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Toddler found alone

by JOYAL FRAZIER
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A 2-year-old child was found wandering around alone outside of Cliffside Apartments, according to a police report filed late last week.

The police report stated that neighbors of the child found her and contacted police about 1 a.m. June 14. The child's mother, Pamela Coleman, 27, allegedly told police that she had fallen asleep and was not aware that the child was outside of their apartment. Both Coleman and the child are residents at Cliffside Apartments in Prestonsburg.

Coleman now faces a charge of endangering the welfare of a minor, which is a misdemeanor charge, and is scheduled to be arraigned in district court on July 14 by Judge Eric D. Hall.

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Today
Isolated storms
High: 78 • Low: 60

Thursday
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Prosecution presents sex abuse case

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The prosecution finished presenting its case against accused child molester Leonard Martin, of Teaberry, after a day-and-a-half of testimony that concluded Tuesday morning.

The proceedings were rife with emotion. It began when Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Wayne Taylor got choked up while describ-

ing the events that allegedly befell the commonwealth's lead witness and continued as several of the alleged victims, two of them children, tearfully recounted sexual abuse at the hands of Martin, their grandfather.

All of the events described took place in Michigan with the exception of one victim who came forward about the abuses after visiting Martin in Teaberry over Christmas in 2001.

The first witness to testify was the

alleged victim, who is also Martin's step-granddaughter. She testified that Martin touched her genitals and rubbed his own on them several times when she was staying with him during the Christmas school break in 2001. She further testified that he made her perform oral sex and told her she would get in "trouble" if she told anyone about the incidents. She also testified that similar things had

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Leonard Martin sat solemnly in court while his step-granddaughter testified that he sexually abused her in 2001.

photo by Tom Doty



photo by Mary Music

These caskets, moved from cemeteries on Mud Creek, are currently awaiting their new resting places at the Davidson Memorial Cemetery in Ivel.

History steps aside for road construction

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

IVEL — A \$101 million state funded road construction project is moving history, with the relocation of several graves in four family cemeteries on Mud Creek.

Laney Damron, of the Kentucky Department of Highways, says he's been researching the graveyards for three years in preparation for the removal, which began June 7 and is expected to be completed next month.

According to him, several graves, some of which date back to the 1800s are currently or will be removed from the Old Branham Cemetery, the Yates-Hall (and Moore) Cemetery, the Rose Cemetery and the Carroll Cemetery, which are all located in areas near Route 979 from Harold to Minnie.

Remains from graves in the Old Branham Cemetery, the oldest cemetery in the Mud Creek area, are currently in a Lexington laboratory, where they are being analyzed for their historical sig-

nificance.

Damron said the state initially contracted the removal of 25 graves at the Yates-Hall (and Moore) Cemetery location, but during the course of trenching and probing the property, 13 additional unmarked graves have been found there. They are still searching, he said, noting that it's difficult to locate graves that are unmarked or that have naturally deteriorated over the years.

Metal boxes are used to con-

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FEMA offers several types of assistance

by JOYAL FRAZIER
STAFF WRITER

FEMA disaster relief is still in the area to help individuals, businesses, and city and county governments recover from the Memorial Day flood.

The individual assistance that FEMA provides is for home owners, renters or those unemployed by the disaster. Home owners may receive up to three month's rent for another place to live while repairing their homes. Renters may receive one month's rent, but that may be extended in some circumstances.

Individuals who do not have insurance that covers damages may qualify for a number of different monetary assistance programs.

Grants are available under a couple of different types of conditions. Grants for emergency repairs, totaling around \$2,500, to make the home safe, sanitary and secure, are awarded if minor repairs need to be made to return the home to its original state. Grants to find somewhere else to live are given only if the home is totally uninhabitable. If grants are not awarded, then the SBA makes loans for permanent repairs or replacement of the home and personal property such as appliances. According to Dennis Lowery, public information officer with FEMA, "The interest rate on such loans usually runs about 2.8 percent, which makes it

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Wayland city council meets without notice

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

WAYLAND — The Wayland City Council apparently violated the state's Open Meetings Law when it called a special meeting last week without notifying the media.

Mayor Tommy Murphy said the council, which has failed to

meet for several months, met during a special meeting last week to sign paperwork dealing with the construction of the sewer system, slated to begin on Monday.

"It was the only time we could get everyone together," Murphy said, noting that the

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Couple seeks charges against social workers

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

Editor's note: Names of the children in this story have been changed to protect their identity.

PAINTSVILLE — A Johnson County couple facing criminal abuse charges is seeking warrants against two Paintsville social workers.

Troy and Melissa Foster, arrested last year on complicity to commit first-degree criminal abuse for the alleged abuse of Troy Foster's 5-year-old son, alleged that social workers Jessica Franklin Music and Melissa Click have "consciously and will-

fully committed acts of dishonesty and corruption" in dealing with their case.

In a letter to Robert Benvenuti, inspector general for the Cabinet for Families and Health Services, they allege that both Music and Click have committed perjury, withheld evidence from the courts and have been "deceptive and misleading" in reports to supervisors and to the Johnson County Family Court and judges.

The couple met last Friday with Benvenuti, currently working with other investigators on complaints against social services in Floyd and surrounding counties.

They allege that Music (who, along

with Click, is related to Melissa Foster's ex-husbands, Chuck Wetzel and Cevin Franklin) "acted out of revenge" when she "coerced and deceived" the couple to bring medical and legal documentation into the Cabinet of Family and Children's Services office in Paintsville. Instead of discussing the paperwork, they were arrested that day on complicity to commit first-degree criminal abuse charges, accusations that they claim to be bogus and unfounded.

They allege that Click "neglected" her duties as a social worker by failing to properly assess and evaluate the child's special needs while he was in foster care.

"Melissa Click has willingly and know-

ingly participated in the concealment of many pieces of evidence and valuable facts in our case and failed to disclose the truth to the courts," the letter says.

They say this misconduct has endangered the life of the child, who now resides with his mother, Tanya Fortner, in Georgia.

The Fosters were in a custody battle with Fortner for three years. Approximately six months prior to the criminal abuse investigation, "Jacob" was removed from a Georgia home, where he was staying with his mother and her boyfriend, Matt Tamblin.

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Odds & Ends

■ **BUFFALO, N.Y.** — This may be the only city in America where a man in a foam chicken wing hat would not be bounced from a meeting with top officials.

On the contrary, Buffalo's "wing king," Drew Cerza, was more than welcome Monday as

Mayor Anthony Masiello, Erie County Executive Joel Giambra and the region's tourism chief, Richard Geiger, gathered to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the spicy Buffalo wing.

Invented at Buffalo's Anchor Bar in 1964, the wing has its own festival each Labor Day weekend. After the birthday festivities, the Buffalo Niagara Convention & Visitors Bureau sent Cerza on the road for a four-city tour to promote the festival, and the rest of the region's assets.

"We're going to use this great icon to promote Buffalo tourism," Geiger said, as dozens lined up for free wings in the city's Niagara Square.

Joining Cerza on the tour is Sonya Thomas, the 100-pound competitive eater who downed 134 wings in 12 minutes at last year's Buffalo Wing Festival.

The wing tour includes stops in Pittsburgh and Erie, Pa., and Cleveland and Columbus, Ohio.

■ **ST. LOUIS** — And you thought you were wasting precious time going around in circles.

Six people say they have a claim on the world record for consecutive hours on a Ferris wheel after three days spent on a ride at Six Flags St. Louis.

The roughly 36-hour record will be submitted to Guinness World Records this week. The riders got off the wheel twice during the contest that began Wednesday, due to lightning. They ate and slept on the wheel, and had privacy curtains and portable toilets.

The contest was in honor of the 1904 World's Fair, which was held in St. Louis and featured a Ferris wheel.

At the end of the contest, all six riders were entered into a drawing for \$1,000, which was won by Rhonda Crocker, 42, of Bonne Terre.

The five other riders were each given \$500 from Six Flags, three-year season passes to the park and concert tickets.

■ **GRAFTON, Wis.** — Just as hot weather is finally arriving in Wisconsin, the village swimming pool has sprung a leak — to the tune of 35,000 gallons a day.

Local officials must decide whether to make the repair, which could shut down the pool for four weeks, or live with the leak through the swimming season — and pay \$8,500 in extra expenses to keep the pool filled.

"At this point, the concern would be that should the repairs be significant, the swimming pool season would be disrupted for up to one month's time," Village Administrator Darrell Hofland said Monday. "That's not a favorable option."

Last summer, the Family Aquatic Center got 27,041 visitors over 75 days. Officials expected it would again bring in about \$125,000 in revenue, about covering the operating costs.

The leakage of 35,000 gallons a day is about one-tenth of the pool's volume. A fill valve automatically keeps the water level up.

John Safstrom, community activities director, suspects the problem could be in a plastic pipe under the pool that carries heated, treated water back to the pool.

■ **JUNIOR, W.Va.** — A man diagnosed with a terminal illness is fighting officials for the right to be buried in his back yard.

Dan Vest has emphysema and chronic obstructive pul-

monary disease.

The Vietnam veteran said after town officials found out about his wishes they passed an ordinance outlawing burials on personal property within city limits.

"(My family) built this

house," Vest said. "This is where I was raised."

Vest said he plans to sue the city, but representatives from the Barbour County Circuit Clerk's office say nothing has not been filed to date.

"We have an ordinance that

says you can't be buried in your back yard," said Mayor Gary A. Miller.

Miller said the ordinance recently went into effect. Town officials were not available for comment Monday because of a state holiday.

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Today in History

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Today is Wednesday, June 23, the 175th day of 2004. There are 191 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 23rd, 1969, Warren E. Burger was sworn in as chief U.S. justice by the man he was succeeding, Earl Warren.

On this date:

■ In 1868, Christopher Latham Sholes received a patent for his "Type-Writer."

■ In 1892, the Democratic national convention in Chicago nominated former President Cleveland on the first ballot.

■ In 1931, aviators Wiley Post and Harold Gatty took off from New York on the first round-the-world flight in a single-engine plane.

■ In 1938, the Civil Aeronautics Authority was established.

■ In 1947, the Senate joined the House in overriding President Truman's veto of the Taft-Hartley Act.

■ In 1956, Gamal Abdel Nasser was elected president of Egypt.

■ In 1967, President Johnson and Soviet Premier Alexei Kosygin held the first of two meetings in Glassboro, N.J.

■ In 1972, President Nixon and White House chief of staff H.R. Haldeman discussed a plan

to use the CIA to obstruct the FBI's Watergate investigation. (Revelation of the tape recording of this conversation sparked Nixon's resignation in 1974.)

■ In 1985, all 329 people aboard an Air-India Boeing 747 were killed when the plane crashed into the Atlantic Ocean near Ireland, apparently because of a bomb.

■ In 1995, Dr. Jonas Salk, developer of the first vaccine to halt the crippling rampage of polio, died in La Jolla, Calif., at age 80.

Ten years ago:

French marines and Foreign Legionnaires headed into Rwanda to try to stem the country's ethnic slaughter. The United States and Russia signed agreements in Washington on cooperating in space and economic development.

Five years ago:

A divided Supreme Court dramatically enhanced states' rights in a trio of decisions that eroded Congress' power. U.S. Marines in Kosovo killed one person and wounded two others after coming under fire; no Marines were injured.

One year ago:

A divided Supreme Court, in a 5-4 decision, allowed the nation's colleges and universities to select students based in part on race. The Supreme Court

said the government could require public libraries to equip computers with anti-pornography filters. Democrat Howard Dean formally announced his presidential campaign. Maynard Jackson Jr., the first black mayor of Atlanta, died in Washington, D.C., at age 65.

Today's Birthdays:

Singer Diana Trask is 64. Musical conductor James Levine is 61. Rhythm and blues singer Rosetta Hightower (The Orlons) is 60. Actor Ted Shackelford is 58. Actor Bryan Brown is 57. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas is 56. Actor Jim Metzler is 49. Actress Frances McDormand is 47. Rock musician Steve Shelley (Sonic Youth) is 42. Actor Paul La Greca is 42. Singer Chico DeBarge is 34. Actress Selma Blair is 32. Rhythm and blues singer Virgo Williams (Ghostowns DJs) is 29.

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Couple

Hall County, Ga., police and social services reports indicate that the home was an operating meth lab. Upon their arrival, the social services department reported that there were maggots in the sink, all the children's clothes were in garbage bags, and the boy, at the time 2 years old, was still in diapers and could hardly feed himself.

Charges against Fortner were later dropped, after she agreed to testify against others running the operation.

Special Assistant Attorney General F. Barton Patterson, wrote in a September 2002 report that there was not substantial evidence to indicate Fortner was addicted to drugs.

"Although the mother used illegal drugs in the past, and has lived in the same home as others manufacturing illegal drugs, there's no proof that she's addicted," he wrote, in response to a petition for temporary custody filed by Troy Fortner.

"Jacob," who the Fosters say was born as a crack baby, was placed in foster care in 2003 when Fortner and Tamblin tested positive for crystal meth. He failed a sexual molestation evaluation that same year. He was handed over to the Foster family exactly four months and 28 days before the couple were arrested.

According to the Fosters, "Jacob," was in severe need of psychiatric treatment, treatment they say they tried to obtain, but couldn't because custody had not been transferred from Hall County, Ga.

Within 10 days of his arrival to their home, "Jacob" strangled the family dog, routinely hurt himself by beating his head against the wall, suffered from violent nightmares, hid food and was repeatedly abusive to his step-siblings and animals, Melissa Foster said.

According to her, "Jacob" tied a string around her infant son's neck in an attempt to choke him. He was also caught shoving pennies down the baby's throat and trying to stick the baby's fingers in a fan, an incident for which he received a spanking with "excessive force" by Troy Foster.

During the four months the Fosters were in "legal limbo" regarding the boy's custody, phone records indicated that Melissa Foster placed 87 calls to social workers, the Mountain Comprehensive Care Center and other organizations in an attempt to obtain help for the child.

Upon the suggestion of a Georgia CASA worker, the couple made a videotape of the boy detailing instances of abuse by his mother. In the tape, he speaks of Fortner and Tomblin putting needles in their arms and "pee-peeing" in each other's mouths.

The Fosters asked social services to view the tape. No one came, they said.

"We had so many problems, but we had patience with him," Melissa Foster said. "We didn't know what to do with him, but we were trying to get him help."

The Fosters were arrested in Johnson County on Aug. 28, 2003, after "Jacob" showed up at school with bruises "from his head to his knees," the citation says. They have lost custody of all four of their children because of the incident.

LPN Pamela Tackett, a nurse at the Flat Gap Elementary School, said in a letter that "Jacob" showed up at school with bruises on his face, both ears, chest, back, buttocks, legs, a small cut on his scalp, and a bloody left nasal passage, the same sorts of injuries reported by Music in her quality assessment reports to the Cabinet of Families and Health Services.

The child initially claimed he'd gotten those injuries from a bicycle wreck, Tackett wrote, but when asked again, he admitted "Mommy has been beating me up."

Dr. Gary Williams of Paul B. Hall said he "strongly suspected" abuse of the child in an emergency room visit that day, saying that "Jacob" had been "struck multiple times over the course of several days." These findings were made based on the fact that the bruises appeared to be in different stages of healing, as detailed in Music's report.

But the Fosters claim that "Jacob," who was learning to ride a bicycle, wrecked several times, which caused the bruises. One such occasion, they say, occurred during a birthday party for their oldest son, when "Jacob" attempted to ride an oversized bike down a steep embankment and ended up flipping and sliding most of the way down. Another incident occurred a few days later, they say, when "Jacob" rode his own bike off the family porch into a rocky flower garden.

"They've took this thing, 'Mommy beats me up,' and ran with it. I want to know which Mommy is he talking about?" Melissa Foster said, referring to Georgia social services reports of abuse by his biological mother. "We worked three years to get him and when we got him up here, they took everything from us for no reason. We had a very sick little boy that needed help and instead of helping us, they had us arrested."

Long before he was sent to live with the Fosters, Georgia social services records indicate that "Jacob" exhibited "extremely aggressive behavior" and suffered severe emotional problems, to the extent that his own grandmother turned him back over to foster care.

An incident report completed by Dr. Commodore Mobley of Northeast Georgia Medical

Center on May, 2, 2001, said that the child had numerous bruises on his body and a 2 1/2 centimeter hemotoma on his forehead.

An assessment done by Mountain View Pediatrics Hospital in Hall County, Ga., said the the boy suffers from RAD, a disorder which prompts children to repeatedly hurt themselves and others. That report, dated June 2002, said that "Jacob" had episodes of rage, anger and temper tantrums, the same sorts of problems viewed by an assistant teacher who taught the child in Johnson County. Another report, dated January 2000, when "Jacob" was still an infant, said that the child "screams until he passes out" and bashes his head. His mother used crystal meth and cocaine during her pregnancy, the report says.

"I feel like ['Jacob'] is an emotionally disturbed child and is in need of further evaluation," assistant teacher Teresa Peck wrote in a May 30 letter.

Peck, who taught "Jacob" at W.R. Castle Memorial Headstart from October 2003 until February, said she'd witnessed the child have temper rages, and said he refuses to listen, shows "very little" emotion, is not affectionate like other children, has a "definite problem" with lying and blaming others for his own actions, and shows no guilt when he hurts other children.

Peck said she spoke with the boy's foster parent, who said he displayed abusive behavior to her other children, inflicted pain by hitting himself repeatedly, and that he picked his nose until it bled severely.

The Fosters say that social workers covering their case have all of this information, yet they have deliberately withheld it from juvenile and court proceedings, because they of their family ties and because they want to "maintain their stardom for catching two criminal child abusers."

"They'd rather sit back and laugh and let me go to prison than to step up and tell what's really going on or admit they've made a mistake," Melissa Foster said. "We have nothing to hide. He wrecked his bike, for God's sake."

Of all of these allegations, however, one of the most disturbing is in a report submitted in the case by social worker Jackie Howard. The report, incorrectly dated for both Sept. 3, 2003, and Sept. 3, 2004, mistakenly refers to "Jacob" by another name.

"On this date 9-3-04, social worker traveled to the foster home of [Jacob] for a 72 hour visit. At this time the family was sitting in the dining room table having dinner. The foster mother informed social worker that she and [Jacob] had been to the DDT office in order for the intake social worker to take pictures of Dillion's penis."

Howard goes on to report that

"Jacob," whom she repeated referred to as Dillion, had a "strangulation mark" on his penis. "Dillion is doing well in the home ... Dillion eats lots of food at one meal (referring to some type of food neglect) ... social worker reminded the foster family that they had an appointment with the DPPS office the next day for Dillion," she reported.

In seeking arrest warrants for Music and Click, the Fosters took their allegations to the Johnson County Attorney's office. County Attorney Paul Pack, citing a conflict of interest in the case, said that it would be handled by Lawrence County Attorney Michael Hogan.

Hogan said yesterday that his office is currently looking into whether or not they would be able to handle the prosecution, as it's possible, he said, that they, too, have a conflict of interest.

Melissa Foster claims losing custody of her four children has given her an "inconsolable heart." Suffering from a nervous breakdown, she spent two weeks in a psychiatric ward, where she contemplated suicide.

"My family needed services for [Jacob]," she said. "We did not need to be split up and me and Troy arrested."

She is scheduled to appear in Johnson County Circuit Court today to answer to a bond revocation hearing. Johnson County Commonwealth's Attorney Anna Melvin filed a motion to revoke her bond because she failed to appear in court for a Feb. 9 hearing on charges of driving under the influence. She was tried by a jury on June 10 in her absence, Melvin wrote in the motion.

Melissa Foster claims she wasn't served with necessary paperwork relating to that charge and didn't know that she needed to appear in court.

The Fosters' youngest son is in the custody of Wanda Ross, Melissa Foster's mother. Two of the couple's other children are now in the custody of Melissa Foster's ex-husbands. The Fosters allege that these allegations stem from the fact that they have been entwined in custody battles with these men. Melissa

Foster sued Cevin Franklin for nonsupport one month prior to her arrest. She's been in a custody battle with Chuck Wetzel for several years. Both Franklin and Wetzel are related to each other and to social workers on the case, Melissa Franklin says.

Judge Kevin Holbrook stopped proceedings during a hearing on Oct. 15, 2003, to acknowledge the presence of Freddy Wetzel, Chuck Wetzel's father, asking the man if he could help him with anything.

The next day, Troy and Melissa Foster were indicted on criminal abuse charges. Attempts to reach Holbrook regarding this incident were unsuccessful.

The Fosters' daughter denied that abuse had occurred in the home, but their oldest son confirmed the abuse against "Jacob," according to social services letters and assessments recorded.

Benvenuti refused to comment on the specifics of the investigation, referring all questions, instead, to the Cabinet for Families and Health Services Communications Department. Repeated calls to three of those officers were unreturned this week.

Lisa Wallace, communications spokesperson for the Cabinet, said during two separate conversations yesterday that she would "try" to provide information regarding questions relating to the Foster investigation and general questions about the inspector general's investigation into allegations made against various social service workers. However,

she did not provide that information yesterday, and told The Times that the people she needed to speak with were "hard to get a hold of."

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Those who have lost work due to the flood need to go to the Department of Employment Services and sign up, even though the money that is paid to these individuals comes from FEMA. This would include farmers, businessmen, self-employed people who would not normally qualify for unemployment and people who are out of work because of the flood.

"When an individual calls (800) 621-FEMA, an operator will ask for a Social Security number, two phone numbers where you can be reached, damages that you have, address of

where the damages are and insurance information," Lowery said. "The call takes about 15-20 minutes and the FEMA operator fills out the paperwork for you."

After calling and registering with FEMA, an inspector will contact the victim to set up an appointment to see the damaged property. The inspector will assess the damage and send a report to FEMA. FEMA then makes its determination of what type of financial assistance can be issued for the individual and their losses.

There are no grants available for businesses. However, they may qualify for economic injury loans, or loans to repair physical damage to their buildings.

"There is as much potential for local and county government, which FEMA refers to as

public assistance, as there is for individual assistance," said Lowery.

This is money used to fix things such as roads, bridges, buildings and any other infrastructure that needs repair. FEMA will cover 75 percent of these repairs, leaving only 25 percent to be covered by state and local governments.

FEMA's public assistance programs have already paid for a lot of debris removal, emergency assistance that occurred during the flood and badly damaged areas of the county.

For public assistance, there is an emergency manager that holds a public applicant briefing in each region of the state. Representatives from each agency, such as the sheriff's department, board of education, city and county, attend the meeting and are shown how to fill out the requests and paperwork for needed repairs.

As of Monday, 842 people in Floyd County had applied for assistance and \$1.5 million had been paid out so far to the disaster victims.

FEMA is still available from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. seven days a week and there is no deadline set as to when they will no longer take registration for assistance.

The disaster recovery center in Salyersville will be open indefinitely seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. to answer questions and help with any forms that need to be filled out.

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Guest View

War on spam

The Federal Trade Commission demurred last week from creating a national "do-not-spam" list, wary that creation of such a list might have the unintended consequence of increasing the volume of spam clogging e-mail in-boxes.

That's because unscrupulous spammers almost certainly would mine such a list for even more e-mail addresses to send their unwanted solicitations for low-interest mortgages, Viagra, Internet pornography and other assorted goods and services.

"A national registry was a great solution to unwanted telemarketing calls," said FTC chairman Timothy Muris, whose regulatory agency was required, under a federal law passed last December, to study the feasibility of a "do-not-spam" list. "At this time, it's not the solution to unwanted e-mail."

In a report to Congress, the FTC suggested that the best way to reduce spam is to bring on new technology that can authenticate the origin of an e-mail message. As it is now, many, if not most, spammers use a bogus return address.

At least three of the major internet service providers are working on a sender-authentication system.

Earlier this month, in fact, Microsoft agreed to combine its plan with a similar plan by America Online, which has the backing of smaller Internet companies. Yahoo continues to promote a different technical standard that potentially could prove more effective, but also could prove far more difficult to implement. Meanwhile, a small legion of software companies has joined the war on spam, offering their own approaches to blocking unwanted junk e-mails. Among the more promising, as Reuters news service reported, is the newly released free version of DigiPortal Software's ChoiceMail.

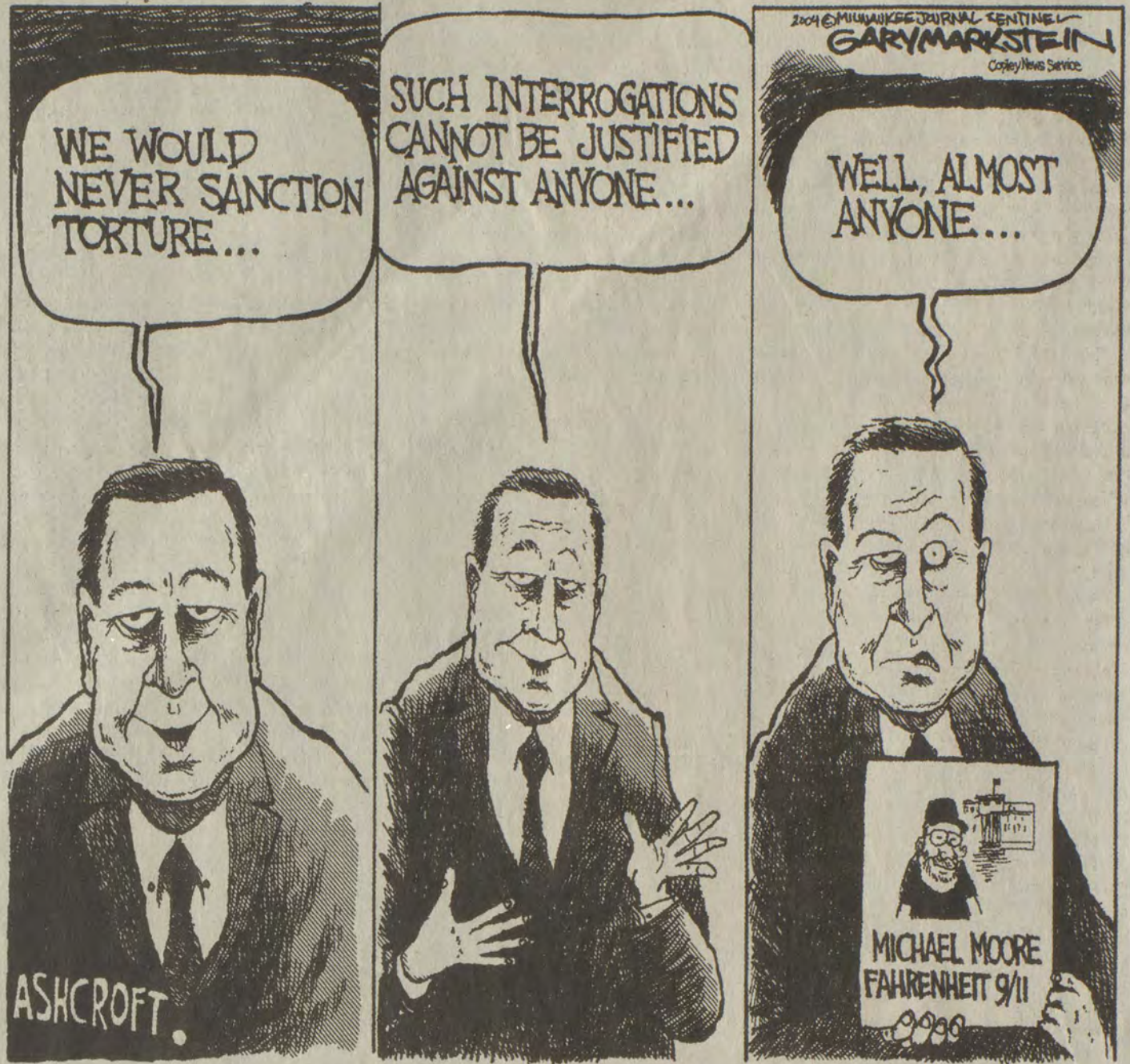
The anti-spam software uses the names in a person's electronic address book to create a "whitelist" of people whom they likely want to hear from. E-mails from those on the whitelist will get through automatically, unless the receiver decides otherwise.

When an e-mail is sent from someone not on the whitelist, it is moved to an "unknown senders" folder. The sender then gets an e-mail reply informing them that their message won't be delivered until they go to a Web page and fill out a short form in which they positively identify themselves.

The FTC said it will defer to the private sector to decide what sender authentication system should be employed — be it something developed by the big Internet service providers or, perhaps, something designed by software companies like DigiPortal.

Whatever system emerges, the hope is that it will be as effective in deterring unwanted commercial e-mail as, say, Caller ID is in deterring telemarketing solicitations. For spam has risen to a level of nuisance that surpasses telemarketing calls, junk faxes and regular old junk mail.

— The San Diego Union-Tribune



Guest Column

Governor's plane not off course; brash editorials are

by MARK MILLER
COMMISSIONER, KENTUCKY STATE POLICE

On Wednesday, June 9, the Kentucky State Police King Air 200 and two Kentucky State Police pilots left the Northern Kentucky/Cincinnati International Airport with Gov. Ernie Fletcher and a fully operational airplane. Shortly after takeoff, the plane's transponder failed, which meant the plane was

not sending a signal that would identify the plane and give its altitude. Transponder failure is not unusual and all pilots are prepared to operate the plane during such failures. Despite the transponder failure, the plane was still being tracked by FAA radar. In fact the KSP plane was being tracked by air traffic control radar from takeoff to landing on June 9.

Likewise, the pilots were in radio contact with air traffic controllers throughout the flight. When the transponder failed, the pilots followed established FAA procedures and made radio contact with air traffic control. KSP's pilots were cleared to move forward, via the prefiled flight plan route, with FAA's knowledge that the plane's transponder was no longer

functioning. During the flight, the pilots stayed in continuous contact with the air traffic controllers and kept them informed of all altitude changes throughout the entire flight. In short, KSP pilots followed the explicit directions of air traffic controllers until landing safely in Washington, D.C.

The Kentucky State Police takes great pride in protecting the citizens of Kentucky. Established in 1948, the KSP has defined itself as a professional law enforcement agency dedicated to the efficient delivery of law enforcement services to the commonwealth. As part of this duty, we also take great pride in providing the necessary protection for our state's chief executive, Gov. Ernie Fletcher. That duty includes pro-

viding the governor a means of transportation, both here in the commonwealth and out of state. Despite some of the unfair and sometimes inaccurate statements in the media, KSP did not breach that duty. The Kentucky State Police pilots did nothing wrong. Our pilots carry out a variety of missions other than transporting the governor; these include prisoner transport and drug eradication missions. Our highly capable, experienced pilots have an exemplary record with no occasion of incidence of any type. They followed directives explicitly, as they do in all instances, from air traffic controllers at Reagan National Airport.

