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briefs

Hall trial reslated again

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG -The trial is set, again, for a Harold man who is accused of abusing his adopted son with horse whips and a cattle prod.

Ansel L. Hall, 30, will face a jury Dec. 13, according to an order filed in the case Thursday.

Hall, charged with 13 counts of criminal abuse of a child under 12 and one count of wanton endangerment, was indicted in December 2002 for allegedly assaulting his 12-year-old adopted son between July 2001 and January 2002.

Officials allege that Hall tortured the boy, beating him with a horse whip on his legs, calf, back, stomach, hip and both arms. Allegedly, he also used a cattle prod and a wooden paddle to beat the child on his legs and hips.

He was arrested along with his wife, Georgia L. Hall, facing 16 counts of first-degree criminal abuse, who was picked up at McDowell ARH Hospital, where the child had been taken for treat-

According to court documents, her case has been in limbo since Oct. 17, 2003, when a pretrial conference was continued until November.

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Prestonsburg firefighters used a 6-inch auger drill a hole to place a 5-inch firing tube. Members of the fire department have spent the past week preparing for tonight's fireworks display, which will include 559

Readying annual fireworks display no simple task

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG - In 20 years of preparing the city's annual fireworks display, Chuck Davis, assistant chief administrator for the Prestonsburg Division of Fire, says he's never seen a show. He's too busy shooting off the shells. It's one small price to pay for his favorite holiday.

to have freedom in this country," he said. "People are dying now to make sure my 6-year-old son grows up in a free world.'

The Prestonsburg Division of Fire began planning for this year's event about two months ago, Davis said, when they sat down at a table and developed a strategic shooting

"Last year and this year, we changed," he said. "There'll be dif-The Fourth of July represents ferent patterns and a lot longer all the sacrifices Americans have hang time in the air than you've made to have freedom and continue seen in the past, with more color."

Monday, a team of firefighters began making preparations at the blasting site, clearing and trimming trees, setting up the firing tube mortars and transporting the fireworks up the hill.

The trick of making a fluent display, Davis said, is the team effort of these men during blast off.

"Can handlers" distribute the shell from a shot can to the "loader," inspecting the shell storage area to ensure that it is clear of

(See FIREWORKS, page seven)

Chase suspects get short terms

STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG - Two young men received light sentences and second chances in circuit court Friday.

Terry Chaffins, 19, will only have to serve one year, with credit for time already served, and then three years of probation for stealing

a school bus from Allen Central. Chaffins proceeded to lead police on a chase along Route 80 and eventually wrecked the vehicle. During the chase Chaffins intentionally veered toward law enforcement vehicles and placed several officers at risk.

Judge Danny Caudill pleaded with Chaffins to learn from this experience and told Chaffins that

he didn't want to see him in court

A second chance was given to another young man in court who had already blown his first one. Brandon Prater, 24, of Hueysville, was already on parole for theft charges, when he led police on a high-speed through chase

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Judge denies bond during convict's appeal

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG - Liz Goble, who was convicted of dealing methamphetamine by a Floyd County jury in April, was denied a new bond in court on Friday.

Apparently her lawyer, Mike Studebaker, is appealing the verdict and had an associate ask Judge Danny Caudill, who also presided over her trial, for the bond while the appeal is pending.

On Friday, Caudill denied the motion, which would have put Goble back on the street after only serving four months of her 10-year sentence - the maximum allowed by law.

Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Wayne Taylor prosecuted the case and was not surprised at the

"It's always worth a try,"

Taylor hadn't yet been informed of the grounds for an appeal but assumed that Studebaker would be trying to find fault with the case he presented. Ironically,

Studebaker never produced any witnesses for the defense or even appear to consistently challenge the testimony of witnesses called by the commonwealth. He did offer a closing argument, but that didn't appear to sway the jurors, who only needed a half hour to render their ver-

The final portion of the case involved sentence recommendations and here too Studebaker failed to make any impact on the jury which seemed more convinced by the commonwealth's argument that methamphetamine was a new and dangerous scourge for the region.

On the night of the verdict, Attorney General Greg Stumbo appeared at a UNITE meeting in Floyd County and applauded the case and championed the verdict as a strong message by Floyd Countians that they will not tolerate drugs in their community. He went on to say that he saw methamphetamine as a new scourge and was familiar with its abuse from campaigns in Western Kentucky.

Trial date set in imprisonment case by TOM DOTY

PRESTONSBURG - A Dec. 9 trial date has been set for two men who allegedly threatened and taken. attempted to murder Tram resident Jeffrey Young.

Paul Roberts, 49, of Harold, and Neil Ratliff, 34, of Pikeville, are to be in court on that day to face charges which include attempted murder, unlawful imprisonment, terroristic threatening and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon for Roberts while Ratliff will defend against charges of endangerment, wanton unlawful imprisonment and

terroristic threatening. Roberts was late for the

proceeding. Judge Danny Caudill insisted he be there for the simple reason that otherwise he could conceivably not show up at the trial claiming he was never informed of it.

His attorney, Pillersdorf, said, "I didn't tell him to come." But a few phone calls eventually got him into the courtroom.

Young testified at a hearing that he met Roberts at the Floyd County Detention Center, where they formed a friendship. The friendship was apparently a close one,

(See TRIAL, page seven)

Mongiardo touts plans for energy, health care

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG - If Dr. Daniel Mongiardo has his way, Kentucky's natural resources will tackle America's addiction to foreign oil.

Mongiardo, running for U.S. Senate, unveiled a fivefold "Energy Independence" plan on July 1, outlining the need to increase ethanol production, ensure fair

gas prices, secure America's commitment to clean coal and develop renewable fuels for the future.

"It's time to declare our energy independence," the Hazard native said. "We need to put Kentucky's natural resources in the forefront to cripple's America's dependence of foreign oil ... Coal operators are going bankrupt, people are losing their

(See MONGIARDO, page three)



Dr. Daniel Mongiardo, candidate for U.S. Senate, is spending the July Fourth holiday traveling across the state, endorsing his "Energy Independence" plan. During a stop Friday at The Floyd County Times, he made sure to continue campaigning, stopping to introduce himself to classified manager Pauline Branham.

photo by Mary Music



Odds and Ends

■ SILVERDALE, Wash.

— A Rotary Club has been left with a \$7,000 bill for roasted duck, but this fowl was no fall-off-the-bone confit — it was a little more on the rubbery side.

A 25-foot inflatable rubber duck the club was using to promote a fund-raiser caught fire on Tuesday. Central Kitsap Fire and Rescue crews quickly put out the flames, but the fire left behind burned grass and "one melted duck," said spokeswoman Lindsy Ingram.

Witnesses reported seeing some young people leaving the area, Ingram said.

Race chairman Steve Slaton said the rented duck would cost about \$7,600 to replace.

The duck was being used to advertise the 11th annual Great Kitsap Duck Race on July 26. Participants pay \$5 to race normal-sized rubber ducks on Dyes Inlet and the proceeds are donated to charitable causes.

Club president Robert J. Cathcart said there were two more ducks on reserve.

"The other big ducks are still alive and well and very much uncooked," Cathcart said.

■ EDWARDSVILLE, Kan.

— A couple has been accused of trying to kill the mayor of a Kansas City suburb and her husband with poisoned soda

and cupcakes sent through the

Donna Ozuna-Trout, 47, and Ralph Trout, 57, were each charged Thursday with attempted first-degree murder.

They're accused of mailing poisoned food to the home of their neighbors, Mayor Stephanie Eickhoff and James Eickhoff, a lieutenant in the Wyandotte County Sheriff's Office.

Stephanie Eickhoff said her family received the package in late April. Inside was a card addressed to her, her husband and their three children, ages 6, 8 and 14, she said.

The state has evidence linking Trout and Ozuna-Trout to the package, which contained a two-liter bottle of soda and cupcakes spiked with chemicals including lye and antifreeze, said prosecutor Nick Tomasic.

Tomasic said the seal on the bottle was broken and the cupcakes obviously were tainted.

Defense attorney Kevin Baldwin said he believes the evidence against his clients is circumstantial and won't be enough for a conviction.

The two families have been embroiled in an ongoing feud for the past five years, including lawsuits filed by each, Stephanie Eickhoff said.

FRANKLIN, Ohio — William Fitzpatrick missed his first wedding anniversary because he was in boot camp. When he figured out he was going to miss the second while serving in Iraq, he wisely decided to do something special.

With the help of his father, the 23-year-old Marine hired an aircraft service to fly a banner over the home where his wife and son live.

The banner proclaimed in large words, "I love you Jennifer from Ray in Iraq."

On Tuesday, Fitzpatrick's father drove over to Jennifer's home and invited her and 2-year-old Hunter to walk down the street to a nearby park. Jennifer said on Thursday she didn't have a clue anything was up.

"Then we heard this noise, this plane, and we looked up and there it was — a big banner. When I saw the last three words, 'Ray in Iraq,' I got chills all over and knew right then what it was," Jennifer said.

TRAVERSE CITY, Mich. — Residents in north-eastern Michigan have something to chew on now that the source of an outage in their long-distance phone service has been discovered.

A beaver is to blame, according to a spokesman for Verizon Communications.

The outage began shortly after 8 a.m. on Thursday and lasted about six hours. About 62,000 customers were affected, including long-distance, Internet and cellular phone services.

It took crews a while to locate the source of the problem because the damaged fiber optic cable was stretched across a wetland area near the headwaters of the Muskegon River, said spokesman John VanWyck.

The water level in the wetland had been lowered by the state Department of Natural Resources because of heavy rain in recent months, exposing the cable.

"From all indications, it appears a beaver picked it up and chewed it in half," VanWyck said. "I've heard of squirrels chewing aerial cable, but not this."

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, July 4, the 186th day of 2004. There are 180 days left in the year. This is Independence Day.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 4, 1776, the Continental Congress adopted the Declaration of Independence

On this date:

■ In 1802, the United States Military Academy officially opened at West Point, N.Y.

In 1804, 200 years ago, American author Nathaniel Hawthorne was born in Salem, Mass.

■ In 1826, 50 years to the day after the Declaration of Independence was adopted, former presidents John Adams and Thomas Jefferson both died.

■ In 1831, the fifth president of the United States, James Monroe, died in New York City.

In 1845, Henry David Thoreau began his two-year experiment in simpler living at Walden Pond, near Concord, Mass.

by CHRIS KAHN

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Shortridge knows what's com-

ing. His weak lungs, pocked

with scars, mean only one thing

for a man who's spent 24 years

lung disease. The former Mine

and

Administration inspector is now

bracing himself for the coughing

spells, the chest pains, the lung

failure he's seen old miners suf-

The real surprise, Shortridge

said, was the financial stress that

comes with the disease. Almost

a year after applying for federal

occupational illness benefits,

Shortridge still doesn't know

what kind of compensation he'll

said. "To me, there should be

some changes made, where they

take care of people who've

worked for them for 20-some

suffer from the same lung-wast-

ing condition he worked to elim-

mine inspectors filed claims

with the federal Office for

Programs citing health problems

related to black lung or other

respiratory ailments, according

to the Labor Department.

Inspectors have a few choices

for compensation, but most seek

the lucrative benefits under the

FECA, which can pay as

much as 75 percent of their

annual salaries tax-free, usually

requires inspectors to prove that their lungs didn't deteriorate

from smoking or some other

hazard outside the coal mine.

This can be a tough standard to

meet, said Dr. Edward L.

Petsonk, a physician with the

Occupational Safety and Health.

coal dust damage the lungs in

slightly different ways, "we don't have the knowledge base

to totally determine what would

While tobacco smoke and

Institute

He's not the only inspector to

In the past 30 years, 171 coal

Compensation

Employment

"It just ain't fair," Shortridge

Shortridge, 53, has black

inspecting coal mines.

Safety

inate.

Workers'

Federal

National

Compensation Act.

GRUNDY, Va. - Donald

■ In 1872, the 30th president of the United States, Calvin Coolidge, was born in Plymouth, Vt.

■ In 1917, during a ceremo-

ny in Paris honoring the French hero of the American Revolution, U.S. Lt. Col. Charles E. Stanton declared, "Lafayette, we are here!"

In 1939, baseball's "Iron Horse," Lou Gehrig, said farewell to his fans at New York's Yankee Stadium.

In 1976, Israeli commandos raided Entebbe airport in Uganda, rescuing almost all of the passengers and crew of an Air France jetliner seized by pro-Palestinian hijackers.

In 1997, NASA's Pathfinder spacecraft landed on Mars, inaugurating a new era in the search for life on the Red Planet.

Ten years ago:

Mine inspector with black

lung too sick to work, too

healthy for benefits

Health

Rwandan Tutsi rebels seized control of most of their country's capital, Kigali, and continued advancing on areas held by the Hutu-led government. The United States opened its embassy in Sarajevo, Bosnia-

■ In 1872, the 30th president Herzegovina, with a July 4 the United States, Calvin party.

Five years ago:

White supremacist Benjamin Nathaniel Smith shot himself to death as police closed in on him in southern Illinois, hours after he'd apparently shot and killed a Korean man outside a church in Bloomington, Ind.; authorities believe Smith was also responsible for killing former college basketball coach Ricky Byrdsong during a three-day rampage targeting minorities. Pete Sampras and Lindsay Davenport won the singles titles at Wimbledon, defeating Andre Agassi and Steffi Graf.

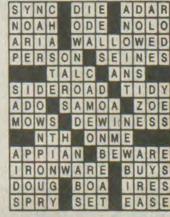
One year ago:

A speaker claiming to be Saddam Hussein called on Iraqis in a taped message to rally behind anti-U.S. resistance and promised "days of hardship" for the Americans. Attackers killed about 50 Shiite Muslim worshippers in a Pakistani mosque. President Bush visited Dayton, Ohio, to praise the work of U.S. troops and celebrate the 100th anniversary of flight in the hometown of the Wright brothers. Los Angeles Lakers guard Kobe Bryant was arrested on suspicion of sexual assault after a woman accused him of sexual misconduct at a hotel near Vail, Colo. Rhythm and blues singer Barry White died in Los Angeles at age 58.

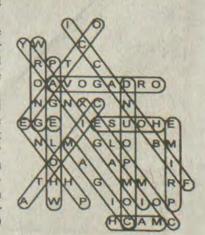
Today's Birthdays:

Conductor Mitch Miller is 93. Advice columnist Pauline Phillips (the original "Dear Abby") is 86. Actress Eva Marie Saint is 80. Playwright Neil Simon is 77. Baseball team owner George Steinbrenner is 74. Country singer Ray Pillow is 67. Singer Bill Withers is 66. Actor Ed Bernard is 65. Actress Karolyn Grimes is 64. Broadcast journalist Geraldo Rivera is 61. Rhythm and blues musician Ralph Johnson (Earth, Wind and Fire) is 53. Rock musician Domingo Ortiz (Widespread Panic) is 52. Singer John Waite is 49. Rock musician Kirk Pengilly (INXS) is 46. Country musician Teddy Carr is 44. Rock D-J Zonka (Big Audio Dynamite) is 42. Tennis Hall of Famer Pam Shriver is 42. Rock musician Matt Malley (Counting Crows) is 41. Actress Jenica Bergere is 30. Singer "Ste" Stephen (BBMak) is 26.

Thought for Today: "America is American: that is incontestable." — Henry James, American author (1843-1916).



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have happened if the coal miner never smoked or never mined coal," Petsonk said.

According to the Labor Department, slightly more than half of the inspectors who claimed to be suffering from black lung successfully proved their case. Fewer still — the department doesn't keep an exact count — are deemed "totally disabled" and granted the 75 percent benefit.

Charles Burke, 57, a former MSHA inspector in Prestonsburg, said the workers' compensation office never accepted his doctor's diagnosis of black lung disease. When his right lung stopped working, the Vietnam War veteran used his veterans' benefits to pay for a lung transplant.

"You can't get nothing, so you just give up," Burke said.

When Shortridge was diagnosed with black lung disease in 1998, an MSHA doctor said he was still healthy enough to go back into the mines. He continued to work alongside coal miners even though his chest X-rays started to get cloudy with scars.

Last August, workers' compensation officials agreed that his lung condition was due to his work as a federal inspector. Shortridge was told to go home without pay and without worker's compensation because the agency doctor said in a report that he "failed to show any ratable pulmonary impairment."

After Shortridge appealed, the agency gave him a choice: accept a "light duty" clerical assignment 600 miles away in Missouri or retire. "I'm not going to take it,"

Shortridge said as his deadline passed. "My whole family is here."

Shortridge asked that the

Labor Department reconsider because he has an 8-year-old foster child who cannot be moved out of state.

Betty West-Brock a federal

Betty West-Brock, a federal claims examiner, wrote back in June: "This Office would not propose that you break the law and remove a foster child from the state. However, your participation in a foster care program

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Second 'Lewis Ride' to take place Aug

Morehead State University at Prestonsburg will honor its former director with the "Second Annual Margaret Lewis Motorcycle Ride" on Sunday, Aug. 1.

