Age: 38 Occupation: Director of Wellness Rehabilitation Center at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Education: Undergraduate studies at Steve F. Austin State University, Athletic Trainers Certificate; MA, Texas Woman's University

Life quote: "I don't want to look back on my life when I'm 95 years old and say, 'Boy, I should have done this or I should have done that.' I want to be able to say, 'Man, wasn't that great!"

About 'Meet Appalachia'

The people portrayed in this section are people I've met as I walk along the road of my life. They were on a street, in a store or restaurant. They were recommended by a friend, or the friend of a friend, as the old trend goes. All of them see life as they see it. I am only here to tell their stories as I see them. These are their hopes and challenges. These are their dreams and accomplishments. These are what they allow them to

- MARY MUSIC

Ernest Brewer, **Physical Therapist**

I met Ernest Brewer through a friend of mine. who correctly described the man as witty and outgoing. He is contagiously humorous, and although he doesn't readily admit it, he's fairly sentimental about the things he holds dearest to his heart. His eyes tell that story when he talks about his childhood or when he sings the song he wrote for his son.

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

He stands near the counter, watching the 60 year old woman racing on the treadmill. Suffering with severe knee pain, she came to the center several months ago at the behest of her employer. He remembers the initial meeting, how she walked, head down, into his office, wishing to be anywhere but there. She didn't think he could help her, but he knew differently.

'Just look at her go," someone says, noticing sweat beading on the woman's forehead, the determination in her steps. The man smiles: "She's learned to

live again."

Meet Earnest Brewer, Director of the Wellness and Rehabilitation Center at

Highlands Regional. Through his experiences and his career in physical therapy, Ernest says he's learned the significance of mortality.

"Life is extremely short," he said. "The things you do in your life, no matter how puny you might think that act was, no matter how unessential you think it is, I guarantee you, its affected somebody else. Everything you do affects the people around you. Everything, no matter how small it seems to be.'

For this reason, Ernest clings to the positivity, surrounding himself with people who burst with personality and motivation. He says he "fully enjoys life" and believes the most important aspects of it involve both spiritual and personal relationships.

"Being around positive people energizes you," he said. "This life is way too short to fool around with looking at all the mud. . .. I can find humor in the drabbest of places. My job is to help those who are sick get motivated enough to get going. I do that by using my sense of humor and by making a personal connection with them. It's not always easy to find something humorous in a person whose terminally ill, but it sure is glorious when you find it."

A Texas native, Ernest lives life large and with purpose. He believes that

(See BREWER, page seven)

MOVIES FROM THE BLACK LAGOON

SPASMS -1982, Rated R

Oliver Reed bounced back from his role in VENOM(see last week's Lagoon) and scored another paycheck for this giant snake flick. Though bigger is usually better this snake movie only has a few scary moments though they deliver on the requisite gore(the snake attack on a college dormitory is a highlight). The reason to rent this one, though, is for its goofiness. Check this out.

Reed stars as a big game hunter who suffers from nightmares in which he relive an expedition which brought him face to face with a giant



Tom Doty Staff Writer

snake, called Narka-Pintu. He also begins to have visions where he is the snake and starts to believe that it is coming to get him. Like an idiot he arranges to have some hunters capture it. They do just that but not in

time to save several natives who conjure the beast only to find out that it hasn't eaten in a long time.

While the snake is in transit Reed hires a fallen psychiatrist to treat him for his growing obsession with Pintu. The psychiatrist,a sleepwalking performance by Peter Fonda, shows up and tries to help. He reveals that Reed is telepathically linked to the snake via a bite he received(this guys a psychiatrist?). There is also a dull detective on hand who doesn't buy Fonda's theory(he's dull not dumb). The snake ,of course, escapes from captivity and heads for Reeds place. Along the way he stops to nosh on some co-eds but we all know where this heading. The climax features Reed and Fonda taking on the snake and it is a pretty good showdown. The only problem is that Reed, the great hunter, decides to bag his elephant gun so he can take on the snake with only a dagger. This action is so crazy that the psychiatrist doesn't even bother trying to analyze it.