The plane was not off

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Guest Column

'Safe Harbor' for polluters; rough sailing for everyone else

by KEN MIDKIFF
CONCERNED CITIZENS FOR CLEAN WATER

Concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs) are springing up like fetid mushrooms from coast to coast: DelMarVa Peninsula in the East to Trenton, Mo., in the Midwest to Milford, Utah, in the West to California's Central Valley. Bearing no resemblance to the traditional farm, these operations use industrial processes, and contain thousands or even millions of animals.

The animals are owned by multina-

tional corporations — with headquarters in New York, Chicago or Tokyo. These have nothing to do with "feeding a hungry world" and everything to do with market control. Small-scale farming operations are quite capable of feeding this nation and the world. Prior to the advent of industrial-strength livestock production, there was no shortage of milk, meat or eggs. Unfortunately, millions of farmers no longer raise cows, chickens or pigs — Tyson, Smithfield, Seaboard, Perdue, ConAgra, Cargill, Fosters et al own the slaughterhouses and processing plants and won't buy from independent producers.

The owner of the land, buildings and other appurtenances (feed bins, conveyors, cess pits, waste pipes and manure cannons) at one of the CAFOs manages the operation according to a one-sided contract, and does not even determine when the animals will be taken to market. The "contract grower" is little more than a janitor or

hired caretaker and certainly is NOT a farmer.

Long-time rural residents and local farmers have complained bitterly about the overwhelming stench from these operations. A few hogs, cows or chickens don't smell like roses; a few thousand or a few million of these animals, confined in small enclosed spaces, emit a gut-wrenching stink. This odor is composed on hydrogen sulfide, ammonia, methane, and manure dust.

A few weeks ago, a number of folks whose properties are unfortunately located near some of these facilities wrote a letter to the US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), asking that agency to enforce the Clean Air Act. Their plea was for relief from the stifling stench.

The Clean Air Act is quite specific. It doesn't matter if the offender is an oil-and-gas refinery or an animal con-

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Health Extra

Going on a road trip this summer? Try alternatives to highway fast food stops

by ALICIA CHANG
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WOODSTOCK, N.Y. — If you're road-tripping this summer, chances are you'll end up at one of those nondescript highway rest stops that serve mainly juicy burgers, greasy fries and syrupy soft drinks. But the way food gurus Nikki and David Goldbeck see it, travel is no excuse for eating badly.

The couple, who penned several nutrition books including the 1973 best seller "The Supermarket Handbook," like to avoid the fast food chains that dot the nation's interstates whenever they drive from their Woodstock home to the warmth of Florida's Miami Beach every winter.

Although many places now offer salads and healthier options like fresh fruit, the Goldbecks often find the menu selections too limited for their vegetarian taste. For years, they scoured the Yellow Pages for vegetarian-friendly restaurants, and even kept a folder of old newspaper clippings of restaurant reviews in their car.

The Goldbecks recently compiled their favorite eateries, along with other listings discovered through their own research or recommended by other health-conscious travelers, into a new book aimed at giving travelers a nutritious alternative.

"Healthy Highways: The Traveler's Guide to Healthy Eating" lists about 2,000 health-

oriented restaurants and natural food stores in the 50 states — all easily accessible from the exit ramp of a highway or a major road. Telephone numbers and hours of operation are also included.

While the book can help steer travelers toward more nutritious food, health experts say those on the road can also take their own simple steps toward healthy eating by planning ahead.

"You don't need to find a specific restaurant to find healthy offerings," said Tara Geise, a registered dietitian and spokeswoman for the American Dietetic Association. "If you follow some basic principles, you can find healthy food pretty much anywhere you go."

For example, on long trips, take the time to pack a cooler with sandwiches and snacks like fruit and yogurt. At rest stops, keep portion size in mind and avoid overindulging on junk food. If an entree on a menu looks unfamiliar, ask for its nutritional content before ordering.

When traveling in the summer, keep an eye out for roadside fruit and vegetable stands that offer the chance to stock the cooler with locally grown produce like Georgia peaches, Geise said.

All the entries in the Goldbecks' book are vegetarian-friendly, but not all are meat-free. The listings range from health food chains to independent owners, from organic style to fresh home-cooking, from juice bars to sit-down restaurants.

The majority are located a few miles off the highway, but others like the natural food chain Fresh City, which sells

fresh-to-order salad wraps and stir-fry bowls, can be found along several stops on the Massachusetts Turnpike.

The Goldbecks admit the book is not all-inclusive and revisions and additions of new listings are made on a Web site

dedicated to the book. They choose the eateries through their experience and also by mailing out 4,000 questionnaires to restaurants and natural food stores. The list was pared down after they studied menus and made follow-up contact.

Fireworks safety saves lives

LEXINGTON —

Independence Day is just around the corner and many Americans will celebrate with picnics, parades and fireworks. For some Kentuckians, however, this day of celebration can easily turn into a day of tragedy.

Each year, Kentuckians needlessly lose fingers, toes, hearing, sight and occasionally lives due to the use and misuse of fireworks. The Kentucky Injury Prevention and Research Center (KIPRC) at the University of Kentucky would like to reduce the number of injuries due to fireworks this Independence Day.

KIPRC data shows the vast majority of fireworks-related injuries reported by hospitals in Kentucky were due to burns. Other injuries included lacerations, amputations, open chest wounds, and contusions to the eye. Individuals injured by fireworks ranged from toddlers to people more than 70 years of age.

Firecrackers, skyrocketers and sparklers are the three most common causes of fireworks injuries in the United States. Kentucky law only allows the purchase of "Consumer Fireworks" (formerly Class C). According to state law, devices specifically permitted include ground and hand-held sparkling devices (dipped stick sparklers, cylindrical and cone fountains, illuminating torches, wheels, ground spinners, flitter sparklers, smoke, novelties and trick noise makers). Fireworks specifically prohibited include devices with wings, fins or other flight mechanisms. Devices with labels that read "explosive," "emits flaming pellets," "flaming balls," "firecrackers," "report," or "rocket" are also prohibited.

Individuals must be 16 years of age or older to purchase fireworks.

The Kentucky Fire Marshal's Office recommends these safety tips when using fireworks:

- Choose an area outside, away from buildings and clear of dry weeds, grass and other vegetation.

- Never allow young children to use fireworks without

close adult supervision.

- Never light fireworks while standing in a doorway or leaning out of an open window.

- Do not approach or try to relight fireworks that have failed to perform.

- Place all fireworks on the ground before lighting the fuse.

- Never allow fireworks to come in contact with articles of clothing or any combustible or flammable liquid.

- Do not use fireworks while under the influence of alcohol.

- Do not point fireworks at other people.

Contact the Kentucky State Fire Marshal's Office at (502) 573-0364 if you have additional questions.

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Obituaries

Ruth Boyd Ratliff

Ruth Boyd Ratliff, age 85, of Lexington, formerly of Floyd County, widow of Willard Ratliff, passed away, Monday, June 21, 2004, at her residence.

She was born May 30, 1919, in Martin, the daughter of the late Ernest Boyd, and Nannie Conn Boyd.

Survivors include one son, Jerry Vann Ratliff of Lexington; one daughter, Sue Ratliff (Philip) Dingus of Martin; and three grandchildren: Clisandra Lynne (Dr. Michael) Woo, Jay Tyler Ratliff, and Stacey Nicole Ratliff.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by one sister, Mousie Dingus Conn.

Funeral services for Ruth Ratliff will be conducted Friday, June 25, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, at Martin.

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

Visitation is after 4 p.m., Thursday. (Paid obituary)

Goldie B. Williams

Goldie B. Williams, age 73, of New London, Ohio, died Sunday, June 20, 2004, at Fisher-Titus Medical Center in Norwalk, Ohio.

She was born August 11, 1930, in Honaker, a daughter of the late Mack and Vesta (Hughes) Kidd. She had resided in New London, for more than 50 years.

She had worked at a waitress at the former Inn Restaurant in New London, Ohio, and had also worked at Kent Sporting Goods in New London. She cooked and volunteered at the Salvation Army New London Unit.

She is survived by two daughters: Eva (Ken) Ratliff of New London, Ohio, and Nina (Lloyd) Spears of Greenwich; a son, Clinton (Harrisileen) Williams of Waldorf, Maryland; three sisters: Lilly Dean Rudd of Norwalk, Vannie Mae Damron of New London, and Pricie Case of Manton, Michigan; four brothers: Mack Dennis Kidd of Prestonsburg, Otis Kidd of Lee City, Audis Kidd of Lampasas, Texas, and John Kidd of Manton, Michigan; 11 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ralph Williams in 1975; a son, Lenox "Bucky" Williams in 1997; a granddaughter, Patricia Sharp in 2002; a great-granddaughter, Kiara Hunter in 1989; two sisters: Nancy Hoxie and Cindy Williams; and a brother, George Kidd.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, June 23, at 11 a.m., at the Eastman Funeral Home, 200 W. Main St., New London, Ohio, with Pastor Charles Mead officiating.

Burial will follow in the Fitchville Cemetery.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

John Graham Ratliff

John Graham Ratliff, age 77, of Stanville, husband of Vern Edith Meade Ratliff, died Saturday, June 19, 2004, in the Parkview Manor Nursing Home, Pikeville.

He was born May 16, 1927, in Thomas (Pike County), a son of the late Jim and Sophia Morrison Ratliff. He was a retired welder with Diamond Coal Co., an Air Force veteran, and a member of the Church of Christ.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by seven step-sons: Joe Schmidt of Idaho, John Meade of Prestonsburg, Randall Meade of Lancaster, Jeffrey and Luther Ray Meade, both of Printer, George Meade Jr., of Etna Green, Indiana, and Carl Meade of McDowell; two step-daughters: Tabitha Carlington of Taylor, Michigan, and Beatrice Collins of McDowell; one half-brother, Rutherford James of Prestonsburg; one sister, Joetta Ratliff Smith of Pikeville; 27 step-grandchildren, and 10 step-great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife, Betty Ann Ratliff; one daughter, Joann Ratliff; six half-brothers: Ballard, Edgar, Sterlie, Shirley and Burley Ratliff; and Chester James; five half-sisters: Ova Ratliff, Lizzie Ratliff Blackburn, Byrd Ratliff Blackburn, Pauline "Coon" Ratliff McCoy, and Zetta Ratliff Morrison.

Funeral services for John Graham Ratliff were conducted Monday, June 21, at 11 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, at Martin, with Church of Christ ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel, with the Hall Funeral Home caring for those arrangements.

Pallbearers: Dan Carlington, Carl Meade, Terry Collins, Richy Smith, Johnny Meade, Jeff Meade, Joe Schmidt, Luke Meade, George Meade Jr., and Randy Meade. (Paid obituary)

Minnie Martin Conley

Minnie Martin Conley, daughter of the late W.S. "Hoosh" Martin and Catherine "Sissy" Webb Martin, passed away, on Tuesday, June 22, 2004, at the Bluegrass Hospice Care Center in Lexington.

She graduated from Maytown High School and Berea College. She taught home economics for two years, and spent more of her life managing Conley's Kentucky Food Store at Garrettsville.

She is survived by her husband of 61 years, Judge Hollie Conley of Eastern; one son, Hollie Martin Conley of New York City; three daughters: Danise (Mark) White of Tazewell, Virginia, Judelle Conley of Lexington and Melanie (Ron) Warfield of Gibson City, Illinois; six grandchildren: Holly (Bo) Renes, Chad White, Rebecca White, Scott Warfield, Robb (Sheila) Warfield, and Leah Warfield; six great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her brothers: Henry, Oliver, and Charlie Martin; and sisters, Golda Salyers, Lula Martin and Belva Martin.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, June 25, at 10 a.m., from the Chapel of Hall Funeral Home, at Martin, with Roy Harlow officiating.

Burial will follow in the Mima Conley Cemetery at Hueysville, under the professional care of Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home, after 5 p.m., Thursday evening.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Berea College, Office of Development, CPO 2216 Berea, Ky. 40404; Graceway Methodist Church, Langley, Ky. 41645 or Hospice of the Bluegrass, 2312 Alexandria Drive, Lexington, Ky. 40504. (Paid obituary)

Mack Tackett

Mack Tackett, age 90, of Ivel, husband of Elizabeth Jones Tackett, passed away, Tuesday, June 22, 2004, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

He was born November 27, 1913, in Grethel, the son of the late Emmitt Tackett and Nannie Hall Tackett. He was a retired businessman. He was the owner of Tackett Furniture for more than 60 years, and was a member of the Left Beaver Regular Baptist Church.

Survivors, in addition to his wife, Elizabeth, include six sons: Marvin (Barbara) Tackett of Allen, Wilkie (Roselane) Tackett of Harold, Clenon (Barbara) Tackett of Kings Mountain, North Carolina, Mack Milford Tackett of Allen, Michael (Patty) Tackett of Louisville, and Todd Tackett of Ivel; three daughters: Marlene Tackett of Allen, Linda "Susie" (Jerry) Hueseman of Salyersville, and Carol (Gene) Blackburn of Young Harris, Georgia; one brother, Freel Tackett of Grethel; one sister, Frona Hall of Honaker; 20 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, June 24, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, at Martin, with Clergyman Mark Tackett officiating.

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

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

James Franklin Tackett

James Franklin Tackett, 52, of Grethel, died Saturday, June 19, 2004, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

Born December 18, 1951, in Pike County, he was the son of the late Nelson and Geneva Hall Tackett. He was a disabled bus driver.

He is survived by his wife, June Morrow Tackett.

Other survivors include one son, Nicholas Shane Tackett of Grethel; two brothers: Michael Tackett of Hueysville, and Nelson Tackett Jr., of Grethel; three sisters: Lou Teresa Tackett of Grethel, Avonelle Tackett of Morehead, and Loucreasie Tackett of Ohio.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one son, James Franklin Tackett Jr.; and one brother, Bobby Tackett.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 22, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, at Martin, with ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial was in the Greenbury Hall Cemetery, at Galveston, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)



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and saw there was some room.

He smiled and said, "This flower is beautiful, she is faithful, steadfast, and true,
Her heart is filled with endless love, her soul fresher than the morning dew.

If I leave her on the ground,
She will surely start to fade,
So he placed his loving hand,
Upon the flower he had made.

"I'm taking her to a place,
Where she can always stay,
A place where she will never wilt,
because the flowers never fade."

So with these words He reached down,
and gently picked the flower up,
He smiled as He made more room,
In heavens flower cup.

He smiled at the other flowers,
who were remaining on the ground,
He gently stroked their petals and said,
"This flower is in a place where only love abounds.

She was so delicate and beautiful,
That I did not want her to stay,
So I reached down and picked her,
to be in the Master's flower bouquet."

Author: Laura Debty ©2001

This poem was written by Laura Debty, 16 years old, in loving memory of her sister Rebecca who joined the Lord for eternity, one year ago today... August 3, 2000.

Guest

course. The plane did not violate restricted air space. The pilots followed all protocols and procedures correctly. Furthermore, it is appropriate to also emphasize the fact that the pilots have had no FAA action taken against them. If they had done anything wrong, or steered the aircraft off course, disciplinary action would have certainly been taken by the federal government.

At this time, we are still uncertain where the miscommunication occurred that led to this unfortunate incident, but our pilots were in constant communication with air traffic

control and the plane was cleared to land. Kentucky State Police pilots are some of the most experienced available and have thousands of hours of cockpit time. I am proud of each and every one of them, just as I am of each of the fine and dedicated public servants in the Kentucky State Police.

Recent editorials have claimed that this incident should be a cause for embarrassment for our great commonwealth, for its people, and for our governor. There is no cause for embarrassment when highly qualified pilots respond professionally to an equipment failure and follow the direc-

tions of the responsible federal agency to the letter. If it were not for an equipment malfunction, this unfortunate incident would have never been an issue, and would have been yet another of the countless routine flights our KSP pilots perform on a day-to-day basis, including many flights to the D.C. area.

Kentuckians have every right to be proud of our state, and can rest assured in the confidence that the Kentucky State Police will continue to provide the best possible protection for every single person here in Kentucky.

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Column

finement operation, there are limits established that apply to all sources. This is the law that the USEPA is authorized, indeed required, to administer and enforce.

Instead, the USEPA has been working behind closed doors with the very agribusinesses that have been fouling the rural landscape. Indeed lobbyists for large agribusiness corporations drafted the initial versions of the Backroom Deal - and later versions include all the points considered important to the polluters. EPA staffers' immediate response was to deny that such meetings had taken place. When environmental groups obtained leaked documents that clearly demonstrated that the meetings had occurred, the USEPA's response was that "we had kept the environmental groups informed."

This amounts to the same

pile of manure that the CAFOs produce. No one in the USEPA kept anyone other than agribusiness lobbyists informed; to the contrary we were kept in the dark while the agency met with the offenders and worked out a deal. The only way we learned that this was going on was through "informed sources" and leaked or requested documents. When environmental, conservation and sustainable agriculture groups and state air pollution control administrators objected vociferously to this backroom deal, EPA staffers labeled our objections as "working with affected groups."

The USEPA needs to be reminded of its mission - to protect the human and natural environment. Environmental protection, not polluter protection. Either that or just change the name to "Polluter Protection Agency."

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THE FAMILY OF JOSEPHINE H. ISAACS

Card of Thanks
The family of Harold V. "Bo" Cooley would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation to all those who helped in any way during the loss of our loved one. We thank you for the flowers, food, prayers, and all the kindness shown to our family. A special thanks to Clergyman Sterlin Bolen, and others, for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and to the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.
THE FAMILY OF HAROLD V. "BO" COOLEY

Card of Thanks
The family of Hazel King Hunter would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation to all those who helped in any way during the loss of our loved one. We appreciate all the food, flowers, prayers, and all acts of kindness shown to our family. A special thanks to the Regular Baptist ministers, for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home, of Martin, for their kind, professional, and courteous service.
MARCELLINE FREEMAN AND FAMILY

Card of Thanks
The family of James P. Allen would like to express a sincere appreciation to all the relatives, friends, and neighbors, who helped to comfort us during our time of grief. We would like to thank all those who sent food, flowers, and words of comfort expressed. A special thanks to Dr. Floyd Price for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service. Your love and support will never be forgotten; we greatly appreciate you all.
THE FAMILY OF JAMES P. ALLEN

PSC shares its ideas with subcommittee

FRANKFORT — Balancing the needs of consumers with those of business is what the Kentucky Public Service Commission hopes to accomplish in the years ahead, lawmakers were told Friday.

Public Service Commission Vice Chairman Ellen Williams told members of the Special Subcommittee on Energy that

the PSC wants to keep utility costs affordable but also wants utilities to remain competitive, adding that utility industries like coal need to "keep up with the changing times" by taking advantage of new technologies.

Williams said the PSC, which currently regulates 1,500 utilities in five areas including electricity, natural gas, telecom-

munications, water and sewer, has the best interests of business and consumers in mind.

"We believe regulation is important; We do not believe overregulation may be important," she said.

Williams said the PSC worked with state lawmakers last session to pass separate pieces of legislation designed to

expand broadband (high-speed Internet) service in rural Kentucky and allow companies to drill coalbed methane as an economic development incentive. Both of those bills are now law.

The Kentucky Rural Broadband Bill, or House Bill 627, is already helping draw technology investment to rural Kentucky. The Governor's Office announced last month that BellSouth plans to expand broadband service to 59 communities in future months.

"Many, many small towns in Kentucky will now have access to broadband service," Williams added.

HB 577, the coalbed methane bill, was described by Gov. Fletcher as a way to "pro-

vide incentives to companies who want to locate near readily available, inexpensive energy sources."

Senate Majority Caucus Chairman Charlie Borders, R-Russell, complimented the PSC on how it handles utility regulation in the state.

"(PSC regulation) kind of reminds me of a championship ballgame. Everything stays under control, but at the end of the game, you didn't know the officials were there," he said.

House Majority Floor Leader Rocky Adkins, D-Sandy Hook, commented on Illinois' utility regulation success to new PSC Director Beth O'Donnell, who was a senior attorney for the Illinois Power Company. Adkins said Illinois

coal has "made a big comeback" due in part to the state's efforts to protect coal production in the state, and suggested that Kentucky learn from Illinois' successes.

"We need to take advantage of all the technologies we can," he added.

Rep. Fred Nesler, D-Mayfield, said lawmakers might also consider how the state can be more supportive of biodiesel and the corn and soybean growers who make it possible.

88 septic systems installed in Floyd County through PRIDE

SOMERSET — Since 1997, PRIDE has invested \$294,121 to install septic systems or pay for sewer connections at 88 homes in Floyd County. Other Floyd County residents might also be eligible for the PRIDE Homeowner Septic System Grant Program.

The PRIDE grant program pays 100 percent of the cost for low-income homeowners to connect to a sewer line, if available, or to install a septic system that has been approved by the local health department. To qualify for a grant, the homeowner must hold the deed to the property, have electricity at the home, and have income below 55 percent of the poverty level set by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Anyone who needs a septic system or sewer connection and who meets the program requirements is encouraged to apply. Applications are accepted continuously, and grants are awarded throughout the year. Applicants will be required to provide proof of income, a copy of their recent electric bill and a deed for the property, as well as other documents if needed.

Applications can be picked up at the local health department. Applications also are available at the Big Sandy Area Development District office (800) 737-2723. The PRIDE office will mail applications if

requested by calling (888) 577-4339.

The program's goal is to give low-income homeowners the opportunity to replace their straight pipes, outhouses or failing septic systems with sanitary wastewater treatment systems, which are required by state and federal laws.

The program is based on PRIDE's founding principle that each resident of southern



Ivel post office honors DAV

IVEL — On Flag Day, June 14, the Ivel post office presented the Disabled American Veterans Chapter 169 with a framed picture of the World War II Memorial commemorative postage stamp.

Postmaster Susan Wallen told the group that she was proud to recognize and pay tribute to the men and women who worked to preserve the freedom of our great nation.

The stamp image features a computer-generated design by stamp artist Tom Engeman, depicting the National World War II Memorial in Washington DC. The memorial itself was designed by Providence, RI. Architect Friedrich St. Florian. The stamp image highlights one of two 43 foot memorial arches and shows a section of the curving row of 56 pillars, each representing a state or territory from the World War II era.

To see the National World War II Memorial stamp and other images from the 2004 Commemorative Stamp Program, visit the postal store on the internet at www.stampsonline.com and click on release schedule in the collector's corner.

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Tech firm chips in to help Big Sandy Area Child Advocacy Center

PIKEVILLE — Charity Advantage, one of the major suppliers of technology services to nonprofit organizations, has developed a program to assist the Big Sandy Area Child Advocacy Center in raising funds for the services they provide through computer sales. A portion of each purchase goes to the Center.

Previously, low computer prices were offered to nonprofit groups, schools and faith-based organizations as a way to save money. Charity Advantage also offers similar prices to all consumers under the condition that some of the money paid for the electronic items goes directly to help non-

profits as a fund-raising tool. Refurbished PCs start at \$99 and new PCs start at \$299. Laptops start at \$399. The new computers are custom-built, and the recertified systems were previously leased to corporations. The used computers are all fully refurbished, cleaned, tested and warranted. Dell laptops off corporate lease can also be customized to the buyers' specifications. Free technical support is always included and extended warranties are available.

The funds that will come into the Big Sandy Area Child Advocacy Center will help to serve the center's mission to lessen the trauma experienced by abused children by providing a child friendly center with a warm, homelike, supportive environment where intervention efforts can be offered to reduce the stress to the abused child and parent or adult caregiver. The Center further com-

mits to raise public awareness for the need to stop and prevent physical and sexual abuse against innocent children.

Charity Advantage offers a huge inventory of new and refurbished computers, monitors, laptops, software and accessories to choose from. Purchases can be made by

either calling Troy Price at the Big Sandy Area Child Advocacy Center at (606) 437-7447 or Cindy Epstein at Charity Advantage at (760) 723-1985.

Computers and software can also be purchased directly through their web page at www.charityadvantage.com/pc_products.asp. To make sure the center receives credit for the purchase, please select the Big Sandy Area Child Advocacy Center from the drop down menu on the "How did you hear about us?" section of the order page.

For more information about the Big Sandy Area Child Advocacy Center, please contact Troy Price at (606) 437-7447 or troy.price@ky.gov.

For more information about computers, visit Charity Advantage's website at www.charityadvantage.com or contact Cindy Epstein at (760) 723-1985 or Cindy@CharityAdvantage.com.

School board member wins dance contests in St. Louis, Orlando

District 1 school board member Mickey McGuire recently competed in dance contests in St. Louis on April 16 and 17 and Orlando, June 11 and 12.

In St. Louis, McGuire dancing with his partner, Brenda Hawkins, from Nashville, Tenn., received first place in all dances and the two were named grand champions of their division. They danced in five dances —

waltz, cha cha, swing, nightclub and two step.

McGuire and Hawkins then danced in Orlando, Fla., and again were named first place grand champions in their division and received first place in three of the five dances they competed in.

The duo is scheduled to compete in Cincinnati on the Fourth of July weekend and in New

Orleans on July 25.

The couple also danced a salsa, which is a Cuban-Latin dance. They came in second in the salsa contest. In the hustle, a 1970s dance, the couple received first place. The hustle is a very fast dance made famous by the movie Saturday Night Fever.

Brenda is a third-grade teacher in Tennessee and is mar-

ried to Dr. Rowland Hawkins. She is the 2003 Female Advanced Silver World Champion in the United Country Western Dance Council Professional Amateur Division.

McGuire represents District 1 on the Floyd County School Board and is a practicing attorney in Prestonsburg. McGuire was 2003 Third Place World Champion in Nashville, Tenn.

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The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center recently hosted its annual charity golf tournament at the Stonecrest Golf Course, with all proceeds benefiting the Kentucky State Police Trooper Island Camp. Pictured, from left, are Scott Hopkins of the Kentucky State Police, Perkins students Steve Odom, Michael Cloud and Austin Young, and Perkins Center Director Debbie Burchell.

Job Corps raises money for Trooper Island

PRESTONSBURG — The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center recently hosted its annual charity golf tournament at the Stonecrest Golf Course. All proceeds for this year's event benefited the Kentucky State Police Trooper Island Camp.

Located at Dale Hollow Lake in Western Kentucky, the camp was established by the Kentucky State Police in the early 1960s as part of a long-range program aimed to prevent accidents and crimes. The camp is a permanent recreational site where troopers and disadvantaged youth from across the state can

share a weeklong experience together in a structured environment.

The camp's program curriculum offers nutritious meals and exercise, classroom study and spiritual growth through non-denominational chapel services. Subjects taught include accident and fire prevention, first aid, conservation, hygiene, morals, leadership and firearms safety.

Debbie Burchell, center director of the Perkins Job Corps Center, was very pleased with this year's event.

"We had a wonderful turnout and raised a lot of money for a

worthy cause," Burchell said. "Trooper Island Camp is an excellent charity for our Center to support, since we are both in the business of helping disadvantaged youth."

In addition to its regular camps, Trooper Island also facilitates special camps for vision impaired youth and youth with heart impairments. All camps are free of charge to the participants.

For more information about Trooper Island, you may call 1-270-433-5422 or visit them at the worldwide web at www.kentuckystatepolice.org/island.htm.

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Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's note: To announce your community event, you may hand-deliver your item to The Floyd County Times office, located at 263 S. Central Avenue, Prestonsburg; or mail to: The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; or fax to 606-886-3603; or email to: features@floydcountytimes.com. Information will not be taken over the telephone. All items will be placed on a first-come, first-serve basis as space permits

1973 AND 1974 ACHS CLASS REUNION

The 1973 and 1974 graduating classes of Allen Central High School will hold a class reunion on Saturday, September 18, at the Prestonsburg Holiday Inn. Social Hour: 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Dance—8 p.m. until midnight. For more information, please contact Beth Conn Mullins at 606-285-0074 or Rita Duff Osborne at 606-358-9874.

J.M. CONLEY FAMILY REUNION

The J.M. Conley family reunion will be held on July 4th, at the home of Bessie Conley, J.M. Conley home-place. There will be a potluck dinner at 12 p.m. For additional information, you may call Dexter Conley, at (606) 358-

9444 or Bessie Conley, at (606) 358-9608.

FREEDOM BIBLE CHURCH

June 23-26 - Vacation Bible School, 7-8:30 p.m., nightly. Cookout - Saturday at 1 p.m. Everyone welcome!

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, located in downtown Prestonsburg, 255 W. Court St. Please bring your family photos, medals, uniforms, or any other memorabilia from Civil War to present time. Mr. Blakenship'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.

4-H CAMP

To be held July 19-23, at the JM Feltner 4-H Camp, in London. Applications are now being accepted. Fee: \$95; scholarships may be available. Contact Chuck Stamper at the Floyd County Extension Office at 886-2668 or by email at: cstamper@uky.edu. Camp theme for 2004: "4-H Goes to Hollywood!"

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Christ United Methodist Church, Allen, June 21-25, 6 to 8:15 p.m. "Hero Quest," where children and youth meet biblical

heroes of faith.

UK DENTAL VAN AT FCHD

The UK Dental van is now at the Floyd County Health Dept. Services available until July 22 for children ages 4-12. FREE services include cleanings, fillings, sealants, and extractions. Call 886-2788 for an appointment. Parents/guardians may also schedule child's school physical by calling to schedule an appointment.

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.

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, Eastern KY Regional Office - 24-hour Helpline, call 1-800-272-3900 for emotional support, local resources, and other information.

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 886-2513.

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

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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.com.

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Demand for foster, adoptive homes growing faster than supply

The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE — Drug abuse by parents is fueling a growing demand for foster and adoptive homes in Kentucky that is outpacing the supply, state officials say.

The state also is under a two-year federal deadline to improve its care of children removed from homes. It could lose federal money if improvements aren't made.

As a result, state child welfare officials are trying to meet immediate needs at the same time they are working to attract, train and certify more people to take abused or neglected children into their homes.

Parents' drug abuse is a key reason for the increased number of children coming into the system, said Mary Ellen Nold, who oversees the Cabinet for Health and Family Services' program to care for children in state care.

"It's just really, really sad,"

she told The Courier-Journal of Louisville. "A lot of times the parents are in jail. Who's going to take care of the child?"

Five years ago, the cabinet had about 5,560 children in foster care or awaiting adoption. It now has 6,471 — an increase of more than 900 while available homes increased by about 360, Nold said.

"It's not meeting the demand or the number of children," she said.

Child welfare workers say they increasingly are being called to hospitals where drug-addicted mothers have given birth to babies also addicted. Often, social workers take the baby from the hospital, said Kathy Gay, a supervisor for the Cabinet for Health and Family Services in Eastern Kentucky.