Dr. Lewis, who served as director of the regional campus center for more than 10 years, was killed in an automobile accident in

motorcycle ride fundraiser will assist students attending classes at MSU Prestonsburg.

Several individuals and businesses have offered support for the activity, both in monetary donations and in-kind contributions. "Having Morehead University here in Prestonsburg

jobs in the mining industry. We could help the economy by helping the coal industry.'

Mongiardo

Mongiardo says America didn't learn from the energy crisis of the late 1970s. Back then, the U.S. imported 30 percent of its consumption. Today, America has doubled foreign oil imports to 60 percent, a substantial increase for Kentuckians who've been forking over \$2 or more per gallon of gas.

The answer to this increasing dependency lies with Kentucky coal mines, Mongiardo says. He wants to utilize Kentucky agriculture to pave a brighter economy for America.

His plan calls for an increase in production of cleaner energy sources, such as ethanol and biodiesel, while creating jobs in Kentucky. By requiring that America use 8.8 billion gallons of ethanol by 2016, foreign oil dependancy can be reduced by 2.9 billion barrels, and 300,000 new American jobs can be created, he said.

As U.S. senator, Mongiardo said he would support legislation requiring that 10 percent of the nation's energy needs be met by renewable sources by the year 2020. The move will help communities and farmers by utilizing Kentucky agriculture, he

Mongiardo, a 1986 graduate of the University of Kentucky College of Medicine, says growing up in Eastern Kentucky has given him firsthand knowledge about the problems faced by the people who live and work here.

He said he began his political career in 2000 because he was "frustrated" by the failure of the

CHEVROLET

■ Continued from p1 state legislature to address growing health care needs in Kentucky. Having landed positions as chief of surgery and chief of staff at the Appalachian Regional Medical Center in Hazard, Mongiardo says he's tired of how America is treating

He protested Bunning's prescription drug legislation, calling it the "worst legislation ever passed," after he was sworn into to the state Senate in 2001. His continued questioning of prescription drug pricing sent health care lobbyists "grumbling" to their Republican Senate leaders, he says, a reason he was stripped of his leadership role on the Medicaid Oversight Task Force.

Though Mongiardo lost that role, he continued his efforts to reduce rising health care costs, sponsoring legislation to provide prescription drug plans for seniors and writing legislation to improve health care while cutting costs and reducing errors.

"It's an abuse, pure abuse," he said. "I'm sick of seeing my patients suffer, and it's something I see every day. People are unable to afford their medications, medications they need to live, and we've got to do something about it. And I will do something about it."

Mongiardo, who cosponsored a constitutional amendment defining marriage in Kentucky as an institution between a man and a woman, says his values reflects those of Eastern Kentucky.

More information about his political stance is provided at www.drdan2004.com.

provides a wonderful opportunity for our community and its citizens," said Ned Pillersdorf, a local attorney. "Educating our people helps our economy grow and prosper and we need to do all we can to make getting an education possi-

To assist in the effort, Pillersdorf has made a \$100 pledge to the scholarship fund and challenged all local attorneys to match or exceed his gift.

The ride will begin at 10 a.m. in the parking lot of MSU Prestonsburg. There will be refreshment stops as the procession journeys to the main campus. During the lunch break, field games will be held on the east parking lot of MSU's Academic-Athletic Center.

The entry fee is \$20 per bike, and \$5 for each extra rider or poker hand. Riders may purchase multiple hands. Participants may preregister at the Prestonsburg location or at the main campus in Morehead. Payment may be made by check or money order for the Prestonsburg/Lewis Scholarship Fund. Cash also will be accepted on-site,

There will be a special prize drawing for those who pre-register before July 30. The grand prizewinner of the charity "Poker Run" will receive \$100 and a trophy. Winners of the field games also will be awarded trophies. Final registration will be held from 9 to 10 a.m. at MSU Prestonsburg on the day of the ride. Each entrant must complete an "Event Release

WQHY (95.5 FM) will broadcast a two-hour remote from 4 to 6 p.m. on Aug. 1 to provide information about the Dr. Margaret Lewis Scholarship Fund and MSU at Prestonsburg.

McDonalds of East Kentucky, East Kentucky Pool Sales and The Drop Shop have made contributions to pay for the radio remote

Prestonsburg has received donations for the ride from numerous businesses includ-

Ace Hardware of Prestonsburg; Action Petroleum of Prestonsburg; Add-A-Touch Florist of Martin, Advance Auto Parts of Prestonsburg; Applebee's of Pikeville; Archer Clinic Associates of Prestonsburg; Big Sandy Wholesale of Harold; Billy Ray's Playhouse of Prestonsburg; Blackburn's Greenhouse of Prestonsburg; Bluegrass Custom of Grayson, Bob Evans of Pikeville; Brad Hughes Toyota of Prestonsburg;

Brash and Sassy of Prestonsburg; Burger King of Paintsville, Car Creations of Prestonsburg; Castle Jewelry of

Prestonsburg; Christina's Florist of Prestonsburg; Comfort Suites of Prestonsburg; County at Heart of Prestonsburg;

Downtown Accessories of Pikeville; East Equipment of Prestonsburg; East Kentucky Auto of Prestonsburg; East Kentucky Pool of Pikeville; Faith Signs of Allen; Gateway Cycles of Mount Sterling; Fazoli's of Paintsville; Foodland of Prestonsburg; Harley Davidson of Prestonsburg and Pikeville; Holiday Inn of Honda Prestonsburg; Flemingsburg, Jenny Theatre of Prestonsburg;

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Prestonsburg; Music-Carter of Prestonsburg; Nelson Frazier Funeral Home of Prestonsburg; Ned Pillersdorf of Prestonsburg; Pin Zone of Prestonsburg; Prestonsburg Auto Mart of Prestonsburg;

Ponderosa Steakhouse of Pro Hair Paintsville; Prestonsburg; Reno's Roadhouse of Prestonsburg; Shoney's of Paintsville: Speedway Prestonsburg; Stone Crest Golf Course of Prestonsburg; The Drop Shop of Pikeville; VanHoose Lumber of Prestonsburg; and Super Wal-Mart of Pikeville.

Pre-registration information is available at MSU Prestonsburg by calling (606) 886-2405 or (800) 648-5372 and on MSU's main campus at (606) 783-2605 or (800) 585-6781, option #3.

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Abuse

This is the second time in recent months that Ansel Hall's trial has been rescheduled. It was scheduled for a June 16 docket, but rescheduled to Dec. 6 after a a notice of intent to introduce lead officer in the case under- evidence of other crimes in the went knee surgery. This latest case.

rescheduling postpones the trial for another week. It begins at 8:30 a.m. on Dec. 13.

The commonwealth has filed

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Maytown Christmas Eve. He was later picked up at his home and confessed that he fled police because he didn't want to get arrested on Christmas. He had been reaching speeds of up to 90 miles an hour and was under the influence of alcohol at the time.

Prater will serve one year, at

hard labor, for the charges which could have sent him to prison for five years.

Judge Caudill was very direct when he spoke to Prater after dictating his sentence: "You've had not one, but two chances in this court. You're a young person. Don't do this to yourself."



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

- Felix Frankfurter

Guest View

Dying for the right to vote

In the past week as many as 16 Afghans have been killed and more than a dozen injured after either registering to vote or working to register voters. Their deaths are part of a campaign by the now-deposed Taliban to sabotage the nation's first free vote.

Despite the deaths and more threats against workers and voters, almost half of those eligible to vote have registered and efforts to register all those eligible will continue, President Hamid Karzai has vowed.

Last month, in Kentucky's primary election, between 12 and 14 percent of registered voters went to the polls to decide who would make the cut to the November general election. That means between 86 and 88 percent of those eligible to vote stayed home.

They were not threatened.

They weren't in danger for their lives.

There was no risk to their families.

They simply did not believe the trip to the polls was worth the effort.

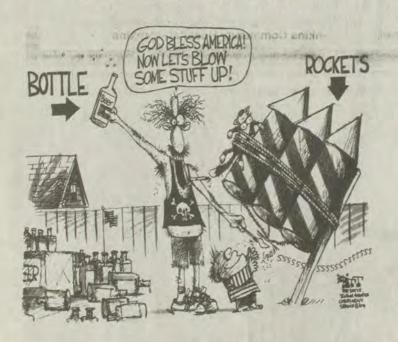
They didn't think their vote was important enough to spend five minutes or so making their voice heard.

How sad it is that people in other countries are willing to risk their lives for something we take for granted the right to vote?

It would behoove us to remember that it wasn't always that way. More than 200 years ago the men and women who founded this country made the same choice that people in Afghanistan, Iraq and other countries are making today — that the right to vote and to determine your country's fate must be fought for.

Even though the danger is sometimes great, it is worth the risk involved.

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-Jim Davidson

'Learning, Earning & Giving Back'

It has been said that, "Learning is a matter of reading books no one has ever heard of." It is a real privilege for me to tell you about a book that may never make the New York Times best seller list, but nevertheless will provide learning and inspiration for thousands and thousands of people across this great country of ours.

The title of the book is "Learning, Earning & Giving Back" and there is a concept behind this title that I will share later, and I believe it will be of interest

Several months ago I asked for feedback regarding a new book idea that was suggested by a state press director in another state. Mrs. Carolyn Wilson, executive director of the Mississippi Press Association, suggested that I compile a book of my columns and that most of the profits be given to the NIE (Newspaper In Education) programs and the scholarship foundations to provide money for students who are pursuing a career in journalism. The response from

my readers across the nation has been wonderful and many of you also suggested columns that should be included.

We took your suggestions and the book is now out and is being sold exclusively through newspapers. This is because, based on the title, I wanted to be able to "give back" to students in our schools and newspapers across America who have been so

good to me. It has been a most rewarding and fulfilling career to work with administrators, teachers and students in our schools for almost 20 years, and later with the newspapers that were willing to run this column. Without these newspaper

people being willing to give me a chance, there is no way I could have achieved any measure of success and for that I am most grateful.

The book sells for \$15.95 and of this amount \$6 goes to the local paper and \$3 goes to the state press association to provide scholarships. You see, when you purchase "Learning, Earning & Giving Back" \$9 stays in your state and \$6 of this amount stays in your own community. I have been an NIE sponsor in our community for the past five years and while most parents can't make this kind

of financial commitment, they can buy a great book if they know where the money is going.

Over the past several weeks I have talked with almost all of the state press directors in the country and the vast majority are highly enthusiastic about promoting the book and their member papers, making it available to people in

> their community. For more information and to purchase the book, contact your local paper or visit my website at www.jimdavidsoncolumn.com.

Many other newspaper people have provided encouragement, ideas and suggestions, especially Dennis Schick, director of Arkansas Press Association, Jim Fall, director of the Montana Newspaper Association and Max Heath, vice president of Landmark

Community Newspapers based in Shelbyville. In addition to suggestions from readers, we invited nine awardwinning journalists to read all the columns and select those to be included. I believe you will find the mix of titles and the contents to be broad based and contain something for every reader. The bio sketches and photos for each member of the Column Selection Committee are also featured in the book.

As the book began to take shape, I

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beyond the beltway

'President Clinton' would be a relief

by DONALD KAUL

It's nice to have Bill Clinton back in the neighborhood. He's been a ubiquitous presence over the past few weeks, flogging his book, "My Life." You can hardly turn on the television set or go into a big city bookstore without being confronted by the silver-haired, lip-biting former president feeling his pain and yours. He hasn't convinced me to buy the 950-page book but he did remind me that I really miss him.

Not that I trust him. He forfeited any claim to that long ago. When, in 1994, he copped to lying about his long-term affair with Genifer Flowers, I gave him a pass. Everyone deserves a second chance, I thought.

I'm ashamed to admit that I actually believed him when he shook his finger at us and said: "I did not have sexual relations with that woman - Ms. Lewinsky." (I really didn't think he'd be dumb enough to have a steamy relationship with a Valley girl and think word would never get out. Nor did I think he'd put a gun in the hands of his enemies for the sake of a juvenile sexual

I was wrong. Twice burned is once too often so far as I'm concerned. I'm out of the believing Bill business.

But I still enjoy the scalawag and remain firm in my conviction that his impeachment at the hands of a toxic. vindictive, partisan Congress was the single most irresponsible governmental act of my

When Clinton says that the impeachment fiasco, including the farcical \$70 million Ken Starr investigation, was the work of a vast right wing conspiracy, I am in complete agreement. As a matter of fact, one of the things I like best about him is the effect he has on members of that conspiracy. He drives them up the wall, around the bend and completely bonkers. Even now they are gathering around the campfires at the Heritage Foundation, offices of the Weekly Standard and broadcast headquarters of Fox News to shake their rattles, beat

Of course there are lies - theirs, not his - the chief one being that his successor, George Bush, "restored honor to the office.'

their tom-toms and chant curses against

George Bush? Honor? If "honor" includes taking the nation to war under false pretenses, revealing

the identity of an undercover CIA agent in order to punish her husband for his criticism of the administration, allowing your top lieutenants to authorize prisoner interrogation techniques that cross the line into torture, selling off the environment at fire-sale prices to the corporations that pay your campaign bills, say-

ing you're helping the middle class while you cut taxes for the rich and ignoring the looming threat of an evergrowing budget deficit, then he is indeed an honorable

But if that's honor count me among the dishonorable and proud of it.

Sexual peccadilloes aside, Bill Clinton was a pretty good president and he might have been better had he not been distracted by the vicious attacks from the right. True, he inherited a recovering economy but his administration's shrewd economic policies nurtured the good times for the length of his time in office. Republicans are fond of bragging that Ronald Reagan's economic boom was the longest of the post-war period. Clinton's was longer and bigger. Moreover, whereas Reagan tripled the national debt during his time.

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Faith Extra

Minister's Moment:

'Churches must take time to reach teens

by RANDELL RENO ASSOCIATE PASTOR LANCER BAPTIST CHURCH

"Now as Jesus passed by, He saw a man who was blind from birth. And His disciples asked Him, saying, 'Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?'

"Jesus answered, 'Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but that the works of God should be revealed in him. I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; the night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.'

"When He had said these things, He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva; and He anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay. And He said to him, 'Go, wash in the pool of Siloam' (which is translated, Sent). So he went and washed, and came back seeing.

those who previously had seen that he was blind said, 'Is not this he who sat and begged?' Some said, 'This is he.' Others said, 'He is like him.' He said, 'I

"Therefore they said to him, 'How were your eyes opened?'

"He answered and said, 'A Man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to the pool of Siloam and wash.' So I went and washed, and I received sight.'

"Then they said to him, 'Where is He?' He said, 'I do not know.

"They brought him who formerly was blind to the Pharisees. Now it was a Sabbath when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also asked him again how he had received his sight. He said to them, 'He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and I

"Therefore some of the "Therefore the neighbors and Pharisees said, 'This Man is not

keep the Sabbath.' Others said, 'How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?' And there was a division among them.

"They said to the blind man again, 'What do you say about Him because He opened your eyes?' He said, 'He is a prophet.' But the Jews did not believe concerning him, that he had been blind and received his sight, until they called the parents of him who had received his sight. And they asked them, saying, 'Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?'

"His parents answered them and said, 'We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but by what means he now sees we do not know, or who opened his eyes we do not know. He is of age; ask him. He will speak for himself.' His parents said these things because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had agreed already that if

from God, because He does not anyone confessed that He was Christ, he would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, 'He is of age; ask

> "So they again called the man who was blind, and said to him, 'Give God the glory! We know that this Man is a sinner.'

"He answered and said, Whether He is a sinner or not I do not know. One thing I know: that though I was blind, now I

"Then they said to him again, 'What did He do to you? How did He open your eyes?'

"He answered them, 'I told you already, and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become His disciples?"

"Then they reviled him and said, 'You are His disciple, but we are Moses' disciples. We know that God spoke to Moses; as for this fellow, we do not know where He is from.'

"The man answered and said to them, 'Why, this is a marvelous thing, that you do not know where He is from; yet He has opened my eyes! Now we know that God does not hear

sinners; but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does His will, He hears him. Since the world began it has been unheard of that anyone opened the eyes of one who was born blind. If this Man were not from God, He could do nothing.'

"They answered and said to him, 'You were completely born in sins, and are you teaching us?' And they cast him out.

"Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when He had found him, He said to him, 'Do

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Evangelicals, looking to political future, explore the risks of partisan politics

by RACHEL ZOLL AP RELIGION WRITER

Memorializing Ronald Reagan, the National Association of Evangelicals called him "a great, if not the greatest, president of the 20th

century.' President Bush has addressed the annual Southern Baptist Convention for three consecutive years. His campaign this year held a pastors' reception near the meeting co-hosted by the denomination's outgoing president.

The bond between the Republican Party and white, conservative Christians is so trong that other Americans often think of them as synonymous. Yet a new document circulating among evangelicals warns that being too enmeshed in partisan politics could undermine Christians' moral agenda as they seek to become even

more engaged in civic affairs. 'Don't link the Christian message with a party, so that people link your religion with a political ideology," said Michael Cromartie, vice president of the Ethics and Public Policy Center, Washington think-tank. "They're warning 'Don't confuse the Gospel with a political

movement." The National Association of

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the draft statement, entitled "For ment shows that. the Health of the Nation: An Evangelical Call to Civic Responsibility."