This one is fun but a little boring in the middle. Things heat up when the snake escapes .The serpent gets all of the best stuff here including some nifty special effects which graphically demonstrate the seriousness of its "death bite" (the film's original title). The creature also gets its own theme song courtesy of Tangerine Dream . The acting is generally good except for Peter Fonda who has all of the onscreen charisma of a turnip. Look for this one in the dollar rental section and don't expect a special edition DVD anytime soon. Best Line: "This supports my theory of viral telepathy.'

Chicken Soup for the Soul: I'm Daddy's Girl



One evening not long ago, my husband stayed home with the children while I went to the grocery store. Shopping for a family of six when four of them are males takes a while, so it was late when I got home. When I walked back into the house, all was dark and unusually quiet. After setting down a bag of groceries, I tiptoed into the bedroom, lighted by the soft glow of the moon sifting through the window. Scott was lying there, his hands folded behind his head, staring at the ceiling. He seemed so pensive, I immediately thought something was both-

"Hey," I said softly and sat down on the bed beside him. "What's the matter?"

'Aw, I was just thinking about my daughter," he grinned sheepishly. "And how much I love her."

Evidently, it had been a very good evening. "What happened with Rachel tonight?" I asked.

"Well," he sighed and searched for words to convey what he was feeling. "I had built a fire outside to burn some excess wood, and the telephone rang. It turned out to be a tough discussion with someone, and I was

upset. So I went outside to unwind by the fire, and, before long, our little girl came out of the house and snuggled by my side.

'Dad,' she told me, 'you look like you could use a hug." He paused

briefly and breathed a contented sigh. "She's my little sweetheart, you

"I know," I smiled as I rubbed the back of my husband's neck. "And I hope she always will be." The next evening Scott came

home from work and found me asleep on the couch. He woke me by tickling my nose with a longstemmed red rose. Before I could properly gush over it, Rachel strolled in from her room, beaming from ear to ear, her strawberry-blond curls boing-yoinging happily as she plopped down on the sofa beside me. In her small, slender hands she held a lavender basket of fresh daisies and pink carnations. Tucked into the arrangement was a card in Scott's handwriting.

'Thanks for the hug," it read. Rachel's brown eyes twinkled, and she smiled triumphantly in my direction. "You just got one flower. Daddy gave me a whole basket!"

Co-op News: Providing Summer Pasture for Horses

Ray Tackett,
County Extension Agent for
Agriculture & Natural
Resources

Pasture provides a significant percentage of horses' nutrient needs. Although horses have more grass than they can consume in the spring when moisture is adequate, the hot, dry conditions of summer greatly reduce available pasture. Good management* is the key to getting through this growth slump.

Some livestock producers might use temporary summer pasture to overcome the summer growth slump. However, horse owners do not have this option, because many forages used for summer pastures are not suitable for horses. For example, a beef cattle producer might use a sorghum-sudan hybrid. Horse owners should avoid this hybrid because it is known to cause serious problems in their animals.

Pearl millet is a potential forage for horse pastures during summer growth slumps. Owners considering this forage need to practice good grazing management strategies such as rotating horses off pasture when it has been grazed to five to six inches high.

Rotational grazing on cool summer forages is another way to provide some pasture during the growth slump. When using this system, it is important to prevent overgrazing.

Dividing pastures with an electric fence is a cost-effective way to allow horses to graze one area while limiting access to others until the forage is needed. Owners need to limit time on an area so horses do not graze the forage below three to four inch-

If conditions limit pasture regrowth, owners may establish a "sacrifice area" to feed hay and grain to meet horses' nutritional needs. Using a suitable feeder will reduce hay waste. "Sacrifice areas" are similar to a dry lot, but are an effective way to protect the remaining pastures.

Source: Bob Coleman

For more information, contact Ray Tackett at the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Service at 886-2668.

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DIABUDDIES CORNER

Tip of the week: (www.diabetes.org)

Pregnant women who have never had diabetes before but 3/4 who have high blood sugar (glucose) levels during pregnancy are said to have gestational diabetes. Gestational diabetes affects about 4% of all pregnant women - about 135,000 cases of gestational diabetes in the United States each year.