Other children are placed in state care because of neglect when their drug-addicted parents have stopped caring for them.

Workers in Eastern Kentucky have gone into homes where children have no food or clean clothing and children as young as 10 or 11 are trying to care for younger siblings, Gay said.

"The parents, they're so

hooked on drugs they don't even realize what they're doing to themselves or their children," said Gay, who is based in Breathitt County and supervises workers in an eight-county region.

Use of methamphetamine, a highly addictive stimulant, is increasing, but OxyContin, a widely abused narcotic, "is the drug of choice" in the region, she said.

The state removes children only as a last resort and first tries to provide services and work with families to solve problems that put children at risk of abuse and neglect.

Officials try to place children with relatives, if workers can find a safe home where a family member is willing or able to take the child.

If that fails, they find a foster

home. Nold said the state has been able to get children into foster homes — mostly their own, though they sometimes turn to private, nonprofit children's facilities around the state.

About 800 children are waiting for adoptive homes, the state says.

Kentucky's child welfare officials are under orders from the federal government to expand the number of foster and adoptive homes and improve the children's lives by reducing disruption and getting them into permanent homes faster. A big part of that effort is recruiting and training more people to become foster and adoptive parents, so the state has launched recruiting drives in each of the 16 regions it serves, Nold said.

The state is using volunteers, its own workers and people it is

paying — usually foster or adoptive parents — to spread the word, Nold said.

Among them is Kay Upton of Hodgenville, a foster and adoptive parent who estimates that she and her husband have cared for more than 400 children over 18 years. Upton said she's working about 40 hours a week for the state under a temporary contract, providing training for adults seeking to become foster and adoptive parents and recruiting more of them.

Upton said she goes to yard sales, festivals, community groups, businesses, doctors' offices, stores and local newspapers to hand out fliers and promote the foster and adoptive program.

"You can't help but talk about something you're dedicated to and you believe in," she

said. "We don't have enough of those people."

Another booster for the program is George Duvall, 29, grew up in foster care but now works out of the University of Kentucky helping run a statewide organization of former foster youths who serve as mentors for children in foster care.

In addition to working with the Kentucky Organization for Foster Youth, he's also involved with an organization called Kentucky Youth Connects.

Duvall said he can't talk enough about the two foster families that cared for him growing up — especially the fathers he had.

"Without a good foster father, I'd probably be dead or in prison," Duvall said. "Foster care saved my life, without a doubt."

Counties ask Supreme Court to consider Ten Commandments case

The Associated Press

SOMERSET — Attorneys representing local governments and a school district in Kentucky have asked the U.S. Supreme Court to consider whether it is constitutional to display the Ten Commandments alongside other historical documents.

Liberty Counsel, a Florida public interest law firm, filed the petition to the Supreme Court after the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals refused to reconsider a decision that ruled the Ten Commandments should not be posted in public buildings in Kentucky, even if the religious laws are accompanied by other historical documents.

McCreary and Pulaski county officials hung framed copies of the Ten Commandments in their courthouses and later added other documents, such as

the Magna Carta and Declaration of Independence, after the display was challenged. Harlan County had similar displays in its schools.

In a 2-1 decision in December, a three-judge Court of Appeals panel upheld U.S. District Judge Jennifer Coffman's 2001 preliminary order to remove the displays until the conclusion of a lawsuit challenging their constitutionality.

Coffman concluded in her 2001 ruling that the purpose of displaying the Ten Commandments was "religious in nature."

She said the fact that the displays began with just the Ten

Commandments and only later added the other documents "bolstered the reasonable observer's perception of the state endorsement of religion."

In the petition to the U.S. Supreme Court, Liberty Counsel urges the Supreme Court to take the Kentucky case in order to resolve a conflict among the federal circuit courts over the constitutionality of such displays.

Since the Supreme Court decided in 1980 that a display of the Ten Commandments alone in a Kentucky schoolroom was unconstitutional, there have been 28 cases challenging displays of the Ten Commandments — 24 of those

since 1999, said Erik Stanley, an attorney for Liberty Counsel.

Stanley said four federal circuit courts and one state supreme court now hold that displays of the Ten Commandments are constitutional, while three federal circuit courts hold that such displays are unconstitutional.

"The lower federal courts are in a hopeless morass of confusion on the issue of the constitutionality of the Ten Commandments," said Mat Staver, president of Liberty Counsel. "We are hopeful that the Supreme Court will accept this case and uphold the constitutionality of these displays."

Eastern Kentucky facing blood supply shortage

The Associated Press

ASHLAND — The blood supply regionally has dropped to critical levels, forcing the American Red Cross to cut back on hospital orders, officials said.

Blood supplies typically drop in the summer because of vacations and other activities, spokeswoman Cheryl Gergely said. The organization also doesn't have the resource of colleges and high schools during the summer months.

"You go to plants and businesses, and people are on vacation, so they can't let as many people off to donate," Gergely said.

The dip this summer defies the usual trends, with the drop hitting sooner and harder than the typical summer shortage, Gergely said.

Gergely said the need for blood regionally is great, because area hospitals use so much. When one person donates blood, one unit of red blood cells is produced. Each month, Boyd County and Cabell, Putnam and Kanawha counties in West Virginia go through about 4,000 units of red blood cells, Gergely said.

"I don't think a lot of people are aware of how much blood is actually used in this area," she said.

According to the Red Cross,

supplies of O positive, B positive, AB positive, O negative, A negative and AB negative stand at just one days supply in the Greater Alleghenies Region, which includes parts of Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia.

A positive and B positive are at a two-day supply level.

John B. Nobiletti, medical officer of the Greater Alleghenies Region, said about 1,000 donations are required each weekday to supply hospitals with the blood they need for

transfusions for surgery patients, accident victims, cancer patients, premature babies and others.

The Red Cross is conducting two drives in Boyd and Greenup counties in early July. The Grateful Life Tour II, a takeoff of the Grateful Dead, complete with tie-dye T-shirts for donors will hit the Ashland Central Fire Station July 2 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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New Transportation secretary relies on military background in new job

by JOE BIESK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Deep inside the Transportation Cabinet's gleaming, new \$113 million headquarters, Secretary Clay Bailey, a retired Air Force general, has a new war room.

It's a high-tech operations center that can be put to multiple uses.

A wall of video monitors allows Bailey and other transportation officials to keep an eye on major roads and thoroughfares. In the event of a military emergency or a disaster — natural or manmade — it can be transformed into a hub

from which to coordinate relief efforts, evacuations or homeland security.

"Pretty space-age stuff," Bailey says with a smile.

On a recent day, part of the big screen was tuned to CNN and a speech by President Bush.

Other video panels showed roads in Louisville and northern Kentucky. One panel was fixed on the Cumberland Gap Tunnel. Strategically placed cameras — about 58 are set up around Louisville alone — provide transportation officials with real-time knowledge of what's happening in the field.

Dispatchers at the opera-

tions center can spot troubled motorists and send help, Bailey said. From flat tires to other minor maintenance, mechanics can be dispatched as needed, he said.

The facility is intended to complement the state's Emergency Operations Center, a bunkerlike facility across town at the Boone National Guard Center. Bailey said his center can be used for monitoring and responding to different transportation related situations, such as floods or forest fires.

It was pressed into service after ice storms in February and during recent floods.

With that kind of technology, the new building seems light years ahead of the cabinet's old headquarters — a hulking, art deco office building built in the 1930s. Bailey said the old headquarters reminded him of the "Daily Planet" newspaper building from Superman comics.

"There's nothing like this in the country in my view," Bailey said of the new operations center.

The cabinet's new nerve center was planned before he arrived. But Bailey said his military experience enabled him to streamline its use in coordination with other state

agencies.

"This wasn't mine, I inherited it," Bailey said. "And with my background that's not a bad guy to have over here."

Gov. Ernie Fletcher hired Bailey, a Paintsville native, in December to head the cabinet.

Bailey, 57, retired in March 2002 as a three-star general. He was in charge of Air Force Special Operations Command at Hurlburt Field, Fla., overseeing 12,500 military personnel and civilians there. He also supervised the Air Force's special operations in Afghanistan during Operation Enduring

Freedom.

It's that extensive experience in the military that has provided Bailey with the leadership needed to rejuvenate the cabinet, he said.

"I'm kind of an action-oriented guy, I guess," Bailey said. "I like to have a lot of things happening."

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House Democrats offer alternative budget, tax plan

by CHARLES WOLFE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — House Democrats offered an alternative tax and budget plan Tuesday, angling to get Gov. Ernie Fletcher to call the General Assembly back to Frankfort.

A skeptical Senate Republican leader said it likely would be "constitutionally, technically impossible" to pass a budget before the fiscal year ends on June 30. A top aide to the governor said the proposal seemed to have dubious implications for business.

Without quick action by the legislature, Kentucky would be left without a budget after June 30, last day of the fiscal year. Legislators adjourned April 13 without passing a budget. The Senate insisted on including a tax

plan put forward by Fletcher and the House refused.

The Fletcher plan was a "revenue neutral" combination of tax cuts and tax increases. He proposed to raise taxes on tobacco and alcohol products, satellite television and hotel and motel rooms. He wanted to reduce taxes on personal income and on corporations, though he proposed to broaden the corporate income tax to apply to more types of corporations.

The Democrat plan offered Tuesday included much of Fletcher's corporate plan but omitted any tax hike on cigarettes or other products. It relied instead on a recent revenue forecast that the state will take in \$305 million more than first expected.

Fletcher said he would not call a special legislative session without an advance agreement

between the two chambers. Senate Republican leaders have continued to insist on inclusion of a tax plan with a budget.

House Speaker Jody Richards had argued for quick action on a budget and deferral of tax action until the General Assembly's next regular session begins in January.

"The essential element of getting a budget is compromise," Richards, D-Bowling Green, said at a news conference. "We feel like we've moved more than halfway."

The Democrat plan, if enacted, would give more money to public schools and state colleges and universities than provided for in an austere budget Fletcher submitted in January. It also would raise the state's low-income tax credit, dropping 190,000 current taxpayers off the rolls.

In separate interviews, Senate Majority Leader Dan Kelly and Fletcher's chief of staff, Daniel

Groves, zeroed in on a particular difference between the Democrat plan and Fletcher's proposal.

Both proposed to eliminate a number or corporation deductions. But Fletcher proposed to immediately cut the top corporate income tax rate, now 8.25 percent, to 6 percent. The Democrat plan would reduce it to 7.5 percent next year and to 6 percent the year after.

Kelly, R-Springfield, and Groves both said the difference to businesses would be \$66 million. Kelly that difference, even for a single year, might prompt some companies to move headquarters to another state.

Groves noted that the Democrat plan, unlike Fletcher's tax proposal, would do nothing to fix the state's telecommunication tax, which a court declared unconstitutional because it applied to cable television but not to satellite TV.

Fletcher, first lady vacationing in Florida

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Gov. Ernie Fletcher is vacationing this week in south Florida but could be reached if there is a budget breakthrough, a spokesman said Monday.

Fletcher and first lady Glenna Fletcher left on a commercial flight Saturday. They are to return to the capital this Saturday, communications director Doug Hogan said.

Without quick action by the General Assembly, Kentucky will have no state budget when the new fiscal year begins July 1. The House and Senate adjourned on April 13 without passing a budget.

The General Assembly will not convene again until January unless Fletcher summons legislators back to Frankfort in a special session. Hogan said Fletcher could issue the call for a special session from Florida if needed.

Democratic leaders of the House have been drafting a budget plan for Fletcher's consideration. They planned

to meet again Tuesday at the Capitol and might decide to make a plan public, Rep. Harry Moberly, chairman of the House appropriations committee, said Monday.

Fletcher wants more than a budget. He also wants a tax plan that he submitted to legislators in the latter days of the 2004 General Assembly. The "revenue neutral" plan called for raising some taxes and cutting others, especially income taxes on corporations.

Fletcher said the tax code is no longer reliable, as evidenced by four straight years of budget cuts because tax revenues failed to meet budget projections.

The Senate, controlled by Fletcher's fellow Republicans, included the tax plan in its version of a budget bill. The House, which has a Democratic majority, declined to vote on it.

House Speaker Jody Richards said the legislature should pass a budget soon and defer action on taxes until the 2005 session.

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happened to her when she was sent to her step-grandfathers' house when he lived in Michigan.

Her testimony went on to address how she overcame her fear of getting in "trouble" when a program at her school, in Michigan, educated students about inappropriate touching and who to report it to. She later confessed the incidents to her mother when she was invited back to Kentucky to visit her grandparents.

The prosecution's witnesses that followed the victim were also the same chain of people who heard the victim's story. The mother of the victim testified next and reported that she first heard the story of abuses suffered when she asked her

daughter if she wanted to revisit her grandparents in Kentucky. She said that the child got very withdrawn and "wouldn't look at me or anything."

When the child finally told her mother about the alleged abuse, she immediately took her to the police in Taylor, Mich. There, a detective got involved and heard the story. It was decided that the victim would have to come back to Floyd County for legal action.

All of the legal professionals who got involved testified to hearing the victim's story and also related how they conducted the interviews according to legal guidelines in order to make sure that the child involved was never put in a position in which the professional could be

accused of filling in parts of the story for the victim.

The legal professionals also offered insight into the methods used to interview children who have suffered from sexual abuse. First they see the child in a friendly environment but don't allow anyone else from the case who can influence the child to be present.

They begin by developing a rapport with the child and they next establish guidelines before talking about the case. This usually involves making sure that the child understands the difference between telling the truth and lying. They then allow the child to tell the story at their own pace and ask no leading questions. This protocol makes it more difficult for people to come along later and say that adults helped build the child's story. It's a system learned from mistakes, like the celebrated McMartin trial, and helps to protect everyone involved in an accusation and has, on occasion, stopped courts from proceeding on cases that weren't strong enough to bear a trial.

The testimonies heard on

Tuesday involved similar accounts of abuse suffered by two other family members. One was a granddaughter who was also 7 or 8 years old when she says she was allegedly abused by Martin. She said that she and the other victim were abused at the same time and they were told that they would receive ice cream if they complied and would both be in trouble if they told anyone about it.

The final witness to testify for the commonwealth was Martin's adult daughter, who now lives in Tennessee. She testified that her parents broke up but that her father stayed with them for short periods of times and abused her from ages 7 to 10. She testified that Martin would rub his genitals against hers, though he never attempted oral sex.

"He'd offer to take you shopping and buy you things," the daughter said.

When she was 14, she recalled, "He apologized to me

about it and said he'd found the Lord." She moved out of the home at 16 and stopped speaking to her father eight years ago.

The first person she told about her situation was her husband. She wept as she confessed that her confession came about because when he touched her affectionately it would bring back bad memories. That marriage ended in divorce, though she has since remarried.

The daughter said that she had to testify after she heard about what allegedly happened to her nieces. She further spoke of a time when her mother suspected something but she opted not to tell her because her mother had said that she would kill their father if it was true.

On Wednesday, Martin's lawyer, Jerry Patton will have a chance to present the case for Martin. Though Patton chose not to make an opening statement, he does have a few witnesses lined up to testify. Patton represented Martin in

the same case in the fall, but that proceeding was ruled a mistrial when there was much confusion over the testimony of Martin's wife, Iris. It turned out that she was suing Leonard for divorce and Leonard was being represented in that action by Patton's own wife, though he apparently didn't make the connection at that time.

Attorneys for both sides were sensitive toward the testifying children.

Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Wayne Taylor began the questioning with questions about the children's interests and gradually eased the witnesses towards the more provocative questions. Patton, at one point, apologized profusely before asking a sensitive question.

Federal judge rejects killer's latest appeal

The Associated Press

Supreme Court.

GREENEVILLE, Tenn. — A federal judge rejected the latest appeal from the ringleader of six young Eastern Kentuckians convicted of murdering a Knoxville family returning from a Jehovah's Witnesses conference in 1997.

Natasha Cornett has been fighting the conviction since she was sentenced six years ago to three consecutive life terms without parole plus 25 years in the slayings of Vidar and Delfina Lillelid and their daughter, Tabitha.

She lost before the Greene County Circuit Court, the Tennessee Court of Criminal Appeals and the Tennessee

Supreme Court. Last week, she lost again before U.S. District Judge Thomas Hull, who wrote in an order that any further appeal would be totally frivolous.

The Lillelids encountered the Kentuckians at an Interstate 81 rest area, were taken hostage and gunned down. Two days later, the Kentuckians were caught in Arizona in the Lillelids' van.

All six pleaded guilty and were convicted of first-degree murder. Hull rejected Cornett's claim that she was coerced into the plea and her attorneys were ineffective.

A similar appeal from codefendant Edward Dean Mullins is pending in U.S. District Court in Greenville.

Cemeteries

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tain the remains of individuals buried in wooden caskets, he said, noting that he is working with volunteers Amos and Cornelius Carroll to correctly categorize each body removed from the cemeteries.

Some of the remains have been relocated to family cemeteries in Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia, but most of them are being moved to Davidson Memorial Gardens in Ivel.

Kevin Hall, director of Hall and Jones Funeral Home in Virgie, is in charge of the removal and replacement process.

"It's a very interesting job," Hall said, noting that the majority of the remains are surprisingly intact, with clothing, shoes, hats and gold teeth still visible.

They've buried 12 people so far at the Davidson Memorial Gardens and are digging sites for 15 more, one that's 117 years old, according to manager Delmar Baldrige.

The graves are being removed to pave the way for a three-lane road which will replace the Minnie-Harold Road on Route 979.

According to Mary Westfall-Holbrook, project manager, the construction will take place in three sections between the Minnie and Harold areas.

The first section, currently under construction, starts at Minnie and ends at the mouth of Branham's Creek. The other two sections of the project, which are in the design phase, extend from Branham's Creek to Little Mud and from Little Mud to Route 122, she said.

"The cemeteries were deemed as obstacles to the project," she said.

The purpose of the construction is to build a safer road that will serve the area better, Holbrook said, pointing out that it will be completed with truck climbing lanes.

According to her, the \$100 million pricetag only includes the road construction. No estimates were available on the cost of the grave removals, which is also funded through the state.

Wayland

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council's meeting was called off last month because council members were not available to attend.

During the meeting, Murphy said the council also discussed the Wayland Homecoming, which will take place on Labor Day weekend.

The city council's regular meeting time is the third Monday of every month. When contacted Monday afternoon, Murphy said the council would meet to discuss the homecoming, but that the meeting would not be considered as a regular monthly meeting.

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Democrats upset with Fletcher's call for special election

by JOE BIESK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Gov. Ernie Fletcher should have given a deceased state senator's family time to grieve before calling a special election for his replacement, the Democratic lawmaker's son said Tuesday.

Fletcher attended visitation services for Paul Herron Jr. on Friday, and was "very courteous and respectful," his son, Paul Herron III, said.

However, the governor's timing in calling for a special election troubled the family, Herron said.

Herron died Wednesday and was buried Sunday. On Monday, Fletcher declared a

special election for Herron's replacement would be July 27.

"That's a little bit quick," Herron said in a telephone interview. "It shows a disrespect for my mother, and it shows a disrespect for my father. And, they're due better than that."

Meanwhile, Kentucky Democrats also railed against Fletcher's decision.

Senate Minority Leader Ed Worley, state party Chairman Bill Garmer and other Democrats gathered at the state Capitol to chastise Fletcher.

Worley said Fletcher "disgraced" Herron's widow as part of a Republican "scheme" to gain further control of the Senate. He questioned whether Fletcher — who is vacationing in Florida — signed the declaration before Herron's burial.

"He has absolutely no need to fill this position, except political expediency — to promote his own agenda," Worley

said. "And that's the Republican agenda."

But Fletcher's chief of staff, Daniel Groves, said the governor called the special election because Herron had more than two years left on his term. He said the decision was not intended as a slight to Herron.

The governor authorized his electronic signature on the declaration on Monday, Groves said.

"We have a great deal of respect for the late Sen. Herron, and wish his family all the best," Groves said. "I don't think that calling a special election takes away the ability to grieve."

David Thomason, who switched political affiliations on Monday, wants the seat as a Republican. Thomason, once a House Democratic leader, said he consulted with Fletcher and other top Republicans.

Democrats are considering Dorsey Ridley of Dixon, another

former House member, as a potential candidate, Worley said. Herron wanted Ridley as his successor, Worley said.

Local Democrats were meeting Tuesday night to consider Ridley's candidacy, he said.

The district is made up of Henderson, Caldwell, Crittenden, Livingston, Union

and Webster counties.

With Herron's death, Republicans currently hold a 22-15 lead in the Senate.

Instead of holding a special election, Fletcher could have saved money by adding it to the November election ballot, Worley said. Fletcher also scheduled it while many influ-

ential Democrats are scheduled to be at the party's national convention, he said.

Candidates also should have more time to prepare and inform voters, Garmer said.

However, the governor wanted to hold the special election as soon as possible, Groves said.

FEMA opens office at Clark Elem. today

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

MIDDLE CREEK — A Federal Emergency Management Agency Disaster Recovery Center will set up post at Clark Elementary School this week, an attempt to assist those who suffered losses during recent flooding.

FEMA representatives will be on hand to answer questions

beginning at 9 a.m. this morning and will remain at the school until 7 p.m. nightly through Saturday, July 3.

FEMA will be assisting individuals with grants to pay for temporary housing, home repairs and other disaster-related expenses. Low-interest loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration are also available to cover residential and business losses.

More than 250 disaster recovery specialists are currently working to help storm victims, FEMA officials reported. Fixed Disaster Recovery Centers are currently located in Magoffin and Martin counties. Temporary centers are also available in Breathitt, Harlan, Henry, Leslie and Perry counties.

To date, FEMA has assisted in obtaining millions in funding for area residents, including \$3,514,583 in housing assistance, \$2,467,528 in miscellaneous assistance, \$717,000

toward the approval of six SBA loans, and unemployment benefits to both publicly- and self-employed individuals who missed work because of the flood.

Refunds are also available for qualified taxpayers in disaster declared counties for taxes paid on 2003 or 2004 tax returns, according to IRS publication 547.

In order to speed assistance from FEMA, individuals should register as soon as possible by calling (800) 621-FEMA, or (800) 462-7585 for the hearing impaired.

FEMA suggests that even those who have insurance should register because the coverage may not adequately cover losses incurred during the flood.

They also request that residents be alert for fraudulent contractors by demanding references, checking with licensing agencies and paying only after work is complete.

Two arrested after Elkhorn City robbery

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

ASHCAMP — Kentucky State Police arrested two individuals Monday for the armed robbery of a convenience store in Elkhorn City.

Eddie Adkins, 23, of Rockhouse, and Misty Potter, 26, of Ashcamp, were arrested Monday afternoon, just hours after witnesses claim they broke into the Cardinal Country Store #9 at Ashcamp.

According to manager Sam Stevens, Potter, wearing a mask, entered the store Monday morning approximately 10 minutes after clerk Valerie Ward opened the doors at 6 a.m. Ward said that Potter brandished a handgun and demanded cash from the register.

She gave the female, who fled in a blue pickup truck driven by Adkins, an undisclosed amount of cash before contacting the authorities about the robbery.

According to KSP Detective Joey Howard, who is still investigating, Ward obtained the registration plate number of the vehicle and provided police with a "good description" of the woman, factors which led to the couple's prompt arrest Monday afternoon.

Both suspects are lodged at the Pike County Detention Center.

Howard said the robbery didn't appear to be connected with recent robberies at the Alpique Motel in Ivel and at the Microtel Inn in Prestonsburg.



photo by Tom Doty

Victoria Hammonds, 10, of Prestonsburg, became an Oreo "Star Stacker" Saturday when she stacked 18 of the cookies in 30 seconds to win the honors that included a certificate and a trophy.

Motel guest charged with public indecency

by JOYAL FRAZIER
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Tomahawk man was arrested June 12 at Super 8 motel in Prestonsburg and charged with alcohol intoxication in a public place, disorderly conduct and indecent exposure.

According to the police report, Clayton Murphy, 20, was going from door to door trying to get into a room at the motel, allegedly disturbing and alarm-

ing other guests that was staying there.

Murphy was allegedly intoxicated from drinking whiskey, and entered one room while housekeeping staff were cleaning and exposed himself and then proceeded to urinate on the floor.

Murphy was arraigned in district court Tuesday by Judge James R. Allen. He was released on a \$2,000 surety bond and is scheduled to be back in court in August for a pretrial conference.

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Christian County ends Johnson Central's run

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON — Christian County put a stop to the impressive postseason run being made by Johnson Central, beating the Golden Eagles and first-year head coach Shawn Hall 8-0 Friday in the semifinals of the KHSAA State Baseball Tournament.

Christian County scored in five of the six innings in which it came to bat. The Colonels scored early and often in eliminating Johnson Central, the 15th Region champion. Christian County, a first-round winner over North Hardin, put a pair of runs on the scoreboard in the opening inning and starting pitcher Trey Wheeler held his own.

The Colonels had a more than comfortable 7-0 lead at the end of the fifth inning. Wheeler was a workhorse for Christian County, going the

(See RUN, page two)



David Jones

Jones gives UK verbal commitment

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON — Area high school football teams, including Prestonsburg and Pikeville, will face opposition next season that in all likelihood will include an athlete headed on scholarship to the University of Kentucky.

Belfry senior-to-be David Jones — quite possibly the state's top high school football player — has given the University of Kentucky football program a verbal commitment. Jones, who is currently attending the UK summer camp, blazed a trail for Belfry during a junior season that included many honors and accolades,

(See JONES, page two)

KENTUCKY TOPS TENNESSEE, 28-23



photos by Steve LeMaster

Nicholas Jamerson put down the hold for kicker Aaron Pettrey, putting the first points on the board in the 2004 Kentucky-Tennessee All-Star Football Classic. Pettrey, a graduate of Raceland High School, is headed to Ohio State University. Jamerson will attend the University of Kentucky.

JAMERSON PLAYS SPECIAL TEAMS, DEFENSE FOR KENTUCKY ALL-STARS

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Prestonsburg High graduate Nicholas Jamerson spent last week practicing with the Kentucky Football All-Stars. Come Friday evening, Jamerson suited up and took the field with his team, helping it to a 28-23 victory over rival Tennessee, inside Neyland Stadium, in the annual Kentucky-Tennessee All-Star Football Classic. Sixty-plus Jamerson supporters showed up at the game to cheer on the Blackcat.

"We wanted to go down and support Nicholas," said Prestonsburg High head coach John DeRossett. "It was a nice trip for our players and all of those who made the trip. We felt it was important to show our support for Nicholas."

When Jamerson was announced prior to the start of the game, he got the loudest response of any player on either team.

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In pre-game warmups, Jamerson got carries out of the backfield. During the game, Jamerson played on both special teams and defense.

P'burg grad receives honor from Claiborne Chapter

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — One night before playing in the Kentucky-Tennessee All-Star Football Classic, recent Prestonsburg High School graduate Nicholas Jamerson attended an awards banquet in Lexington. Jamerson, who will attend the University of Kentucky, as a pre-

ferred walk-on in the football program, was rewarded for his outstanding high school student-athlete career. He was honored by Jerry D. Claiborne Chapter of the National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame, Inc. The banquet, held Thursday at Fasig-Tipton Pavilion in Lexington, honored Jamerson and some of the state's other top high

school football student-athletes. With the honor, the Prestonsburg grad had his name entered with the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame in South Bend, Ind. Among those attending the ceremony were Jamerson's parents and Prestonsburg High football coach

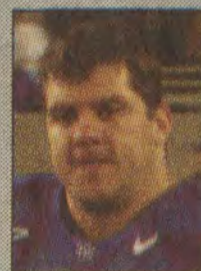
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Colts release Caudill, 3 others

Prestonsburg High grad joins Horsemen

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indianapolis Colts made four roster moves last week, making some room prior to the start of training camp. The moves came on Tuesday, June 15, a week after the National Football League franchise concluded its annual summer school sessions. One of the roster moves



Jeremy Caudill

included the release of Prestonsburg High grad Jeremy Caudill. Other players released were Bryan Stave and Derek Kennard, also defensive tackles, and Daryl Dixon, a defensive back. All four players joined the Colts as free agents, signing as free agents shortly after April's NFL Draft. Following the release, Caudill didn't stay inactive

(See COLTS, page five)

Blackcats in MSU 7-on-7 Passing League

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

MOREHEAD — Looking to get in some pass-catch work before the KHSAA dead period goes into effect Friday, the Prestonsburg High football team will be in Rowan County, more specifically on the campus of Morehead State University, today, for the Morehead State Football 7-on-7 Passing League. The Blackcats began play in the league yesterday. By participating in the Morehead State passing league, Prestonsburg will get the opportunity to face both in-state and out-of-state teams.

For members of the Prestonsburg High coaching staff, including head coach John DeRossett, attending any Morehead State-related football event is also a chance to catch up with former Blackcat John Gilliam, the current Morehead State defensive coordinator.

"Our kids enjoy making the trip to Morehead," said Prestonsburg Coach John DeRossett. "Going to Morehead also allows us a chance to catch up with Coach

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Bolus Service ranks Galloway in Top 12

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

The May 2004 Rick Bolus High Potential Basketball Recruiting Service, Inc. player rankings ranked Knott County Central senior Kasi Galloway as one of the Top 12 players in the state. Wolfe County eighth-grade center/forward Lori Fletcher was also ranked in the Top 12. Galloway transferred to Knott County Central from Boyd County. She is expected to make the KCC girls a strong contender for the 14th

Region title. Earlier in the month, Knott Central won a team camp at Hazard, beating Clay County in a championship game.

Betsy Layne senior Kim Clark and Pike County Central sophomore Haley Ratliff are each ranked in the Top 55. Paige Lowe is another Pike County Central player ranked. She is ranked in the Top 100.

The June boys' rankings failed to

(See RANKS, page two)



photos by Jamie Howell

Betsy Layne senior Kim Clark (pictured far left) and Pike County Central sophomore Haley Ratliff (above, calling for the ball) are ranked as two of the Top 55 players in the state.

All-Stars

Jamerson, who wore No. 6 throughout his high school grid career, donned No. 21 in the all-star game. He will have plenty of chances to wear blue in the years to come as he will attend Kentucky and join the Wildcat football team as a preferred walk-on.

Mason County grad Dustin Grutza and Danville product Charles Penix each rushed for two touchdowns Friday evening as Kentucky played its way to the

come-from-behind win. The win was Kentucky's third-straight against Tennessee. The Volunteer State team has now lost four of the last five games between the two rivals.

Penix had touchdown runs of eight and nine yards, respectively. The Eastern Kentucky University signee finished with 85 yards rushing on 10 carries.

Grutza, while passing for 207 yards, added two one-yard rushing touchdowns.