Written by a team of evangelical leaders, and under review by top Christian thinkers, the document is part of a multiyear project mapping out a strategy for future political involvement. It will be presented to the board of directors of the National Association of Evangelicals in October, and a book on the subject is due out next year.

The authors of the draft statement encourage evangelicals to join political parties but caution that "they must be careful not to equate Christian faith with parti-

The drafters also advise against unquestioning patriotism, saying Christians "must keep their eyes open to the potentially self-destructive tendencies of our society and our government."

"They're not arguing that "What they're trying to say is individual level partisanship is necessarily a bad thing," said John Green, a University of Akron political scientist and expert on religion and politics. "They're warning against the over-identification - not of people but of the evangelical community - with the Republican Party."

Green said evangelicals are much more diverse than most Evangelicals last week released people realize, and the docu-

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The statement explores a range of evangelical views on issues such as U.S. trade policy, environmental protection, abortion and gay marriage. Some of the policy goals - such as reducing global poverty and providing proper health care and education for all Americans could fit with either major party

"There is broad agreement that it is our obligation to care for the poor. There's broad agreement that it is our obligation to care for the environment. But there are disagreements about what responsibility to give to the government," said Diane Knippers, president of the conservative Institute on Religion and Democracy in Washington, and a leader of the evangelical

The Rev. Welton Gaddy, president of the Interfaith Alliance, a Washington advocacy group which has been critical of the Christian right, called the document "a recognition of reality" about uncomfortably close ties between evangelicals and the GOP.

"My own experience is that scores of people in the evangelical tradition have long resented the rhetoric of their leaders indicating an affinity only for the Republican Party," said Gaddy, who is a Baptist.

But Richard Land, president of the Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission, the Southern Baptists' public policy arm, said the Democratic Party has to bear some blame for any Republican tilt.

According to a poll released in April by U.S. News & World Report and PBS' "Religion & Ethics Newsweekly," 69 percent of white evangelicals say they are Republican or lean Republican. Many analysts have criticized Democrats for failing to more effectively reach religious voters in this presidential election year.

"Ideally, it would be better if both parties were more responsive to evangelical concerns," said Land, who is among the leaders reviewing the strategy document. "But I'm not going to

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Regional Obituaries

Floyd County

Willie (Buddy Boy) Burke, of Stoker Branch, Wheelwright, died Saturday, June 26, due to injuries sustained from an automobile accident. He is survived by his wife, Debbie Burke. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 29, under direction of Hall and Jones Funeral Home, of Virgie.

Gertrude Taylor Flanery, 83, of Ft. Walton Beach, Florida, formerly of Martin, died Monday, June 28, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Friday, July 2, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Sammy Clifford George, 56, of East Point, died Monday, June 28, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, July 1, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Nelson Hagans, 58, of Langley, died Friday, June 25, at Cabell-Huntington Hospital, Huntington, West Virginia. He is survived by his wife, Kay Conn Hagans. Arrangements were under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, and F.C. Mortuary Daehler Portsmouth, Ohio.

James Edward Hall Sr. 77, of Vinton, Ohio, a Floyd County native, died Tuesday, June 29, at

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his home. He is survived by his wife, Carol Ruth Bischoff Hall. Funeral services were conducted Friday, July 2, under the direction of McCoy-Moore Funeral

Pamela Jane Harvey, 30, of Garrett, died Tuesday, June 22, at her home. She is survived by her husband, Douglas Harvey. Funeral services were conducted Friday, June 25, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral

Manis Hicks, 73, of Hueysville, died Tuesday, June 22, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Friday, June 25, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Sally Prater Humble, 75, of Hunter, died Wednesday, June 30, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, July 3, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Lack Lafferty, 93, of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, June 23, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ypsilanti, Michigan. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, June 27, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral

Joetta Slone Salisbury, 46, of Hi Hat, a Paintsville native, died

Thursday night, June 24, in the U.K. Medical Center, in Lexington. Funeral services were conducted Monday, June 28, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Lexie M. Tackett, 71, of Melvin, died Friday, June 25, at Pikeville Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Elmer Tackett. Funeral services were conducted Monday, June 26. under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

David Lee Yates, 56, of Honaker, died Sunday, June 27, at University of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, June 30, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Johnson County

Allen Billups, 53, of Tutor Key, died Tuesday, June 15, at his residence. Graveside services were held June 19, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Barbara Ann Blevins, 57, of Wittensville, died Wednesday, June 23, at Paul B. Hall Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Arville Blevins. Arrangements were under the direction of Preston Funeral

Barbara Jean Brown, 72, of Paintsville, died Sunday, June 27, at Mountain Manor Nursing Facility in Paintsville. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, June 30, under the direction of Preston Funeral

Mary Burke Cook, 72, died Monday, June 28, at Hager Hill. Funeral services were conducted later in Picayune, Mississippi. Arrangements were under the direction of Paintsville Funeral

Keith Dewayne Hall, 40, of Meally, died Friday, June 25, at his residence. Funeral services were conductd Monday, June 28, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Louise Eloise Milligan, 76, of Indianapolis, Indiana, died Thursday, June 17. She is survived by her husband, Ronald J. "Joe" Milligan. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, June 20, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Robert Morris "Bobby" Rice II, died Thursday, June 10, the result of a coal mining related accident at Marrowbone Development Company, in West Virginia. Arrangements were under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

Magaline Ward, 69, of Columbus, Ohio, a Paintsville native, died Tuesday, June 22, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, June 24, under the direction of Shoedinger Cleveland Avenue Chapel, Columbus, Ohio.

Martin County

Earl Bryant, 78, of Hode, died Sunday, June 20, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Sue Alley Bryant. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, June 24, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Arnold B. McCoy, 53, of Tomahawk, died Sunday, June 27, at his residence. Funeral serconducted were Wednesday, June 30, under the direction of Richmond-Callaham Funeral Home.

Edward Preece, 82, of Michigan, Levonia, Tuesday, June 8. He is survived by his wife, Virginia Preece.

Lawrence County

Elmer Joe Carter, 93, of Fallsburg, a Louisa naitve, died Monday, June 21, at Carter Nursing Home in Grayson. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, June 24, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

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Jesus). Therefore no one knows how many he led to the Savior just because Jesus opened his

If you have driven through Prestonsburg recently you would have noticed kids skateboarding in the municipal parking lot. They are there to the late hours of the night. If you drive through any city in our immediate area you will find many young people parked alongside the streets in their cars and trucks, they are also there into the night. But if you step into any church on Sunday morning there will be few teens if any within the congregation.

Where is the vision that God has given us and why are we hiding it? Where are our hearts of mercy and tenderness? Why have we as a church joined the American throng of ignoring our teens?

It would behoove us to remember that we are called to become like Jesus the Nazarene, imitators of the Master of spiritual healing. Jesus is an equal opportunity God, and we have to become equal opportunity evangelists and share the vision with the teens, too.

Knott County

Hazel Messer Hicks, 64, of Willard, Ohio, a Knott County native, died Thursday, June 24, at her residence. She is survived by her husband, Glenn Hicks. Arrangements were under the direction of Secor Funeral Home.

Claretta Hylton Singleton, 69, of Clear Creek, a Knott County native, died Friday, June 25, at Appalachian Regional Medical Center, Hazard. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, June 27, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Pike County

Curtis T. Allen, 75, of Pikeville, died Sunday, June 27, at St. Josephs Hospital, Lexington. He is survived by his wife, Phyllis Taylor Allen. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, June 30, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Juanita Ramsey Bartley, 75, of Ashcamp, died Wednesday, June 30, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, July 3, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Charles H. "Shorty" Curty, 78, of Turkey Creek, died Wednesday, June 30, at the Veterans Adminstration Hospital, Huntington, West Virginia. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, July 3, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Donal Lee "Donny" Freeman, 73, of Steele, a Pike County native, died Saturday, June 26, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, June 30, under the direction of J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Leona Osborne Jones, 88, formerly of Dorton, died Wednesday, June 30, at the Kenton Health Care Center, Lexington. Funeral services were conducted Monday, July 5, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Gene Bennett Leslie, 79, of Pikeville, died Tuesday, June 29. He is survived by his wife, Fay Ray Leslie. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, July 3, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Edward Lee Nichols, 54, of Pikeville, died Wednesday, June 30, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, July 3, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Troy W. Rutherford, 40, of Belfry, died Tuesday, June 29, at-Zebulon, the result of injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident. He is survived by his wife, Katrina Rash Rutherford. Funeral services were held Friday, July 2, under the direction of Hatfield Funeral Chapel.

Eldon Thacker, 78, of Mount Sterling, formerly of Phyllis, died Thursday, July 1, at the home of his daughter, Brenda Hess, in Mount Sterling.

Magoffin County

Couza Elam, 96, a resident of Ashland, a Magoffin County native, died Tuesday, June 22. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, June 24, under the direction of Dodson-Allen Funeral Home.

Wendell Francis, 56, of Harrodsburg, died Sunday, June 27, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Susan Gullett Francis. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, June 30, under the direction of Alexander Royalty Funeral Home.

Shawn William Puckett, 19, of Salyersville, died Friday, June 25, in Salyersville. Funeral serwere conducted vices Wednesday, June 30, under the direction of Salyersville Funeral

Jason D. Thompson, 25, of Oakley, died Wednesday, June 23, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Monday, June 28, under the direction of Salyersville Funeral Home.

you believe in the Son of God?' "He answered and said, Who is He, Lord that I may believe in Him?'

"And Jesus said to him, 'You have both seen Him and it is He who is talking with you.'

"Then he said, 'Lord, I believe!' And he worshiped Him". - John 9:1-38

There is something amazing about this story of the blind man because it easily fits in our society today. Statistics show that most young people (the last three generations) have no clue about the one person we call the Savior of the world. They may have heard His name, they may have heard how He came to earth but they know nothing about Him. They are spiritually blind since birth.

The surprising thing is that many if not most are spiritual but almost none believe in the absolute truth that Jesus is the Son of God. They have been lied to their whole lives, they have been cheated and robbed of parental love, and they have been pushed aside for their parents' self indulgence. They are society's aborted children who are still alive as disposed human beings. Is it any wonder that they live in the moment they have because they fully expect the next disappointing rejection that will come their way? But Jesus has never forgotten them.

If you read the story of the blind man whom Jesus healed you may find the story of the postmodern teenager. This young man was carried to the city gate every day in order to

also wanted some notable per-

son who epitomized the kind of

values that has made our nation

the greatest on earth, to write the

Foreword for the book. I am

Davidson

beg for his provisions. There is no account of why his family was not caring for him (much like today); maybe they were pursuing the next hot business deal, or out with the who's who partying with friends, or simply in denial of their parental responsibilities. In any case, he was cast out and left to raise his

own living. While I am not a Bible scholar and do not claim to be. I believe this man could very well have been a teenager. The clues to this lie in the passage; 'Therefore his parents said, 'He is of age; ask him.'" Within the culture in which Jesus walked, it was customary to call a teenager a man or woman at a very early age; a boy came of age at 13 years old and was then called a man. Therefore it is possible that this person was in

In any case no one knows the whys or when he was left alone and thrown out to the world, the facts are that he was. At large, we of the United States view our teenagers as the refuse of society. They are cast aside by their parents as inconveniences that have halted or stopped dreams and visions of grandeur. We have forgotten the blessings of family.

The point of this story is that this "teenager", if you will, was shown the miracle of sight, not just physical sight but spiritual vision, and his life was never the same. We can only imagine the immense happiness he felt or to how many he shared his story with (and you can guarantee that he told many about

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offered to you."

OWCP Director Shelby Hallmark said the federal occupational illness program was never meant to be a retirement plan. "Worker's comp is to get you recovered from and taken care of while you're injured but also to get you back to work," he

Hugh Smith, an MSHA employees union representative who helped Shortridge, agrees. "Look, I wouldn't want to have to go through that, but I'll tell you what: the real world is, you could not buy insurance that would do as much.

something doesn't mean you'll

ers' pneumoconiosis, develops from inhaled coal dust. The lung tries to clean out the dust by secreting chemicals that dissolve it. But if enough dust gets in, the chemicals inflame and scar the lung tissue.

"When those scars come together, the lung just sort of collapses into a ball of scar tissue that can be the size of an orange or even larger," Petsonk said. "There's no air in those areas of scar tissue. You can't

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Cases of coal worker's pneumoconiosis have declined dramatically since the 1970s, resulting in about 1,400 deaths per year in the 1990s, according to the National Institute for Occuaptional Safety and Health. But it remains a major issue in Appalachian coal towns.

Shortridge spent so much of his life in the mines that he keeps his walls painted paper white.

when I get home," he said. "To me, it's a pleasure to see light."

He was a coal miner for a dozen years before joining MSHA, crawling around in some crevices so dark and narrow that Shortridge had to turn his head sideways to keep his helmet from smacking the ceil-

With his fight for worker's compensation over, Shortridge has filed for a disability retirement with the Office of Personnel Management, which could get him at least a pension worth nearly half of his former annual salary of \$76,000.

"I'll just have to wait," Shortridge said. "This has been

Obituaries

Nina Lou Phillips

Nina Lou Phillips, 64, of Emma, died Friday, July 2, 2004, at the Pikeville Medical

Born May 3, 1940, in Anderson County, Tennessee, she was the daughter of the late Boyd and Flaura Burgess Keathley. She was a homemak-

She is survived by her husband, Paul Phillips.

Other survivors include four sons: Dana Ray Phillips of Arthur, Tennessee, Dewayne Phillips of Wartburg, Tennessee, Bruce Anthony Phillips, and Brian Todd Phillips, both of Prestonsburg; two brothers: Chester Keathley and David Keathley, both of Petros, Tennessee; three sisters: Margaret O'Neil of Michigan, Margie Lester of Macon, Georgia, and Reba Dean Phillips of Indiana; and seven grandchildren: Jenny, Vanessa, Roscoe, Maria Faith, Christina Hope, Blake, and Becky.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers: Leonard Keathley and Charles Keathley; and two sisters: Imogene Anderson, and Dorothy Slone.

Funeral services will be conducted Monday, July 5, at noon, at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with family members officiating.

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

Visitation is at the funeral (Paid obituary)

Irene Hall

Irene Hall, 50, of Teaberry, died Friday, July 2, 2004, at her

Born January 19, 1954, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Frank and Rhoda Mitchell Hall. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include four daughters: Wilma Renee Conn of Dana, Sandra Kay Mullins, Joanna Fay Crum and Rhonda Gaye Hamilton, all of Allen; two brothers: Bobby Gene Hall and John Hall, both of Teaberry; a sister, Esta Lena Newsome of Teaberry; and 11 grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Alex Hall; and two sisters: Judy Hamilton and Bessie Hall.

Funeral services will be conducted Monday, July 5 at 10 a.m., at the Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church, at Teaberry, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Holly Bush Cemetery, at Teaberry, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, at

Visitation is at the church. (Paid obituary)



Earlier I said you may be

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happy to tell you that S. Truett Cathy, founder of the Chick-fil-A restaurant chain in Atlanta, Ga., accepted my invitation to Mr. Cathy's company had

\$1.2 billion in sales in 2002, and his restaurants are not open on Sundays, one of the busiest days of the week for fast food restaurants. If you don't know his story, you should, and his wonderful book "EAT MOR CHIKIN Inspire More People," published by Looking Glass

interested in the concept behind "Learning, Earning & Giving Back". The average life expectancy in the United States is about 75 years. If you divide that into thirds, the first 25 years ■ Continued from p4

could be called the "Learning Years," the second 25 years could be called the "Earning Years" and the final years could be called the "Giving Back" years. This is the primary focus, even though most of us do some of all three during our lifetime and if we have done well in the first two, that is "learning and earning," we are in a much better position to be able to give

back when we get older. We all need inspiration and good ideas to feed our minds on a regular basis and this is why "Learning, Earning & Giving Back" could make a wonderful difference in your life. You can also pass along many of these ideas to your children and grandchildren or others close to

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

is not a valid reason for declining the suitable job

"But just because you claim get it," Smith said. Black lung disease, which is

formally known as coal work-

breathe, and all the blood vessels get blocked up, so your heart can't pump through."

"I don't want to be in the dark

terribly stressful."

Governor: Tyson fight 'not a fight I would have promoted'

by CHARLES WOLFE Associated Press

FRANKFORT - Gov. Ernie Fletcher said Friday he intends to shake up the Athletic Kentucky after Mike Commission Tyson's boxing license was quietly renewed.

Tyson's upcoming fight in Louisville was "not a fight that I would have promoted, and it's not a fight that I will attend," Fletcher said at a news conference.

Tyson is to fight Danny Williams on July 30 at Freedom Hall in Louisville. It is the first of seven fights calculated to get the former heavyweight champion out of

Fletcher said he was thinking of "the image of Kentucky." Tyson served a prison sentence for rape and to many became synonymous with mindless violence.