Recipe of the week: (www.equal.com)

Cranberry Orange Muffins-12 Muffins

Ingredients:

1-3/4 cups all-purpose flour 1 cup chopped fresh, frozen or dried cranberries

2/3 cup Equal® Spoonful*
2 teaspoons baking powder

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3/4 teaspoon ground cinna-

1/4 teaspoon salt 1 cup 2% milk

3 tablespoons vegetable oil

1 egg

*May substitute 16 packets Equal sweetener Preparation:

Lightly coat 12 muffin cups with nonstick spray or line with paper-liners; set aside.

Combine flour, cranberries, Equal®, baking powder, orange peel, cinnamon and salt. Stir in milk, oil and egg until all ingredients are just moistened. Spoon batter into muffin cups, filling 3/4 full.

Bake in preheated 375° F oven 16 to 18 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool in pan 10 minutes. Remove muffins from pan and cool on wire rack. Serve warm or at room temperature.

Calories: 120
Protein: 3 g
Carbohydrates: 17 g
Fat: 5 g
Cholesterol: 19 mg
Sodium: 148 mg
Food Exchanges: 1 Starch, 1

JWT and Community Trust Bank Invite you to the Opening Night of Peter Pan

Jenny Wiley Theatre & Community Trust Bank Invite you to the Opening Night of Peter Pan And the Peter Pan Kids Festival Sponsored by May Block & Concrete Products. Friday, June 18

Come fly away with Peter Pan to Never-Never Land at Jenny Wiley Theatre's Peter Pan Kids Festival. On Friday, June 18, bring your entire family to Jenny Wiley Theatre for a fun-filled family event with games, face painting, prizes, photos with the characters and food, all in a festival atmosphere. The Peter Pan Kids Festival will also have a silent auction with youth oriented items including 2 X Box Video Game Systems, Special Edition Shrek DVD's and Movie Passes, a little girl's tea set, a Cincinnati Reds Weekend plus many more items. Kids dressed in Peter Pan themed costumes will receive 1 free game ticket and be brought up on stage for a group picture before the show begins. Then join the excitement as Peter, Wendy, Michael and John fly through the air to battle Captain Hook and his motley crew of pirates! Festival begins at 6 PM. Tickets for the Peter Pan Kids Festival include reception, 1 game ticket and show. Additional game tickets will be available.

For more information call 1-877-CALL-JWT or go online at www.jwtheatre.com.

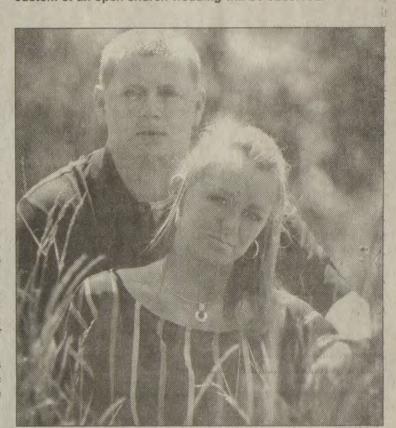
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Weddings



Prater-Lafferty

Barbara Prater and Lee Lafferty are pleased to announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage. Barbara is the daughter of Jackie Prater, of Langley. Lee is the son of Ironton and Carol Lafferty, of Martin. The couple will wed in a ceremony that will take place on Saturday, June 19, 2004, at half past two o'clock in the afternoon, at the Graceway United Methodist Church, at Langley. Following a honeymoon trip to Tennessee, the newlyweds will return to reside in Langley. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed.



Little-Barnett

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Little Jr., of Kite, are pleased to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Melissa, to Jimmy Barnett, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Barnett, of Dema. Jimmy is the grandson of Jimmy and Rita Nickles, of Dema, and Freda Calhoun, of Martin, and the late Radford Knox Barnett. The couple will wed in a ceremony that will take place on Saturday, June 19, 2004, at 5:30 p.m., at the Garrett First Baptist Church. A reception will immediately follow at the Holiday Inn. Prestonsburg. Both Melissa and Jimmy are students at Eastern Kentucky University, they will reside in Richmond.

World

determined effort to learn the identity of the killer.

"Did you see this man John Hall shot?" a lanky individual was asked.

"Not exactly," he replied.
"Do you know who shot him?"
"Not exactly."

As the questioning persisted, the "witness" casualty remarked that as near as he could make out the fellow who shot the revenue agent was disguised.

"Disguised, what sort of disguise did he have?