Curtis Hamilton led Kentucky receivers with 88 yards. Scott Kuhn finished with 86 yards receiving.

The Kentucky defense held Tennessee to 83 yards rushing and 159 yards passing.

The Kentucky team faced a 14-3 deficit at halftime before opening the third quarter with an 81-yard scoring drive.

In the first half, Perry County Central grad Al Holland replaced

Grutza and led Kentucky what looked to be a possible scoring drive. Holland had a pass intercepted and returned for a touchdown in the first half, quieting a serious scoring threat for the visiting team. Holland was a late addition to the team after Trinity graduate and University of Louisville signee Brian Brohm decided not to play in the game.

Kentucky rallied from a 14-3 halftime deficit, opening the third

quarter with an 81-yard scoring drive. Penix capped the series with his first touchdown run.

After forcing a Tennessee punt, Kentucky scored again in the second half to take its first lead at 15-14. Grutza's second scoring run came early in the fourth quarter and pushed the visiting team's advantage to a 22-14 cushion.

Tennessee regained the lead on a 20-yard field goal with 7:18 left.

But Kentucky answered with another Penix scoring run.

Kentucky opened scoring late in the first quarter after recovering a Tennessee fumble at the Tennessee 34. Kentucky couldn't get in the end zone but did score on a 26-yard field goal by Raceland product Aaron Pettrey.

Jamerson, who played on special teams and defense for Kentucky, was the holder on Pettrey's made field goal. In pre-game warmups he got carries out of the Kentucky backfield.

In the second half, Jamerson

was inserted into the Kentucky defensive secondary.

Several members of the Kentucky team had a hand in the come-from-behind win.

"The kids believed they could come back and win it," noted Rockcastle County Coach Tom Larkey, head coach of the Kentucky team.

Ranks

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a list a player from the 15th Region. From the 14th Region, Perry County Central guard Daniel Combs is ranked in the Top 100.

Rick Bolus player rankings are based on college potential and players can move up or down in rankings over a period of time. Girls' rankings for the month of June were not available.

Jones

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including being named Class 2A Championship Game MVP and in the process helping lead the Pirate grid team to its first state title. As a junior, following a transfer in from West Virginia, he rushed for over 1,500 yards and scored over 20 touchdowns, while sharing Class 2A, District 8 Player of the Year honors with Prestonsburg's Nicholas Jamerson.

Jones, a 5-10 running back/defensive back, is forecasted to play defense at the next level.

He was recently included as a member of the Tremendous 26 team, a squad voted on by Kentucky high school football coaches.

During a chat session held June 1 on the UKAthletics.com website, Kentucky assistant coach Joker Phillips confirmed that Jones was being recruited.

"Have you ever heard about David Jones," asked a fan, named Ty. Phillips replied, "Yes, we are recruiting him. Because of NCAA rules, that's all I can say."

Ohio State was one of the teams said to be interested in Jones and his services.

Jones is second Class of 2005 athlete to give Kentucky a verbal commitment. Trigg County offensive lineman Kenny Ray Turner gave the UK grid program and head coach Rich Brooks a verbal commitment three months ago.

Run

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distance, allowing just four hits and, while walking three and striking out seven.

Chad Carner, Lincoln Latham, Anthony Stacy and Matt Hunt led the Christian County offensive effort with two hits apiece. Hunt also drove in two runs.

Wheeler went the distance, allowing no hits, four hits, walking three and striking out seven.

Johnson Central shortstop Zane Burt had two hits for the Golden Eagles.

The win over Johnson Central allowed Christian County to advance to the state championship game.

Pitcher Cory Conley took the loss for the Golden Eagles, allowing 12 hits.

In Hall's first season at the helm of the Johnson Central baseball program, after taking over for longtime mentor Mike Collins, the perennial 15th Region baseball title contender claimed a first-ever state tournament berth. Johnson Central finishes the season with a 24-18 record.

Jamerson

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John DeRossett.

Each year the Jerry D. Claiborne Chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame selects the state's most deserving senior football student-athletes. Jamerson received a plaque commemorating his selection.

Dale Creech serves as president and chairman of the board of directors for the Claiborne Chapter. Others on the board of directors include Rodney Stiles, Jim Wade, James McDonald, Tim Francis, James Fightmaster, Jimmie Reed, Louis Stout, Jim Host, Jim Rocco, Lonny Demaree, Kermit Blackburn and Joe Kennedy.

Other recent honorees from Prestonsburg were Andrew Burchett, John Ortega and Jeremy Caudill.

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The Golden Eagles beat 16th Region champ Ashland to earn a spot in the state tournament semifinals.

Hall was more than pleased with his team's effort.

"This team worked hard and showed a lot of heart," said Hall. "We had a great run."

BOYS: Ky. 89, Ind. 81

by MALCOLM C. KNOX ASSOCIATED PRESS

OWENSBORO — Chris Lofton, Kentucky's Mr. Basketball, scored 41 points to lead the Kentucky boys all-stars to an 89-81 win over Indiana on Saturday night.

Courtney Lee led Indiana with 28 points.

Lofton, who will play at

Tennessee next season, heard a few boos from Kentucky fans when he was introduced. By the end, it was all cheers.

"It's motivation," Lofton said.

Lofton hit 13-of-25 shots from the field, including six 3-pointers, and added nine free throws. His point total tied him with Oscar Robertson for third place all-time in a single game

in the series.

"He didn't play like Mr. Basketball," Indiana coach Cliff Hawkins said. "He played like Mr. World."

Lofton made twisting layups and hit one 3-pointer from 4-feet behind the arc.

Meanwhile, Indiana Mr. Basketball A.J. Ratliff's game went a different direction. He had 10 points, making 2-of-10 field goals.

Kentucky led 48-43 at halftime, but Indiana went ahead 52-50 when Lee hit a 3-pointer five minutes into the second half.

The lead changed three more times before Kentucky pulled ahead for good, 69-68, after Lofton scored a layup.

Hawkins said his own team's mistakes hurt Indiana as much as Lofton did.

"We struggled tonight rebounding the basketball, and I think that's obvious in second-chance points," he said.

Kentucky had 26 second-chance points to Indiana's 12.

Indiana also committed 22 turnovers to Kentucky's 12.

Wesley Clemmons and Joe Reitz scored 12 points each for Indiana.

Kentucky's win snapped a five-game Indiana winning streak in the border rivalry. Indiana leads the overall series 72-41.

Indiana 66, Kentucky 53

by MALCOLM C. KNOX ASSOCIATED PRESS

OWENSBORO — Janese Banks scored 21 points and had 10 rebounds to lead the Indiana girls all-stars to a 66-53 win over Kentucky's girls Saturday night.

Banks led all scorers as Indiana won for the first time in Kentucky since 2000 in the annual border rivalry.

Trish Todd led Kentucky with 12 points.

Kentucky Miss Basketball Crystal Kelly led her team with 12 rebounds.

The smaller Indiana team forced 29 Kentucky turnovers and did not allow a Kentucky 3-pointer until less than a minute remaining in the game.

"Tonight, we were focused on the get-go," Indiana coach Jodie Whitaker said. "We stressed defense, defense, defense. By looking at the stats, you can see that's the reason we won this game."

Indiana opened the game with a seven-point run and never looked back. They held their largest lead of the game at

46-30 with 12 minutes left in the game.

"We saw right away we could play with them," Whitaker said.

Kentucky's plan was to get the ball into the post and win with its size. Indiana swarmed to the lane, double- and triple-teaming Kentucky's taller players. Kentucky's 6-foot-6 Sarah Elliott scored six points. Kelly scored 7 points, making no field goals in the first half.

"It was really tough," Kelly said. "They were really physical ... We weren't being physical back."

Even with the win, Indiana isn't expecting it to be easy next Saturday when the teams play a rematch in Indianapolis.

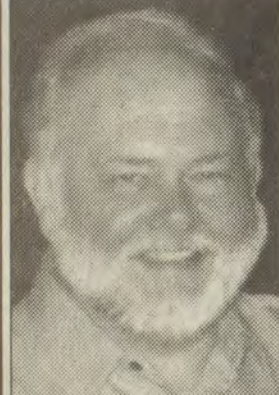
"They're not going to lay down," Banks said.

Kentucky coach Donna Moir said she was happy with her team's defense. Indiana outrebounded Kentucky 49-46.

"We're going to do a lot of rebounding drills, I can assure you," Moir said.

Indiana shot 27.8 percent from the floor and made four 3-point field goals.

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Fifth Third Bank to be title sponsor for baseball, tennis

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — Kentucky High School Athletic Association Commissioner Brigid DeVries, along with representatives from the KHSAA Board of Control and staff, announced that Fifth Third Bank has agreed to a three-year deal to serve as title sponsor of the KHSAA Baseball and Tennis State Championships beginning in 2005. The announcement was made during Friday's State Baseball Semifinals at Applebee's Park in Lexington.

"We are extremely pleased to be partnering with Fifth Third Bank for sponsorship of our Baseball and Tennis State Championships," KHSAA Commissioner Brigid DeVries said. "We continue to look for ways to help the Association maintain the services it provides the student athletes of the Commonwealth, and corporate sponsorships such as this one help us not only enhance the individual tournament experience, but our overall services the Association provides."

This is the second time in the history of the Association that a title sponsor has been secured for the State Baseball Finals and first time for the State Tennis Championships. It is only the sixth such title sponsorship for a KHSAA event.

"Part of the Association strategic plan as directed by our Board of Control is to continue to find ways to secure funds for the overall programs of the KHSAA to help offset rising costs," DeVries added. For example, for the 2004-05 school year, we are facing an expenditure of almost \$150,000 just to continue to provide the athletes at each of our member schools catastrophic insurance.

"I think you are seeing corporations recognizing the value of high school athletics and the grass-roots level of marketing it provides. I hope we will continue to announce beneficial sponsorships in conjunction with each of our sports programs," DeVries concluded.

"The Kentucky High School Athletic Association has been so instrumental in the lives of so many of Kentucky's young people," Fifth Third President Sam Barnes said. "We are honored to help the KHSAA pursue its mission of enhancing the high school educational experience through athletics, and we look forward to some exciting action in the State Baseball and Tennis

Tournaments to come."

The Fifth Third package includes title sponsorship as well as sponsoring four \$530 scholarships to be awarded to participants in each event each year as well.

The official title in all references beginning with next year's events will be the Fifth Third Bank/KHSAA State Baseball Tournament and the Fifth Third Bank/KHSAA State Tennis Championships for the duration of the agreement.

Christian County beats Lafayette 3-1, captures state title

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON — Junior left-handed pitcher Anthony Stacy pitched Saturday and the Christian County bats got behind him, en route to a 3-1 win over Lafayette in the state baseball tournament's championship game at Applebee's Park, home of the Lexington Legends.

Lafayette scored first, but didn't get the final say. After a slightly shaky start, Stacy calmed down and pitched his team to the win.

Lafayette started the scoring in the top of the second inning, when Chandler Snyder reached on a Christian County error. Ryan Bibb followed with a single to make it 1-0 lead in favor of the Generals.

Christian County battled back when the starting pitcher helped his cause. Stacy led off with a single and stole second base, advancing an extra bag. Matt Hunt then walked and then advanced when Keith Tandy came through with a sacrifice bunt.

With runners at second and third, Chase Joiner grounded out to score Stacy, tying the game at 1-1. Number nine hitter Greg Casebier followed with a double to deep leftfield, making it a 2-1 advantage for the Colonels.

With a slim 2-1 lead, Christian County kept control of the game.

Stacy, the eventual tournament MVP, pitched Christian County to a win over North Hardin earlier in the week.

Stacy, who was also the winning pitcher in the quarterfinal win over North Hardin, finishes the season at 13-3.

Johnson Central trio named All-Tournament

Johnson Central ace Adam Blanton and teammates Jeremy VanHoose and Zane Burt were named to the All-Tournament Team. The Golden Eagles' run in the state tournament ended with an 8-0 blanking against eventual state champion Christian County. A complete list of the state baseball tournament honorees follows.

All-Tournament Team

- Zane Burt, Johnson Central
- Adam Blanton, Johnson Central
- Jeremy VanHoose, Johnson Central
- Nick Tompkins, Trinity
- Matt Brady, Trinity
- Brian Brohm, Trinity
- Michael Serraglio, Lafayette
- Chaz Roe, Lafayette
- Blake Blair, Lafayette
- Chad Carner, Christian County
- Lincoln Latham, Christian County
- Anthony Stacy, Christian County
- MVP - Anthony Stacy, Christian County
- U.S. Marines Sportsmanship Award - Brian Brohm, Trinity

Lawmakers approve plan to lease racetracks

by TOM BELL
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TRENTON, N.J. — A measure that would allow the state sports authority to lease the Meadowlands Racetrack and Monmouth Park to private operators in an effort to pull in more money from the horse racing industry was approved by the state Legislature on

Monday.

Supporters of the bill said it could boost state revenues from the two racetracks up to \$300 million a year. The Meadowlands and Monmouth Park earned \$23.5 million combined last year for the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority.

"From the standpoint of potential revenue for economic

development, the sports authority would be remiss to turn its back on the interest in leasing the tracks expressed by the private sector," said Sen. Paul Sarlo, D-Bergen, sponsor of the bill.

"We made sure the bill had sufficient legislative oversight so we can ensure that the tracks are always maintained as sports and entertainment facilities."

The legislation approved Monday by both the Senate and Assembly was sent to Gov. James E. McGreevey. Ellen Mellody, a spokeswoman for McGreevey, said the governor would review the legislation but supports the idea of long-term leases as a way to increase revenue from the racetracks.

A study done by an investment banking firm last year for the sports authority found that the racetracks had substantial value and that there would likely be strong interest in leasing them from the private sector.

Magna Entertainment, based in Aurora, Canada, and Churchill Downs Inc. of Louisville, whose flagship track hosts the Kentucky Derby.

Both companies own a number of tracks around the country and would be able to turn bigger profits because they would not have to pay simulcasting rights for their own facilities. The state has to pay fees for the simulcasting

races it shows.

The leases also would be attractive to the companies because they can raise capital more quickly and benefit from cost savings due to running a string of racetracks, officials said.

Officials said leasing the racetracks was part of an effort to get the state out of the business of running sports facilities.

Report: Former Racing Commission managed poorly, but didn't break the law

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — The former Kentucky Racing Commission was managed poorly and disregarded some of state government's rules and regulations, but did not do anything illegal, according to a report released Tuesday by the state auditor.

"Our auditors found no evidence of any intent to defraud government and nothing was found that merits referral to any law enforcement agency," State Auditor Crit Luallen said in a statement. "But that is not the standard to which government should aspire."

Gov. Ernie Fletcher requested that the auditor review the former state agency, which he replaced with the Kentucky Horse Racing Authority.

Among its findings, the report said the former agency had "inconsistent travel policies" which resulted in employees being paid for travel when they shouldn't have been. One employee was reimbursed more than \$10,000 for traveling from home to work.

Meanwhile, other employees were not reimbursed for legitimate expenses, the report found.

The report, which was not a full financial audit, also recommended that the agency's positions of chief state steward and executive director should be held by two different people.

Citizens National Bank continues to invest in youth

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — Six Pike County teams competed in the KHSAA 59th and 60th districts' baseball tournaments. Citizens National Bank was a major sponsor and an integral part of post-season high school baseball in eastern Kentucky.

As the sponsor for the 59th and 60th districts' baseball tournaments, Citizens National

Bank donated \$1,000 to cover the expenses for baseballs, umpires and trophies. This allowed all schools participating to share more of the gate proceeds.

"It is always pleasure to be able to sponsor athletic programs in the counties we serve," said CNB President and CEO Dennis T. Dorton. "Investing in our schools to provide better academic and athletic programs is one aspect of the CNB Bank for Your Life business philosophy and a vital part of our contribution to the communities that we serve."

Dorton presented trophies and awards to the winning teams and players. The teams winning first and second place for each district were:

First Place, 59th District — Pikeville

Second Place, 59th District — East Ridge

First Place, 60th District — Belfry

Second Place, 60th District — Pike County Central

"The players in the 59th and 60th districts' tournaments exemplified excellent teamwork," Dorton added. "The

skills these team members acquire playing team sports will be beneficial to them as they enter college and the workforce in the future."

In addition to sponsoring this post-season high school baseball tournament, Citizens National Bank has actively supported academics through its CNB Most Valuable Players program. In the name of all 2003/2004 high school football and basketball MVPs, Citizens National Bank donated more than \$4,000 to the general education scholarship fund at high schools in each county where CNB has branches. This was the second year CNB sponsored this MVP program. Founded by CNB in 2002-03 season, the MVP program recognizes local football and basketball athletes by donating money to general education scholarship funds, in their name.

Horsemen announce Red, White & Blue Bowl

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEXINGTON — Lexington Police Chief Anthony Beatty and Fire Chief Robert Hendricks joined Horsemen President Ron Borkowski Friday to announce

that tickets are now on sale for the inaugural Red, White, & Blue Bowl, which will be played on Friday, July 2 at 7:30 p.m. in Rupp Arena. The Horsemen will face the Staten Island Xtreme in the final regular-season game of the year for both teams, and will be highlighted by a flag football game between teams from the police and fire departments at halftime.

All lower arena tickets for the game are on sale for the special price of \$10, and can be purchased by calling 859/233-3535. Rupp Arena concessions will also be selling beer and hot dogs at the special price of \$1 each throughout the game. The game is likely to have postseason implications for the Horsemen, who are right in the thick of the

playoff race as the regular season winds down.

Prestonsburg High grad Jeremy Caudill joined the Horsemen earlier in the week and call play Saturday when the Horsemen host the Waco Marshals.

The Red, White & Blue Bowl, sponsored by the Lexington Herald-Leader, will feature a number of activities, contests, and giveaways before, during and after the game. The schedule for July 2 is as follows:

6 p.m. — A "Meet 'n' Greet" with the Fillies, Spike, the PowerAde Posse, and Spanky the horse on the Rupp Arena Plaza.

6:30 p.m. — Games on the

(See HORSEMEN, page four)

Mr. Baseball, Coach of the Year finalists announced

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — The finalists for Kentucky's Mr. Baseball and Coach of the Year awards have been announced.

Colin Cowgill of Henry Clay, Cole Draughn of Pulaski County, Male's Scott Green and Jeff Harp of Madisonville-North Hopkins are the finalists for Mr.

Baseball.

Kevin Crider of Christian County, Chris Langston of Lafayette, Heath's Jimmy Long and Bob Myerhoff of Beechwood are the finalists for Coach of the Year.

The winners will be announced at the Kentucky All-Star game.

Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame 2005 Class announced

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — Sixteen former high school coaches, athletes, officials and/or administrators make up the 18th class to be inducted into the Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame. The class was announced at the annual Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame golf outing that was held Monday at Golf Club of the Bluegrass in Nicholasville.

The class of 2005 will be inducted in ceremonies scheduled for March 15, 2005 in Lexington. The induction of the 16 will bring the total number of individuals honored to 318.

The 2005 class is as follows:

Gordon Bocock — Bocock, of Pulaski County, has a list of contributions in track and cross country that include serving over 20 years as the State Cross Country Meet Director, 15 years as officials coordinator and over 10 years as State Track & Field Meet Manager. He has also served many years as a regional meet director and clinician for the KHSAA.

John "Hop" Brown — Brown guided the West Carter Lady Comets to the 2000 Girls' State Basketball title and eight 16th Region titles. His coaching record was 514-201 in 25 years and is one of only six coaches in the history of girls' basketball to record 500-plus victories.

Jack Fitzpatrick — Fitzpatrick played in the Kentucky High School Athletic League for Dunbar of Somerset and helped the team to a National runner-up finish in 1954. He was named an All-National player and went on to play for the Harlem Globetrotters.

Kim Hampton — Hampton was an All-American basketball player and track standout for Iroquois High School in Louisville.

L.V. McGinty, Jr. — McGinty, from Paducah, has officiated several KHSAA State Championships in foot-

ball, boys' basketball and girls' basketball. He is also a successful collegiate official, having worked three National Championship football games while continuing to work at the high school level. In addition, McGinty has served as a member of the KHSAA Board of Control.

Ray Mills — Mills was an All-District, All-Region and All-State basketball player for Clay County High School. One of the first players in the state to dunk the ball, Mills helped Clay County to consecutive State Tournament appearances in 1952 and 1953 and went on to play for the University of Kentucky.

Don Morris — Morris compiled a basketball career coaching record of 305-168 at Breckinridge County and East Hardin. He coached Breckinridge County to the Boys' State Basketball Championship in 1965.

Phillip Reverman, Jr. — Reverman played basketball for St. Xavier High School in Louisville and helped his 1935 team to the KHSAA State Championship with a win over win over Newport. That same team advanced to the Catholic National Championship game.

Phil Rollins — Rollins played for Wickliffe High School, scoring over 2,400 points during his high school basketball career. He was the leading scorer in the Kentucky-Indiana All-Star game in 1952 and went on to a successful career at the University of Louisville, helping the Cardinals to the 1956 NIT title.

Joyce Seymour — Seymour has worked with the Girls' Louisville Invitational Basketball Tournament for over 30 years and has been director of the event since 1999. She also served as an assigning secretary for the 6th and 7th Regions and worked 20 years as both a high school and collegiate official.

Sherrill Sipes — Sipes was a multi-sport star at Louisville Flaget High School and was an All-State honoree in basketball and football. He also held state track records in the 100-yard and 220-yard dashes.

Stan Steidel — Steidel coached basketball and served as Athletic Director at Dayton High School. He has been instrumental in athletic administration throughout his career, serving on the KHSAA Board of Control and working with the Kentucky High School Athletic Directors Association. He also started the All "A" Classic in boys' and girls' basketball.

Paul Stevens — Stevens attended and later coached Dawson Springs High School. He coached boys' basketball, football and baseball for the Panthers. As basketball coach, he compiled a 119-46 record, including a 36-3 record in 1946 as Dawson Springs finished State Runner-up.

Robert Washington — Washington played basketball for Dunbar High School in Lexington, helping the school to a runner-up finish in the Boys' State Basketball Tournament in 1963. He later was a successful coach at Bryan Station High School in Lexington.

Paul and Reba Woodall — Paul and Reba both were outstanding track and field coaches for Bryan Station High School, guiding the Defenders to numerous championships. In addition, both worked as officials at the State Track Meet for numerous years.

Two other individuals have previously been voted into the Hall of Fame but declined induction. Kelly Coleman (1989) and John Reynolds (1994) have yet to accept the honor. They or their representatives would be added to the induction class in the year the honor is accepted

League

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(John Gilliam.)

After concluding play in the 7-on-7 tournament, Prestonsburg High football players will get over two weeks off before returning to practice some time after July 9, the last day of the KHSAA's mandatory dead period.

Stephens, Shaffer attend Nebraska camp

Prestonsburg senior-to-be John Mark Stephens and junior-to-be Dave Shaffer both recently attended a camp at the University of Nebraska. For Stephens, who took in the spring game in Lincoln, it was a second trip to Nebraska. It was Shaffer's first trip.

MSU Team Camp

The Morehead State University football program will hold a team camp July 25-31 and August 1-7. Camp is \$39 per athlete. For more information, call 606/783-2151.

Fraley set to defend Women's State Amateur golf title

FALLS OF ROUGH — Meade County senior-to-be Katie Fraley began defense of her Women's State Amateur golf title yesterday at Lafayette Golf Club in Falls of Rough.

Fraley was to face Sandra Martin in the first round of the match play portion of the event.

Qualifying was on Monday, but as the defending champion, Fraley was exempt from qualifying. Fraley captured the title in 2003 when the state event was held at StoneCrest Golf Course in Prestonsburg.

— Times Staff Report



Alice Lloyd College head men's basketball coach has landed another recruit for the 2004-05 season, Brent Prichard.

W.Va. player signs with Alice Lloyd College

STAFF REPORT

PIPPA PASSES — Brent Prichard, a 6-9, 230-pound center from Bolt, W.Va., signed last week to play his college basketball at Alice Lloyd College. Prichard played his first three years of high school basketball at Westside High School. Last year, he averaged 13 points, almost 10 rebounds and 2 blocked shots per game. He shot 61 percent from the field and 79 percent from the free throw line. His sophomore year, he was named to the Class-A All-State Tournament Team. During the summer he transferred to Woodrow Wilson High School in Beckley where he

played the first half of the year.

Alice Lloyd College is a member of the NAIA, Division II and also a member of the Appalachian Athletic Conference with member schools in Kentucky, Virginia, Tennessee, North Carolina and Georgia.

In addition to basketball, the West Virginia hoopster is very active in his church and sings gospel music with his family, the Harless Family Singers.

He is the son of Earl Jr. and Ruta Prichard of Bolt and is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Prichard Sr. of Oceana, W.Va. and Mr. and Mrs. Oral Harless of Davin, W.Va.

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It's not about fair, it's about the lowest score

by DOUG FERGUSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SOUTHAMPTON, N.Y. — Something strange happened the day after the U.S. Open.

A black round cap about the size of a hockey puck mysteriously rose from the ground and started spraying water over Shinnecock Hills. In the golf industry, they call this a sprinkler.

Then a couple of players searched and found — eureka! — a pitch mark that needed to be repaired.

In other words, Shinnecock Hills returned to being a golf course, one of the finest in the

country.

No one was sure what to call the links-styled course — or the competition it held — during a final round that identified the best players, humiliated the rest and set a U.S. Open record for complaints.

There is no denying the U.S. Golf Association, which treats par as its most precious commodity, went over the edge to make sure the toughest test in golf lived up to its reputation.

By continuing to double-cut the greens — they were so dead, it's a wonder there was any grass left to mow — and refusing to water them until certain holes became unplayable, the U.S. Open more closely resembled a demolition derby than a national championship.

"Good shots are not staying in fairways. Good shots are not staying on greens," Tom Kite said. "You've got the best players in the world. If they can't shoot under par, then it's got to be out of control."

Robert Allenby had the best round at even-par 70.

Five players shot 79 and still moved up the leaderboard.

The 28 players who failed to break 80 included Ernie Els, the No. 2 player in the world.

"It's not the first time they've done this, and it won't be the last," Mark Calcavecchia said of the USGA, shortly after grinding out a 75. "On that note, I need a beer."

But for all the silliness Sunday, the lasting image is U.S. Open champion Retief Goosen and runner-up Phil Mickelson playing a game unfamiliar to many others.

They were the only guys to beat par for the tournament.

They played the kind of golf that wins the U.S. Open.

It's not about whether the golf course is fair. It's about shooting the lowest score.

Tee shots don't stay in the fairway? Mickelson only missed two of the last eight fairways. He played with such control that he used a variety of shots to keep the ball on the green and below the cup, giving himself a chance at birdie. His run of three birdies in four holes to briefly take the lead was sensational stuff.

After closing with 71, Lefty was asked if it was a fair test.

"I don't know what to say. I felt like I played some of the best golf of my life," he said. "I hit some of the best shots, I putted better than I probably ever have putted. And I still couldn't shoot par. So you tell me."

Then again, he would have shot 69 if not for that three-putt double bogey on the 17th that perhaps cost him the second leg of the Grand Slam.

Goosen showed incredible resiliency, if not poise. Almost as impressive as Mickelson's birdie run was the Goose saving par on No. 13, saving bogey on No. 14, and answering Mickelson with a birdie of his own on the 16th to regain a share of the lead. He took only 24 putts in the final round, and had no three-putts for the tour-

name.

"The way the course is set up, it's important to save pars," Goosen said. "I kept telling myself, 'Keep playing for pars and you can win this event.' And it turned out that way."

Sure, it was tough. One could argue that this is not how golf is meant to be played — away from the flag, at times away from the green.

But it cannot be called unfair because everyone played the same course.

The last time a major championship came under this much scrutiny was the 1999 British Open at Carnoustie, already regarded as the toughest links in the world before a combination of high rough, narrow fairways and vicious wind made it even worse.

The winning score was 6-over 290. The winner was a guy named Paul Lawrie.

Davis Love III sniffed that Carnoustie got the champion it deserved, and he was right. Lawrie shot 67 in the final round and birdied the last two holes of the playoff with a 3-iron in 12 feet and a 4-iron in 3 feet. The guy who played the best golf won. (Jean Van de Velde played even better until

his brain malfunctioned on the 72nd hole).

Instead of celebrating great play, the U.S. Open turned into a protest from players who were led to believe that this major would change its personality overnight.

It is not the greatest test in golf, only the toughest.

Everyone should know that by now.

"I come to the U.S. Open expecting nothing to be fair," two-time champion Lee Janzen once said.

Els took such a beating that he bolted from Shinnecock without saying a word after making four double bogeys, more than he had made all season. The 80 was his highest score ever in the U.S. Open.

"People will ask whether the USGA went too far in the setup of the golf course," Els wrote Tuesday on his Web site. "Personally, I think the course was fair. Severe, but fair."

"It's a shame that we even need to have this debate, because Shinnecock is a wonderful course."

Ultimately, it identified the best player.

Half Mountain Speedway Race results from Saturday, June 19

- Late Model (13 Cars)**
Fast Time Paul Harris, 17.57 seconds
- Paul Harris
 - Shannon Thomsberry
 - Raymond Nichols
 - Joe Meadows
 - Ralph Whitten
 - Joel Jensen
 - Scott Hall
 - Audie Swartz
 - Bucky Jackson
 - Chad Hall
 - Nicki Pennington
 - DNS: Henry Hornsby

- Limited Late Model (17 Cars)**
Fast Time: Chris Combs, 18.62
- Greg Lucas
 - Chris Combs
 - Jamie Stone
 - Michael Wright
 - D.J. Wells
 - Tandy Spurlock
 - Randy Fields
 - Tim Mason
 - Jimmy Perkins
 - Paul Doug Porter
 - Deon Reed
 - Anthony Adams
 - Danny Bates
 - B.J. Morris
 - James Grigsby
 - Cory Waddell
 - DNS: Arvil Campbell

- Modified: (10 Cars)**
Fast Time: Walt Mayhabb, 20.10
- Chris Click
 - Randy Fouts
 - Walt Mayhabb
 - Jim Allen
 - Tony Stone
 - Leslie Johnson
 - Brandon Crose
 - Kevin Hayhabb
 - Mike Hall
 - DNS: Jason Perry

- Bomber (11 Cars)**
- David Lutrell
 - J.J. Brock
 - Eulis Combs
 - Buck LeMaster
 - Greg Hensley
 - Kevin Harkin
 - Don Risner
 - Justin Risner
 - Johnathon Rowe
 - Cager Baker Jr.
 - Darrin Dameron
 - DNS: J.J. Terry, Derick Harmon

- Four-Cylinder (10 cars)**
- Oscar McCown
 - Jeremy Hayes
 - Mike Howard
 - Austin Francis
 - Ricky Combs
 - Dustin Stanley
 - Jason Howard
 - Chad Hall
 - Trenton Frazier
 - Daniel Fugate

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Yankees trade White to Cincinnati

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — The New York Yankees traded struggling left-hander Gabe White back to the Cincinnati Reds on Friday for minor league pitcher Charlie Manning.