"I would hope that Mr. Tyson has rehabilitated himself and wish him the very best," Fletcher said. "But said. when it comes to promoting Kentucky and the things I want to promote, it's not something that I would have spent an effort in promoting."

Fletcher said the athletic commission's chairman, Cunningham, Michael Tyson's boxing renewed license without a hearing or consultation with other commissioners. That was not illegal, but it "wasn't vetted as extensively as I thought it should have been," Fletcher

Attempts to reach Cunningham were unsuccess-

New Jersey also granted Tyson a license to fight but Gov. Frank McGreevey barred the use of any state-owned

arena. Freedom Hall in Louisville is part of the stateowned Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center. Fletcher said the hall had

been contracted for the Tyson-Williams fight before he knew about it. "The agreement has been reached. The fight will proceed," he said.

Tuesday to promote the fight, said he had been "addicted to chaos" but had reformed. "I think I deserve another chance to prove my checkered past can be swept away," he said.

Fletcher said he would decide later how the sevenperson commission should be reorganized but referred to his previous reorganization of the Kentucky Commission, which he effectively abolished and replaced with an all-new Kentucky

Horse Racing Authority.

Trial

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Tyson, in Louisville on as Roberts posted the \$5,000 bail for Young to be released. He even dropped Young off at his home but returned late that day with Ratliff and then proceeded to accuse Young of planning to jump his bail.

Young agreed, at this point, to accompany the men back to jail so Roberts could get a refund on the bail money, but by that time the office was closed to transactions until the next day.

On the drive back they pulled into a business lot in Allen, where witnesses said they saw Roberts allegedly fire several shots at Young, who ran for his life and escaped injury.

Eastern Kentucky man charged with 121 counts of animal cruelty

The Associated Press

PIKEVILLE - An Eastern Kentucky man has been charged with 121 counts of animal cruelty.

Randal Good, 55, of Phyllis, a former deputy Pike County judgeexecutive who ran unsuccessfully for judge-executive in 2002, was booked in the local jail on Thursday and released on \$500

Animal control workers reported finding malnourished and sick dogs at Good's home where he operates a commercial kennel. Workers said they found the remains of some animals near the kennel.

An arrest warrant obtained by animal control officer Jennifer Ramey alleges conditions at the kennel were horrible, with 2 to 3 inches of animal waste in cages that were overcrowded with dogs.

Good could not be reached for comment. He doesn't have a listed telephone number.

Authorities said Good bred and sold a variety of dog breeds. They said there were 45 dogs and one

cat removed from the kennel and 75 more dogs would be removed when the county finds space for

Pike County Animal Shelter Director Rodney Keene said foster homes are desperately needed for the dogs. He said the dogs can't be adopted yet because they are evidence, but people can take them in temporarily.

Ramey opened an investigation after responding to a complaint about a golden retriever being kept for three days in a cage next to a road that runs by Good's home.

Keene said animal control officers visited the kennel four times beginning in March before arresting Good and taking the dogs.

"We were trying to work with him," Keene said. "At neither time when we went out before did we find dead animals or the shape it was in this time."

Humane society member Donna Stratton said the animals should have been removed from the kennel sooner. But Keene said the shelter just didn't have room

The Humane Society has been pushing for a new animal shelter in Pike County to accommodate more dogs and cats.

Good is scheduled to be arraigned at 10 a.m. July 14 in Pike County district court.

Information from Appalachian News-Express, http://www.newsexpressky.com.



Fireworks

embers or debris. The loader carries and loads the shell into the firing tube then prepares the fuse. The shooter, after ensuring the area is clear, ignites the blast. The firing tub is then cleaned in preparation for the next shot.

Larger shells, from 8 to 10 inches, are ignited electrically using a control board.

This year, the city is shooting off 559 shells, varying in size from 3 to 10 inches, a factor, Davis said, in creating a variety of different patterns. Fireworks will be shot off at dark tonight.

Contributors to this year's show include State Wide Press, Prestonsburg Auto, Truck and Tire, Transtar Ambulance and the Floyd County Rescue Squad, who'll be providing additional manpower and services tonight on the hill.

Fireworks are enjoyable, but they can also be dangerous if mishandled. The Division of Fire promotes these firework safety tips:

Use only state approved Class C fireworks. Illegal fire■ Continued from p1

works like bottle rockets, firecrackers and explosives like M-80s and cherry bombs account for the majority of injuries annu-

Never allow children to play with or ignite fireworks.

Remember that even sparklers can be dangerous. They can reach 1,800 degrees Fahrenheit - hot enough to melt gold.

Read and follow warnings and instructions.

Be sure that other people are out of firing range.

Only light fireworks on a smooth, flat surface away from houses, dry leaves and flammable materials. Keep a bucket of water or a hose handy.

Never ignite "dud" fire-

Don't hold fireworks in your hand or have any part of your body over them while light-

Keep pets indoors. Animals have sensitive ears and can be extremely frightened or stressed on the Fourth of July.

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Beltway

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Clinton managed to actually cut the deficit while expanding the economy. Contrast this with George Bush who has, with lop-sided tax cuts for the rich, fueled an anemic recovery

encased in exploding deficits that have wiped away all trace of the Clinton surpluses. I'm perfectly happy to see the Right jumping up to take shots

at Clinton; it will keep them off

of John Kerry's back for a while.

I can't pretend to be an expert

on the American voter, but I can't believe they'll think that Bush is running against Clinton, rather than Kerry.

And, in any case, if he were, he'd lose.

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

Explore

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stop supporting pro-life candidates simply because one party refuses to produce any."

Still, all sides agree there are important strategic reasons for broadening party ties.

While Christian conservatives have been successful in electoral politics - helping elect a Republican congressional majority - they have not had as much sway over public policy, said Clyde Wilcox, a Georgetown University professor who studies religion and pol-

The authors of the evangeli-

cal document wrote that their activism over the last two decades has produced "access without influence," even as a Christian who speaks often of his faith sits in the White House. Evangelicals particularly lament that abortion remains legal in the United States.

"They've lost ground on gay rights, on gender roles, on the education system. They put all their eggs in one political party instead of trying to change society," Wilcox said. "If you're a one-party group, then you don't have much negotiating power."

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Community Calendar

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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

OUTDOOR MASONIC MEET

PLANNED, AUGUST 7TH

The annual outdoor Masonic meeting of John W. Hall Lodge No. 950, F&AM, and James W. Alley Lodge No. 657, F&AM, will be held on Saturday, August 7, at the Tom Flannery farm at Warco.

The dinner will be served beginning at 4 p.m., and the second section of the Master Mason degree will follow at 6 p.m. All Master Masons are encouraged to attend.

KY OPRY PERFORMING ARTS SCHOOL TO BEGIN

KY Opry performing arts school will begin Monday, July 5, 9-1. Buses will be running for four weeks; four days per week, Monday-Thursday. Free lunch.

1973 AND 1974 ACHS **CLASS REUNION**

The 1973 and 1974 graduatng 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 homeplace. 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

July 4 - Missionary Kathleen Runyon, 11 a.m., morning worship service.

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 dowtown Prestonsburg, 255 W. Court St. Please bring your family photos, medals, uniforms, or any other memorobilia from Civil War to present time. Mr. Blankenship's

office will proudly display, and

protect, your cherished valuables. Call 889-9004 during business hours, or after hours call 886-3023, or 886-2654 for more information.

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!"

HRMC JULY CALENDAR

- July 13 Senior Advantage, 9-11 a.m., meeting rooms A & B.
- July 13 Mending Hearts, 5-6 p.m., meeting place B.
- July 15 Laryngectomy Support Group, 5-7 p.m., meeting place B.
- July 17 Childbirth classes, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., meeting place A & B.
- July 22 Alzheimer's Support Group, Johnson County
- Library, 6-7 p.m. ■ July 29 - Diabetic Support Group, 4-7 p.m., meeting place
- July 29 "Living Well with Diabetes," support group class. Topic: "Depression and Diabetes" - a candid discussion about this often overlooked complication of diabetes. 5-6 p.m., meeting rooms A & B.

All classes free of charge and open to the public.

AUXIER LIFETIME LEARNING CENTER

July 12-16 - Kids Sewing Camp (for kids over 8 years); 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Learn to sew, make a purse and other fun things. Small fee includes sewing supplies and snack.

Sept. 29, Oct. 6, 13, & 20 -Super Pantry "Stars in the Kitchen." 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Learn life skills, low-fat cooking and new recipes. Cook and eat lunch. WIN: Door prizes and bag of groceries each

For more information about either of these activities, call 886-0709.

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.

PRATER CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

July 12-16 - Vacation Bible School, 6-8 p.m., classes for pre-school to high school. Call 874-3222 for transportation.

July 17 - Cookout & Concert! Community-wide event with fun and games and food for everyone, 4 p.m. Concert will follow at 6 p.m. "Alive" contemporary Christian band will perform.

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 Saturday, reunion on September 4, 2004 (Labor Day weekend), at the May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Park. Predinner meeting will be held from 5-6 p.m.; Dinner will be at 6 p.m., in Lodge dining room; Reunion meeting following dinner, from 8 p.m. until midnight in Lodge conference rooms. For more info., contact Ken & Jan at 886-8328, or Mike at 886-0252.

FREE BODY RECALL CLASSES

Free Body Recall Exercise Classes will be held Monday,

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

'EARN WHILE YOU LEARN'

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

"LOOKING FOR A SUPPORT GROUP?"

- Alzheimer's Association Care-giver Support Group Meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the First Presbyterian Church (near Jerry's Restaurant), at 7 p.m. For more info., call Dana Caudill at 886-0265.
- Alzheimer's Association, East-ern KY Regional Office -24-hour Helpline, call 1-800-272-3900 for emotional support, local resources, and other 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.

Pike County man found guilty of murder.

PIKEVILLE - A former Michigan resident has been convicted for his role in the murder of a local store owner.

William Hopkins, 37, of Coal on Nov. 21, 2001. Run, formerly of Ypsilanti, Mich., sat outside the store in a car when Charles "Coco" Thompson was shot and killed, but jurors found him guilty of both wanton murder and robbery because he allegedly planned the robbery and supplied the triggerman with a gun and with Valium.

The jury recommended a sentence of 35 years in prison.

"He had people to do the dirty work for him," Pike Commonwealth's County Attorney Rick Bartley said.

Patrick Etherton, 21, of Ypsilanti, Mich., previously pleaded guilty to murder and robbery at the start of the trial.

In a deal with prosecutors, Etherton agreed to a sentence of

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The Associated Press life in prison with the possibility of parole after 25 years.

Etherton was arrested last year for the murder of Thompson, a store owner from Raccoon who was gunned down

Etherton testified Hopkins' trial that he was following orders from Hopkins when he went into the store. He said he did it because he was afraid of Hopkins.

Bartley said Hopkins met the standard for wanton murder because he was aware that sending the drugged Etherton into the store with a pistol could result in a death and showed an extreme disregard for human

Hopkins' formal sentencing is set for July 30.

Information Appalachian News-Express, http://www.newsexpressky.com.

TODAY'S FREEBIE

Inside each issue of The Floyd County Times, you will find a coupon for a free item worth more than the price of the paper. It's our way of thanking our readers. Look for it on page A3 every Sunday, Wednesday and Friday.

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* 2004 Morehead **State University Football** Outlook

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

MOREHEAD - The past two seasons have been memorable ones for Coach Matt Ballard and the Morehead State University Football Eagles. The Eagles have won back-to-back Pioneer Football League South Division Championships and Ballard has become the all-time winningest coach in Eagle football history.

MSU returns 38 letterwinners including 15 starters from last season's 8-3 team. Heading the list of offensive returnees are tackle Justin Farrar (6-3, 270, Jr., Oak Hill, Ohio), halfback Eli Parkes (5-11, 215, Sr., Portsmouth, Ohio), fullback Jabari McGee (5-10, 205, So., Evansville, Ind.) and receiver Chris Ginter (6-3, 185, Jr.,

Key defensive returnees are tackle Ryan McKenzie (6-0, 270, Sr., Crescent Springs), end Dean Anderson (6-2, 245, Sr., Orlando, Fla.), linebackers Craig Unger (6-2, 225, Sr., Greenfield, Ohio) and Assamee Asad (5-10, 210, Sr., Pittsburgh, Pa.) and defensive backs Charlie Byrd (5-11, 202, Sr., Oxford, Ohio), Jahmaine Wells (5-10, 180, Sr., Hamilton, Ohio) and Kwesi Williams (5-10, 175, Jr.,

Placekicker Adam Jones (5-9, 185, Jr., Dayton, Ohio) and punter Aaron Charles (6-2, 205, So., Indianapolis, Ind.) also

MSU must find replacements for PFL South Division Offensive Player of the Year, quarterback David Caudill, linemen Peter Wagner, R. Akorli and Charles McGowan on offense. Defensively, lineman Luigi Lombardo, end Joel Wainscott and linebacker Odi Anyanwu are the key

McGee had an outstanding freshman season, averaging 5.3 yards per rush and scoring four touchdowns. He has the potential to be a 1,000-yard rusher. The all-purpose Parkes averaged 4.9 yards per rush and caught 32 passes for 536 yards and six touchdowns.

Experienced returnees Derek Bailey (6-2, 225, So., Pittsburgh, Pa.) and Tyler Cvitkovic (6-5, 203, Jr., Clay City), along with several returning squad members and newcomers will battle for the quarterback spot. For the first time in several seasons, MSU will likely use a multi-quarterback

Defense will need to carry the team, at least while the quarterback situation is being settled. Unger is a First Team Academic All-American, an NCAA Division I-AA All-American and PFL South Division Defensive Player of the Year. Byrd also earned Mid-Major All-America honors. McKenzie has received All-America mention the past two seasons.

Defensive coordinator John Gilliam is a

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PIKEVILLE COLLEGE 2004 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 4Cumberland College Sept. 11 ...at Bethel College

Sept. 18 ... Kentucky Wesleyan Sept. 25 . . . at Cumberland University

Oct. 2 Union College Oct. 9Lambuth University

Oct. 16 . . . Belhaven College

Oct. 23at UVA-Wise

Oct. 30 Georgetown College

Nov. 13 . . . at Campbellsville University

Former star joins Lady Bear staff

Prater member of 1,000-point club

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - A celebrated member of the Pikeville College family has returned to the bench.

Misty Haynes Prater, a double-figure scorer on the first women's basketball team to reach the national tournament, is

the new assistant coach for the her 11th in school history, Lady Bears.

Prater averaged 11.6 points and 5.2 assists per game on the 1997-98 team that went 21-14 and won the Kentucky Intercollegiate Athletics Conference title en route to the NAIA Div. I tournament.

She finished her career with 1,304 points, which was good for eighth on the all-time scoring list at the school. That total still has

"We're very happy to have Misty involved in our program on a daily basis," said Bill Watson, who will begin his eight season at the helm of the Lady Bears this fall. "Misty brings a tough, hard-nosed approach to our team, and her credentials have won her immediate respect from our players.'

(See STAFF, page five)



LITTLE LEAGUE ALL-STARS



photo by Jamie

Prestonsburg pitchers Adam Crisp (pictured) and Seth Carter combined to hold Knott County hitless. However, the combined nohitter wasn't enough to give Prestonsburg the victory.

Kentucky amateurs to represent the USA

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

MARIETTA, Ohio - Coast to Coast Athletics is recruiting Kentucky youth baseball players (ages 11-12, 13-14, 15-16, 17-18) to represent the USA in international competition in Puerto Rico, the Netnerlands and Australia. Oustanding amateurs, selected nationwide, will compete against international all-star teams during the 2005 spring and summer school breaks.

Each Coast to Coast trip lasts seven to 14 days and is jam-packed with baseball action, intensive training and cultural excursions. Coast to Coast squads are managed by a staff of top college coaches and pro scouts who provide participating players with a unique perspective on what it's like to play at the collegiate and professional level.

Statewide tryouts will be held at the Georgetown College baseball field at 1 p.m. on Friday, July 23 and in Louisville at Derby City Park at 9 a.m. on Saturday, July 24.

The tryout fee is \$25. The fee includes insurance and a free Coast to Coast logo T-shirt. For more information or to pre-register, go online to www.CoastToCoastAthletics.com, or call 740/373-4455.

Tackett, Cumberland teammates compete at **Nationals**

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

WILLIAMSBURG Cumberland College track team took nine qualifying athletes to compete at this year's NAIA National Outdoor Track Meet in Louisville.

One of the Cumberland College athletes, Jared Tackett, a graduate of Jenkins High School has close ties to Floyd County.

On the men's side, senior Jon Brenenstuhl of Brunswick, Ohio had the top finish for his team when he

(See TRACK page five)

P'burg 9-10 All-Stars fall to Knott Co.