"Wa-al," drawled the witness," as I recollect, he was a-wearin' a clean shirt."

"CHART AND COMPASS"

Fred Vinson Jr., son of the late Louisa native who was chief justice of the Supreme Court, recently took the oath of office as assistant U.S. attorney general, and the Bible used was the one employed at every oath-taking by his father after he left Congress.

Writes a Washington columnist:

The interesting thing about the Bible is that it was a wedding gift

to the senior Fred Vinsons when they were married on January 24, 1923. On the flyleaf, the donor, a prominent Kentucky lawyer, wrote: "Chart and Compass for the Voyage." Twenty-three years later on their wedding anniversary the late Chief Judge Lawrence Groner of the U. S. Court of Appeals wrote under the first inscription and signature: "As the result of which he has kept his rudder true," and signed his name.

"TAXES"—NAUGHTY WORD!

That stuck-pig scream you may or may not have heard, Wednesday morning, was the reaction of property owners who felt the Court of Appeals had done a fair job of seeing to it that they will be neatly quartered and roughly drawn, come January 1.

Personally, I'm all for it. If our counties and our schools are worth maintaining, let's get it done, and let everybody chip in his honest share of the cost. But I am not naive enough to think one court order will be all that is necessary to get everybody's property assessed at fair market value.

We talk about the dole—how many accept a free ride, or the next thing thereto, in this matter of paying taxes?

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Suppose all of us were to let our taxes go and sit back and watch them advertise our real estate for sale—what would happen? Nobody has ever yet forfeited an inch of real estate to Floyd County, because he didn't pay his taxes; the property is advertised, names and amounts due go on a book, a few pay, when and if, the notion strikes them, or if the property is transferred. End of sentence; end of the whole matter.

Another thought arises. It might not be necessary to sell real estate at all if tax collectors would "track" the law and levy on personal property first. If you want to get a taxpayer to "divvy up," just start out the door with his television set.

Thomas Jefferson is quoted as having told Chief Justice Marshall, "You have handed down your opinion—now, enforce it." Some would pass the same word on to the Court of Appeals.

Brewer

people can create their own world, through self actualization, a process of envisioning a concept, then following through with the realistic creation of the idea. That's what he's done, and continues to do, with his own life. He's currently partnered with several others in 3 separate business ventures, all of which began as mere concepts that grew into reality. He's a co-owner and financial supporter of The Red Brick Oven, a bakery in Ohio; Associates of Technology, a Dish Network Satellite Company in Lexington; and, his pride and joy, Unique Origins, a specialty shop at the Huntington Mall that opened this month.

Unique Origins began with Ernest's desire to capture the Mexican marketplace atmosphere that he became accustomed to while visiting the country years ago. He grew up in a small, neighborly town 5 miles outside of Mexico, which gave him the perfect opportunity to tour on a regular basis. Crossing the border, he recalled, was a step back into a third world, but the marketplace was completely overwhelming.

"If somebody came down from up North-and by up north, I mean it could have been someone from Houston, as far south as we were— they always wanted to go to Mexico," he said. "I loved taking them to the marketplace because there was so much to see, so much going on. It overwhelms your senses....You could walk into one booth, and they'd have tapestry, intricately woven with all kinds of colors. In the next booth, you'd find ornate icons or religious things. The next one, you'd find some horrible

grotesque, gothic looking thing, and the next booth would be a butcher's shop with slabs of meat actually hanging.When going into this type of setting, it was always fun to watch their expressions—to see the excitement in their eyes, even fear in their eyes, all at the same time."

Ernest took a particular interest in observing what these northerners purchased on their Mexican excursions. It puzzled him to watch businessmen walk out with 4 ft sombreros or huge bull horns, things they would never really use for any significant purpose. But he solved that puzzle a few years ago when he realized that people just wanted to capture a piece, a taste, of the outrageous Mexican marketplace atmosphere.

Though the Unique Origins concept began relatively small, it didn't take long before it expanded, utilizing imported goods and crafts from countries all over the world.

"The sole purpose of the store is the experience," he said. "When people walk through the door, and they feel like they've been someplace, that's when you know you've got it right."