The Reds also receive a player to be named and cash from the Yankees as part of the deal.

White was 0-1 with an 8.27 ERA in 24 relief appearances for the Yankees this season. He was acquired from Cincinnati for cash at the trade deadline last July.

Manning, a left-hander, was 4-4 with a 5.12 ERA in 13 games for Double-A Chattanooga this season. He has held right-handed batters to a .188 average.

Bengals sign OL Sulfsted after having waived him earlier

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — The Cincinnati Bengals signed free-agent offensive lineman Alex Sulfsted to a two-year contract Tuesday after having waived him on June 4.

Sulfsted, a guard, is entering his third NFL season. He was on the Bengals roster for the final three games of the 2003 season but did not play.

He has played in 14 career games including three starts, all with the Washington Redskins in 2002. He played for Mariemont High in suburban Cincinnati and Miami of Ohio.

Sulfsted replaced offensive tackle Belton Johnson, whom the Bengals waived Tuesday. Johnson, a first-year player from Mississippi, worked a torn quad muscle in workouts last week and underwent surgery Monday. If Johnson is not claimed by another NFL team within 10 days, he will be assigned to the Bengals' injured reserve list, team officials said.

Bengals players are to report to training camp in Georgetown, on July 30.

Prestonsburg Little League 2004 All-Stars

- 9-10-year-olds — Chase Baldridge; Tyler Shelton; Lucas Stewart; Owen Caudill; Corey Carter; Seth Carter; Cody Chaffin; Kyle Chaffin; Trey Stapleton; Kyle Welch; Adam

- Crisp
Coaches: Les Stapleton; Ronnie Baldridge; Larry Chaffin; Tim Welch; Chris Carter.

- 11-12-year-olds — Josh Blackburn; Michael Burchett; Josh Craynon; Kyle Gearheart; Alex Griffith; J.D. Head; Austin McKinney; D.J. Ousley; Caleb Petrey; Kevin Romans; Tyler Sparks; Cody Vanhoose.
Manager: Ned Pillersdorf.
Coaches: Randy Gearheart;

Compton wins Caverun Lake tournament

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

MOREHEAD — On Sunday, June 13, the Tug Valley Bass Anglers club held its fourth tournament of the 2004 season. The club's latest tournament was held on Caverun Lake. Seventeen boats competed in the tournament. Caverun Lake was not its usual self when the Tug Valley fishermen fished it. With all the rain as of late, the lake was 15 feet above summer pool, it had been about five feet higher than that. The water was way up in the trees which made it very difficult to get anywhere close to the bank.

The water was also very clear considering how much the lake was flooded. The clear water made the fish get in the real thick stuff and hold deeper. The water temperature was about 82 degrees on most of the lake.

The fishing for the tournament was fair. It would have been better if the water would have been at normal levels. The main pattern was to find trees standing in the eight to 12-foot range. The best trees were smaller ones that had most of

their limbs under the water. The key was to pitch the bait up in the limbs and just feed the line off until the bait hit the bottom.

The fish were caught mainly on soft plastic baits.

The top finishers are as follows:

- Brian Compton (5 bass) — 8.47-pounds
 - Name Withheld ((2 bass) — 5.80-pounds
 - Kyle Calhoun (5 bass) — 5.55-pounds
 - Mo (Name withheld) (5 bass) — 5.47-pounds
 - Kevin Runyon (5 bass) — 5.33-pounds
 - Doug Green (4 bass) — 4.36-pounds
 - Scott Slone (3 bass) — 4.14-pounds
 - Johnny Webb (5 bass) — 4.14-pounds
 - Mark Compton (3 bass) — 3.87-pounds
 - Larry Hopson (1 bass) — 2.87-pounds
- Editor's note: For more information about the Tug Valley Bass Anglers, go online to www.se-tel.com/~tugvalleyanglers.

Horsemen

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Rupp Arena Plaza, including a hula-hoop contest, horseshoes, and a watermelon-eating contest. There will also be a corn-hole tournament for fans 21 and over, sponsored by Avio and Fanz First.

7 p.m. — Most Patriotic Fan Contest — the fan who is selected as the most patriotic will win a Horsemen Prize Pack. Fans who want to enter the contest can do so on the Rupp Arena Plaza.

7:30 p.m. — Kickoff of the Red, White & Blue Bowl. There will be numerous special prizes and contests during the game, as well as \$1 draft beer and \$1 hot dogs.

Halftime of the game — Lexington Police Department vs. Lexington Fire Department Flag Football Showdown.

After the game — A post-game party at Avio Nightclub. Fans presenting ticket stubs will be admitted with no cover charge.

Beaver Creek Little League 2004 All-Stars

- 9-10-year-olds
Jacob Prater
Jon Ross Gibson
Travis Adkins
Mason Branham
Austin Cook
Jacob Caudill
Tyler Collins
Austin Barmette
Joseph Artrip
Blake Patton
Brian Handshoe Jr.
Manager: Rick Prater
Coaches: Brian Handshoe
Ross Gibson

- 11-year-olds
Chris Conn
Jeremy Crisp
Mark Case
Douglas Matthews
Sean Jackson
Chris Hall
Joshua Handshoe
Micah Harlow
Braxton Tackett
John Dingus
Manager: Harry Conn
Coaches: Brad Tackett
Mark Case

- 12-year-olds
Hunter Crowder
Logan Crowder
Chad Nelson
Cory Conn
Tommy Joe Hall
Zach Hall
Justin Jackson
Cody Cook
Cory Hall
Joshua Stone
Tyler Hall
Tyler Newman
Manager: Rodney Nelson
Coaches: Chuckie Hall
Dallas Conn

- 13-14-year-olds
Blake Meade
Tyler Mitchell
Kody Howell
Richard Bentley
Corey Webb
Brent Hall
Robbie Cole
John Bryant
Justin Osborne
Josh Prater
Dane Sizemore
Josh Manuel
Manager: Kevin Webb
Coaches: Carol Prater
Brad Howell

- 15-16-year-olds
Tyler Turner
Justin Jacobs
Nick Music
Eric Crum
Ethan Conley
Scott Little
Ryan Collins
Brock Kidd
Josh McKinney
Alex Hammonds
Ryan Hammonds
Bobby Hughes
Manager: Scott Turner
Coaches: Dexter Conley
Steve Jacobs

- 11-12-year-old girls' softball
Brittany Blevins
Tianna Patton
Jaime Mullins
Trista Damron
Shea Spurlock
Katelyn Vanderpool
Cassandra Stewart
Haley Kidd
Katie Gibson
Samantha Rice
Chante Hall
Bridget Slone
Manager: Gloria Mullins
Coaches: Cheryl Preston
September Stewart



Paul Harris (above) and Chris Click (below) each drove to feature race wins Saturday night as Half Mountain Speedway resumed racing. The Magoffin County track is scheduled to host races the rest of the summer and on into the fall.





The 2004 Prestonsburg Mets - Pictured from left to right: Ryan Troxell, Zack Spiggle, Jaden Spurlock, Robbie Grigsby, Wil Allen, Alex Griffith, Austin McKinney, Caleb Petry, Ned Pillersdorf, Cody Vanhose, Jordan Damron, Evan Hayes, Michael Burchett and Evan Gearheart.



Weeksbury Wildcats Peewee Team - Bottom row, left to right: Ethan Spears, Daniel Devers, Doug Herald, Matthew Compton, Candi Mullins, Sarah Spears. Top row, left to right: Shea Mullins, Jonathan Mullins, Cody Hill, Tyler Compton, Johnathan Newsome, Charley-Ann Hall, Courtney Slone, Randi Stovall, Dalton Devers, Carrie Hall, Heather Spears. Coach: Sandra Mullins. Assistant coach: Vickie Stovall, Bill Newsome, Ron Spears, Greg Compton. The Weeksbury Wildcats finished with a 14-1 record. Sponsors included Randy and Vickie Stovall, the Weeksbury Community Center, Wheelwright Family Drug, Wildcat Tire, the Floyd County Courthouse, Long John Silver's and all the parents.

Pillersdorf to guide Prestonsburg Little League 11&12s

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG - Prestonsburg Mets Manager Nerd Pillersdorf has been selected to coach the 2004 Prestonsburg Little League 11-12-year-old All-Star team. Pillersdorf will be assisted by Randy Gearheart and Denny Ousley. Pillersdorf began his coaching career locally in 1982 when he coached the Prestonsburg A's. He previously coached the Sacramento Mets while he was attending law school from 1977 to 1980.

Those selected for the 2004 11-12-year All-Star team were

Josh Blackburn, Michael Burchett, Josh Craynon, Kyle Gearheart, Alex Griffith, J.D. Head, Austin McKinney, D.J. Ousley, Caleb Petry, Kevin Romans, Tyler Sparks and Cody VanHoose.

The Prestonsburg team is preparing for the upcoming all-star tourney by practicing at Dewey Dam. Rhodie the St. Bernard has been selected as the Prestonsburg team's mascot and will be present to sign paw print autographs during the All-Star Tournament in Paintsville. Play in the tournament is scheduled to begin on Saturday.

Colts

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for long. He is now back on the gridiron as he has joined the Lexington Horsemen, a National Indoor Football League team.

Caudill played four seasons at the University of Kentucky, earning starting time as a true freshman and playing in over 40 college games, most of which he started. He was a Parade All-American coming out of high school and during his time at the University of Kentucky played all along the defensive line.

The Prestonsburg alum confirmed yesterday, via phone, that he would be available to play Saturday when the Horsemen host the Waco Marshals.

"I will be able to play in Saturday's game against Waco," Caudill confirmed.

Kickoff for Saturday's game has been set for 7:30 p.m.

The Horsemen (8-4), currently second in the NIFL's Atlantic Conference North, are still in contention for a playoff berth.

Lonesome Pine Raceway

Results from Saturday, June 19

Grand Stock - 35 laps

1. Kirby Gobble
2. Roger Neece
3. Chris Tunnell
4. Alan Woodruff
5. Tony Vance
6. Jason McCauley
7. Rob Austin
8. Tony Dockery
9. Terry Stone
10. Russell Duty
11. Gary Wright
12. Scottie Baker
13. Gene Bentley
14. Josh Hale
15. Darrell Hurley
16. Chris Daugherty
17. Mike Mays

Pure 4 - 25 laps

1. Randall Davis
2. Mike Holtsclaw
3. Bill Davis
4. Jimmy Thomas
5. Carl Lawson
6. Roy Baker
7. Coby Rasnick
8. Bryan Young
9. Chris Castle
10. Jackie Rittenberry
11. Dean Barrett
12. Greg Clevinger
13. Larry Hedrick
14. Jeff Bobo
15. Tim Gibson
16. Derek Kiser
17. Randy Sturgill
18. Tony Castille

Legends - 20 laps

1. Greg Turner
2. Jay Young
3. Ron Humble
4. Shawn Blackburn
5. Steven Bryant
6. Lynn Wagner
7. Bill Linden
8. Steve Dawson
9. Steve Mitchell

Late Model Twin No. 1 - 50 laps

1. Steve Blackburn
2. Wayne Hale
3. Buddy Talbert
4. Kirby Gobble
5. Royce Peters
6. Will Mcknight
7. Michael Kidd
8. Steve Treadway
9. Larry Mcknight
10. Joe White
11. Jack Wagner
12. Doug Mate

Late Model Twin No. 2 - 50 laps

1. Steve Blackburn
2. Wayne Hale
3. Kirby Gobble
4. Michael Kidd
5. Buddy Talbert
6. Will Mcknight
7. Royce Peters
8. Steve Treadway
9. Larry Mcknight
10. Jack Wagner
11. Joe White

Limited - 50 laps

1. Brian Blevins
2. Roger Neece
3. Chris Tunnell
4. Jeff Woodward
5. Paul Shull
6. Scott Anderson
7. Joey Owens

Mod 4 - 30 laps

1. Kirby Gobble
2. Jody Bostic
3. Dave Watson
4. Roger Holtsclaw
5. Scott Anderson
6. Hershell Robinette
7. Freddie Taylor Jr.
8. Ralph Wilson
9. Lindsey Holman
10. Danny Duncan
11. David Brown
12. Freddie Taylor Sr.

Newman, Kyle Busch claim NASCAR wins

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BROOKLYN, Mich. - Ryan Newman came from a lap down to win the DHL 400 Sunday at Michigan International Speedway.

Newman, who led NASCAR's Nextel Cup series with eight wins last year, hadn't won in the first 14 races of 2004.

Newman passed Dale Jarrett for the lead on a restart on lap 178.

Jarrett held on to finish third

for his first top-five finish since he won at Rockingham in the second race of 2003. He was unable to stay with Newman at the end, and he couldn't hold off hard-charging rookie Kasey Kahne for the runner-up spot on lap 199.

Kyle Busch took the lead with two laps to go and held on to win the Meijer 300 at Kentucky Speedway on Saturday night for his third NASCAR Busch Series victory of the year.



photos by Steve LeMaster

At the next level, Prestonsburg High School graduate Nicholas Jamerson is expected to play somewhere in the defensive secondary. He is an accomplished player on offense, defense and special teams.

Reds star hits 500th career home run

by R.B. FALLSTROM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ST. LOUIS - Ken Griffey Jr. hit his 500th home run Sunday, becoming the 20th player to reach that mark when he connected in the sixth inning of the Cincinnati Reds' game against the St. Louis Cardinals.

Griffey led off the inning against Matt Morris with his 19th homer of the season, becoming the sixth-youngest player to hit 500. He was the fastest to 350, 400 and 450 before being slowed by injuries the last three seasons.

Griffey took an extra few seconds to watch his drive fly into the right-field seats, dropped the bat and then slowly trotted around the bases as if it was any other home run.

There was certainly no embellishment from the base coaches, who simply shook Griffey's hand as he passed by.

After Griffey crossed the plate, he tapped fists with teammate Adam Dunn, who then tapped Griffey on the helmet. The rest of his teammates came out on the field to congratulate him after the historic homer.

Griffey then went to a box next to the Reds' dugout and hugged his father, Ken Griffey Sr., and children.

Griffey, the first to reach 500 in a Cincinnati uniform, got a warm ovation from a sellout crowd of 45,620 on Lou Brock bobblehead day. He then received a standing ovation as he ran out to the field before the bottom of the sixth, responding with a wave of his cap.

Before Griffey reached center field, Reds relievers came out of the bullpen and congratulated him.

Jimmie Foxx was the youngest to hit 500, reaching the milestone at 32. Willie Mays, Sammy Sosa, Hank Aaron and Babe Ruth also hit theirs at 34, the same age as Griffey.

Three other active players have hit 500 homers. Barry Bonds is third on the career list with 676, Sosa has 549 and Rafael Palmeiro has 538. Fred McGriff needs seven homers to become the 21st player to hit 500.

Griffey was 5-for-21 with four RBIs in six games since homering last Sunday against Cleveland, and hadn't come close to the fences before hitting a 2-2 pitch over the right-field wall, a drive estimated at 393 feet.

The ball was caught by 19-year-old Mark Brummley of Mount Carmel, Ill.

Griffey hit a pair of high fly balls in his first two at-bats. He flied out to center near the warning track leading off the second, and hit a sacrifice fly to center to drive in the first run in the Reds' five-run fourth.

Griffey is the second player to hit his 500th homer in St. Louis. Mark McGwire connected for his 500th off Andy Ashby of the San Diego Padres in 1999.

201 Speedway Race results from Saturday, June 19

Late Model

1. Michael Paul Howard
2. Steve Stollings
3. Robert "Taco" Fletcher
4. Tom Pennington
5. David Smith
6. James Butcher.

Super Bomber

1. Allen Turner
2. Jim Lemaster
3. Glen Patton
4. Randy Fannin
5. Brent McCormick
6. Beadie Blackburn
7. Dennis Deboard
8. Tim Maggard
9. Lester Robinette

Open Wheel Modified

1. Tim Moore
2. Mike Osborne
3. Keith Sanson
4. Darren Muncy
5. B.J. Osborne
6. James Ball
7. Josh Stumbo
8. Bill Butcher
9. Michael Butcher
10. J2 Joe Stepp

Bomber

1. Davey Warnock
2. Michael Paul Howard
3. Scooter Lemaster
4. Bo Howard
5. Kenneth Howell
6. Ronnie Booth
7. Dustin Tharp
8. Bannie Blair
9. Nathan Grimm
10. Rick Dials

Road Hog

1. Wes Blair
2. Lloyd Kimbler
3. Walt Castle
4. Rick Baker
5. Mikey Wallen
6. Scott Pennington
7. Wes Bailey
8. Chris Stambaugh
9. Bryston Guthrie
10. A.J. Stambaugh

Modified Four-Cylinder

1. Marty Hall
2. D.I. Henson
3. James Darell Mosley
4. Nick Martin
5. Stacy Hall
6. Jason Hall
7. Leroy Newsome
8. Jamie Hamilton

Regular Four-Cylinder

1. John Vance
2. Mark Jude
3. Jack Clevenger
4. Allen Osborne
5. Rex Slone
6. Alerd Newsome
7. Brian Pinson
8. Tim Mayhan
9. Brian Vance
10. Mike Mayhan
11. Mary English
12. Eddie Lackey
13. Pat Morris
14. Ronnie Maynard
15. Eric McKinney (DNS)
- DNS - Did Not Start

Future Eagle Basketball Camp begins today

PAINTSVILLE - The Future Eagle Basketball Camp will get underway today. The camp will feature fundamental instruction in ballhandling, shooting, passing and footwork. The camp will also introduce players to basic basketball terminology.

It is open to all Johnson County students, both boys and girls, in grades K-3.

The cost is \$30 per camper, with a discount being given to households with more than one camper attending.

Those interested can register today between 8 and 9 a.m. The camp, scheduled to run today through Friday, will be held at W.R. Castle Elementary.

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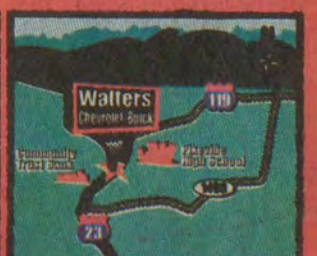
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POISON OAK

Victory Day: a fine spirit of patriotism

I found a couple of faded clippings from "The Paintsville Herald" regarding the big yellow structure that sat majestically (at least it looked majestic to me) overlooking the school house bottom at Muddy Branch - that institution of lower learning that started half a dozen generations on the road to formal education - to be very enlightening. First of all, the clippings spoke volumes about the community itself; secondly, they provided haunting reminders of the times in which we lived.



Clyde Pack

P. Horne, superintendent of the Van Lear schools, gave a most valuable talk to the patrons, students and teachers at Thealka, on saving during this war.

"The students of the school purchased \$9.85 in saving stamps. Mrs. Edna Earl LeMaster's room, the fifth grade, led the school in stamp purchases, and her pupils will have a half day holiday Friday for leading in the stamp sale.

"A program will be worked out so that every teacher will be given a

reminders of the times in which we lived.

The first, dated March 26, 1942, read as follows:

"Friday has been designated as Victory Day at the Howes Community School at Thealka. Last Friday, Verne

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KIM'S KORNER

Good men, political games

As I sat back last Sunday after church with our Sunday edition in hand, I began reading Mary Music's feature on Ed Caudill. Boy!, did the memories ever begin to flow.

I spent many days and nights at the Caudill home as I was growing up. Their daughter, Kathi Jo, and I, started school together, at the tender age of five, and continue to this day, thirty-nine years later, sharing our daily routines with one another, only now by phone or through email. Kathi Jo now resides in Florida.

I can remember how their phone would ring off the hook all hours of the night, and how a countless number of individuals would drop in and out of the house all the time, no matter the hour. Although unusual to me, for KJ and her family it was just the way it was. Her dad was the Magistrate and people needed help and help had no time limits. Not where Ed or Betty were concerned.

Ed was always "larger than life" it seemed to me, kind of like a John Wayne character. He would sit in his favorite chair, with this huge picture of a rooster placed perfectly centered on the wall just above it. Yes, Ed was, and is, what comes to mind when I hear the word "Democrat." And that rooster hanging above his head was a proud symbol of that fact!

Although large in stature, he was then

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MAC NEWS

MAC donates net proceeds from Goose Creek concert to Big Sandy Chapter of American Red Cross

Mrs. Peggy Bach, Director of the Big Sandy Chapter of the American Red Cross was presented a check in the amount of \$2,000, net proceeds from the recent June 12th Goose Creek concert at the Mountain Arts

Center. Keith Caudill, Director of Operations at the center, presented the check on Monday morning, June 21, to Mrs. Bach to benefit the 8 counties in the Big Sandy Chapter... Floyd, Johnson, Knott, Letcher,

Magoffin, Martin, Perry and Pike. Goose Creek Symphony, whose origin is mainly Floyd County in Kentucky, has performed at the Mountain Arts Center on numerous occasions, and is a very well-

received concert.

Because of severe flooding on Memorial Weekend in the Big Sandy area, the Management Commission

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photo by Kathy J. Prater

Pirates, Tinkerbells, Indians, a couple of Lost Boys and more than a few Peter Pans all took the stage prior to Friday evening's opening of "Peter Pan" at Jenny Wiley Theatre. The children were preparing to enjoy the show following food, fun and games at the grand opening "Peter Pan Festival," held earlier in the evening in the convention center.

Do you believe?

Then watch in delight as Peter Pan 'flies' from Neverland and straight into your heart at JWT!

by Kathy J. Prater
FEATURES EDITOR

Hearts soared, funny bones were tickled and Peter Pan actually flew as the stars twinkled overhead as

Jenny Wiley Theatre kicked off a grand new season with their opening production of "Peter Pan" this past Friday evening.

In light of the recent flooding that engulfed the theatre and destroyed the bulk of their sound equipment, it's just another feat of amazement that found the cast and crew of JWT once again delighting their audience with song and frolic. "The audience will never know,"

said Martin Childers, managing director, in regard to the devastating floodwaters and the murky mess they left behind. "The community has pulled together and shown, once again, their love for this theatre. We've worked hard, our volunteers have worked hard, and we're here, opening another season."

Childers, and several members of the Peter Pan cast, were busy working the crowd and eliciting

squeals from visiting children during the pre-show "Peter Pan Festival," held in the park's Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center, just prior to the show's opening.

The festival, which highlighted various scenes of the production, offered lots of pre-show fun and

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CRITTER CORNER

Casey's summer at JWT

I was reading an article the other day about the flooding of the Jenny Wiley Theatre. That got me thinking about the summer I got to take part in a production of "Annie!". I've seen how the folks over there handle the million-and-one disasters that happen during the most routine of productions, and I have no doubt that they will be able to overcome the "technical difficulty" caused by a little high water!

I dug out the old article I had written about my experiences—my memoirs of a summer in the Theatre. I am reprinting it as a tribute and a thumbs-up to the folks at Jenny Wiley. Good luck this summer; I know you can do it!

Having had a life long fear of public speaking, I never had any desire to act. I totally blew the two lines I had the last time I was talked into a Christmas play at church. I also never really cared that much for musicals, so the last thing I ever expected to do was to be involved in a major stage production.

Looking back, I can't even recall exactly how I got involved with the whole thing. Somebody was apparently talking to somebody else, and eventually an idea was hatched to use the whole orphan-and-stray dog theme to help bring in funding to the animal shelter. Sounded like a really neat idea

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Times reader, Julia Jones, of Langley, writes: "This is Rosco, our play dog. He loves toys (everything is a toy to him). When we bring new toys home for our dogs, he always claims them. He uses the squeaking toys to talk to us. The louder the squeak, the better." Rosco lives with his brothers and sisters, Julia, and her husband, Thomas.

School Calendar

July 28 - "Back to School Health Fair," 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Allen Central High School. Services will include free physicals, hearing screenings, child identification, school supplies, and drawings for free haircuts. Event is FREE to all Floyd County students.*

ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

July 14 - FREE sports physicals for PHS and its feeder schools will be provided by Our Lady of the Way Hospital, at the Seton Complex, in Martin, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Parent/guardians need to accompany students.

August 5 - New student/parent orientation for AMS students, 6 p.m., at the school. Information about school programs and policies will be provided. Students and parents may meet staff, tour building, and get answers to any questions they may have.

Health records for students may be dropped off to the Youth Services Center throughout the summer months.

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

ALLEN CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

July 6 - FREE sports physicals for the Allen Central area, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Martin Family Health Center.

July 28 - "Back to School Health Fair," 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Allen Central High School.

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

ALLEN ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE

YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

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

BETSY LAYNE ELEMENTARY

The Family Resource Youth Service Center provides services and referral services to all families regardless of income. The center is located in the middle building of the Betsy Layne Elementary School. Office hours are Mon. - Fri., 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Open enrollment for After School Child Care is available through the Family Resource Center. Service hours are 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Contact the center at 478-5550. Contact persons are Brian Akers and Charlotte Rogers.

CLARK ELEMENTARY

We are currently scheduling Hep B immunizations and physicals for 5th grade students. Also scheduling appointments for WIC services. These services are available to anyone in

the community.

The FCHD nurse is in the center weekly. Please call to schedule an appointment.

The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Clark Elementary School building and can be reached by calling 886-0815.

DUFF ELEMENTARY

June 14- July 22 - UK Dental School will offer services at the Floyd County Health Dept., in Prestonsburg. Call 886-2788, ext. 221 for an appointment.

July 6 - Athletic physicals for Allen Central High School and its feeder schools, at Martin Family Health Center, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Floyd County Health Dept. is at the school each Tuesday. Services include 6th grade school entry physical; kindergarten, Head Start and well-child physicals; T.B. skin test; T.D. boosters; and WIC services. Please call 358-9878 for appointment if you are in need of any of these services.

The J.A. Duff Elementary

Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the tan metal building at the rear of the school. Contact persons are Judy Handshoe, coordinator, and Ruby Bailey, assistant.

MAY VALLEY ELEMENTARY

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

Floyd County Health Dept. nurse at school every Wednesday. Services include Head Start physicals, kindergarten physicals, 6th grade physicals, well-child physicals, immunizations, TB skin test, WIC program, blood pressure checks, and more. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 for an appointment.

MCDOWELL ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

Floyd County Health Department Nurse Joy Moore, is at the center each Monday to administer immunizations, T.B.

skin tests, well-child exams, WIC, prenatal and post-partum services, and school physicals. Call 377-2678 for an appointment.

MOUNTAIN CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

June 29 - Entrance exams for new students for the 2004-2005 school year, 9:00 a.m. For more information, call 285-5141.

PRESTONSBURG ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

The Family Resource Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

After School Child Care, 3-6 p.m., school days.

Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center or its programs.

PRESTONSBURG HIGH SCHOOL

June 29 - Freshman

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YESTERDAYS

(Items taken from
The Floyd County
Times,
10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and
60 years ago.)

Ten Years Ago

(June 22 and June 24, 1994)

A civil suit was filed in Floyd Circuit Court, on Monday, by track developers, Appalachia Racing Inc., against Auxier Water Company. Appalachian Racing has alleged in its lawsuit that Auxier Water has refused to connect the track to water services at a reasonable cost. An accord was later reached between owners of the harness racing track and Auxier Water Company officials, to provide water for the track site, so that live horse racing can begin on July 3...Floyd County court-appointed solid waste custodian Bob Meyer, has given free rein to the new solid waste commission, by resigning his position, Tuesday, after a contract was awarded to a private company to handle the county's garbage disposal...The sky over Archer Park will light up on Independence Day with the "largest display of fireworks in eastern Kentucky." A major distributor of fireworks in Kentucky, Colonel Wise Fireworks in Louisville, termed this year's Fourth of July fireworks celebration as the largest in eastern Kentucky, after he filled an order for the fireworks, said Tom Blackburn, Prestonsburg fire chief...While employees of the Floyd County Solid Waste Department are asking what will happen to them when Rumpke begins its waste collection operation in the county on July 1, members of the Floyd County Solid Waste Board are wondering how they'll come up with the funds to pay for the company's "self-insuring" unemployment plan...In a complete turn around from last year, Floyd County Fiscal Court narrowly approved switching the county's insurance coverage to the Kentucky Association of County Officials (KACO). Floyd County Judge-Executive had to break the 2-2 deadlock by magistrates in order to approve the KACO proposal, which will save the county about \$15,000...Floyd County school bus drivers and board members have come to an impasse on contract negotiations, and it will take some fast talking to reach some type of agreement before a June 30 deadline...A group of Prestonsburg citizens asked the Floyd County School Board, Monday, to delay the renovation of Prestonsburg High School, until additional land is acquired for a new football field...A Floyd County man has been placed on probation for a 1992 robbery of a Paintsville pharmacy. Johnson Circuit Judge Stephen N. Frazier sentenced Charles David Parsons, 40, of Betsy Layne, to 10 years in prison, according to a final judgement entered last Thursday. But the sentence was suspended, and

Parsons was placed on probation for five years...The wait is almost over in Martin for a new sewage treatment plant, as construction got underway on the plant, Wednesday...Faulty brakes apparently caused a collision between an automobile and a train, Wednesday morning, at David, which injured a Blue River man. Craig Ousley, 30, of Martin, was operating a 1985 Pontiac on KY 1210, early Wednesday morning, when he discovered the brakes on the vehicle were not working. Ousley exited the moving vehicle, but his passenger, Larry Chaffins, 30, of Blue River, could not get out of the car before it traveled into the path of CSX train operated by Michael Saul, 27, of Pikeville...The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center at Goble-Roberts helped celebrate the 30th anniversary of the national Jobs Corps program Thursday, with a special program of its own...A former Floyd County man is accused of bilking a Chicago Housing Authority out of \$11 million in a phony investment scheme. In a complaint filed by the Securities and Exchange Commission, Lyle E. Neal, 52, of Hi Hat, is accused of taking millions of dollars from the Chicago Housing Authority's director, John D. Lauer, to invest in securities, but no investments were made...Jenny Wiley Theatre's audience will be transported to Never-Never Land tonight, when the theatre begins its season with the production of Peter Pan. A reception before the show kicks off the theatre's 30th anniversary...With Governor Brereton Jones' signature on the state's two-year budget, more than \$6 million is earmarked to be used for renovations at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park...There died: Lula Gibson, 90, of Wayland, Sunday, June 19, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Elizabeth Spurlock Martin, 76, retired teacher of Floyd County and Garden City, Michigan, Sunday, June 19, at the home of her brother, Oliver "Dud" Spurlock in Oak Hill, Ohio; Oma Lawson, 81, of Honaker, Monday, June 20, at her residence; Violet Ferguson, 79, of Wheelwright, Saturday, June 18, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Willene Caudill Alloway, 69, of Virgie, Sunday, June 19, at Paul B. Hall Hospital, Paintsville; Aggie Greene, 79, of Paintsville, Friday, June 10, at J.J. Jordan Geriatric Center, Louisa; Attie Wright, 82, of Prestonsburg, Wednesday, June 22, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Howard Little, 62, of Ashland, formerly of Wheelwright, Sunday, June 19, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home, Ashland; Challie Fraley, 79, of Prestonsburg, Wednesday, June 22, at V.A. Medical Center, Huntington, West Virginia.