Prestonsburg pitchers no-hit Knott, but still fall 3-1

by JAMIE HOWELL CONTRIBUTING WRITER

PAINTSVILLE - A problemfilled season of baseball came to an end on Thursday evening as the Prestonsburg 9-10 year-old All-Star team fell 3-1 to Knott County in the District Seven Little League All-

season was cut short by the Memorial Day flooding and the short season hampered the efforts of the all-star squads. Prestonsburg only got in seven regular-season games and had to struggle just to find practice fields for All-Star

The young Prestonsburg team struggled to muster any offense in the tournament and despite a combined no-hitter from Adam Crisp and Seth Carter, fell by a 3-1 count.

A leadoff walk in the top of the first Prestonsburg's Little League inning led to a Knott County run in the first inning.

The first inning score was the only Prestonsburg run in five

Knott County took advantage of two Prestonsburg errors in the sixth inning to take a 3-0 lead and the Prestonsburg squad could manage only one run in their final at bat. Cody Chaffin reached on an error, and Lucas Stewart would advance

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Edwards, Hamilton preview 'Built Ford Tough 225'

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

SPARTA - Defending race champion Carl Edwards joined NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series veteran Bobby Hamilton in the Kentucky Speedway Media Center Tuesday to provide a preview of the July 10 "Built Ford Tough 225 Presented by The Greater Cincinnati Ford Dealers.'

Edwards, the 2003 NCTS rookie-of-the-year, enters this Saturday's race at Kansas Speedway second in the series standings and has earned one win, three top-five and six top-10 finishes through nine starts this season. He began the week trailing leader Dennis Setzer by 131 points.

He is motivated to return to the site of his first NCTS win and successfully defend his Kentucky title in his No. 99 Superchips Ford.

"Last year was spectacular. I grew up racing at local dirt tracks and I never imagined running a race like this, much less winning one," Edwards said. "We really want to put Ford and Superchips in Victory Lane here this year."

He said he expects a door-to-door war when

(See PREVIEW, page two)



State Champ signs with Pikeville

Adkins, the starting shortstop on West Virginia's Class Double-A state championship softball team, signed a scholarship agreement on Thursday with Pikeville College. Adkins, the team captain at Chapmanville High School, hit .308 and posted a .404 slugging percentage this spring for her team, which finished 32-6 on the season. She has started for three seasons at Chapmanville. She is shown seated between Pikeville College coaches Charolette Shelton and Robert Staggs. Standing behind them are, from left, her parents, Raye Ann Adkins, Tony Adkins and Chapmanville Coach Ronnie Ooten.

If Maris had an asterisk, should McGwire get one too?

by TIM DAHLBERG ASSOCIATED PRESS

Roger Maris' home run record was tainted simply because he played a few more games in 1961 than Babe Ruth did a few decades earlier. At least that's what the Bud Selig of his time, Ford Frick, wanted everyone to

Maris' big crime, of course, wasn't that he got a few more atbats than the Babe when he hit 61 home runs. He had taken the record of a national icon, and Frick wasn't about to let Ruth's legacy be diminished.

So Maris got his asterisk, Ruth remained the beloved Babe, and baseball went on its merry

If only it were that simple today.

Baseball's home run records are a joke, shattered by hulking men with biceps that bulge suspiciously every time they're jammed on a pitch and the ensuing popup finds its way over the

Ask most fans, and they'll tell you baseball players are juiced. Some most assuredly are, as the first wave of steroid tests last year proved when 5 to 7 percent of the 1,438 anonymous tests turned out positive.

Barry Bonds, the single-season homer champion, is linked almost daily to the BALCO steroid probe, even as he closes in on the career hallowed home run record held by Hank Aaron.

Though Bonds angrily denies everything, sprinter Tim Montgomery reportedly testified that BALCO's founder told him Bonds switched to a clear steroid last season to avoid being caught in baseball's new tests.

While Bonds proclaims his innocence, he's not going to win this one in the court of public opinion. With every look at his muscle-bound body and every blast into McCovey Cove, fans wink knowingly at each other about the source of his power that enabled him to eclipse McGwire's single-season homer mark when he hit 73 in 2001.

Even a former slugger with some pedigree of his own questioned how Bonds could do it.

"Somebody definitely is

guilty of taking steroids. You can't be breaking records hitting 200 home runs in three or four seasons," Reggie Jackson said a few months ago. "The greatest hitters in the history of the game didn't do that."

Despite the suspicions, there's no asterisk beside Bonds' name at least yet.

But maybe it's time for baseball historians to take another look at the slugger who preceded him into the record books.

Mark McGwire hit a then astonishing 70 home runs in 1998, the last two on his final two swings of the season. He did it with a jar of andro in his locker, which under baseball's policy of see no evil, hear no evil, was perfectly legal at the time.

Times have changed, though, as baseball's chief operating officer almost casually revealed last Friday. No one knew it then, but baseball banned androstenedione on April 12, the same day the Food and Drug Administration banned the sale of the steroidlike

For some reason, the commis-

the ban at the time. The guess is baseball was embarrassed it took so long to prohibit a substance already banned in the Olympics, NFL and NCAA.

sioner's office never announced

Regardless, the action puts baseball into a bind. McGwire, who broke Maris' record and for a few years was the single season home run king, admits to bulking up on the junk when he did it.

Yes, McGwire was always a big home run hitter, hitting 49 in his first full season with Oakland. But how many of those 70 home runs in 1998 might have been warning track fly balls if McGwire hadn't used something to make himself bigger and stronger?

Maybe, just maybe, Maris' record wouldn't have been broken then.

If there's any doubt what

andro did for McGwire, just take a look at him now. You'll find him slimmed down and playing golf, a sport where bulging muscles aren't encouraged.

Just don't ask him about andro or steroids because he wants no part of the conversation, as was made clear when he attended Mark McGwire Day in

April in St. Louis. His former manager, though, doesn't mind doing the talking

'When's the last time something legal affected anybody? He didn't do anything illegal," Tony La Russa said Tuesday. "It was an over the counter drug, he displayed it there (in his locker). It's tying it with the steroid thing, but Mac did nothing illegal. He hit 49 as a kid, and he hit 65 the next

(See MARIS, page five)

Preview

the series returns for its fifth up and turned on the caution Kentucky Speedway appearance next Saturday.

There are about 16 races left," Edwards said. "At one point at the middle of last season we hit a streak and picked up about 100 points on the leader in four races. It's probably going to be just like last year and the championship will be decided with the last race. Hopefully we can win more races and get the championship, but you have to race so hard every week that you can't really think about it. I can think of six to eight guys right now that can legitimately win the champi-

Team owner and NCTS veteran driver Bobby Hamilton began the week third in the series standings after collecting two wins, three top-five and six top-10 finishes through nine series races this season. Hamilton is tied with Setzer for the series lead in wins and trails by 153 points.

Hamilton said he will be gunning for Setzer when the green flag drops for "The Built Ford Tough 225.

'You don't race for points at this point in the season, you race to win races," Hamilton said. "The one thing we need to realize, and I don't mean this in a bad way because Dennis Setzer is a great competitor and he's great for the series, but he's won two races this year. He won

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RICHMOND - Season tick-

ets for the 2004 Eastern

Kentucky University football

games are available at the EKU

rival

Kentucky in the home opener on

Sept. 18. Ohio Valley

Conference play begins with

Jacksonville State on Sept. 25

and continues with Eastern

Illinois on Oct. 9. The Colonels

will host Murray State in a

Homecoming contest on Oct. 30,

The 2004 home slate features

athletics ticket office.

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light and this man (Edwards) let off the gas because he was supposed to. He (Setzer) won the second because Ted Musgrave's

wheel almost fell off. 'Carl and I have both gone out and flat won races. That's what it takes to win a championship. If Dennis wins the championship, he'll be a great champion, but there will be four or five of us breathing down his neck in the next four or five

Ford also unveiled the winning F-150 paint scheme from its recent children's design contest. Winning designer Melissa Leahy, an eighth-grader at Pleasant Run Middle School near Cincinnati, was on hand to help unveil the design that will serve as "The Official Truck of the Built Ford Tough 225 Presented by The Greater Cincinnati Ford Dealers."

Kentucky Speedway's third race weekend begins Friday, July 9 with "700 WLW Pole Night" and the running of the ARCA RE/MAX "Kentucky 150." All tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 on race day. Speedway gates open at 2:00 p.m. The day features NCTS and ARCA RE/MAX Series practice sessions and the 8:00 p.m. ARCA RE/MAX Series race.

The action continues on Saturday, July 10 with "The Built Ford Tough 225 Presented

Tennessee State on Nov. 13.

Season ticket packages

include box seats for \$100,

chairback seats for \$85 and

employee chairback for \$65. All

three require membership to the

available for \$60, while employ-

ee reserved may be purchased

for \$40. General admission tick-

ets for the Colonels' five home

games are \$45, while EKU

employees can purchase general

by calling the EKU athletics

All tickets may be purchased

admission tickets for \$35.

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EKU football season

tickets available

Western

before wrapping up the home ticket office at 859/622-2122 or

portion of their schedule against toll free at 1-800-262-7493.

■ Continued from p1 Dealers." Speedway gates open at 3:00 p.m. and the full day of activity includes USAC Ford Focus Midget Series racing on the paved quarter-mile track, a pre-race concert by country artist Rodney Atkins and the 8:00 p.m. green-flag start of "The Built Ford Tough 225 Presented by The Greater Cincinnati Ford Dealers."

Tickets are still available and can be reserved in the following

By phone at 1-888-652-

On the World Wide Web at www.kentuckyspeedway.com

In person at either the speedway's Ft. Mitchell ticket office or at the Kentucky Speedway Fan Center off Ky. Hwy. 35 in Sparta, Ky.

At Tickets.com and all Greater Cincinnati Tickets.com retail outlets including all Meijer stores.

Fall

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Chaffin on a fielder's choice. Kyle Chaffin would bring his brother in to score on a base hit that plated the only Prestonsburg

Prestonsburg pitching combined to record 14 strikeouts on

The season ended with the loss, but the Prestonsburg players, coaches and parents should be proud of their efforts in the wake of the shortened season.

Outlook

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native of Prestonsburg.

Jones led the Eagles in scoring last season with 63 points. He hit nine-of-13 field goals and 36of-38 extra points. Charles averaged 38.6 yards per punt and had 22 of his 53 kicks downed inside the 20-yard line.

MSU's 2004 schedule includes home games against Coastal Carolina (Sept. 4, 7 p.m. EDT), Butler (Sept. 18, 7 p.m. Weekend), EDT-Family Valparaiso (Oct. 2, 1 p.m. EDT), Jacksonville (Oct. 23, 1 p.m. EDT-Homecoming), St. Francis (Pa.) (Oct. 30, 1 p.m. EDT) and Charleston (W.Va.) (Nov. 6, 1

For ticket information, call 606/783-2088.

A LOOK AHEAD.... Early high school football scrimmages

Aug. 6 Breathitt County-Fairdale Estill County-Rowan County Knott County Central-Letcher Mercer County-Somerset West Carter-Raceland

Boyd County-East Carter Greenup County-Fairview Phelps-Powell County Prestonsburg-Paintsville Southwestern-Central

Holts enrolls at Western Kentucky

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BOWLING GREEN Western Kentucky University head coach David Elson announced Thursday that Deion Holts has enrolled in school and will walk on to the football team when preseason camp opens in

Holts, a 6-foot-2, 250-pound outside linebacker, graduated from Bowling Green's Warren Central High School before attending Kentucky the last three years. He will have two

Martin is one of three Mid-

American Conference players on

the list, joining linebackers Brian

Atkinson of Northern Illinois

seasons of eligibility remaining, as he was a redshirt with the Wildcats in 2001.

Last fall, Holts played in 11 of 12 contests with five starts, recording 52 total tackles while tying for the team lead with 4∏ sacks. He also ranked third on the squad with 8∏ stops behind the line of scrimmage, forced one fumble and recovered another. Holts posted eight tackles including three sacks (22 yards) in a win over Indiana, had five stops against Florida and seven against South Carolina.

He was selected to the Southeastern Conference All-Freshman Team in 2002 after recording 30 tackles, including a sack, while playing on the defensive line. Holts also posted two passes defended, a fumble caused and a blocked kick. He had three stops in five consecutive conference games before collecting a season-best five against Louisiana State.

Holts was a three-year starter at Warren Central High School, where he was selected honorable mention all-state as a

"We are excited to be able to have a player of Deion's caliber join the program," said Elson. "We look forward to seeing him earn the right to become a contributor for WKU football."

The Hilltoppers were ranked as high as seventh in the final national polls last year after posting a 9-4 finish, including a 5-2 mark in the Gateway Football Conference. Western advanced to the quarterfinals of the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs while making its fourth consecutive trip to the postseason.

Herd DE Jamus Martin named to Nagurski Trophy Watch List

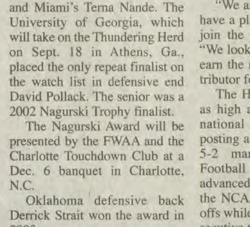
SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

Marshall DALLAS University senior Jamus Martin (Martinsville, Va.) has been named to the 2004 Bronko Nagurski Trophy Watch List, given annually to college football's top defensive player regardless of position, as announced today by the Football Writers Association of America.

Martin, a 6-foot-2, 224-pound defensive end, paced the Thundering Herd in quarterback hurries (14), tied for the team lead in sacks (6.5) and forced fumbles (3) and was second in tackles (80) and tackles for loss (15) in 2003.

> photo by Jamie Howell

Prestonsburg pitcher Seth Carter and catcher Corey Carter discussed things during a allstar game last week against Belfry.



Paintsville catcher Brooks Pelphrey put the squeez.e on a pitch in an All-Star game against Fleming-Neon.



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Williams regrets kicking camera, but defends tactics

by DOUG FERGUSON **ASSOCIATED PRESS**

The caddie for Tiger Woods said he was wrong to kick over a news photographer's camera during the U.S. Open, blaming his snap decision on hearing too many clicks from too many

cameras at the wrong time.

"I lost my cool," Steve Williams said Thursday in a telephone interview from the Western Open, where Woods is playing this week. "I shouldn't have done that."

But he offered no apologies

guarantee that he wouldn't do

"I'm not being a bully," Williams said. "I'm just doing what I have to do to make our jobs easier."

Woods has come under for taking a camera away from a intense scrutiny over the last

fan at Shinnecock Hills, and no four months, especially when he failed to contend at the Masters and U.S. Open to extend his streak to eight majors without

> Much of the attention is built around his split two years ago from coach Butch Harmon, who said during the U.S. Open that

to where it was during his record-breaking 2000 season.

Williams said more photographers are coming onto the practice range to try to shoot Woods' swing sequence, making it difficult for them to practice.

Photographers clicked four times during his tee shot on the 18th hole during the final practice round at Shinnecock, causing Woods to pick up his ball and curse them under his breath.

It all boiled over in the second round at the U.S. Open, when Williams walked across the 10th tee and kicked the lens of photographer John Roca from the New York Daily News.

In the final round, Williams spotted a man taking pictures behind the second tee. He walked into the crowd and took the camera, which belonged to an off-duty police officer.

"I don't regret taking the camera off the guy," Williams said. "I don't know how he got it on the grounds. If all the security and marshals were doing their job, it wouldn't happen. I'm not sorry about that."

Golf prohibits fans from bringing cameras onto the course once a tournament

However, it happens and sev-

Woods' swing is nowhere close eral incidents led to Williams' goon-like tactics at Shinnecock.

During the final round of the Memorial in late May, Williams placed the golf bag in front of a special camera designed to analyze swings. At the U.S. Open, he spotted a photographer taking pictures of Woods' swing on the practice range and positioned himself and his bag in front of the camera.

"We get to the practice tee on Friday and there must be 50 to 70 people sitting not far behind us, and this guy has a swingsequence camera and I go over and asked him to refrain while we're practicing," Williams said. "So we go to the 10th hole for the first tee shot. Tiger gets on the tee, the guy announces his name and he's standing behind the ball in his pre-shot routine. He's just about to step to the ball and the camera goes

Williams said he had no problem with the national photographers who routinely cover tournament golf.

"They do their job 100 percent properly," he said. "It's the people that come every now and then, to a tournament like the U.S. Open, that are difficult to deal with."

Woods has backed up his caddie, saying recently that he 'went too far." But he urged tournament officials to take a tougher stand on fans with cameras and news photographers who click at the wrong time.

"Hey, it happened," Woods said Wednesday. "Steve felt bad for what he did. He got a little frustrated, and he did something he probably shouldn't have

Williams is a no-nonsense caddie from New Zealand who previously worked for Raymond Floyd and Greg Norman. He has been on Woods' bag for five years and their relationship is strong; he rarely mingles with anyone else - tournament officials, fans, the media. He is, however, prone to making rash decisions when it comes to pro-

(See WILLIAMS page four)

Duke: Lakers, Krzyzewski discussing coaching vacancy

by AARON BEARD ASSOCIATED PRESS

DURHAM, N.C. - Duke's Mike Krzyzewski met with Los Angeles Lakers general manager Mitch Kupchak on Thursday and was in "serious discussions" with the team about its coaching vacancy.

Krzyzewski, a 57-year-old Hall of Famer, has led the Blue Devils to three national championships in almost a quartercentury at the school.