The store, co-owned by primary operator Tammy Johnson and fellow physical therapist Nathan Bricken, has to be bold enough for people to say "Wow!", Ernest said, noting that he only carries "extraordinary" pieces of art.

Originally, the store was completely supported by foreign country imports. That changed, however, when Ernest went through a "radical" patriotic, political, and spiritual change, a change which came about after local companies like Sykes and American Standard sold their jobs to cheaper foreign countries.

"It irked me to think I was part of the problem and not the solution," he said, detailing his decision to include the work of local artisans at the shop, a decision that changed his view of the region. "Right here, right among us, even within about 5 miles or less, are some very, very talented people. The artistic talents of these people will blow you

In searching for local craftsmen, Ernest developed friendships with people whose "meager lifestyles would make millionaires jealous."

There's a real sense of community among the craftspeople here, he says, one that is evident in their willingness to "love life so much that they do the things they want to do on a regular basis."

"They're purely motivated by the creation of their work," he said. "There's been very few that I'm dealing with that are motivated by the financial end. They create the stuff because they need to create. In this day and age when people are motivated by various things, it's refreshing to see that people are still motivated by their love for their family, their love for their god, their love for their passions in life."

Even if the store flops, Ernest says that the experience of getting to know these people has been worth it.

Ernest grew up the youngest of three siblings. "It's good to be king," he laughed, when asked about his childhood. His hometown was the "idea place" to

grow up— a community oriented neighborhood where people felt safe enough to keep their doors unlocked at night. He and his friends spent a lot of time building forts, romping, and getting into "meanness" like jumping burning Christmas trees on their

"Have you ever set fire to a ping pong ball?" he asked, smil-

The youngest child, Ernest felt closer to his nephew, 3 years his minor, than he did to his older siblings, who were well into their teenaged years before he came along. He says that his oldest brother taught him how to drink, how to drive— "not at the same time," of course—how to cuss, and how to treat women (a reason, perhaps, he attended a female college).

With the deaths of both of his parents, Ernest says he's lost part of his identity. The family home is now up for sale and it no longer stands as the gathering place for holidays or family get-togethers, a reality that will make it harder for his son, Blake, to understand his own origins.

Ernest moved to Kentucky, in search for a new view of life, when he was 28 years old. His first Christmas here was the first time he'd ever seen snow. He married Debi, a respiratory therapist, in 1991. They are expecting their second child in October. Ernest, who also dabbles as a musician and an artist, says he was "born to be a father" and that he married his wife because he "couldn't live without her."

The family resides in Hueysville.



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The grand opening of Unique Origins.

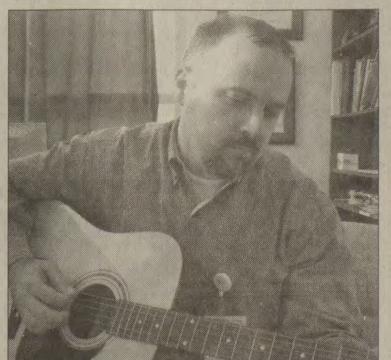
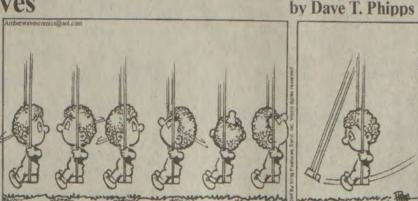


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Ernest plays a song he wrote for his son.

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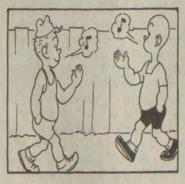
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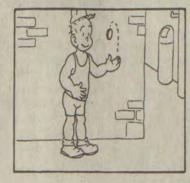
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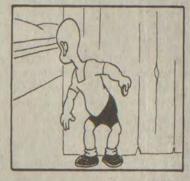


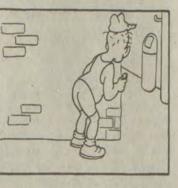


















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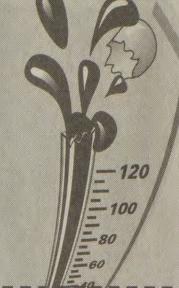


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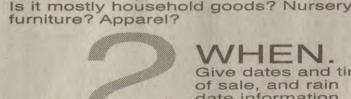
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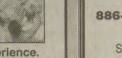


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