Twenty Years Ago

(June 27, 1984)

Stan Fletcher, 42, will replace William R. "Dickie" Campbell as the new Prestonsburg Police Chief...A fire destroyed the Mountain Trucks Parts building at Allen, last Tuesday...Prestonsburg City Council voted to get tougher on parking violators...The Floyd County Board of Education hired school personnel for the 1984-85 school year...At a special meeting of the Floyd County Board of Education, the topic was the transfer of Wayne Ratliff to the position of assistant food service director, with Ed Patton Jr., taking over Ratliff's job as transportation director...There died: Eva Frasure, 75, of Hueysville, Friday; Anna Bell Hall, 85, former Banner resident, Wednesday; Josephine Owens, 55, of Paintsville, June 12; Robie Johnson, 74, of West Prestonsburg, Monday; David Mitchell Wyatt, 25, of Dwale, June 19; James Parker Latta, 24, of Prestonsburg, Saturday; Lenna Spradlin, 81, of Prestonsburg, June 18; Bailey Crum, 46, of Banner, Saturday; Hattie Hall, 89, of Harold, June 20; Sandra Kaye Harless, 35, formerly of Floyd County, Friday; Ernest Dewey Maynard, 83, of Emma, June 6; Donald Compton, 49, of Prestonsburg, Wednesday; Elizabeth Bradshall, 68, of Endicott, June 21.

Thirty Years Ago

(June 26, 1974)

Low-lying sections of the county suffered heavy crop damage, during the week-end, after last Friday night's downpour of rain. Bottomland corn along Beaver Creek and its tributaries possibly were hardest hit...Construction of Prestonsburg's secondary sewage treatment plant is underway after the sale at last Thursday night's city council meeting of \$315,000 in revenue bonds to finance the city's part of the cost...The area selective service office in Prestonsburg has been closed, and the records moved to two other locations, Col. Taylor L. Davidson, state director, announced last week...Hope Industries Inc., has begun collecting paper in Prestonsburg and Floyd County for recycling...Born: to Mr and Mrs. Frank Mullins, of Halo, a daughter, June 12...There died: Mrs. Betty Perry Layne, 86, Friday, at her home, here; Dorothy Hughes Fannin, 44, of Prestonsburg, last Friday, at Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Clarence Harry Hill, 64, of Pyramid, June 17, at Our Lady of

the Way Hospital, Martin; Martha Hall Caudill, 69, of Wayland, last Thursday, at Martin; Mrs. Otha (Sis) Hicks, 52, of Eastern, last Thursday, at Martin; Alemander Thornsberry, 83, of Kite, Sunday, at McDowell; Mrs. Pearl E. Gibson, 75, of Topmost, Monday, at Martin.

Forty Years Ago

(July 2, 1964)

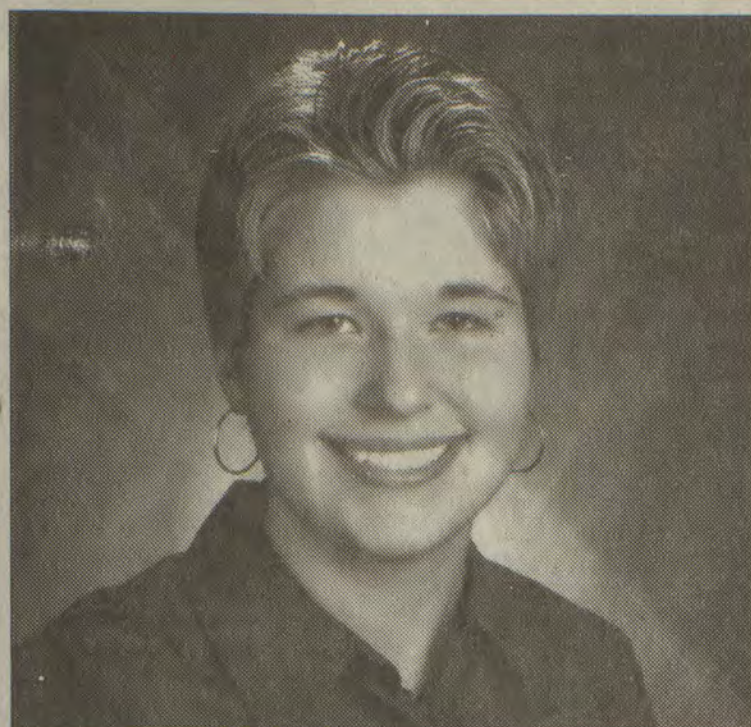
Both the dedication of the new four-lane bridge, which is the Prestonsburg end of the Mountain Parkway (the Bert Combs Bridge), and the Jenny Wiley Amphitheatre, will be dedicated here, Saturday...A new major construction project is expected to be begun here within the next 30-45 days, it was said this week, as four Prestonsburg men announced plans for a nursing and convalescent home on College Lane...One section of the Mountain Parkway extension from Salyersville to Prestonsburg is completed, another will be completed this fall, and a final section will be finished next year, the Department of Highways has announced...Two drivers of trucks transporting coal over the Jenny Wiley State Park highway, from Dewey Dam to new U.S. 23, at Auxier, have been cited for overweight loads, and their hearings in quarterly court have been set for July 13...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. William Allen, of Prestonsburg, a son, Sean McPherson, June 28, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Greeley Dotson, of West Prestonsburg, a son, July 27...There died: Mrs. Nancy Clemons, 47, of Buckingham, Monday, at Appalachian Memorial Hospital, Pikeville; Willie Ramey, 56, Monday, at his home at East Point; Walter Wallen, 49, of Town Branch, Saturday, at Prestonsburg General Hospital; John Jackson Jarrell, 87, of Tram, Tuesday, at a Lexington hospital.

Fifty Years Ago

(July 1, 1954)

Of the \$6,000,000 to be spent in the next two years in the state's building program, \$206,000 will be spent at the Dewey Lake State Park, it was announced in Frankfort, Tuesday...Commissioner of Highways W. P. Curlin, last week, confirmed the fact that the state plan, the building of a road from Van Lear to Auxier, which will run up the west shore of Dewey Lake and across Hager Gap, connecting with the Auxier-Prestonsburg

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Prestonsburg native to study abroad this summer

Transylvania University junior and English major, Jessica Hicks, will be studying abroad at Scotland's Edinburgh University for six weeks this summer. This excursion into her ancestral homeland has been made possible through a substantial scholarship awarded her from Transylvania, located in Lexington. The Prestonsburg native is the daughter of Deborah and Derek Hicks, also of Prestonsburg. While abroad, and when not studying the works of distinguished authors like James Joyce and Salman Rushdie, she plans to explore the Highlands, brave native delicacies (haggis), and see the cafe in which J.K. Rowling wrote "Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone" between cappuccinos. (Photo by Studio Walz, Inc.)

Korner

just as he is now, especially where we are concerned - just a "big teddy bear." Oh, we knew our limits on just how far we could push the envelope after receiving a "No" to a request to get to go here or there. Usually, we got our way, too, along with a twenty dollar bill or so, just in case we might see something that caught our eye. Or, even better, to pay for a couple of cheeseburgers with our names on them.

When politics is involved, life becomes full of friends - and foes. And when Ed and his family went through all the trials and tribulations that took place during those years, those who loved them felt the overflow as well.

It would break my heart when somebody had something evil to say about the man I had

watched, since the age of five, reach out to help total strangers in the middle of the night.

It would break my heart to see KJ's heart broken because somebody she thought was her friend, proved to be otherwise.

Yes, time does heal all wounds, but the memories don't seem to fade. I think observing what Ed, Betty, and their family had to endure, made politics a thing I never wanted to be in the thick of. Then, lo and behold, I married into a Republican family - as strong in their beliefs of their party as those growing up on the Democratic side of the tracks. And, I've got the elephants to prove it!

It was then, through my father-in-law's quests for local offices on the Republican ticket that living through those campaigns and watching how oppo-



Tiger Lilly and her tribe search for the lost boys in Jenny Wiley Theatre's production of "Peter Pan," sponsored by Community Trust Bank.

JWT offers 'Pay What You Can Night' for Flood Victims

Jenny Wiley Theatre announces "Pay-What-You-Can Night" for Flood victims. In light of the recent eastern Kentucky flooding damaging homes as well as the Theatre, the JWT Board has enthusiastically agreed to offer this Pay-What-You-Can Night special event. Managing Director, Martin Childers said, "The Theatre has been blessed with support during this difficult time, and we feel this is a good way to give back to the community. We know people have

had to put a lot of their own resources back into their homes to make them habitable

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School

Orientation. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., in front lobby. Both students and parents/guardians are invited to attend. (NOTICE: If student bus transportation is needed, a call MUST be placed, IN ADVANCE, to the bus garage.) For more information, call 886-2252. The orientation session is from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

SOUTH FLOYD YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

Walking track open to public.

The center has a one-stop career station satellite that is available to the community as well as students.

Anyone interested in Adult Ed may contact the center for information.

All new students and visitors, stop by the Center, located on the South Floyd campus, Room 232, and see Mable Hall.

For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood, ext. 242.

STUMBO ELEMENTARY/MUD CREEK FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

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nents dug through years past to come up with every "skeleton in the closet" they could find to bring to the surface to prove another best for the position, that made my stomach turn flip-flops.

For when politics is involved, it doesn't matter how many years ago something took place, to the opponent, media, etc., it's brought up time and time again, to the point that it makes you want to scream, "Get over it already and move on, for crying out loud!" Why continue to bring up something that happened years ago and try to make an issue out of it? I just don't understand.

Lord help us, when will we ever learn to be a forgiving people?

'Til Next Week, God's Blessings...

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SIGNALS! He was right.

At the end of the first act, "Sandy" has to make a stage crossing alone, a lost dog looking for "Annie". This scene follows a large musical production number with lots of activity. It took both of us to come up with a way to pull this off. Casey knew the hand signal for "come" and he was fairly reliable, but I had to get his attention across that huge expanse of stage! As soon as the musical scene started, I left Kristen holding Casey and sprinted for the other side. At Jenny Wiley, this is more difficult than it sounds, because "backstage" is crammed full of backdrops and props for the other shows of the season, so you have to go downstairs, through a "tunnel" UNDER the backstage, upstairs and around to the opposite end of the stage. It took a lot of practice (and a lot of running) to get Casey used to the idea that I was going to pop up on the other side, but eventually he learned to look for me. Now I had to help him focus on where I was among all the movement in the darkened area behind the curtain. I decided to try an ultrasonic dog-training device similar to a "silent dog whistle". It was perfect! He could actually hear this over all the music and commotion—his ears tipped forward, and he looked straight at me the first time we tried it during a full rehearsal! He never flubbed that scene.

Actually, he only messed up twice that I remember. He wandered offstage once instead of coming to Kristen, but she never missed a beat, recovered the dog, ad-libbed a line, and went on as if nothing had happened. I was mortified, but one of the other actors laughed and said, "Now you see what live theater is all about. The unpredictability is what makes it so much better than a movie." Maybe, I don't see why all stage actors aren't

committed to a mental institution after one season. Anyhow, Kristen fixed the problem next time by rubbing hotdogs on her hands before this scene. My chowhound stuck to her like glue from then on.

Casey's other act of "unpredictability" during one performance was to emerge from a large Christmas box during the finale—butt first. He essentially mooned the audience. Kristen called it a "sense of comedy"; I couldn't disagree, remembering the look on his face when I found myself alone in the ring at the dog show. I could swear he was grinning.

By the end of the season, both of us were having a ball. Casey had learned the cues and would sometimes start to move offstage before Kristen could get her last line out. We found out that he could keep time to music with his tail. The kids were all ready to help hold a leash, exchange the ratty "orphan dog" rope collar for the glittery bow that Sandy wears to Daddy Warbuck's Christmas party, or just give him a good pat or a last-minute brushing. At the end of each performance, he stood in line with the other actors to meet the audience and give autographs (I helped out with a paw-print stamp). John was reporting that Keeper was enjoying similar popularity. We were all tired, but we hated to see it end.

I had always hoped to let Casey do this production again, but it came around too late for both him and Keeper, who both passed away long before we were ready to let them go. I couldn't bear to attend the more recent performances of "Annie!" and I can't hear the song "Tomorrow" without imagining a tail thumping in perfect time.

I hope everyone involved in the Jenny Wiley Theatre this season is having as much fun as we did.

Oak

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Victory Day chance at leading in the purchase of stamps. A drive is now on in the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades for stamp sales. The room that wins will be given a picnic on April 3 for leadership, at the expense of the other grades.

Then on April 9, a follow-up article reported the following:

"The Thealka elementary school is participating in the thrift plan of purchasing United States Defense Savings Stamps. The plan was adopted three weeks ago, and Friday of each week was designated as thrift day. On the three thrift days since the plan has been in effect, the students of the school have purchased a total of \$42.60 in stamps. The students purchase the stamps

from the Thealka post mistress.

"The students are showing a fine spirit of patriotism, and plan to continue the thrift plan of purchasing throughout the year.

"At the end of each month, the school will submit to "The Paintsville Herald" for publication, a list of all students and the amount purchased.

"The faculty of the Thealka school are Mr. John Nichol, principal; Mrs. Edna E. LeMaster, Mrs. Nelle Corder, Mrs. Wm. Hazelrigg, Mrs. Lillian Arrowood, and Mrs. Garnett Ison."

Sixty-two years ago America was at war. Everybody - including grade school children in a tiny Eastern Kentucky coal camp - was pitching in.

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Resource Center hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Parents and community members are welcome to visit. For questions, call 587-2233 - ask for Tristan Parsons, Center Coordinator, or Anita Tackett, Assistant.

W.D. OSBORNE "RAINBOW JUNCTION" FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center is located in the W. D. Osborne Elementary

School. Hours of operation - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or later by appointment. Call 452-4553 and ask for Cissy or Karen. Parents/community members free to visit any time.

FLOYD COUNTY ADULT ED CLASS SCHEDULE

For information about Adult Education class schedules, contact the David School at 886-8374. All classes and materials free of charge.

Yesterdays

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road at a point opposite the town of Auxier...Although Floyd County has a school census gain of 171 children for the school year, starting July 1, its per capita apportionment will be \$2,066.49 less than for the preceding school year...Two men, both of the Prestonsburg area, were jailed, here, Friday, by Deputy U.S. Marshall Wince Trimble, who had arrested and charged them with possessing moonshine whiskey...Three towns—Prestonsburg, Martin and Allen—have scheduled Fourth of July celebrations extending into the night, with a square dance in the streets and a big fireworks display, adding the crowning touch to a day of contests, free movies, watermelon feasting, ball games, etc...Appointment of a dog warden to serve this county under the new state dog control law will await further word from state authorities, it was decided by the fiscal court, Wednesday...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hall, of Allen, a daughter, June 28, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital...There died: George Samuel Griffith, six years old, of suspected accidental poisoning, Thursday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; George W. Wells, 62, of Auxier, Monday, at Prestonsburg General Hospital; Andrew J. King, 86, formerly of Floyd County, June 19, at Sciotoville, Ohio; L. P. Lafferty, 69, Thursday, at his home at Dwale.

Sixty Years Ago

(June 29, 1944)

Floyd County Democrats, at their convention, here, Saturday, endorsed President Roosevelt, Senator Barkley and Congressman May, all of whom are candidates for re-election this year. The national Republican convention has already nominated, Thomas E. Dewey to oppose FDR...Because contractors find materials hard to get, none has offered a bid for construction of a school building at Weeksbury, to replace the structure destroyed there by fire...Lt. Quentin Lockwood, formerly of Prestonsburg, is reported seriously wounded in the Italian fighting. He is navigator on a Liberator bomber. Robert E. Lee, formerly of Prestonsburg, is reported a German prisoner of war...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Chalmer H. Frazier, formerly of Prestonsburg, at Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, June 23, a daughter, Kathryn Lauranne; to Mr. and Mrs. Elder Wright, of Water Gap, June 11, a daughter, who has not yet been named...There died: Mrs. Fanny Jones, 33, Tuesday, at Ligon; Paul Penix, 16, formerly of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, at Ligon, when knocked beneath a moving coal car; Mrs. Florence Whitaker, 42, last Thursday, at Hueysville; Bob Laferty, 87, near here Tuesday.

Seventy Years Ago

(June 29, 1934)

Three men were killed in a gun battle in a Lackey restaurant, last Wednesday. The victims are Len Nolen, 30; Malcolm Allen, 35, and Menifee Bradley, about 30...Bids are being sought on construction of the Martin water system, for which a \$43,000 WPA loan has been made. The minimum wage scale there under the NRA, reports A. B. Osborne, employment officer, will be unskilled labor, 45 cents an hour; skilled labor, \$1.10...Garland Hall, of Wheelwright, was seriously injured recently when he was run down by a hit-run driver...Nine Floyd County students were enrolled at the University of Kentucky during the term which ended June 18...There died: James P. Salisbury, 67, at his home, here Saturday.

Critter

and before long the kennel club was also involved.

My original assignment was to construct an eye-catching donation box for the shelter to be placed near the concession stand. Somehow I came up with the idea to build a larger-than-life size replica of Little Orphan Annie's dog, Sandy, out of chicken wire and papier-mâché. Had I ever worked in this medium before? Of course not. After several weeks I had a four-foot tall hideous facsimile of Sandy, blank white eyes and all, but not before I completely freaked out the man who had come to fix the clinic washing machine. I had placed Sandy on the surgery table to make it easier for me to give him his base coat of white paint. The repairman passed the surgery door, gasped, and said, "What happened to that poor dog?" He thought I had a live dog in a body cast!

Anyway, the kennel club tried to help out Jenny Wiley Theatre by putting on a Canine Good Citizen demonstration to help draw people and their dogs out to the tryouts for the role of Sandy. Except for kennel club members and theatre representatives, about three people and no dogs showed up for the event. The theatre people needed two dogs for the two casts of orphans that would rotate the shows throughout the season. John Faulkner and I had brought our dogs for the CGC demonstration—his Golden Retriever, Keeper, and my Golden Retriever-Chow mix, Casey. "How about those two dogs?" the lady from the theatre asked. John and I gave each other deer-in-the-headlights looks and mumbled out something about having no experience with this sort of thing.

The dogless theatre lady was undaunted. "They're trained, aren't they?"

We tried feebly to explain that training for formal obedi-

ence competition doesn't exactly qualify a dog to be a stand-in for Lassie. As a mixed-breed, Casey couldn't even compete in real shows. We had only done a few fun matches. I tried not to think about the time he got tired, walked out of the ring, and watched me do a whole 'Heel Free' exercise alone. I didn't know he was AWOL until the judge was nearly in tears with laughter. Dog people expect that sort of thing. Audiences probably wouldn't.

To make a long story short, we suddenly found ourselves the handlers of two canine actors, and were plunged into the world of live theater. Since each cast rehearsed separately, we wouldn't even have the support of the other lost soul, but we each dutifully showed up for our respective first rehearsals.

What I had not counted on was the professionalism of the children cast in the roles of Annie and the other orphans! They immediately fell in love with Casey, and he adored them. I soon learned to ask the kids if I had a question about something. Kristen Everage was "Annie" for our cast. She and Casey clicked right away, and the bond was obvious even to the audience.

Kristen may have been only twelve years old, but I told her early on that I would need her help, and she quickly became my mentor. She showed me where to stand to be out of the way, what cues to listen for, which way was "stage right" and "stage left", and how to maneuver around the scenery without causing an accident. I taught her how to use Casey's training to make things easier—keeping him on her left side, using very subtle commands for "heel", "sit", and "stay", a doing things consistently. In the audience one night, my husband overheard someone remark, "I think that child is giving that dog HAND

Peter Pan

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games for children, and parents alike, to enjoy. An inflatable slide, face painting, balloon animals, bowling, a ring toss, and lots of other fun games kept children occupied while parents were free to browse the offerings of a silent auction fundraiser.

Additionally, children were offered the opportunity to meet and talk with several of the show's characters, such as Wendy, Captain Hook and Nanna. And parents bringing their children along to the pre-show festival had no worries in regard to the little ones becoming hungry during the show, because lots of kid-friendly entrees and appetizers like corn dogs, chicken strips, fresh veggies and fruits were served to all in attendance.

The Peter Pan Festival was a great introduction to the night's wondrous offerings, and, all the little fairies, lost boys, Indians and "Peter Pans" that attended in costume were granted the opportunity to come upon stage for a chat with Marty before the production began.

Once again, Jenny Wiley Theatre exhibited its determined nature and staying power by beating the odds and proving that the "show must go on" for all their dedicated patrons.

The magic continues - see Peter Pan, and the rest of the season's offerings, soon!

Those contributing to the evening's silent auction were: Darrell Patton Insurance Agency (radio controlled toy car), Pepsi Cola of North America (Shrek movies, "Tail Gate Package" of gift items, "Father's Day Package" of gift items and X-Box video game system), Lad 'n Lassie (baby boy and baby girl gift packages), Delora Kraus (little girl silver tea set, teddy bear in decorative box, Longaberger basket, and co-sponsor of the "Father's Day" gift package with Pepsi Cola), Little Rascals (baby keepsake and photo album), \$50 savings bond (First Commonwealth Bank), Dr.

Grady J. Stephens ("Weekend with the Reds" gift package, "UK vs. GA" football tickets, and UK jacket), \$100 savings bond (Citizens Bank), Dr. Eddy Clark (dental exam and bleaching), East Kentucky Science Center (family membership), Harley-Davidson of Prestonsburg (Harley-Davidson leather jacket), Jenny Brown (Smores machine, Captain Hook figurine), David Crafts (small quilt, Lewis Newman Christmas ornament), Heart-to-Heart (grapevine wreath), Randy Lawson (painting, downtown Prestonsburg scene), Home Choices (floral grapevine wreath), Hopson's Jewelers (patriotic wood wall hanging), Shear Elegance and Dawahare's Dept. Store (beauty package and gift certificate), McDonald's of East KY (McDonald's "Go Active" gift package), Curves of Prestonsburg (sign-up and 1-month membership), Precious Memories (Mitchell Tolle print), and a "JWT Friend (stacking cat boxes). a

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and extra cash for entertainment is probably hard to come by. But many of them do have kids, and we don't want them to miss out on a fun evening with Peter Pan."

Any family in Pike, Floyd, Knott, Lawrence, Letcher, Perry, Magoffin, Martin or Johnson Counties that sustained flood damage to their home is welcome to pay whatever amount they can for tickets on Wednesday, July 7. Any amount of payment from \$0 to \$18 is acceptable. This evening is made possible by our Helping Hand Sponsors, which include Dawahares, F.S. Vanhoose & Company, Pikeville Rotary, Kentucky West Virginia Gas, Baird & Baird, PSC and Hazard Clinic. Because seating is assigned and limited, reservations MUST be confirmed with the Box Office by calling toll free at 1-877-CALL-JWT.

This performance is open to the public as always and everyone is welcome on that evening, even if the flood has not directly affected them. Please come see Peter Pan and support your neighbors, friends and Jenny Wiley Theatre!



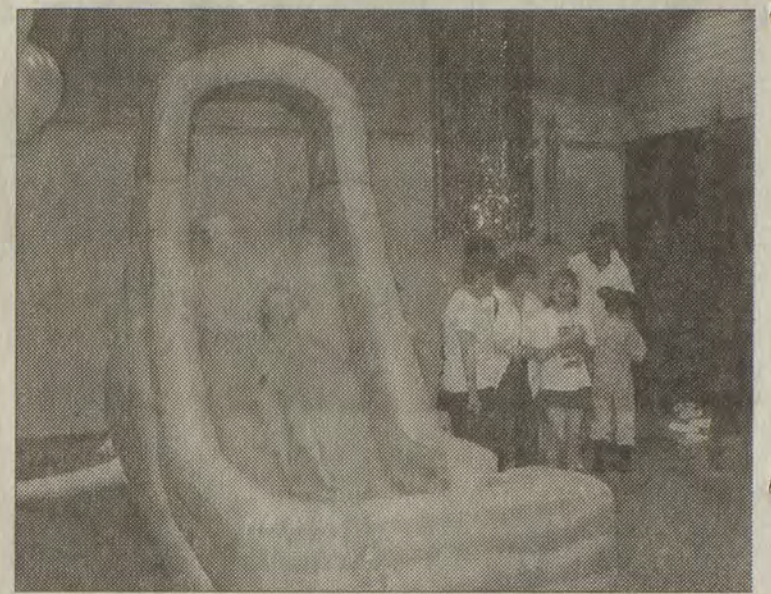
Children were provided the opportunity to chat with Wendy (played by Emma Lorraine, seen in background wearing nightgown) and Nanna, the Darling children's nursemaid/dog (played by Beth Wicker) during the festival event.



"So, they say this is Hook, do they?," the "real" Captain seems to say as he eyes a Captain Hook figurine up for bid at the silent auction, held during the pre-show Peter Pan Festival. Adam Baritot returns to JWT for the 2004 season to play the role of the croc-fearing pirate.



These crocs weren't the biting kind, so children attending the festival were grabbing the little critters to win prizes, and maybe, a couple of pieces of pirate's gold.



It's not quite Peter Pan's flight, but it sure looks like fun! Children enjoyed this inflatable airslide, as well as a multitude of other fun games and activities, during the pre-show festival.

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and the staff at the Mountain Arts Center unanimously decided to donate net proceeds from the Goose Creek concert to the Big Sandy Chapter of the American Red Cross. The money will go directly to the Big Sandy Chapter of the American Red Cross to assist in flood relief for this area.

Due to recent flooding, the Big Sandy Red Cross is low on funds. If you would like to become a volunteer or make a donation to your local chapter, call Peggy Bach, Director, Big Sandy Red Cross, 606-886-8330. Or mail your donation to: Big Sandy Red Cross, 587 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653



Keith Caudill, left, director of operations, Mountain Arts Center, and Peggy Bach, right, director, Big Sandy Chapter of the American Red Cross.



Balloon hats made fun prizes for lots of the little pirates, fairies and Indians at play.



Take it from this reporter - the food was great and there was plenty of it!



This tiny Tinkerbell took time out from all the hustle and bustle for a little "thumb break" while waiting her turn at a bowling game.

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Kentucky's unemployment rate remains at 5.4 percent in May

FRANKFORT - Kentucky's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate remained at 5.4 percent from April 2004 to May 2004, according to the Department for Employment Services, an agency of the Education Cabinet. The state's seasonally adjusted jobless rate for May 2003 was 6.2 percent.

The U.S. seasonally adjusted jobless rate also remained steady at 5.6 percent for both April and May 2004, according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

"While the state jobless rate did not show any movement

from April to May of this year, it is significantly better than May 2003," said Carlos Cracraft, the department's chief labor market analyst. "Compared to other states, Kentucky was one of 36 states that reported unemployment rates below the U.S. average of 5.6 percent in May 2004."

Six of the 10 major nonfarm job North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) sectors had employment increases in May, while four decreased, Cracraft said. A monthly survey of business establishments revealed that

Kentucky's nonfarm employment rose by 900 on a seasonally adjusted basis to May's 1,789,000 employees.

According to the seasonally adjusted employment data, construction sector reported 900 more jobs in May 2004 than in April 2004. Since May 2003, the sector has grown by 3,900 employees. "Kentucky's construction sector has added employment in eight of the past nine months," said Cracraft.

Kentucky's leisure and hospitality sector had 600 more jobs in May 2004 than in April 2004.

Since May 2003, the sector employment has had an upswing of 6,000 additional employees.

The other services sector, which includes such establishments as repair and maintenance places, personal and laundry services, religious organizations, and civic and professional organizations, also rose by 600 jobs in May. Over the past 12 months, the sector has added 2,300 employees.

The manufacturing sector grew by 300 more employees in May 2004 than in April 2004. Compared to May 2003, the sector had 1,200 fewer employees in May 2004. "This May increase raised the employment level in the manufacturing sector to some 264,400 employees and was the first employment gain for this sector since January 2004," said Cracraft.

The information sector increased employment from April to May 2004. This sector, which includes firms involved in publishing, Internet activities and broadcasting and news syndication, had 200 more jobs in May 2004 than in April 2004. Employment has been at the same level of 30,300 employees in May 2003 and May 2004.

Kentucky's educational and health services sector also reported 200 more jobs in May 2004 than in April 2004. Since May 2003, the sector has jumped by 2,200 jobs. "Approximately three-fourths of that over-the-year jobs gain in this sector was in educational services, while the remainder was in the health care and social assistance," Cracraft said.

On the other side of the

ledger, the professional and business services sector employment decreased by 1,000 employees in May 2004. This sector recorded 1,100 fewer employees in May 2004 than in May 2003.

The trade, transportation and utilities sector decreased by 500 jobs in May 2004. This sector includes retail and wholesale trade, transportation and utilities businesses, and warehousing, and is the largest sector in Kentucky with 371,500 employees. Since May 2003, the number of jobs in this sector has risen by 600 employees.

Kentucky's financial activities sector lost 400 jobs in May. This sector, which includes establishments involved in finance, insurance, real estate and property leasing or rental, has climbed by 1,100 jobs over the past 12 months.

The government sector, which includes public education, decreased by 200 jobs in May. Since May 2003, this sector has decreased by 6,000 jobs.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistic's monthly estimate of the number of employed Kentuckians for May 2004 was 1,880,216 on a seasonally adjusted basis. This figure is down 1,301 from the 1,881,517 employed in April 2004, but up 47,548 from the 1,832,668 employed in May 2003.

The monthly estimate of the number of unemployed Kentuckians for May 2004 was 107,073. This figure is up 689 from the 106,384 unemployed in April 2004, but down 14,135 from the 121,208 Kentuckians unemployed in May 2003.

The monthly estimate of the number of Kentuckians in the civilian labor force for May 2004 was 1,987,289. This figure is down 612 from the 1,987,901 recorded in April 2004, but up 33,413 from the 1,953,876 recorded for May 2003.