"Coach K has informed us that the Los Angeles Lakers have contacted him and entered into serious discussions to fill their vacant head coaching position," Duke athletic director Joe Alleva said.

Lakers spokesman John Black said Kupchak met with Krzyzewski. "They talked about our coaching vacancy," he said.

Black said the team hasn't made a decision, and was considering several other candidates to replace Phil Jackson. Alleva said he didn't know if

the Krzyzewski and the Lakers were close to a deal. "I haven't been privy to their

conversations," he said. "But obviously, they are a great franchise.'

Duke spokesman Jon Jackson said Krzyzewski was in Durham earlier Thursday. The Lakers declined to say where the discussions were

Krzyzewski was unavailable for comment.

Duke president Richard Brodhead told The Associated Press he and Alleva had dinner with Krzyzewski on Tuesday, after Brodhead became aware that the coach had talked with the Lakers.

Brodhead said he didn't know if the Lakers offered Krzyzewski the job.

"If he has the offer, he's going to have a big decision before him," said Brodhead, candidate. who officially took office as Duke's president Thursday, succeeding Nan Keohane.

Brodhead said he and Alleva urged Krzyzewski to finish his career at the school.

"He means more to this place than the record of his victories, impressive though that is," Brodhead said. "He's a real teacher. He teaches character as well as basketball."

Krzyzewski has a 621-179 record in 24 seasons at Duke, leading the Blue Devils to NCAA championships in 1991, 1992 and 2001. Under Krzyzewski, the Blue Devils have 10 Final Four appearances, eight Atlantic Coast Conference tournament championships and 10 conference regular-season titles.

His Duke teams have been ranked No. 1 in 12 different seasons, including each of the last seven years.

"If he decides that he's had a great ride at Duke, but something else calls out to him now, we'd have to understand that," Brodhead said. "In the meantime, you can be sure we'll do all we can to persuade him that Duke and the college game are the right place for him.'

The Lakers announced June 18 - three days after losing to the Detroit Pistons in the NBA Finals - that Jackson wouldn't return as coach next season. Jackson, who signed a fiveyear, \$30 million contract with the Lakers in June 1999, guided them to championships in his first three seasons.

Former Rockets coach Rudy Tomjanovich has been considered the front-runner to succeed Jackson. He met with team owner Jerry Buss and Kupchak last week.

Former Lakers coach Pat Riley, an executive with the Miami Heat, also met with Buss and Kupchak, but issued a statement saying he wasn't a

Among others mentioned have been Kurt Rambis and Jim Cleamons, members Jackson's staff. Kupchak said he planned to interview more than one person and less than 10 for the job and hoped to have a coach in place as soon as

Last month, Detroit Pistons coach Larry Brown became the first coach to win titles in both the NBA and NCAA. But Brown is the exception to the general trend of college coaches struggling in the NBA.

Rick Pitino went from two straight appearances in the

national title game with Kentucky to the Boston Celtics, before quitting in 2001 and later returning to the college ranks with Louisville.

In 1992, Jerry Tarkanian, whose UNLV team won a national title in 1990, lasted just 20 games before being fired by the San Antonio Spurs with a 9-11 record.

More recently, former college coaches Lon Kruger, John Calipari and Leonard Hamilton have struggled during short tenures with the Atlanta Hawks, New Jersey Nets Washington Wizards, respectively.

BRISTOL BUZZ: Ride Revolution Street Fights

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BRISTOL, Tenn. - If you're looking for tickets to the biggest race in NASCAR, then make sure you're at Bristol Dragway's Ride Revolution Street Fights this month as one lucky winner will go home with a pair of tickets to the sold-out NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Series Sharpie

The tickets, to be given away on July 29, make up just one of a number of great prizes up for grabs during Street Fights action in July. As part of the winning package on July 29, the winner also will receive a pair of tickets to the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series O'Reilly 200 and the USAR Hooter's ProCup Series Food City 150 slated to run the high banks of Bristol on Aug. 25, as well as tickets to the Food City 250 NASCAR Busch Series event scheduled for Aug.

Additional tickets to the Food City 250, O'Reilly 250 and the Food City 150 will be given away during each of the five Street Fights held in July (July 6, July 8, July 20, July 27, & July 29).

Spectators and racers will receive a registration form upon entering the dragway on Street Fight nights. The forms must be filled out and dropped off at the Ride Revolutions display area. The winners, all of whom must be at least 18 years of age and present to win, will be randomly drawn from the registration

For the remainder of the season, Dragway officials will hand out cold hard cash when Street Fight attendance tops 2,000. When the crowd exceeds 2,000, one lucky winner will go home with \$1,000 check. With 17 races remaining on the schedule, that's a total of \$17,000 potential-

ly up for grabs. A variety of other prizes make a trip to Ride Revolution Street Fights worthwhile. A lucky winner will take home a DVD player on July 6 while a Dash for Cash (\$50 to the top elapsed and reaction times for trucks/car and motorcycles) will take place on July 8. Also that night, a swimsuit

competition makes the schedule with the winner taking home \$500. A portable stereo system tops the prize list on July 20. July 27 will see a Burnout Contest and a Neon Glow-off Competition will take place on July 29.

For more information on Ride Revolution Street Fights, please visit www.bristolstreetfights.com on the Internet.

Dirt Nation to welcome Green, Miller, Carrier

by DOC LEHMAN

DIRT NATION presented by Switchme.net, co-sponsored by Virginia Motor Speedway and Dirt America Online presented by GottaRace.com, and one of the fastest growing and most popular weekly racing radio programs broadcast over the world wide web, will host a special show this Monday evening July 5 featuring three top dirt Late Model stars. DIRT NATION presented by Switchme.net is hosted each week by the Rat Pack, featuring Dave

Seay, Brian Tidball and Doc Lehman and airs every Monday evening from 8-10 p.m. EST and can be accessed over the internet

at: www.racetalklive.com Special guests Monday evening, July 5 will be Georgia dirt Late Model star Marshall Green, Ohio dirt Late Model star Matt Miller and West Virginia based dirt Late Model hotshoe Eddie Carrier, Jr. In addition, other special guests and live updates from Challenger Raceway's World of Outlaws Late Model Series event will be featured.

Two Bristol Bracket Club members claim Super Chevy wins

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

BRISTOL, Tenn. - Bristol Dragway Bracket Club racers Ronnie Rosenbaum and Tony Careccia capped off a spectacular weekend of racing at the AutoZone Super Chevy Show off with wins in the annual

Rosenbaum, of Kingsport, captured the Bracket 1 victory

on Sunday over Albert Lawson of Manchester. Rosenbaum piloted his 1957 Chevrolet to an impressive run that started with a .004 reaction time to go along with a 5.492 elapsed time at 124.91 mph. Lawson's Malibu was just a tick behind Rosenbaum at the light with a .005 with a 5.662 elapsed time at 121.20 mph.

Junior Dragster racer Tony

Careccia of Asheville, N.C., also went home with the top prize in his division after battling fellow bracket club member Aaron Roberts in the finals. Careccia posted a .034 reaction time with a 9.004 elapsed time at 80.06 mph while Roberts, of Bluff City, cut a .067 light with a 7.979 elapsed time at 80.41 mph.

The Nitro Coupe win went to Bruce Boland of Ontario, Canada after he disposed of Tommy Howes in the finals. Boland had a .101 light with a 6.476 E.T. at 217.84 mph while Howes, of Laytonsville, Md., cut a .075 light with a 6.565 E.T. at 197.74 mph.

was Mike Baker of Strawberry Plains, Tenn., who knocked off Shelia Shook of Leicester, N.C. to take the title. Baker's 1967 Malibu had a .167 light with a 6.768 E.T. at 93.08 mph while Shook's 1978 Malibu cut a .197 light with a 6.873 E.T. at 97.47 mph.

Steve Taylor of Raleigh, N.C., was the DOT Street Tire winner, driving his 1993 Robert past Whitehead of Maryville, Tenn. Taylor came off the line with a .031 light with a 17.254 E.T. at 75.61 mph. Whitehead and his 1980 Malibu drew a redlight.

Bristol Dragway will be closed this weekend in observance of July 4. Next up is Ride Revolution Street Fights on July 6 and July 8 with the NOPI Southeast Nationals on July 10-11.

photo by Steve LeMaster In a battle of 11-12-yearsolds, Beaver Creek came out on top of HAP. In the 9-10-year-old division, HAP beat BEaver 13-1. More on that game will appear in Wednesday's edition.



photo by Steve LeMaster

was the first 11-12-year-old all-star team from Floyd County to earn a victory during the 2004 tournament.

Beaver Creek

NASCAR still looking at Canada, Mexico

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASCAR has an eye on expansion in Canada and Mexico, but don't expect any Nextel Cup races in either country anytime soon.

However, NASCAR chairman and CEO Brian France said this week that the Busch Series or Craftsman Truck Series races could definitely be run north and south of the U.S. border in the future.

He said the recent formation of NASCAR Canada, a business partnership with TV sports channel TSN, is the first step. And, he added, several big Canadian companies have had at least preliminary talks about building oval tracks at which cars or trucks could race.

"We said a year ago or so that we needed to have a thoughtful international strategy beyond distributing our events on television, and that's what you're seeing now," France said.

"So, we are going to take it one step at a time and we are going to shore up our distribution on television," he said. "We are going to, if we can, take some events - and I'm not talking about NASCAR Nextel Cup events, because as everyone knows, we domestically are stretched - to Canada. But there are other things we can offer and we'll be looking at those."

Though there have been reports that NASCAR is already working on a Busch race for Mexico City in 2005, France said they haven't formalized any plans yet.

"There is a lot of discussion asking us to take some form of NASCAR to Mexico City, and we are talking about that," he said, "but we don't have it finalized."

The Bracket 2 champion

Cavalier

Jeter's great catch stirs Yankees

by BEN WALKER ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK - Derek Jeter took off on a dead run and one thing was clear: Nothing was

Kenny and **Kenny announce** Independence Day show

LEXINGTON - For the Fourth of July week, the Kenny and Kenny Sports Show Plus focuses on baseball with former UK star and nine-year major league veteran pitcher Jeff Parrett. Also from the 1998 NCAA champion Wildcats, Nazr Mohammed now with the New York Knicks and from ESPN's Cold Pizza, Thea Andrews.

The show airs Sunday, 7-8 p.m. on WQHY-FM 95.5.

The All-Star shortstop pulled off the most dangerous catch of his championship career, and wound up with a bloodied, beatup boxer's face that sent him to a hospital Thursday night.

The Yankees' leader - call him Captain Courageous plucked a popup before hurtling headfirst into the stands at full tilt in the 12th inning. New York then rallied past Boston 5-4 in the 13th for a stirring sweep.

"Those are the things I keep saying that don't show up in the stats," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "To make a play like that, with the game on the line, is pretty damn special."

Jeter left Yankee Stadium with a bloodied chin and a red, swollen cheek. He also had a bruised shoulder.

"You have to give those guys credit," Red Sox starter Pedro Martinez said. "You saw Jeter over there leaving his skin and everything, his body, out for the team. It was one of the best games I've ever seen."

Stadium lease with Bengals could be roadblock to

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cincinnati casinos

CINCINNATI - A lease between the Cincinnati Bengals and Hamilton County that bans gambling operations along the city's central riverfront could be a problem for the mayor and others who want to bring riverboat gambling to the city.

Mayor Charlie Luken has been a strong proponent of casino gambling for Cincinnati as a way of helping revitalize the city's economy, but a stadium lease agreement negotiated in 1998 prohibits gambling in the central riverfront area that includes Paul Brown Stadium.

Luken has said that he is aware of the gambling clause in the lease, but thinks it's a problem that could be solved.

Tim Mara, an attorney who led the unsuccessful 1996 campaign opposing the sales tax increase to build the new Bengals and Reds stadiums, said the gambling provision again underscores how bad the lease deal is for county taxpay-

The team was declining comment, Bengals spokesman Jack Brennan said.

A legal fight is continuing over the Bengals' lease for the county-owned stadium. Hamilton County commissioners have filed a federal anti-trust lawsuit against the team and the National Football League.

The lawsuit alleges the NFL illegally used its influence to pressure cities into picking up the tab for expensive new stadiums. County officials are seeking \$200 million in punitive damages from the NFL, and want to triple that amount if antitrust allegations are upheld

True to form, Jeter told teammate Jorge Posada that he intends to play Friday night in the Subway Series against the Mets at Shea Stadium.

"That's the way Derek is, he has that intensity," Posada said.

Manny Ramirez homered twice, including a leadoff shot in the top of the 13th. But with two outs in the bottom half, Miguel Cairo hit a tying double and scored on pinch-hitter John Flaherty's single.

"I'm sure it's already an instant classic," Red Sox outfielder Johnny Damon said. "We still believe we're going to win the World Series. It's never going to be easy in Boston."

Jeter's catch on pinch-hitter Trot Nixon's popup with runners

on second and third stunned the 55,265 fans and also scared them. They gasped when the replay was shown of him flying over the photographers' well and into the seats.

Several Yankees waved to the dugout for help. Torre, a trainer and many players came rushing out of the dugout to Jeter's aid.

"When he went into the stands, you knew he's going to get hurt," Cairo said. "You just hope it's not bad."

separates Jeter from his peers, ranking right up there with his backhanded relay that saved the Yankees in Game 3 of the 2001 AL playoffs in Oakland. Yankees slugger Jason Giambi was on that A's team.

"I've been on the other side of the field. That's why he's Derek Jeter," Giambi said. "He's a winner and that's why you want him on your team."

In stark contrast, Red Sox star shortstop Nomar Garciaparra did not play. He's still coming back from an injured right Achilles' heel and got the day off to rest.

Garciaparra was in the clubhouse in the ninth, trying to stretch and loosen up.

"I just didn't get in," It was the type of play that Garciaparra said. "There was a time I might get a chance, but it didn't happen."

Said manager Francona: "He's tight back there. It was a tough day for

Martinez got the game off to

I was not surprised that

a hot start, hitting Gary Sheffield in the back with a pitch in the opening inning and riling up the crowd. Yankees rookie Brad Halsey matched Martinez into the middle innings, and then the real drama began.

The Yankees extended their AL East lead over Boston to 8 1/2 games. The Red Sox have lost eight of 11.

It was a game that had a little bit of everything - even Alex Rodriguez back at shortstop. In the 11th, he made a nifty stop at third that, for a moment, had the Yankees thinking they'd turned a bases-loaded triple play.

Rodriguez moved over from third base after Jeter was injured. Gary Sheffield shifted from right field to third base for the first time since 1993, and made a throwing error. Giambi pinch-hit in his first appearance in five games because of an intestinal

"It was just as exciting, if not more exciting, than Game 7" of last year's AL championship series, Boston reliever Alan Embree said.

Both teams blew basesloaded chances in extra innings before the Yankees wound up with their fifth straight win.

Tanyon Sturtze (3-0) got the victory, and Curtis Leskanic (0-4) took the loss.

Ramirez took over the AL home run lead with No. 22, a shot off Sturtze.

Tony Clark and Posada homered off Martinez to give the Yankees a 3-0 lead.

Notes: Boston SS Pokey Reese jackknifed into the stands for a catch. ... Former Yankees 2B Chuck Knoblauch was in the stands and got a big cheer when he was shown on the video

Coach K should remain at Duke

by ED TAYLOR SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

While Phil Jackson has gotten his release from coaching the Los Angles Lakers next season, the Duke Blue Devils could be in danger of losing head coach Mike Krzyzewski to the Lakers as a replacement for Jackson.

Reports are swirling that Coach K is in "serious talks" with the Lakers but there are those who doubt the change will ever take place. The heads at Duke University are doing all they can to persuade Krzyzewski finish his coaching career at Duke.

I would hope that Krzyzewski would take a look at the short term Rick Pitino had with the Boston Celtics. Pitino, who left the University of Kentucky for Boston, left the pro game and returned to college at the University of Louisville.

Krzyzweski has posted a 621-179 record in more than 20 seasons at Duke.

His Blue Devil teams won the national championship in 1991, 1992 and 2001.

I like the way Coach Krzyzweski handles the college game in not only teaching the

game of basketball but express- Indoor Football League. ing good character in his players as well. Coach K's departure would leave a big hole in the college game and I for one hope that he refuses the offer from

SURPRISED

■ I was not expecting former Kentucky basketball standouts Eric Daniels and Gerald Fitch to go in the first round of the NBA basketball draft but I thought surely they would have been tabbed in round two, especially

■ I was surprised that former Prestonsburg High School standout Jeremy Caudill was released by the Indianapolis Colts recently. But I was pleasantly surprised to hear that he hooked up with the Lexington Horsemen with the National

Nicholas Jamerson played well for the Kentucky football All-Stars against Tennessee. I tried to keep up with the game over the internet and have to admit that it was a bit difficult at first. Jamerson goes from good stock and will do well for the University of Kentucky. His grandfather, Wilburn "Shorty" Jamerson starred at UK during his days.

Floyd County should be proud of both Caudill and Jamerson and their accomplishments in high school. What a great example for other football hopefuls who dream of playing in the big game some day. Until Wednesday, good sports everyone and be good sports!

Six SEC players on Outland **Trophy Watch List** Outland Trophy is the third old-

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

DALLAS - The FWAA has announced the 2004 Outland Trophy Watch List for college football's top linemen.

ly is presented to the top interi- the turn of the century. or lineman in college football on either side of the ball - tackles, centers, guards - in a vote of the FWAA All-America Team Committee in late November.

Anthony Alabi

Matt Tarullo

Adam Terry

Joe Vaughn

Ray Willis

Eric Winston

Rodrigue Wright

Jeremy Trueblood

Jake VerStraete

Andrew Whitworth

All-America lineman at the

Last season's Outland Trophy winner, offensive tackle Robert Gallery of Iowa, was selected by the Oakland Raiders as the No. 2 pick of the NFL draft. Gallery was the Outland Trophy.

The 2004 Outland Trophy winner will be announced on Dec. 9 on the ESPN College Football Awards Show from Orlando, Fla. The Outland Trophy will be presented to the winner by the Omaha Sports Committee on Jan. 13 at a banquet in Omaha, Neb.

Below is the Outland Trophy Watch List, which includes the

Little League mourns the passing of John W. "Jack" Lundy League Baseball International

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. John W. "Jack" Lundy, the last surviving person involved in Little League Baseball since its founding in 1939, passed away last week at his home in Williamsport. He was 95.

"Mr. Lundy left a great legacy for Little Leaguers in the Williamsport area and around the world," said Stephen D. Keener, president and chief executive officer of Little League Baseball and Softball. "Nobody else in the world could say they gave more than six decades of service to Little League.'

Mr. Lundy retired in November 2000 from the Little League Baseball International Board of Directors, a position he held since 1981.

"It's been an honor for me to

be a part of the Little League International Board," Mr. Lundy said after his retirement. "But that doesn't mean the end of it. Even though I am retiring from the board, I will always support Little League."

As owner of Lundy Lumber (now Lundy Construction), Mr. Lundy sponsored one of the first three Little League teams in 1939. The family business has sponsored Little League teams in the Williamsport area for an unbroken and unmatched string of 65 years. He was honored for his service to Little League in 1989 by President George H.W. Bush at a White House ceremony commemorating the 50th anniversary of the founding of Little League.

"I know I am speaking for the entire board when I say that Jack Lundy will be missed," Dwight Raiford, chairman of the Little

Board of Directors, said. "We have always depended on his advice and counsel. Quite simply, there is nobody like John Lundy in the world. He is the only one who has been with Little League since the very beginning. He has always been there for the children of Little League, and we all owe him a debt we can never hope to repay. Little League has benefited immeasurably from its relationship with the Lundy family." John Lundy's relationship

with Little League began in the spring of 1939 when Little League's late founder, Carl E. Stotz, scoured the Williamsport area for team sponsors. But the Depression-era economy made it difficult for most businesses to commit to funding the fledgling organization. After securing the first two

sponsors (Lycoming Dairy and Jumbo Pretzel), Mr. Stotz asked his employer - John Lundy - for

"He didn't want to ask his employer - which was me," Mr. Lundy said in an interview in 2000. "Finally he ran out of steam, and economically he needed three sponsors. So he asked us and we went along with him. He needed money because he promised the kids that he would buy them uniforms like the big league play-

"I saw the first game ever it got very popular after that."

Little League Baseball and Softball is the world's largest organized youth sports program, with nearly 2.7 million children and more than 1 million volunteers in every U.S. state and

est award in college football behind the Heisman Trophy and Maxwell Award. It is named after the late John Outland, an The Outland Trophy annual- University of Pennsylvania at

Presented since 1946, the third Iowa player to win the of Florida State.

only returning 2003 FWAA All-America lineman, Alex Barron

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C.J. Brooks	OG	Maryland	6-6	
Elton Brown	OG	Virginia	6-6	
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Scott Mruczkowski	C	Bowling Green	6-4	
Michael Munoz	OT	Tennessee	6-6	
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Williams

tecting his boss.

Two years ago at the Skins Game, a photographer who was not credentialed took a picture while standing some 20 feet behind Woods as he played a bunker shot. It cost Woods the final skin, and Williams took the law — not to mention the lens into his own hands.

He took the man's camera and dropped it on a steep bank, allowing it to roll into a pond. Williams was fined by the PGA Tour, and Woods said he gladly paid the unspecified amount. Commissioner Tim Finchem

told reporters in Chicago earlier this week that the tour has upgraded its security, and he encouraged players and caddies to "use that route."

"Under certain circumstances, it's understandable that a player or caddie takes matter into his

own hands," Finchem said. "If there's 10 situations, they'll be handled 10 different ways. And some of those will be ways which the public or the media

propriate." Williams said the negative press doesn't bother him.

look at it and say, 'This is inap-

"Look, you're trying to do the best job you can for your player," he said. "Sometimes I might overreact. But all these people making comments, how about they spend a week with us?"

He heard some heckling during the pro-am round Wednesday at the Western Open.

'Some guy was taking a photo of Tiger and said, 'Hey, Steve, can I get your photo? Oh, I forgot, you don't like cameras. I should hide this," Williams said. "I actually thought that was quite

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played, when Lundy beat Lycoming Dairy (June 6, 1939). It wasn't a very big crowd because most people there were just families of the players. But

scores of other countries.



The Alice Lloyd College summer basketball camp for girls ran June 28-July 2. The camp included girls in grades 2-12. This year's camp was under the watchful eye of first-year head coach David

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"She was a terrific scorer and passer, and most importantly, she played in the national tournament so she knows how to win. Our young ladies have a terrific role model in Misty, and we're thrilled she has decided to rejoin us."

Since graduating from Pikeville, Prater has been active as an elementary school teacher and high school coach. She has taught first grade at Pikeville Elementary for three years. She was also an assistant coach at Pikeville High for three years years in girls' basketball and just completed her fifth season as a softball assistant at Pikeville.

As Misty Haynes, she had a dazzling high school career, first at Mullins and then at Pike County Central. She was named all-county by the Appalachian News-Express five times (three first-team nods, two second). She also made the All "A" Classic alltournament team in the 15th Region twice.

The 15th Region Player of the Year as a senior, she played in both the Kentucky/Ohio and Pike/Mingo all-star series, was a member of the Mid-East All-Star team and was the WYMT-TV Player of the Week four

Her numbers in high school are staggering - not including

Track

took third place in the 10,000meter run with a time of 31:36. Brenenstuhl had taken nearly a month to recover due to an injury prior to his competition at Nationals. When asked about how this affected him, Brenenstuhl said, "The race went out slow, which was exactly how I wanted it since I hadn't been training. Overall, I was very satisfied with my race."

Brenenstuhl also competed in the 5,000-meter run the next day and received 18th place with a time of 15:34. "Considering he missed a month of practice due to injury, it was a great feat to come back to be an All-American," Cumberland College Coach Floyd Stroud said.

Senior, Joe McDaniel, also of Brunswick, Ohio, had a 1500meter finish in 3:53 awarding him seventh place in the event.

Tackett, a sophomore, whose mother, Jan, is originally from Floyd County, competed in the triple jump. Tackett came up with an injury, a stress fracture, in his right leg before having to compete in the event at Nationals. His best jump was 13.45 meters, earning him 33rd place.

White Simpsonville, was the only scorer for the women's team when she threw 42.96 meters in the discuss. This earned her eighth place and made her the second female to ever score at the National meet for Cumberland.

Erin Clouse of Westerville, Ohio competed in the women's marathon. She ended the grueling 26.2 miles in a time of 3 hours, 27 minutes and 28 seconds. 'It was a difficult race; it took

a lot of mental toughness for me to get through a few parts of it," admitted Clouse. "I was really happy to see the finish."

Clouse's time earned her 14th place in the event. Being the first to compete in this event for

Cumberland, she now holds the school record. Clouse also received recognition for being a scholar athlete. To receive this, an athlete must have competed in Nationals and maintained a 3.5 grade-point average in acade-

Sisters Kelly and Shelly Schnee of Milan, Ohio went on to compete in the semi-finals of the 800-meter where Kelly ran 2:16 and Shelly ran 2:20. Each missed the finals by a narrow margin.

The women's 4 X 400M relay team came three places shy of competing in the final round

with a time of 3:55. It consisted of team members Kelly Schnee, Shelly Schnee, Sheri Reese of Knoxville, Tennessee, and Michelle Warnky of Westerville, Ohio.

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Coach Floyd Stroud received an award at the National Meet for receiving both men and women's coach of the year for his Region. He was the only coach to take both awards. When asked about his athlete's performance at Nationals he said, "We have had an excellent year, but things look even brighter for the future.'

Brandon Kinzer, Barry Wright have maiden voyage at Scenic Raceway

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ALLEN - The No. 18 Kinzer Drilling, Barry Wright Racecars, Ranger Contracting, Gaerte Engines, Eastco Supply Dodge Intrepid recently competed at Scenic Raceway, for a \$5,000 to win 50 lap main event.

The night started off with Kinzer setting eighth fast time out of the 26 cars on hand, starting his Barry Wright Dodge third in the third heat race.

Fighting a handling issue, Kinzer fought his Gaerte powered Dirtcar to a fifth place finish setting himself up for a midpack start in the 50 lap main

The Allen native started on the outside of the seventh row (14th). At the drop of the green flag Kinzer immediately started

advancing positions. Midway through the race, Brandon was up to the 9th position. Unfortunately, mechanical problems with the carburetor would sideline the rapid advancement of the Brandon Kinzer Motorsports entry, finishing

"If it wasn't for the problems with the carburetor, we would of had a decent finish." stated Kinzer. "Barry(Wright) is going to be a great teacher for me and my racing career." "Some of the best drivers on dirt have driven for him, this is going to be an

For more information on Brandon Kinzer and the entire Brandon Kinzer Motorsports Team, go online to www.brandonkinzer.com

The Lady Bears will begin their 2004-05 season on Nov. 2 when they travel to U.Va .-

her junior high seasons, during

which she was an all-county

performer, she scored 1,765

points and handed out 411

assists in her final four sea-

Misty recently married her

best friend, Brian Prater, a

local radio personality.

Maris

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year (after he hit 70)."

Former teammate Edmonds agreed. He suggests baseball went too far to even ban

"Everybody's trying to get bigger and stronger in whatever way they can do it, if they can get it over the counter, by all means," Edmonds said. "Are they going to close down GNC because they sell things that help your body get better?"

Edmonds misses the point. McGwire himself said he gave up the substance in 1999 because he didn't want kids using andro. And even though you could once walk into a nutrition store and buy the stuff, other sports had already realized its dangers.

McGwire won't be taken out of the record books because he used andro. Baseball actually owes him and Sammy Sosa a debt for their thrilling home run duel that drew attention back to the beleaguered game.

But if Roger Maris can get a mythical asterisk for playing a few more games than Babe Ruth, then maybe McGwire's substance-aided season should have one attached, too.

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Cumberland College hosts Baseball **Prospect Showcase**

TIMES STAFF REPORT

WILLIAMSBURG - The Cumberland College Patriot baseball program recently gave hopeful future college players a unique opportunity. Players were invited by an invitation only to showcase their skills in front of numerous coaches.

High school coaches all along the east coast notified Cumberland College Coach Brad Shelton if they believed they had someone worthy. Shelton then sent those players an invitation to come to Cumberland for one day and premier their talents to a wide audience of college coaches. This was an opportunity for an athlete to have the chance to meet and be exposed to colleges and universities that may not

know of them or vise versa.

"This gives me the chance to identify players that I would be interested in following up on for recruiting purposes," Shelton.

There were nine college and university coaches in attendance for the same purpose.

Over 60 players from Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia participated in the event. This has been a successful occasion for both athletes and schools and may become a Cumberland College tradition.

The Cumberland College baseball team and Shelton will have a youth camp for baseball in the near future, around the end of July. More information will be available when plans are finalized.

Floyd County NWTF holds annual Super Fund Banquet

The Floyd County Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation had its 3rd Annual Super Fund Membership Banquet May 21st at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center and it was a tremendous suc-

The National Wild Turkey Federation is a national, nonprofit, educational conservation organization comprised of state and local affiliates working for the restoration and wise management of the American Wild Turkey and other valuable natural resources. It supports scientific wildlife management on public, private, and corporate lands. It also supports traditional American sport hunting and every citizen's right to enjoy clean air and water and an esthetically pleasing outdoor environment.

We support Youth Programs such as: An annual scholarship award to an outstanding graduating seniors pursuing an education in conservation, 4-H programs, Archery in Schools Programs, an annual Jakes (juniors acquiring knowledge, ethics, and sportsmanship) Event for members 17 years of age and under. This year's event (free camping and food for Jakes and their sponsors) will be August 20th and 21st at the German Bridge Camp Ground. We support Disabled Programs and Women in the Outdoors Programs.

We would like to thank everyone that participated in our Super Fund Banquet and we hope you enjoyed the dinner and actives as much as the banquet committee.

We would like to thank these

sponsors and donors that make these events possible: 7th District Wildlife Commissioner - Doug Hensley, Anchor Paving Co. of Whitesburg - Jerry Barker and Dean Daugherty, Advance Auto Parts -Mike Hunter, ATV Direct/East Kentucky Tire, Blackburn Lawn Equipment - Gerald Blackburn, Bob Evans Restaurant, Danny Bragg, Citizens National Bank, Country at Heart, Kentucky Wholesale Tobacco Co. - Chuck Meade, Blaine Depoy, Joanie Davis, Kevin Davis, Dewey Lake Fish and Game Club, East Equipment Co. - Betty Summers, Treasures, Commonwealth Bank, Floyd Green Insurance Agency - Floyd Green, Food City - Luther Baldridge, Gearheart Communications - Paul D. Gearheart, , Jenny Wiley Florist, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, Jimmy D. Goble, Jones Pack & Associates - Jeff Jones, Paul Hagans, Hagans Hand Crafted Calls - Paul Hagans, Hall Funeral Home -Tom Hall, Rusty Hamilton, Mark Harless, Heart to Heart Floral and Gifts, Paul B. Horn, Jr., Hylton's Taxidermy - Leon Hylton, Kenny's Florist, Kentuckiana Election SVC -Joe R. Bolton, Lafferty's Garage -Johnny Lafferty, Layne's Ace Hardware - Rick Layne, MarkWest Hydrocarbon - Keith Hayes, Martin Diary Queen - Curt Stamper, Merion Bros. Monument Co. Inc. - Derwin Merion , Messer's Dept. Store -Denver Ousley, Kenny Mitchell, Monogramming and More - Lee Bogan, Mountin' Mark's Taxidermy -Mark Harless, Music Carter - Chris

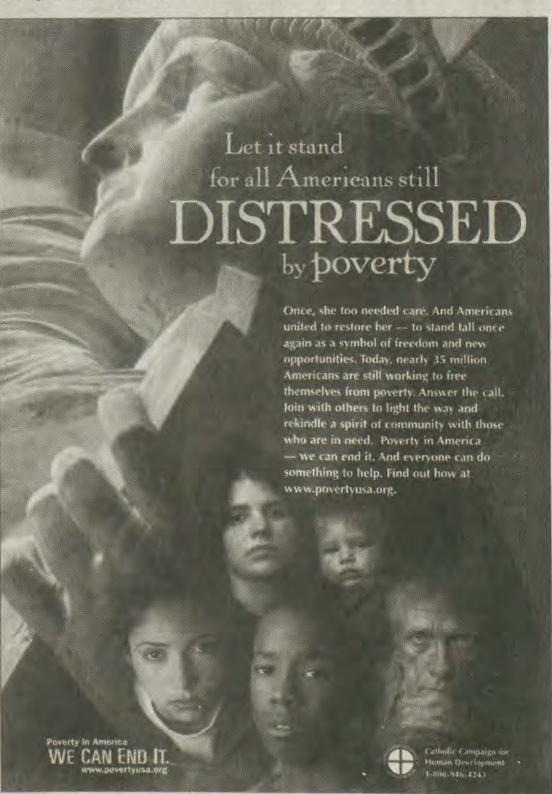
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We especially want to thank Mary Bennett and her staff at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park for the good food and accommodations at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center, Ron Vanover for his beautiful presentation of the Nation Anthem, Talmage Childers our Auctioneer, Blaine's Guns and Bows our firearms dealer, The Floyd County Times, WMDJ, and Q95 Radio for their media support. We also want to thank Martin Mayor Thomasine Robinson for a great place to meet al City Hall and State Wide Press for our special printing needs. Our Chapter meets the first

Thursday of every month at Martin City Hall at 7 pm. Everyone is wel-

Thank you for helping us achieve our goals,

Paul Hagans, President, Floyd County Chapter NWTF



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SPECIAL COLUMN

This Town, That World

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

Our Lost-and-Found
Department reports that the puppy
found a new home.