Unemployment statistics are based on estimates and are compiled to measure trends rather than actually to count people working. Civilian labor force statistics include non-military workers and unemployed Kentuckians who are actively seeking work. They do not include unemployed Kentuckians who have not looked for employment within the past four weeks.

Kentucky's statewide unemployment rate and employment levels are seasonally adjusted. Employment statistics undergo sharp fluctuations due to seasonal events, such as weather changes, harvests, holidays and school openings and closings. Seasonal adjustments eliminate these influences and make it easier to observe statistical trends. However, because of the small sample size, county unemployment rates are not seasonally adjusted.

Kentucky Highlands Entrepreneur Center now open

Big Sandy Community and Technical College, the City of Paintsville and Johnson County Fiscal Court joined with other partners to open the Kentucky Highlands Entrepreneur Center, at Teays Branch Road, in Paintsville, June 16.

In an impressive ceremony at the "incubator project" site, Tim Robinson, director of the new center, introduced the project team: Stephanie Stumbo, Amy Barnes and Libby Rateliff, from the Big Sandy ADD; David Pelphrey from Big Sandy Community and Technical College and Chris Chrisman, from Summit Engineering.

Paintsville Mayor Doug Pugh, introduced the Paintsville City Council and commended their efforts in bringing this project to completion. Special recognition went to Mark McKenzie for his leadership and dedication to the project. He also recognized the County Commissioners and Big Sandy Community and Technical College Board of Directors.

Johnson County Judge-Executive Roger T. Daniel spoke to the crowd about the impact this entrepreneur center would have on eastern Kentucky. He said, "It's the small businesses that can make a difference in eastern Kentucky." He went on to express his hope that this center would provide resources necessary to develop the kind of enterprises that would make our region grow and produce jobs for the citizens.

David Pelphrey, Director for Community Economic and Workforce Development for BSCTC, remarked on the inception of the incubator project and described the developmental process and the contribution that Big Sandy Community and

Technical College had made in the partnership.

Dennis Dorton, president, Citizens National Bank, representative of Big Sandy Regional Development Authority and KHEC Advisory Board, gave a project overview, detailing the impact the center is expected to make on the area.

The partners for this project include: Appalachian Regional Commission, Office for the New Economy, United States Economic Development Administration, Eastern Kentucky University Center for Economic Development and Technology, Kentucky Science and Technology Corporation,

Big Sandy Community and Technical College, Johnson County Fiscal Court, and the City of Paintsville. The center is located at 120 Scott Perry Drive, Teays Branch Road in Paintsville.

The center's telephone number is 606-789-5486. Director Tim Robinson will be happy to answer any questions. The goal of the Kentucky Highlands Entrepreneur Center is to assist new businesses with start up guidance and assistance and to promote the development of business and industry in eastern Kentucky. Look for them on the web at www.kyhighlands.com

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Student loan interest rates drop to all-time low

Frankfort - Federal student loan interest rates will drop to an all-time low on July 1, bringing significant savings to students and parents.

Federal Stafford Loan borrowers in repayment will pay 3.37 percent, while those who are still in school, within the six-month grace period, or in deferment will pay 2.77 percent. Interest rates on PLUS Loans for parents will drop to 4.17 percent.

"The historically low rates, coupled with The Student Loan People's BestStart, Best in Class, and Best in Care programs, make student loans more affordable and attractive than they've ever been," said Dr. Joe L. McCormick, Executive Director of The Student Loan

Peoplesm, the state's only non-profit student loan provider.

In addition to a zero origination fee, BestStart offers principal and interest rate reductions to all borrowers for both on-time and automatic payments.

All teachers who teach in Kentucky and have loans from The Student Loan People can receive interest forgiveness through the Best in Class program. Teachers of math, science, English as a second language, or special education can receive up to 20% loan forgiveness for each year of service.

Interest and/or loan forgiveness are offered through the Best in Care program to assist registered nurses who practice in Kentucky. These benefits will also be available to licensed

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New look for Kentucky medical card; Pilot project begins July 1

FRANKFORT - The Kentucky Department for Medicaid Services will be moving to replace its current paper recipient identification card with a permanent, plastic identification card that has a magnetic strip similar to ones used in commercial health insurance.

The project will be launched with a pilot for 36,000 Medicaid recipients living in Clay and Fayette counties to quantify the savings and prove the system. These Medicaid

recipients will receive the new plastic Kentucky Health Card at the end of June for use beginning July 1.

The Kentucky Health Card works the same way as the current paper cards. The card is for use when visiting the doctor, pharmacy, hospital or anywhere else a person receives medical care. This card should be used as long as a person receives medical assistance from the Kentucky Medicaid Program.

Monthly paper cards will no

longer be mailed.

The card will help the Medicaid program save money by reducing the mailing and printing costs. This is one of the initial features of Governor Ernie Fletcher's goal of modernizing the Medicaid program that will bring Medicaid in line with the commercial health insurance market.

With the plastic card, health care providers will be able to check the eligibility status through a secure web site.

If the pilot proves to be suc-

cessful, the cabinet will issue a request for a statewide rollout of the Kentucky Health Card. By piloting the project in an urban and rural county, the cabinet will have a chance to determine the cost savings with a statewide system.

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For Sale: 8 ft' deli cooler, \$950 and Gas convection oven, \$450. Call 606-886-2367.

Kay's Wallpaper 205 Depot Road Paintsville, Ky Hundreds of Patterns of Wallpaper & Borders All under \$10.00. Open Tues - Fri. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sat. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Closed Sun. & Mon. 606-789-8584.

REAL ESTATE

510-Comm. Property

For Rent: Beauty shop equipped with 3 stations, and tanning bed, located 1 mile south of Martin on Route. 122, or would consider remodeling for office space Call 606-285-4826 or 606-285-9112.

For Rent Office Space on North Lake Drive, Utilities included call 606-886-8366

530-Houses

House for sale 3 bed room brick. 1 1/2 bath located 2 miles from Prestonsburg city limits call 606-886-2818

House for sale at 101 Mare creek road full brick 3 bed room 1 bath family room front and back porch call 502-695-3395

House for sale at Maplewood village, 2 miles from Route 23 on Prater creek 3 bed room 2 bath with garage 1/2 acres land call 606-285-0246 or page 606-886-7166

House for Sale 4400 sq.ft. restricted neighborhood Big Branch of Abbott \$310,000 call 886-6289

House for Sale between Allen and Martin, 3-4 bed room 1 bath, call after 6pm call 606-874-2495

A Frame House for sale 2 bed room 1 bath with Sun room and several Decks in the Prestonsburg area, lots of extras call 304-235-5306

House and Land for sale 36 1/2 acres, 6 miles south of Wayland, Ky, on Route 7, in Knot Co. call 606-358-9318

For Sale or Lease 5 bed room 3 bath at Lancer, located 319 South Cardinal Drive call 606-358-4163

House for Sale Cave Run Lake area, new 2 bed room house with full basement / garage, city water selling furnished \$49,000.00 call 606-478-9901 evenings,

3 bed foreclosure! buy for only \$17,850! for listings call 800-366-0142 extension. B 183

550-Land & Lots

2 grave plots for sale at Gethsemane Gardens. Together give \$1500, will take \$1000. Call 452-2413.

570-Mobile Homes

For Sale 2 bed room trailer, 14 x 60 all new flooring, water heating, and plumbing, great condition \$5,600 call 606-886-6219

For Sale Double wide in Auxier area 3 bed room, 2 bath out of flood area. call 606-886-1193 after 6pm

For Sale 1992 Fleetwood 28 x 60 double wide. 4 bed rooms, 2 baths kitchen, dining room, living room, Utility room, plenty of closet's must see to appreciate. Located on Toler Creek, Harold, Ky. call Larry Spears at 606-478-9520 or 606-478-5020

1991- 2 Bed Room 2 Bath Room mobile home for sale excellent condition 606-889-0971 or 606-886-9349

Brand new program that, with land equity or cash down payment met. we can get 90 percent of applications pre-approved. Poor credit situations urged to apply call to day before the programs ends. call 606-353-6444 or toll free 577-353-6444

RENTALS

610-Apartments

For Rent 1 bed room Apt., utilities paid washer and dryer provided, No Pets \$395.00 month with \$150.00 deposit call 606-874-5577 Winchester Apt.

For Sale small 2 bed room Trailer and Land Approx. 90 feet front asking \$20,000 call 478-1410

For Sale: 12 X 60 Mobile Home. Under pinning & steps included, needs repairs, excellent for or storage \$1000. OBO Call after 5 .30 call 606-874-4604

All Drywall, 2004 Dutch Designer with 2x6 walls, 5/12 roof pitch, flat ceilings, ultimate stainless steel kitchen, stretched for larger bed rooms and many more extras, Set up for viewing. For details call 606-353-6444 or toll free 577-353-6444

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Vacancies Branham Heights Apt.'s Wheelwright, KY. is accepting applications for 1 and 2 bed room apartments. And 1 bed room handicap accessible apartment. Rent based on income water sewage and garbage are included in rent. PLease contact Kathy at 606-452-4777. Office hours are Tuesday thru Friday 8am till 4:30pm

Townhouse Apartment for rent 2 bed room, stove, refrigerator central air/heat, w/d hook up. Near Prstonsburg. \$425+ utilities & \$250 deposit, no pets call 606-886-2888

Summer Move-In Special Park Place Apartments in Prestonsburg, Get first Months Rents Free with paid Security Deposit! Elderly, Handicapped and Disabled available for immediate occupancy. Rent 1 bed room \$309.00, 2 bed room \$345.00 call 606-886-0039

For Rent 1 or 2 bed room Apt. furnished including utilities references required call 606-886-8366

For Rent 1 bed room Apt. at Hueysville call 606-886-5738

For Rent 2 bed room Apt with living room and fireplace Frig. and stove furnished central heat and air, carport parking, large back yard no HUD OR PETS will be available June 19th located at Harold call 606-886-9158

Apts. for rent like new in downtown Martin good location, call 606-285-3025 between 9am to 5 pm

For Rent 2 bed room central Heat and Air with washer and dryer hook ups excellent condition located 1 mile north of Prestonsburg on U.S. 23 No Pets. call 886-9007 or 889-9747

New Townhouse Apartment for rent:

2 Bed room stove, refrigerator, d/w central h/a, w/d hook up, city limits at US 23 & 80. \$550.00 mo. + utilities and \$350 deposit. 1 year lease, no pets. Call 606-886-7237 or 606-237-4758,

Greetings from Lighthous Manor, Terry & Sharon Smith. We have apartments for rent that are efficiency apartments, all utilities paid. For more info call 606-886-2797.

Furnished 1 bed room Apt. Central heat & air. Rent starting at \$375. month, + \$300. deposit water included. Located near HRMC. 606-889-9717.

For Rent 1 bed room upstairs furnished Apt. all utilities already turned on \$360 per month plus water and electric \$100.00 deposit call 606-285-3641

630-Houses

For Rent 2 bed room house located at Betsy Layne \$475.00 per month call 606-478-5403

House for Rent in David 3 bed room large bath, living room , dining and kitchen, office room, call 606-789-5129 anytime will take HUD

House for rent freshly cleaned and painted 4 rooms plus kitchen and bath laundry and storage hall way and wrap around porch in a nice neighborhood a few blocks from down town and school will be having a OPEN HOUSE on Monday from 4pm to 6pm located on 245 South Highland Ave. for more information call 859-498-1085

House for rent at Williams Motel, on Lake Road in Prestonsburg, \$450. per month plus \$450. deposit, available July 1 call 704-824-2034

HOUSE FOR RENT on Left Fork of Little Paint, in Martin County. Asking \$550 per mo. + deposit. 615-366-2140 or 615-943-8002.

Fire Your Landlord!!! \$\$\$0 DOWN HOMES! No Rent! Tax Reposs & Bankruptcies! No Credit OK! \$0 to low down! For Listings, 800-501-1777 Ext. 8351

NO RENT!!!! \$0 DOWN HOMES! GOVT & BANK REPOS! NO CREDIT OK. \$0 TO LOW DOWN. FOR LISTINGS, CALL 1-800-501-1777 EXT. 9821

640-Land/Lots

Single family residential lot, Prestonsburg at US 23 and Route 80 city amenities, and restrictions, 25.00 327-4758 886-7237

For Sale by owner, beautiful Lot less than 1/2 mile from Route 23 inside city limits, Located on Big Branch of Abbott, just before Cedar Trace. Look for Yellow signs call 704-658-0227 after 6pm

Trailer lot for rent on old U.S. 23 between Prestonsburg and Paintsville call 606-886-9007 or 889 9747

For Rent 2 bed room Mobile home with stove and refrigerator on private lot NO HUD or Pets call 606-886-3709

For Rent in Prestonsburg 2 bed room 2 bath, mobile home NO PETS, with yard and storage building, reference required call 606-886-0226

2 Bed Room MOBILE HOME for rent Allen area. Call 874-0267

14x50 mobile home for rent in Martin Ky 285-3980

660-Miscellaneous

Historic Darnell May House in Prestonsburg with parking and Kitchette is available for weddings, Receptions, business meetings and Social Events call Sam Hatcher, phone 606-432-3528

670-Comm. Property

For Sale or Lease Large Building Great for offices spaces call 606-478-5403

SERVICES

705-Construction

ALL TYPES: Remodeling & additions, garages, decks, etc. Also concrete work. Robbie Johnson, Jr., call anytime, 606-886-8896.

NOTICES

805-Announcements

Allen Christ United Methodist Vacation Bible School June 21-25 from 6pm to 8:15pm, Where children and youth meet biblical heroes of faith, learn the power of faith experience. Come join the fun and learn about God and the bible.

This is for the man driving the SUV. who hit my White Camry at the lvel B.P., The store has you on Video, Please call 606-886-9862 before the police get involved

812-Free

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

850-Personnel

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

START DATING TONIGHT! Have fun meeting eligible singles in your area. Toll Free. 1-800 R O M A N C E ext.9735

Secret Encounters 800-442-MEET .69 p/m Ladies Free!! 800-201-TALK VISIT - singles.com

FUN LOCAL SINGLES! Meet Friendly Exciting Girls In Your Area. Connect Instantly /Hookup Tonight. 800-290-GIRL

900-Legals

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-8041, Renewal

In accordance with 350.055, notice is hereby given that

FCDC Coal, Inc., 750 Town Mountain Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501, has applied for a Renewal to a permit for a coal processing facility and refuse disposal operation, located 1.9 mile southeast of Printer, in Floyd County.

The facility is approximately 1.4 mile southeast from KY 122's junction with State Route 2030, and located 0.004 mile northeast of Spurlock Creek. The latitude is 37°31'25". The longitude is 82°43'30".

The facility is on the Harold U.S.G.S. quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by Bull Creek Coal Corporation and the Keathley heirs.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of this application. All comments, objections or requests for a permit conference, must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5194, Renewal

1. In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 750 Town Mountain Road, Pikeville, KY 41501, has applied for a permit for an underground coal mining operation, located 2.0 miles southeast of Martin, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 5.18 surface acres, and will underlie 268.00 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 273.18 acres.

2. The proposed operation is approximately 2.0 miles southeast from Old Highway 80's junction with Arkansas Creek Rd., and located 1.0 mile southeast of Cane Fork of Arkansas Creek. The latitude is 37°33'30". The longitude is 82°43'00".

3. The proposed operation is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Charles Lafferty.

The operation will underlie land owned by Charles Lafferty, Curtis R. Layne, Sophie & Flongo Martin, Gardner Adkins, Donald P. & George Ann Adkins, James Newsome, Josephine Hall, T.B. Akers Estate, David R. Akers, Herbert & Lettie Mae Cordial, Allan Conn, Brice Conn Estate, Ermin & Cynthia J. Akers, John D. & Emodel A. Boyd, James & Bertha Williams, Kenneth Spears, Norman & Mae Martin, Herman Conn, Bailey Crum, Mexico & Lizzie Spears, Alma Land Company.

4. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of this application. All comments, objections or requests for a permit conference, must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

(1) In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Koch Victory, a Division of the C. Reiss Coal Company, 2525 Harrodsburg Road, Suite 130, Lexington, KY 40504, has applied for a Phase II and Phase III bond release on permit number 836-5289, which was last issued on 6/16/93. The application covers an area of approximately 42.12 acres, located 0.45 mile southwest of Dema, in Floyd County.

(2) The permit area is approximately 0.20 mile south from KY 7's junction with Bradley Branch Road, and located on Bradley Branch of the Right Fork of Beaver Creek. The latitude is 37 degrees, 24 minutes, 57 seconds. The longitude is 82 degrees, 48 minutes, 40 seconds.

(3) The bond now in effect for the permit is a surety in the amount of \$20,100.00. approximately 77 percent of the original bond amount of \$26,000.00, is included in the application for release.

(4) Reclamation work performed includes: final grading and revegetation, which was completed on 11/25/97.

(5) This is the final advertisement of the application. Written comments, objec-

tions, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, 2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, KY 40601-4321, by 7/23/04.

(6) A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 7/26/04, at 10:00 a.m., at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The hearing will be cancelled in no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by 7/23/04.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Derick Hoover of Eastern, Ky. has filed on application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to set a trailer on Jackie Hoovers property. This property is located at Eastern, Ky. near Highway 80 and Beaver Creek

Any comment Kentucky Division of Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Rd. Frankfort Offices Park, Frankfort Kentucky 40601 phone 502-564-3410

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Big Sandy Community & Technical College
Associate Dean of Student Affairs (Prestonsburg Campus)
Duties: Provide direct supervision and direction for admissions, records, registration, academic advising and graduation; coordinate/perform degree audits, transcript evaluation, consortium and service indicators, develop, interpret and enforce graduation requirements, enrollment process, grade processing, evaluation of transfer credit, assessment of tuition and fees, course substitutions and accuracy and security of student academic records; oversee budget of admissions, records and registration; and coordinate orientation, and advising with other offices.
Minimum Requirements: Master's degree (Guidance and Counseling, Student Personnel Services, Educational Administration or related field) and three years related work experience or equivalent.
Minimum Monthly Salary: \$3,530.00
Assistant Registrar (Prestonsburg Campus)
Duties: Oversee maintenance and security of all student records on the Prestonsburg campus; organize, supervise and manage daily operations of the Admissions and Records office to include resolving daily problems and addressing questions regarding admissions and records; assist Registrar and Associate Dean in all areas of registration; coordinate pre-graduation, graduation, general education and consortium agreement completion and audits; receive, record and maintain grades; prepare and send credentials, and coordinate records retention and archive process.
Minimum Requirements: Bachelor's degree (related field), and two years related work experience or equivalent.
Minimul Monthly Salary: \$2,223.00
Procedure: Applicants must submit a formal application, current resumé and all graduate and undergraduate transcripts. Formal applications are available at Big Sandy Community & Technical College, Office of Human Resources, Johnson Administration Building, Room 110, or via email: jackie.cecil@kctcs.edu or by phone: (606) 886-3863 Ext. 67370 or on our website: www.bigsandy.kctcs.edu. Completed applications may be submitted to: Jackie B. Cecil, Director of Human Resources, One Bert T. Combs Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.
KCTCS
Big Sandy Community and Technical College is an equal access, equal opportunity/affirmative action institution and is committed to providing equal opportunity through its employment practices. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

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(2) The permit area is approximately 0.6 miles east from KY 80's junction with KY 3188, and located immediately east of the Right Fork of Beaver Creek. The latitude is 37 degrees, 33 minutes, 02 seconds. The longitude is 82 degrees, 45 minutes, 46 seconds.

(3) The bond now in effect for the permit is a surety in the amount of \$14,300.00, approximately 60 percent of the original bond amount of \$23,700.00, is included in the application for release.

(4) Reclamation work performed includes: final grading and revegetation, which was completed on 9/12/94.

(5) This is the final advertisement of the application. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, 2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, KY 40601-4321, by 7/23/04.

(6) A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 7/26/04, at 9:00 a.m., at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a

hearing or informal conference is received by 7/23/04.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

(1) In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Koch Victory, a Division of the C. Reiss Coal Company, 2525 Harrodsburg Road, Suite 130, Lexington, KY 40504, has applied for a Phase II and Phase III bond release on permit number 836-9014, which was last issued on 12/11/95. The application covers an area of approximately 25.00 acres, located at Hite, in Floyd County.

(2) The permit area is approximately 0.67 mile southeast from KY 122's junction with KY 80, and located on the Left Fork of Beaver Creek. The latitude is 37 degrees, 33 minutes, 32 seconds. The longitude is 82 degrees, 44 minutes, 55 seconds.

(3) The bond now in effect for the permit is a surety in the amount of \$29,800.00, approximately 42 percent of the original bond amount of \$71,300.00, is included in the application for release.

(4) Reclamation work performed includes: final grading and revegetation, which was completed during May 1991.

(5) This is the final advertisement of the application. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, 2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, KY 40601-4321, by 7/23/04.

(6) A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 7/26/04, at 11:00 a.m., at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The hearing

will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by 7/23/04.

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT

DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO. 00-CI-00394

FIRSTAR BANK, NA (F/K/A STAR BANK, NA), SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO TRANS FINANCIAL BANK, NA) PLAINTIFF VS.

BENNIE RAY MOORE, AS EXECUTOR FOR THE ESTATE OF RAY MOORE, DECEASED, DEBRA BRIGMON AND FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY DEFENDANTS

RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Summary Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 17th day of June, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$13,757.67, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County courthouse door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 24th day of June, 2004, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described real estate, located at 373 Middle Branch, McDowell, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

A certain tract or parcel of land lying on Frasure Creek, in Floyd County, Kentucky.

TRACT NO. 1: Beginning at Sie Hall's line; thence South 150 ft. around

the hill to Junior Newsome's line; thence North about 150 ft. running with Junior Newsome line to Kindle Vanderpool's line; thence running with said Vanderpool's line to the center of a drain; thence down the drain with the Sie Hall line to the beginning.

TRACT NO. 2: Beginning at fence on highway at corner of Sie Hall's line; thence across the bottom with said Sie Hall line to a stake; thence down the branch 150 ft. to a stake; thence back across bottom to fence at the highway; thence up the road as fence to the beginning.

Containing 1/4 acre more or less. Being the same property conveyed to Ray Moore, widower, by deed dated June 25, 1998, and recorded in Deed Book 421, at Page 206, in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

TERMS OF SALE:

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days.

(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America, and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2003, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes, will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL: Hon. Septimious Taylor 4830 Towne Square Court Owensboro, Kentucky 42301 270/684-1606

WILLIAM S. KENDRICK Master Commissioner P. O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 (606) 886-2812

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I C.A. NO. 03-CI-678
CHARTER ONE MORTGAGE CORP. S/B/M TO CHAR-

TER ONE CREDIT CORP. PLAINTIFF VS. RICKY BAYS DEBBIE BAYS KEY FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR HOUSEHOLD FINANCE CORPORATION DEFENDANTS

BY VIRTUE OF In Rem Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 5th day of May, 2004, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$63,858.97, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County courthouse door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 24th day of June, 2004, at the hour of 9:30 a.m., the following described real estate, located 3424 Left Fork of Abbott Road, Prestonsburg, in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a per-simmon tree beside the road and running 110 feet with the road to a steel post; thence across the lot 150 feet to the creek; thence with the creek to the point of beginning which is the per-simmon tree.

Being the same property conveyed from John B. and Fredia Calton by deed dated October 21, 1996, to Ricky Bays and Debbie Bays, recorded in Deed Book 399, Page 366, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

TERMS OF SALE

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 20% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America, and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County and City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2004, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County and City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

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matter contained herein.

PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY: Hon. Heather Estes Bell Weltman, Weinberg & Reis 525 Vine Street, Suite 800 Cincinnati, Ohio

45202 513/723-2200
WILLIAM S. KENDRICK Master Commissioner P. O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

ODINANCE NO. 04-01 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CITY OF MARTIN, KENTUCKY, ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2004, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2005

Estimating revenues and resources and appropriating funds for the operation of City Government

Whereas, an annual budget proposal and message has been prepared and delivered to the City Council;

Whereas, The City Council has reviewed such budget proposal and made necessary modifications;

Now Therefore, be it ordained by the City of Martin:

The annual budget for the Fiscal Years beginning July 1, 2004 and ending June

30, 2005, is hereby adopted as attached. This ordinance shall be of effect on July 1, 2004.

1st Reading: 5-25-04
2nd Reading 6-15-04
Advertised: 6-23-04

Thomasine Robinson, Mayor
CITY OF MARTIN

Attest:
Regina Fraley
CITY CLERK

CITY OF MARTIN July 2004 - June 2005

INCOME	
Alcohol Beverage License	\$ 1,800.00
Alcohol Beverage Tax	.50,000.00
Bank Franchise	.25,000.00
Business License	5,000.00
Community Center	25,947.44
County Fee	1,000.00
Fire Dept.	10,000.00
Franchise Tax	3,000.00
Insurance Tax	175,000.00
Interest Inc.	400.00
LGEA	20,000.00
Municipal Aid	4,800.00
Occupational Tax	162,000.00
Other Income	2,400.00
Police Department	
Arrest Fee	250.00
Housing Authority	22,000.00
KLEPPF	15,199.80
Mt. Comp Care	350.00
Accident Reports	75.00
Property Taxes	39,241.00
Property taxes delinquent	15,000.00
Red, White & Blue	
Booths	721.66
Donations	750.00
Carnival	950.00
Pageant	500.00
Sales	1,596.70
Unloading Permits	1,416.00
Vehicle Tax	1,140.00
Reimbursement	
Payroll Liabil. & H. Ins.	47,448.00
Savings Account	1,000.00
TOTAL INCOME	633,985.60

Expense	
Bank Charge	\$ 50.00
General Fund	
Advertisement	4,300.00
Bereavement	300.00
Electric	17,000.00
Trash	5,000.00
Phone	4,000.00
Repairs	1,500.00
Supplies	8,000.00
Water	375.00
Community Center	25,947.44
Contract Labor	6,000.00
Dues & Subscriptions	500.00
Entertainment	500.00
Fireman	10,000.00
Health Ins.	46,000.00
Insurance (Liability)	30,000.00
Legal & Professional	15,000.00
Maintenance	
Auto	1,500.00
Fuel	2,600.00
MRA	6,000.00
LGEA	6,000.00
Payroll	349,913.16
Police	
Electric	500.00
Fuel	14,000.00
Phone	500.00
Repairs	3,600.00
Supplies	10,000.00
Travel	300.00
Training	1,000.00
Auto	15,000.00
Postage & Delivery	
Recreation	800.00
City	1,500.00
Parks	5,000.00
Christmas	1,200.00
Red, White & Blue	15,100.00
Savings Account	1,000.00
Sewer Repairs	24,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	633,985.60

WATER BUDGET 2004-2005

Revenue	153,730.00
Delinq.	3,675.14
Total Income	157,405.14

EXPENSES	
Operating Supplies	85,000.00
Utilities	1,050.00
Equipment Rentals	500.00
Insurance	8,900.00
Repairs	1,300.00
Fuel & Auto	1,300.00
Other (lease cont. serv. dues, misc.)	1,800.00
Salaries	41,088.14
Bond Payment	16,467.00
Total Expenditures	157,405.14

SEWER BUDGET 2004-2005

Revenue	215,849.14
Collections	10,217.13
Delinq. collect	10,217.13
Total Income	226,066.27

Expenditure	
Contract Services	40,000.00
Plant Repairs	4,454.27
Auto	2,500.00
Repairs	2,500.00
Fuel	1,300.00
Other	2,000.00
Equipment Rental	13,000.00
Insurance	7,000.00
Salaries	74,000.00
Utilities	18,000.00
Bonds	73,812.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	226,066.27

PUBLIC NOTICE

To all natural gas customers on Martin Gas, Inc.

To recognize a gas pipeline emergency.

(a) Natural gas has a distinct smell, any odor of gas smell inside your home—immediately turn off gas appliance—leave your home and call the gas company, do not re-enter your home until the gas company has made its inspection on all gas piping inside your home.

(b) Any smell of natural gas or detect of leak in any gas mains, regardless of its location—report immediately.

(c) To all persons, firms or corporations or contractors: Before you commence any excavation or related activities in the town of Martin, call for locations of our gas mains and services.

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After 5 p.m., and on weekends,
251-3838, 447-3196
Martin Gas, Inc.
P.O. Box 783
Hindman, KY 41822

Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission Utility Service Rates in Effect as of June 1, 2004

PCUC Water Rates (Effective 02/01/04)	Inside Corp.	Outside Corp.
0-2000 Gallons	\$5.94 \$6.04 \$6.14	\$9.00 \$9.10 \$9.20
Next 98,000 Gals.	\$2.52 \$2.62 \$2.72	\$3.90 \$4.00 \$4.10
Over 100,000 Gals.	\$2.12 \$2.22 \$2.32	\$2.61 \$2.71 \$2.81

Note: \$.10 increments are applied for each booster station that is needed to serve the customer.

Tap Fee: Inside Corporate — No Fee
Outside Corporate — \$300.00 (\$400.00 if road/creek must be crossed.)

PCUC Sewer Rates	Inside Corp.	Outside Corp.	Allen/Dwale
0-2000 Gallons	\$7.50 (Min.)	\$10.50 (Min.)	\$21.70 (Min.)
Over 2,000 Gals.	\$2.55	\$2.75	\$2.55

Tap Fee: Inside/Outside Corporate — \$800.00 Residential/\$1000.00 Commercial

PCUC Gas Rates (Effective 06/10/04)	Inside Corp.	Outside Corp.
0-1 MCF	\$10.74 (Minimum)	\$13.08 (Minimum)
Over 1 MCF	\$10.18	\$10.89

Tap Fee: Inside/Outside Corporate — \$300.00 (\$400.00 if road/creek must be crossed.)