A LEGITIMATE GRIPE

They're telling the story, these days, of the Head Start youngster who was so distraught, he rolled on the floor, crying, refusing every overture of the teacher, knocking aside every offer of entertainment. Finally, when asked, between bawls, what his trouble was, he blurted out:

"That ole teacher, she won't let me go outside and play with my June bug!"

WAY BACK

They had kites back in Benjamin Franklin's day, and I am not as old as Ben, but in my childhood I never saw a kite. The nearest I ever came to flying one, was to tie a thread on a June bug's off hindleg and hang on, while the poor thing tried to take off thataway.

Two of three youngsters assigned by VISTA to this county, are speech pathologists. After a brief conversation with me, they decided maybe they had come to the right place.

(See WORLD, page seven)

Please, keep 'em coming!

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

MEET APPALACHIA



photo by Mary The Kentucky Chapter of Southern **Baptist** Convention packed it up and headed home Thursday, after a month of assistance In Floyd County.

Southern Baptist Convention, Volunteer Heroes

Southern Baptist Convention

Education: Varies
Occupation: Volunteer
Disaster Relief Specials.
Life quote: "Unless
someone like you cares a
awful lot, nothing is going
to get better. It's not"-Dr.
Seuss

About 'Meet Appalachia'

One thing I've learned about Eastern Kentucky is that we're not squeamish when faced with adversity. Over the past month, I've visited several area residents whose homes, hopes, and dreams were trampled in recent flooding. I've sat on their porches, walked through their mud soaked living rooms, and listened to them cry. So many have lost so much and they,re still struggling. Through all this, however, one thing remains remarkably clear. There are some outrageously wonderful people out there who actually do give a damn. This feature is dedicated to all of the volunteers and organizations who came, who cared, who worked. We can't recognize everyone by name, but we can extend our heartfelt thanks. God bless you and keep you moving.

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

She stands before a 12 foot pile of muddy garbage, garbage that used to be her home. In one night, she lost everything she gained in the last 29 years. Her car. Her bed. Her television set. A photo album of the trip she took to Florida on her 20th wedding anniversary. Everything is gone.

Her delicately manicured fingernails are now caked in mud. She's wearing boots instead of high heels. She feels like crying, but she can't. She won't. She feels like giving up, but she doesn't know how to give up. What else is there to do?

"Howdy, Mam," a scruffy voice

She turns around and there they are, 18 men and women, armed with hammers, saws, and smiles, 18 men and women who've come to rescue her.

Meet the Kentucky Division of the Southern Baptist Convention, a group of volunteers who've spent an entire month rebuilding homes and hopes in Floyd County. They came from every imaginable background, slept on cots at Clark Elementary School, and changed lives by reaching out to those in need.

In 31 days, Southern Baptist Convention members and their volunteers have completed 65 jobs in Floyd County. That's 65 families who are now a step closer to rebuilding their homes.

"We're just glad we could be here and help," said Bernard Randall, a Monoceli, Kentucky native who volunteers with the Southern Baptist Convention.

Like many SBC members, Bernard has been on the road since May 26. They began their disaster relief assistance in Trimble, Ohio, a town also devastated by flooding. From there, the men and women were called to assist with cleanup after a tornado peeled through Eminence, Kentucky. They got the call to come to Floyd County while they were still there dredging through the aftermath.

"The way I look at it, when disaster hits like this all over the county, it's a harvest for God and we're the harvesters," said Jerry Shinkle, 62, of Boone County. "When they call us to come and pack up our load, it's like God saying Come help my children, be they sinners, believers, regardless of who they are"

This year's flooding was Jerry's 32nd disaster. He's seen a lot of pain, and just as many blessings. The two most emotional disasters he's ever witnessed was a tornado that pillaged Oklahoma City in 1999 and 9-11.

"One subdivision had 500 homes and they were all gone," he said about Oklahoma City. "Twenty-nine people were killed. One family lost a baby, it pulled it right out of the mother's arms. They found it the next day in a tree, still alive, but he had mud caked on his eyes and mouth. Now that's a miracle of God. Everybody says if God is Mother Nature, why would he do this? God has a reason for everything."

Though such a long stay makes these workers "bone tired," they all agree that they leave more blessed than they were when they came. They consider each other as members of the same family, all pitching in to share what they know about life and God. It's the reason they, re so happy to be here.

During their stay, SBC members worked alongside at least 100 different volunteer groups from churches and civic organizations that visited the county. The

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MOVIES FROM THE BLACK LAGOON

KINGDOM OF • THE SPIDERS-1977, Rated PG

This summer no major studio has a spider invasion flick on-deck. To correct this oversight you should rent this low budget arachnid exercise which pits a small town in Arizona against some regular sized tarantulas. The town has a secret weapon though and that is ex-Star Trek Captain William Shatner as an affable veterinarian who is always ready for a tussle.

Things start out with Shatner investigating some mysterious cattle homicides. These



Tom Doty Staff Writer

a spider invasion.
Shatner is initially surprised to see that the sci-

entist is a woman but doesn't let that macho slip up stop him from pursuing her at warp speed. Together they discover some giant sand mounds which house the spider army. After burning those up they figure its time for a little canoodling but are interrupted when more mounds are discovered. This time they hire a crop duster to bomb the mound but the spiders stay several steps ahead of them(easy enough when you have eight legs) and send some stow aways aboard who turn the pilot into a kamikaze.

Things only get worse when the bug lady announces that the town is in the path of a mass migration of spiders and wouldn't you know itthis is the weekend of their town festival. The festival turns out to be a giant buffet for the bugs who go after the citizenry like they were two for a dollar.

Shather and his new lady pal decide to hoof it and barricade themselves in a hotel to make their last stand. Its a heck of a fight too but good old Captain Kirk is outmatched folks and the new Kingdom of the Spiders may just turn out to be the whole planet.

Director John"Bud"Cardos does a fine job of juggling the actors and the arachnids here. Shatner is a little over the top but that's just what you expect and it works here. Tiffany Bolling is okay as the scientist and got the job after a few years in the trenches making Nurse and Cheerleader movies for the drive-in crowd. The real stars here though are the spiders. They need a better agent though and get treated like a pimple on prom night. Look too carefully at any scene and you will see the little

(See LAGOON, page seven)

Chicken Soup for the Soul: Picasso by the sea.



Many years ago I was visiting my friends at the Dolphin Research Center in the Florida Keys. The director, Mandy Rodriguez, asked if I would like to paint with some of the dolphins. I, of course, wondered how this was going to work and made my way back to a lagoon where, to my surprise, a small group of bottlenose dolphins greeted me with excitement.

As I sat on the edge of the dock and readied a set of water-based acrylic paints, the dolphins became more excited. I, too, was intrigued about collaborating with these highly intelligent mammals. If any animal on earth besides humans could create a work of art, it would most certainly be dolphins.

I passed a paintbrush to a dolphin named Kibby, who took the handle in her mouth. Next, I held up a canvas, and she immediately began to paint with a Picasso flair, laying down each stroke with a twist of her head and, finally, a 360-degree spin. When she was done, she passed the brush back to me and watched as I painted my part.

Two very diverse marine artists, Kibby, the dolphin, and I, the human, shared a single canvas. But we discovered that we also shared something else — the spirit of joy. Together we had created something uniquely beautiful, a one-of-a-kind collaboration between artists of two different worlds. I told my friends on the dock later that it was just the salt that made my eyes water. But they knew how I felt about making such a wonderful connection with one of these beautiful creatures.

When the painting was finished,

Kibby smiled a big dolphin grin.

She nodded her head in approval of the completed work, then lifted her flukes above the surface and dived. A few seconds later she brought me the highest honor a dolphin can give, a gift from the sea — a rock!

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Happy Birthday,

World

THE DREAMER

Heard a right good talk, some nights back, on what church members do that hinders others. Among several items, the speaker listed the matter of some folks dropping off to sleep and sometimes upsetting the concentration of their next-elbow neighbors with their snores. Then, a few days later, this story was told

Deacon Brown was one of those who caught up on his sleep during the preacher's sermon, and he had an off-key snore that was plumb disconcertin'. Finally, the preacher had had it, and he bethought himself to pull the brother up short.

So, one Sunday morning, while the good deacon was sawing wood, the preacher stopped his sermon abruptly, and announced in a rather loud voice:

"Brother Brown will now

Brother Brown stirred, shook himself, flinched, then spoke up. "Me play? Why, I just dealt!"

THE RECIPE

At hand is a succinct account of how a certain man gave up smoking. Did it by coming home from the office, berating his wife, kicking the dog, and then picking a fight with his neighbor. Said he got such a kick out of those proceedings that he didn't miss the smokes. But he was somewhat shaken, later on, when the dog and his wife split a reeffer, trying to get up enough nerve to double-team on him.

ONE PRODUCT CAUGHT ON

Charles!

Charles Chaffins celebrated his 67th birthday on June 28, 2004, at **Prestonsburg Health** Care Center. Charles has been a part of the health center's family for 9 months. Charles has a lovely wife, Sadie, three children, and six grandchildren. He enjoyed a special birthday with his family and his friends at the center.

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Floyd County wants new industry. Good for Floyd County! But what does it do with the industry that it has?

remember Prestonsburg wanted a bottling plant. It had two, maybe three, and they went out of business for lack of local support. It wanted a bakery; it has a bakery now. Floyd County has at least two metal products plants, a concrete block plant, a sign company which employs from a dozen to twenty persons, an oil refinery. This is an incomplete list, but it will serve to show, and to give the rise to the question-How much local support do Floyd County's people give their home industries?

The only home-produced product we've ever known that caught on immediately with our people, and received patronage without question, is moonshine whiskey.

Lagoon

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critters getting crunched by shoes, boots and car tires.Granted it must have been tough to avoid them but nobody seems to even try.

This is only five bucks on DVD and its a bargain for all of its intentioned and accidental entertainment value. It also has a killer ending that was not unusual for 70's flicks in which nobody was ever safe. Best Line:"It's sad when a man's main interest in life moves up into his stomach."

Mitchell's art on display at MAC

local Floyd County artisan specializing in outdoor photography and natural wood framing, will be on display in the gallery of the Mountain Arts Center until July 31.

Mitchell's photos feature a warmer side to nature, playing host to raccoons, elk, humming birds, spiders and many beautiful views of mountains and lakes.

"I was born and raised in Eastern Kentucky, and worked 15 years as a mining electrician repairman until I was injured on the job," Mitchell said. "I began photography as a hobby because I enjoy the outdoors, nature and it was a form of mental therapy for

As a young boy, Mitchell and his brother spent many hours with their father rummaging through the hills hunting, fishing and camping. Like many Eastern Kentucky men, hunting is more than a sport for the Mitchells, but a part of their heritage and lifestyle.

Mitchell picked up his first

PRESTONSBURG - The camera at a local pawn shop works of Kenny Mitchell, a and began carrying it with him to document the beautiful things he saw, and he enjoyedsharing these visions with others. He proudly remarks that he takes more shots with his camera than with his hunting

Mitchell likes to use woods native to the area such as oak, walnut, and cherry to individually hand-frame his photographs. He also recycles aged wood from old buildings.

"Through much trial and error, I taught myself about photography and realized the pictures needed natural wood frames to further enhance the outdoor beauty of the photos," Mitchell said. "Each frame is unique because of the different types of wood. The frames are essential to seeing the true beauty of nature, and it accentuates the outdoor feel of the pictures."

Mitchell has been taking photographs for about five years. His works of art are on display around the area at such locations as the MAC, Prestonsburg Convention

Bureau and local businesses. He is willing to accommodate special requests for outdoor photography and/or wood framing.

Article from The Floyd Magazine, Floyd County County Chamber Commerce.



Original Photography, Kenny Mitchell.

Chinouncements



Jervis retires after 26 years of service

Tammy Jervis, of Prestonsburg, was recently honored with a celebration party held at the Floyd County Community Action Office, in Prestonsburg. The celebration was in in honor of her retirement, following 26 years of service to CAP participants and numerous public service agency committees and boards. "I have enjoyed all my years of service with the Big Sandy area CAP offices and have been very proud to be a part in making a difference in someone else's life," Jervis commented during the celebration event. Tammy and her husband, Lonzo, her son, Jacob, and family, friends and co-workers all enjoyed a pleasant afternoon of cake, refreshments and conversation, and Tammy received many beautiful and thoughtful gifts.

Weddings



Daniels-Trimble

Mr. and Mrs. James and Betty Daniels, of Mare Creek, are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter, Shella Daniels, to Justin Bobby Trimble, the son of Mr. James Trimble, of Ivel, and the late Evelyn Trimble. The couple wed in an open church ceremony that was held on Saturday, July 3, 2004, at the Free Pentecostal Church, in Dwale.

Heroes

latest group was a peck of youths and adults from the New Union Baptist Church in Logan County. This youth group, who brought their entire Sign Language Team, spent the majority of their summer vacation raising funds to visit Floyd County on a Vacation Bible School mission. Their plans were foiled by the Memorial Weekend flooding, and they almost didn't come. But when they heard of the devastation, they offered any support they could give, and that's just what they did.

Their group, ranging in age from 10 to 50-something, spent this past week working on two homes in Middlecreek and Abbott. Alongside the SBC workers, these volunteers removed carpet, flooring, sheet rock, furniture, and walls, a means of preparing flood-ravaged homes for reconstruction.

"God is the one that does it all. We're just vessels," said

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Tina Lynch, group leader.

Brenda McClelland, a Logan county dairy farmer, brought her daughters, Kelsie and Carrie

Kelsie, 12, is in charge of feeding the cows. Carrie, 16, milks them. Both girls are home schooled through the Logan County Home Educators group.

Brenda said she was hesitant about bringing kids on a work mission, but that changed when she saw how much they contributed to the job. Even the pastor's 11 year old son, Lucas Lloyd, was pitching in, busting walls alongside the SBC work-

"I'll be honest with you, when they told me we were coming here to work, I was not excited," said Michael Steward, 15. "But once I got here and started doing it, it really does feel good."

On Monday afternoon, their first day here, Michael said his hands never hurt so bad in all his

Sure, they were tired, but they all said it was worth it.

'I've never been so tired or so happy to be tired. It's a wonderful tired," said Andrea Moberely, secretary at Logan County High.

Brandi Neal, 16, knows just what Andrea is talking about. She is tired too, but is inspired when she sees the work accomplished for those hit by the flood. A few months ago, Brandi's room caught fire. She, too, lost everything. When her luck was at its worst, her friends and neighbors were volunteering for her. They took up money

at the school lunchroom registers and helped the family get back on its feet. She is forever

"It was bad, but at the same time, everybody took care of me. It showed that God was looking out for my family," she

This week, the group completed work at the homes of Carolyn and Jimmy Walker on Middlecreek and Lynette Fitzer. of Creekside.

Both families lost nearly everything in the flood, and both gained something more by the hands of these volunteers.

"On the second night after the flood, the Lord gave me scripture, the one about the seasons of time. The next morning, I realized that there is a time to build, a time to tear down, that every exit has a beginning. God closes one door and opens another," Carolyn Walker said as she stood, watching these volunteers remove debris from her home.

"I'm speechless because they have done so much," Lynette said. "It's unreal. It's absolutely touched me spiritually. I always thought I was religious, but I've taken a step closer than I've felt in years. To think that people would do this, give up their vacations to come here and work for nothing. It's unbelievable.

Their pastor, Michael Lloyd, describes the church as a close-

"Great Commission," he said

knit family. They do mission trips, he says, in order to spread They believe in fulfilling the

It's groups like these that help keep the SBC going strong during disasters.

"Without volunteers, we could not have orchestrated all that we've done," said SBC volunteer Harold Moore, 77.

Harold has been working with the SBC for 15 years and, as of last year, completed 74 disaster assistance calls to places all over the country. The volunteers who come here never ask for anything in return. Sometimes, they say, people try to pay them. They tell those individuals to send their donations to their state convention. All those who come are trained thoroughly. This is the fourth time they've been to Floyd County.

"As long as I'm able, I'll answer that call," he said. "The Lord's been good to me."

Harold says this work is a means of thanking God for the blessings in his life.

"Jesus keeps me going day by day and this gives me the opportunity to tell others about him," he said. "I'm not a rich person, but I wouldn't trade all the money in the world for the friends I've made in doing this. Whenever we have the opportunity to touch or help a person, we do it because of our love for the Lord....If somebody writes you a note or gives you a hug or tells you how much they appreciate what you've done. That's it. That's our pay."

He was crying when he said

The Southern Baptist headed Convention home Thursday.



Southern Baptist Convention workers - volunteer heroes.



Although the workers have called it a day for now in Floyd County, there's no doubt that they will be ready again to help whenever God calls.

photo by Mary Music

Amber Waves



MAMA'S BOYZ

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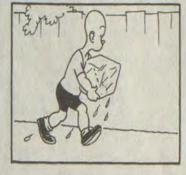
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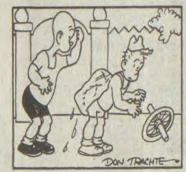












IRONIC HEADSTAND



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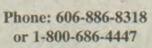
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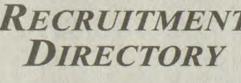
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