David M. Ellis, Superintendent
Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission
2560 South Lake Drive
Prestonsburg, KY 41653
(606) 886-8871

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. 1 C.A. NO. 03-CI-584 MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC., D/B/A AMERICA'S WHOLESALE LENDER AND COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC., D/B/A AMERICA'S WHOLESALE LENDER PLAINTIFFS VS. CARL JOHNSON VERDA JOHNSON COUNTY OF FLOYD DEFENDANTS RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Default Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 13th day of August, 2003 in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$27,742.32, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County courthouse door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 24th day of June, 2004, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, located at 47 Birch Street, Garrett, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:
Being Lots 153, 154 and 155 of the West Garrett Addition, Kentucky, a map of which is filed in the county court clerk's office, Floyd County, Kentucky, and to which map reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said properties.
Source of Title: Deed of Conveyance from Mountain Housing and Community Action Corporation to Carl Johnson and Verda Johnson, his wife, dated July 15, 1984, of record in Deed Book 285, Page 277, Floyd County Clerk's Office.
A certain tract or parcel of land in West Garrett, as addition to Garrett, Kentucky, and designated upon the property map or plat, which is recorded in the county clerk's office being a part of Lots 156 and 157 and described more fully:
Beginning on the corner of Well Petry's Lots on Front Street and running north with said street 76 feet to a stake; thence across the lots a western direction to the line of Cliff Dyer; thence a southern direction 17 feet to Well Petry's line thence with Well Petry's line to the beginning.
Source of Title: Deed of Conveyance from Gary Deam Chaffion's to Verda Johnson dated October 14, 1978, of record in Deed Book 235, Page 419 Floyd County Clerk's Office.
TERMS OF SALE:
(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or \$5,000.00 of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days.
(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America, and/or the record owners thereof.
(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2003, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.
(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.
Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL:
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Lerner, Sampson & Rothfuss
P.O. Box 5480
Cincinnati, Ohio 45201-5480
WILLIAM S. KENDRICK
Master Commissioner
P.O. Box 268
Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653
(606) 886-2812

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
Pursuant to Application Number 836-5435, Amendment No. 3

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Motts Branch Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 2765, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface and underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located 2.6 miles southeast of McDowell, in Floyd County. This amendment will add 0.00 acres of surface disturbance, and underlie an additional 295.51 acres, making a total area of 1146.00 acres within the amended permit boundary.
The proposed amendment area is approximately 1.5 mile southeast from KY 680's junction with KY 1929, and located 0.11 mile south of Hall Fork. The latitude is 37° 26' 58". The longitude is 82° 42' 00".
The proposed amendment is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The amendment will underlie land owned by David Akers, Mary Howell, Anna Newsome, Cecil Hamilton, Dula

Compton, Earl Evans, Zelli Slone and Joseph Mining Co. The operation will use the room and pillar method of underground mining.
The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, 41653.
Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for Modernization #06182004, will be received by The Housing Authority of Floyd County, on Friday, July 16, 2004, at 2:00 p.m., local time, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud. The project consists of CCTV DIGITAL RECORDER EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATION. The Information for Bidders, Bid Form, Form of Contract, Drawings, Specifications, and forms of Bid Bond, Performance Bond and Payment Bond, and other contract documents may be examined at the following locations:

Housing Authority of Floyd County
402 John M. Stumbo Drive
Langley, Kentucky 41645

Partial sets will not be issued.
Bid Bonds and Performance and Payment Bonds must be secured by a guaranty or surety company listed in the latest issue of U.S. Treasury Circular 570, and shall be within the maximum amount specified for such company in said Circular 570. The "Bid Bond" and the "Performance and Payment Bond" must be issued by a surety company authorized to do business in the state where the project is located, and must be listed in U.S. Treasury Circular No. 570.
Attention is called to the fact that not less than the minimum salaries and wages set forth in the Contract Documents, must be paid on this project.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for the public housing Modernization Project KY36P035-501(03) will be received by the Housing Authority of Prestonsburg, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, on July 15, 2004, at 2:00 p.m., prevailing time, then at said office publicly opened and read aloud. The project consists of:

HVAC Upgrades in 38 Dwelling Units.

The Information for Bidders, Form of Bid, Form of Contract, Drawings, Specifications and other contract documents may be examined at the following locations:

CS Design, Inc., 401 West Main Street, Suite 318, Lexington, Kentucky, 40507.

The Housing Authority of Prestonsburg 387 South Roberts Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, 41653.

Additional information is provided in the bidding documents. Copies of the bidding documents may be purchased at the following location:

Lynn Imaging 328 Old Vine Street, Lexington, Kentucky, 40507, Telephone: (859) 255-1021, Attention: Plan Distribution Department, www.lynnimaging.com.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on July 7, 2004, at 2:00 p.m. (local time), at the Housing Authority's main office, for purposes of answering Bidder's questions, and to consider any suggestions.

The Housing Authority of Prestonsburg By: Brenda Harris, Executive Director

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. 1 C.A. NO. 02-CI-1290

LARRY TAYLOR PLAINTIFF VS. ESTIL TAYLOR, ET AL. DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 25th of March, 2004, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, I shall proceed to offer for sale, at the Old Floyd County courthouse door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 8th day of July, 2004, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described surface property, located and lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:
Being Lot No. 230 in the Village of Auxier, Floyd County, Kentucky, as shown upon a map of said Village, which map is of record in Deed Book 126, Page 637, Floyd County Clerk's Office, to which map reference is made for a more particular description of the property herein conveyed.
Being the same property conveyed to Estil Taylor and Celia Taylor, his wife, by deed dated 11th day of July, 1952, by Everett Perry and

Deneva Perry, his wife, recorded in Deed Book 153, page 396, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

TERMS OF SALE

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.
(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America, and/or the record owners thereof.
(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all

Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2004, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.
(d) If the successful bidder is a party to this action, he/she shall be given credit on the balance of the purchase price to the extent of his/her ownership interest in the above described real property, subject to payment of sufficient funds to satisfy the

costs of sale, and for the master commissioner.
Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.
PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY:
Hon. John Davis
P.O. Box 1410
Pikeville, Kentucky 41502
WILLIAM S. KENDRICK
Master Commissioner
P.O. Box 268
Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

ATTENTION
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No experience necessary. Company training provided. Must be a high school graduate and able to start immediately. All positions are permanent with rapid advancement. Positions start at \$400.00 a week.
Call 874-6453 for interview between 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

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NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS OF PRESTONSBURG CITY'S UTILITIES COMMISSION
Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission strives to provide consistently dependable gas, water, and sewer services to our customers at reasonable rates. Costs associated with water and sewer services rise some every year, but are more controllable by the Commission. However, the utility has very little control over the cost of gas, since its cost is open-market driven, especially in winter months. The cost of gas has again risen substantially in recent months. This increase, along with the yearly increases in the operation and maintenance costs associated with providing gas service to our customers, makes it necessary for the Commission to put in place a gas rate increase for service after June 1, 2004.
Rates effective for retail gas service after June 1, 2004, are as follows:

	Inside City	Outside City
0-1 MCF	\$10.74 Minimum	\$13.08
Over 1 MCF	\$10.18	\$10.89

David M. Ellis, Superintendent
Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission
2560 South Lake Drive
Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

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Change Wet Into Dry

Change the word WET into the word DRY in just five steps. Change only one letter at a time. Need help? Look at how Coach Cortex changed a DOG into a CAT.



W	E	T
D	R	Y

Standards Link: Language Arts: Change target sounds to change words; understand that as the letters of a word change, so do the sounds.

Tangram Triathlon

A tangram is an ancient Chinese puzzle that has been giving brains a real workout for centuries.

Cut out the tangram pieces. Can you make each of the following shapes?

- A square with 3 stars.
- A square with 13 stars.
- A triangle with 3 stars.
- A triangle with 13 stars.
- A rectangle with 6 stars.
- A rectangle with 7 stars.



Bonus Brain Bender!

How many different trapezoids can you make using the tangram?

Standards Link: Math: Geometry: Identify the attributes of common figures in the plane; put shapes together and take them apart to form other shapes.

Swimming Pool Puzzler

How many differences can you find between these two pictures?

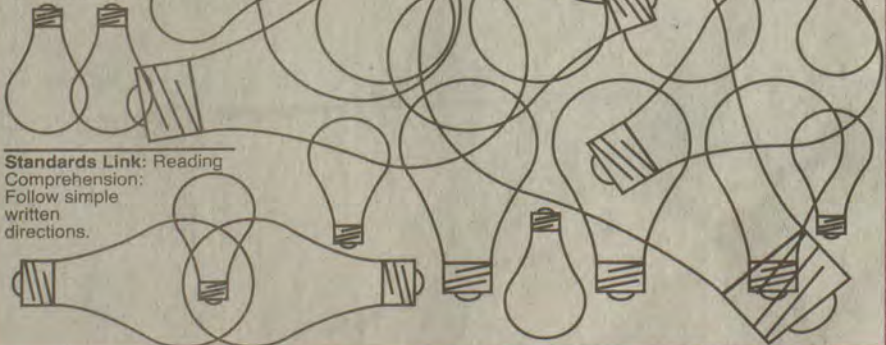


Standards Link: Scientific Investigation: Find similarities and differences in common objects.

What's the Big Idea?

In newspaper comics, cartoonists draw a lightbulb appearing over a character's head to show that they have just had an idea.

How many light bulbs can you find in 60 seconds?



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

- TRAPEZOIDS
- COACH
- TANGRAM
- BRAIN
- DOG
- DIGIT
- ICE
- TRIANGLE
- BONUS
- STARS
- CORTEX
- WET
- TRIED
- HELP
- DRY
- CAT

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

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

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

BEYOND Kid Scoop

Geometry Hunt

Find examples of each of these geometric shapes in your newspaper.

- pentagon
- circle
- square
- trapezoid
- triangle
- rectangle
- octagon

Standards Link: Math: Geometry: Identify basic geometric shapes.

How do you make a golf ball float?

ANSWER: Take two scoops of ice cream, add root beer, then drop in a golf ball.

The Kid Scoop Workout for Your Mind!

Summertime Brain Builders

Will YOUR brain go soft over the summer?!? Not if you keep your mind active with these mind-boggling games and puzzles! Coach Cortex says, "Grab a pencil and let the workout begin!"



Cold Facts

Look at each math problem and the digits in each ice block. Place a digit in each empty box so that the problem equals the answer. Use each digit in each ice block only once.

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8	9
3	6

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5	2
8	4

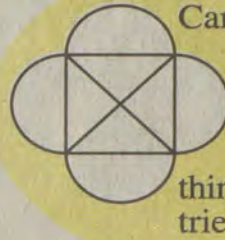
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7	10
8	6

Standards Link: Number Sense: Know addition facts and corresponding subtraction facts and use the inverse relationship to solve problems.

The Impossible Puzzle?

Can you draw this shape in one continuous motion without lifting your pencil and without retracing over any of the lines? We don't think it's possible - and we've tried and tried and tried!



For the story of The Impossible Puzzle, visit www.kidscoop.com

Extra! Extra! Dot-to-Dot

Look at the front page of today's newspaper. Find and circle each letter of the alphabet. Can you find all 26? Connect the letters with lines and color your design.

Standards Link: Language Arts: Word Analysis: Students know and recognize the letters of the alphabet; Reading Comprehension: Follow simple multiple-step directions.

Weekly Writing Corner

Brain Builders

In the summer I like to play chess because it has a lot of strategy in it and I think it helps me with my math. I read lots of different kinds of books too. The last thing I do to open my mind is I write and draw in my journal. I like summer, it gives me a break from school, but I like school too.

Rachel, 4th Grade

You can exercise your brain this summer by reading, doing crossword puzzles, or writing imaginary stories.

Briana, 6th Grade

There are many ways to exercise your brain during the summer. One way is to play the memory game. You can also review math problems from your last lesson. It is also good to go to bed early and get a good breakfast to freshen up your mind. If you are in a play, I can recommend that you have someone read through your lines with you before you go to bed.

Anai, 5th Grade

You can study the encyclopedia or you could read hard books and then do a book report that you could show to your mom or dad. You could take art lessons. You could learn the Greek alphabet or last, but not least, you could study the human body.

Chloe, 6th Grade

During the summer I will read every day. I will read the newspaper. I will write stories. I will make a science project. I will do some math.

Diana, 4th Grade

I will read for an hour every day. I will do a crossword puzzle every week. I will practice math every day. I will do a jigsaw puzzle a week. I will go to the library and check out some books.

Esmeralda, 4th Grade

In the summer I will play a math game that will help me practice my multiplication. I will also read and paint. That is what I'm going to do.

Ana, 4th Grade

Write On!

Brain Builders

Deadline: July 18, 2004
Published: Week of August 15, 2004
Send your story to:
Brain Builders
P.O. Box 390
Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653

Please include your school and grade.

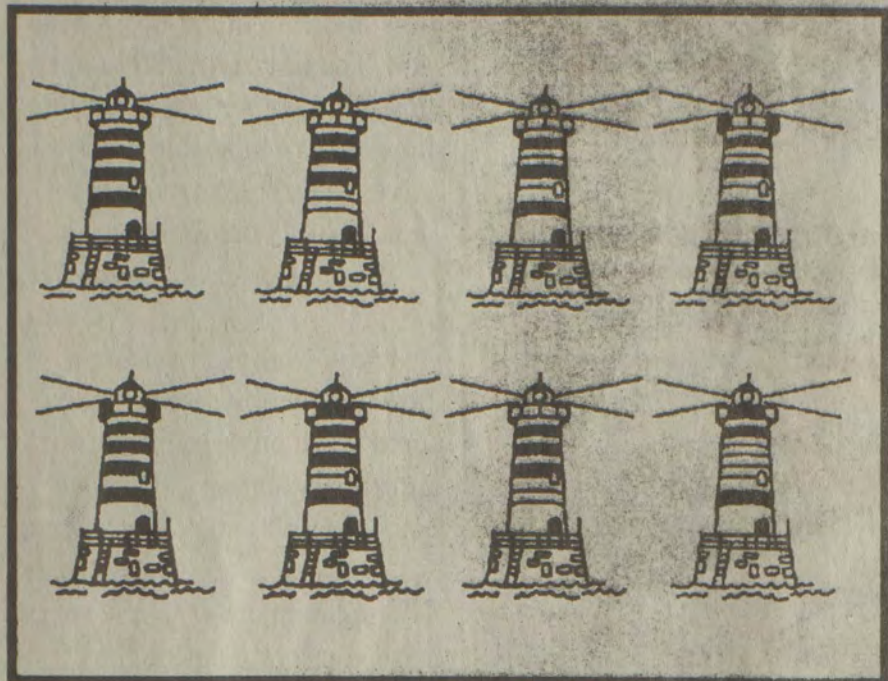
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ON THE BEAM! Two of these eight lighthouses appear to be twins. Which two is for you to decide by studying details.

Junior Whirl

by Hal Kaufman



SUM MEASURING-UP OVER PENTAGON

"AT WHAT angle do you figure sides of a pentagon meet?" asked helicopter pilot Bill.

"Well, a pentagon is a five-sided polygon," replied co-pilot Joe. "A 'regular' pentagon has equal angles and equal sides. Sum of the interior angles is the number of sides minus two, times two right angles. Divide by five and you have the individual angle."

"Hey, how about translating that into numbers," laughed Bill. "What is the angle of a side?"

Question: What angle of a 'regular' pentagon's side did co-pilot Joe describe?

How quickly can you answer?

One hundred and eight degrees. (5 sides minus 2 equals 3; 3 times 180 equals 540; 540 divided by 5 is 108.)

HUE DUNIT! Find a hidden color among letters of each sentence: 1. His store dropped prices. 2. We will vote the B row next. 3. Sometimes the mayor angers pals. 4. Cola vendors vie for trade.

1. Red. 2. Brown. 3. Orange. 4. Lavender.

BOXING MATCH! There is a classic game called Boxes in which two or more opponents connect adjacent dots with lines to see who can complete the most squares. Here is a variation involving triangles (see right).

Object is to see who can complete (and initial) the most triangles of varying sizes. Set your own point score rules.

Larger dot frameworks result in longer games, match. Flip a coin to see who goes first.



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CAT

Newspaper reading adventures for little learners!

My name: _____

My Kid Scoop™

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Learning Buddies: Spell your child's first name, using the lines to write large letters. Use an uppercase letter for the first letter in the name and lowercase letters to spell the rest. Have your child trace the letters with a finger, crayon or pencil.

Yikes! Yo-Yos and Yarn Tangle!

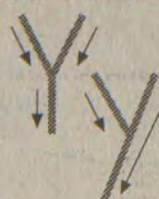
Help untangle the yarn and the yo-yo strings. Which yarn belongs to which kitten? Which yo-yo belongs to which child?

My Rhyme Time

Yankee Doodle came to town,
A-ridin' on a pony;
He stuck a feather in his hat
And called it macaroni.

My Letters

Y is for Yarn
y is for yarn



Learning Buddies: Read the two phrases aloud. Have your child read with you. Trace the uppercase and lowercase letter Y. Say the letter as you trace it.

How many pictures can you find on this page that start with the sound that the letter Y makes in the word yarn?

My Numbers

How many ?



How many ?

Learning Buddies: Trace and say the number. Read the questions. Touch and count to find the answers.

My Sentence

Learning Buddies: Read the first part of the sentence aloud. Ask your child to think of a way to finish the sentence. Write your child's words in the lines. Read the entire sentence to your child while pointing out that reading is done from left to right. Older children may want to trace all or some of the letters in the sentence.



The yellow yarn is _____



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Letter Identification With your child, look through the newspaper to find pictures of things that have the same sound as the letter Y in yarn. (Examples: anything yellow, someone yawning).	Math Play Point to the number 9 in the newspaper. Have your child say the number and, if it's large enough, have your child trace the number.	Yellow? Yes! One at a time, point at drawings and things in photos that are in color. Ask, "Is this yellow?" When you point to something yellow, tell your child to shout, "Yes!" See how quickly you can do this game.	Yellow Squares Have your child use a yellow crayon or marker to trace square shapes in the newspaper. Can you find and trace nine?	Counting Up and Down Find the numbers one through nine on a page of today's newspaper. Circle each number and connect them in order. Then count backward, connecting the numbers from nine back to one.	Picture Story Locate an interesting picture in today's newspaper, and have your child describe the picture using three or more statements.	Sun Power Have your child draw a yellow sun on a piece of paper. Then find and cut out pictures of flowers from the newspaper and glue them on the paper with the sun. Talk about how the sun helps plants to grow. Put a dab of perfume on each flower.



My Kid Scoop comes out once a week, but you can use the newspaper every day to prepare your child for success in school. Each daily activity focuses on a specific learning readiness skill.

Step by Step Success 1. Read the activity instruction aloud. 2. Show how to do the activity by doing it yourself first. 3. Ask your child to copy what you do.

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HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.

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Rational Numbers

by Linda Thistle

Rational Numbers

answers

Using the clues, simple arithmetic, and a little logic, place a single digit (0 to 9) in each empty box in the diagram. To help you get started, two digits have been entered in the diagram.

1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8
9	10	11	
12	13	14	
15	16	17	18
	19		1

ACROSS

- Digits of 12-Down reversed
- 12-Down plus 16-Down
- Three times 18-Down
- Three hundred more than 2-Across
- Forty less than 16-Down
- Four more than 3-Down
- One more than 9-Across
- Three times 1-Down
- Consecutive digits in ascending order
- Digits of 4-Down reversed

- 17-Across minus 12-Across
- Same digit repeated
- Ten more than 15-Across
- Two times 19-Across
- Three times 2-Across
- The last digit is four times the first digit
- Two more than 7-Across
- 15-Across plus 3-Down
- Same digit repeated
- 1-Down plus 10-Down

4	5	1	2	1		
3	1	4	2	1	3	
	8	1	2	5	9	
2	6		8	1	3	
1	2	9		5	6	7
5		9	3	1		1

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The first Olympic Games had only one sport. The *stade* was a running race of 210 yards (192 meters). The word "stadium" is derived from the Greek word "stadion."

First Olympics

Historians do not know the exact date of the first Greek athletic games, but the first recorded Olympics took place in 776 B.C. The winner of this first Olympic race was a cook from Elis named Koroibos (also spelled Coroebus).

In 708 B.C., wrestling and the pentathlon were added to the games. The pentathlon consisted of five events: running, discus, long jump, javelin and wrestling. The athlete who won three of the five events was declared the winner.



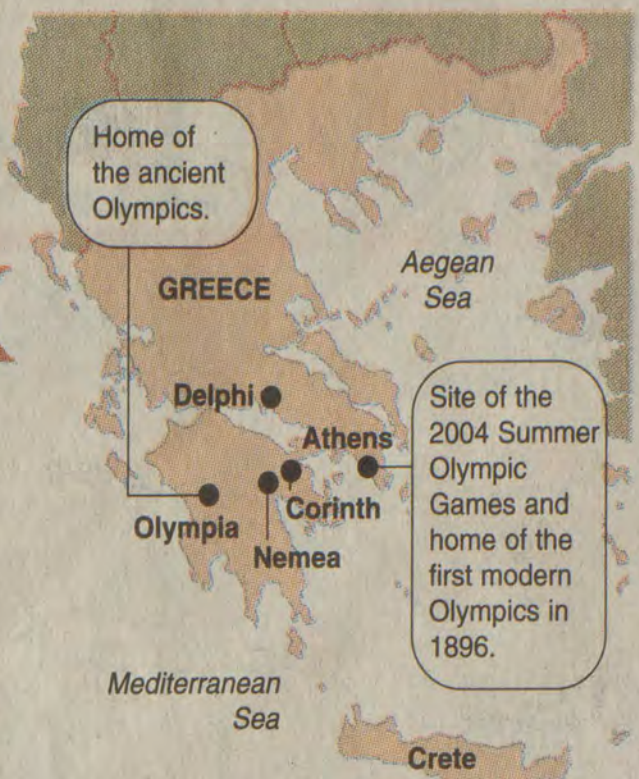
The Olympic games were the most important of the Panhellenic games. They were played in honor of Zeus, the king of the gods.

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THE ANCIENT GREEK OLYMPIC

For more than 1,000 years, the ancient Greeks celebrated religious festivals with a variety of athletic competitions. The Olympic Games, held every four years, were only one of several athletic events, but they became one of the most important and prestigious.



The Panhellenic games

There were four Panhellenic (meaning "all-Greek") games: The Isthmian, Nemean, Pythian and Olympic games. Each honored different gods. Floral branches and wreaths were awarded to athletic winners. One of the most prized awards was the Olympic crown made of olive leaves.



Amphora

Much of what we know about the ancient Greek world has been learned from their decorated pottery.



Olive leaves



Pine needles



Laurel leaves



Celery leaves

The Pythian games were held in Delphi and celebrated the god Apollo. Laurel wreaths were awarded at these games.

The Nemean games were held in Nemea and, like the Olympics, honored Zeus. Wild celery was awarded at these games.

The Isthian games were held in Corinth and celebrated Poseidon, god of the sea. Wreaths of pine branches were awarded here.

The Olympic games took place in Olympia. These games were so important that they came to measure time. Four years (the time between games) was called an **olympiad**.



Discus throwing was one of five sports in the pentathlon. Discuses were made of bronze, lead or marble and weighed about 5.5 pounds (2.5 kg).

The modern Olympics have continued the pentathlon tradition, but the five sporting events are different. Today's pentathlon consists of horse riding, fencing, shooting, swimming and running.



The most dangerous and brutal of the Olympic sports, boxing was added to the roster in 688 B.C. Early boxers did not wear gloves, but wrapped their hands in leather strips. These fights could go on for hours until one man conceded victory or was knocked unconscious.



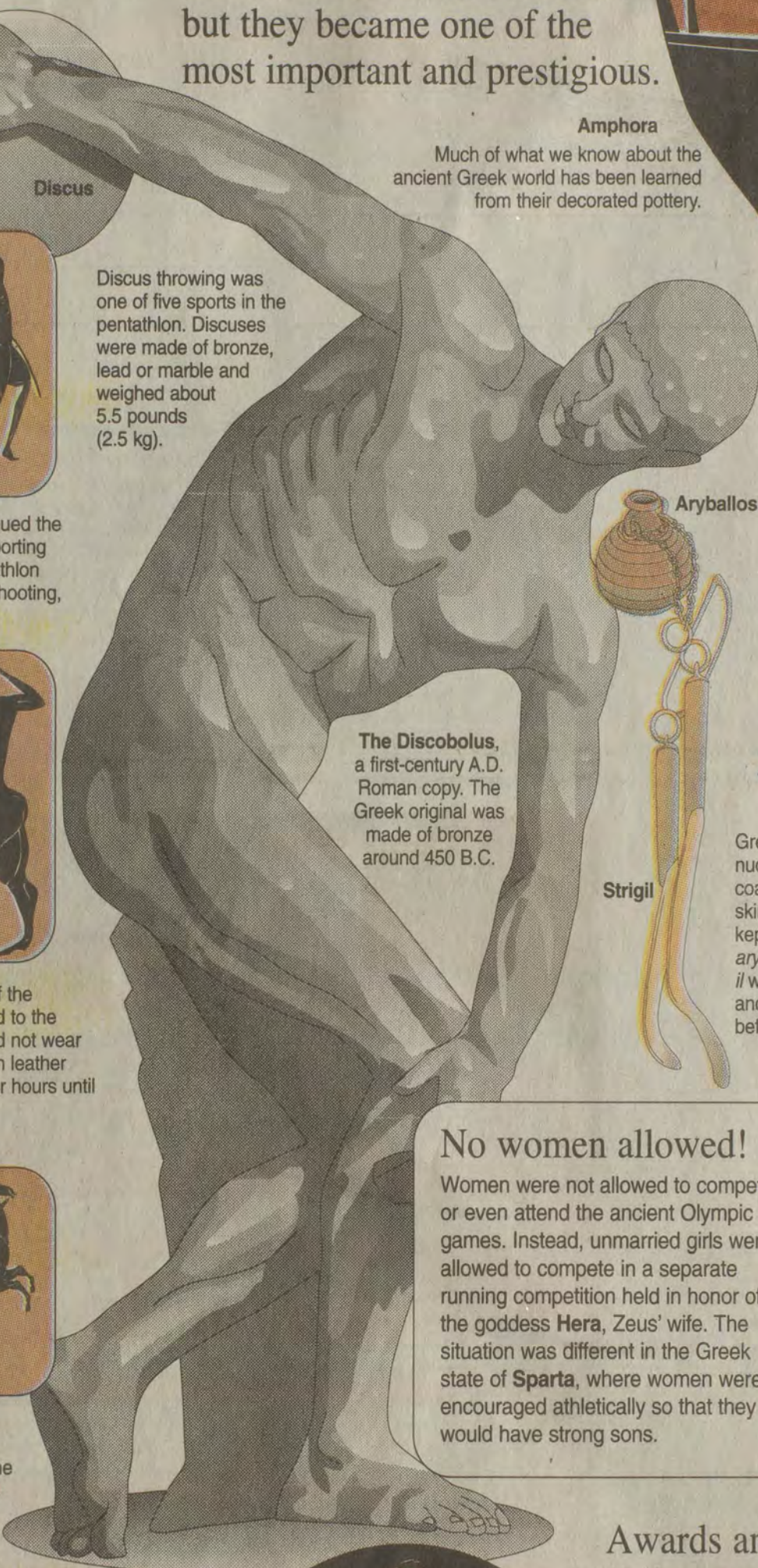
Chariot racing was added to the Olympics in 680 B.C. and horse racing in 648 B.C. The owner of the winning horse was considered the victor, not the jockey or the driver. So it was possible for a very rich woman (horses were expensive to own) to win at the Olympics even though she could not attend or compete in person.



The **pankration** was a brutal combination of boxing and wrestling and became part of the ancient Olympics in 648 B.C.



Added in 520 B.C., the **hoplitodromos** (race in armor) was limited to 25 athletes. To make sure no one cheated by wearing lighter armor, shields were provided by the Olympics and stored in the temple of Zeus.



The Discobolus, a first-century A.D. Roman copy. The Greek original was made of bronze around 450 B.C.



Aryballos

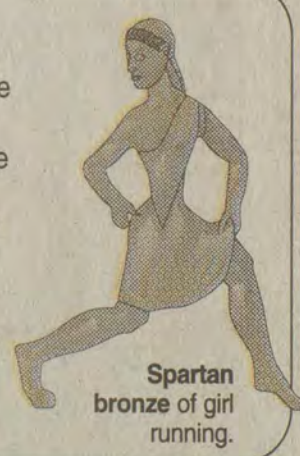
Strigil

The Panathenaic games, separate from the four Panhellenic games, were held in Athens in honor of the goddess Athena and were part of a larger religious festival called the Panathenaia. Amphoras (two-handed vessels) full of expensive olive oil were given to the winning athletes. The Panathenaic games also included a torch-race, which may have been the inspiration for the modern Olympic torch.

Greek athletes competed in the nude and used olive oil and a coating of sand to protect their skin from the sun. Olive oil was kept in a small pot called an *aryballos*. Scrapers called *strigil* were used to clean off the oil and dirt after the games and before bathing.

No women allowed!

Women were not allowed to compete or even attend the ancient Olympic games. Instead, unmarried girls were allowed to compete in a separate running competition held in honor of the goddess Hera, Zeus' wife. The situation was different in the Greek state of Sparta, where women were encouraged athletically so that they would have strong sons.



Spartan bronze of girl running.

Awards and honors

After the games, the celebrations and parties began. The winners of Olympic events received a symbolic crown of wild olive leaves, and their names were recorded so that they would remain famous forever. Upon returning home, athletic heroes were often given cash awards and honorary titles, distinctions and privileges.

After Greece was conquered by the Romans in the middle of the second century B.C., the athletic games began to lose their significance. In A.D. 393, they were abolished by Emperor Theodosius I.

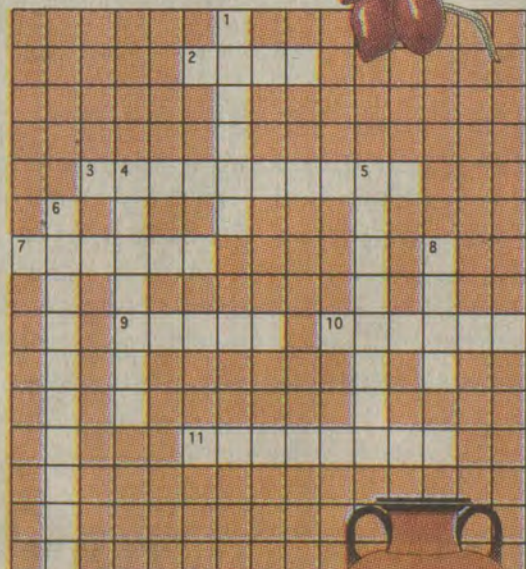
What do you know?

ACROSS

- 2. King of the Greek gods
- 3. Olympic event consisting of boxing and wrestling
- 7. Home of the Pythian games and laurel wreaths
- 9. Type of oil
- 10. Ancient Greek city/state that encouraged female athletes.
- 11. Greek god of the sea

DOWN

- 1. This was awarded at the Nemean games.
- 4. Two-handed pottery vessel
- 5. Four-year period in ancient Greece
- 6. An athletic event that consists of five different sports.
- 8. Wife of Zeus



- ANSWERS**
ACROSS
 2. ZEUS
 3. PANKRATION
 7. DELPHI
 9. OLIVE
 10. SPARTA
 11. POSEIDON
DOWN
 1. CELERY
 4. AMPHORA
 5. OLYMPIAD
 6. PENTATHLON
 8. HERA



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