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briefs

Halloween in July?

by JOYAL FRAZIER
STAFF WRITER

LOUISA — If it's July, it must be time for ... trick or treat?

The Yatesville Lake State Park will be having "Halloween in July" at the campground on July 16, 17 and 18. There will be activities all weekend, including costume contests, a midnight movie marathon with family friendly films, a haunted house and a campsite decorating contest. The employees of the park will be dressed in costumes and invite everyone to come out and join the festivities.

"We got the idea from Christmas in July that a lot of people do, but we wanted something different," said park spokesman Mark Reeder.

For more information contact Yatesville Lake State Park at (606) 673-1490.

Correction

In the Friday, July 2, edition of The Times John D. Conley was mistakenly listed in "For the Record" as being charged with third-degree sexual abuse and terroristic threatening. Conley is actually charged with harassing communications.

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Martin redevelopment gets started

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

MARTIN — Redevelopment of the city of Martin officially kicked off Saturday with a groundbreaking ceremony on Fire Station Hill.

At least 100 residents, along with city, county and state officials, gathered in the hot sun to show their support for what Mayor Thomasine Robinson called "the most important day in the history of Martin."

Congressman Hal Rogers gave an energetic speech, detailing his efforts to prevent flooding in towns like Barboursville and

Cumberland — successes, he said, that have changed lives since he took office in 1981.

"Is it worth it? Yes!" Rogers said repeatedly, responding to a Lexington Herald-Leader article that frowned on the \$97 million project to rebuild a town assessed for only \$10 million. "What's it worth to live in peace and not worry about the creek flooding your home? ... I'll fight with the last breath I have, Herald-Leader be damned!" he said, telling those in attendance that they should essentially boycott the paper.

Rogers is responsible for gathering much of the funds needed for the project, a pro-

ject Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson said almost died two years ago because of funding, additionally appropriated by Attorney General Greg Stumbo, who was not in attendance.

Thompson, recalling a loss of \$200,000 in the 1977 flood, said such disasters are a "tough lick" for people to have to go through. State Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, whose wife owned a Martin business for 33 years, said, he, too, was all too familiar with the devastation of flooding. If he had one wish, Turner said it'd be to help Martin residents during the construction, which is

(See MARTIN, page three)



Local, state and federal officials gathered Saturday in Martin to give the Martin redevelopment project its ceremonial start. Over the next 8-to-10 years, the city will be raised 12-to-14 feet higher to get it out of the path of floodwaters.



Rescuers worked for at least 15 minutes to free Jeff Collins from his van following an accident Monday morning at Middle Creek.

Three injured in wreck

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

MIDDLE CREEK — The scene was chaotic after a wreck on Route 114 Monday afternoon wounded three and rerouted traffic for nearly an hour.

Rescue workers and police officers responded around noon on the stretch of highway near Cleo's Interior Designs, where a three-car collision halted traffic in both direc-

tions. The Floyd County Rescue Squad worked alongside firefighters and EMTs from Respond and Transtar Ambulance to free three drivers from their vehicles as the daughter of one of the victims stood watching, crying, on the sideline.

Kentucky State Police Trooper David Watkins, the investigating officer, said the accident probably occurred because one of the drivers was "not paying attention" to the

road. According to Watkins, Gerald Saylor, 51, of Mays Branch Road in Salyersville, had stopped in the westbound lane in an attempt to turn left at Cleo's Interior Design, when his Chevy Suburban was rear-ended by a white Chevy truck driven by Billy McCoy, 73, of Auxier.

The collision propelled Saylor's vehicle into the eastbound lane.

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Money sought for school of optometry

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — R.C. Perry, the attorney for the Big Sandy Regional Development Authority, is seeking backing for a \$6 million project to bring an optometry school to the area.

Perry, working in conjunction with Johnson County Judge-Executive Tucker Daniel, placed the idea on the table at a meeting Monday, where he

sought input from authority members.

Perry says the school, housing a 36-month optometry program, will considerably increase the area's economic and educational potential, but funding for the project just isn't available, authority spokesperson Stephanie Stumbo said.

"It comes down to where the funds are for the project," Stumbo said. "The potential is there for"

(See SCHOOL, page three)

Woman injured in July 1 wreck dies

by JOYAL FRAZIER
STAFF WRITER

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. — A Floyd County woman who was injured in an automobile accident two weeks ago has died from her injuries.

On July 1 a Chevy Blazer that was driven by

Willis E. Tackett, 23, of Hi Hat, ran off the road on Route 979, after Tackett lost control of the vehicle. The Blazer flipped and came to rest against a tree.

Two passengers were seriously injured after being ejected from the vehicle.

(See VICTIM, page three)

Teens approach city council seeking youth center support

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Local youth are taking matters in their own hands as they lobby for a hangout in Prestonsburg.

Teens swarmed Monday night's meeting of the Prestonsburg City Council to ask for a place to ride their skateboards and socialize. Their appearance comes two

weeks after a protest was held at the municipal parking lot on North Lake Drive. During the peaceful protest they collected signatures on a petition, which they brought with them to the meeting.

They also brought a lot of ideas.

The youngsters are seeking a youth center where they can go after school hours for organized activities.

The council reacted posi-

tively. Members appeared to see the need for a place where area youth can congregate safely. The issue of whether skateboarding can be allowed in the parking lot, however, seems to be a dead issue, with insurance issues outweighing all other arguments.

In response, the teens asked that rules be posted at the parking lot so that they know

(See TEENS, page three)



Area adolescents attended Monday night's meeting of the Prestonsburg City Council in their quest for a Youth Center.

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Odds & Ends

■ BEIJING —

Coming to a mobile phone near you: A novel. A Chinese author has written a novel meant to be read in 70-word chapters transmitted by mobile phone text message.

"Outside the Fortress Besieged," the story of an extramarital affair, consists of 60 such chapters totaling about 4,000 words, the Xinhua News Agency said.

"The plot develops just like that of an ordinary novel," author Qian Fuchang was quot-

ed as saying.

The potential market is huge: China has the world's biggest mobile phone market, with more than 300 million users.

They are avid buyers of services that send news, sports, horoscopes and other material by mobile phone message.

Qian's employer, the Guangdong Literature Academy in the southern Chinese province of Guangdong, is planning an auction to sell the novel to short message services.

"The novel, which contains all literary elements, will be a real literary work," said Xie Wangxin, the academy's vice chairman.

■ ST. PAUL — Erik Hobbie was amazed at his own stupidi-

ty.

The St. Paul native and ice fisherman had known for months how he would propose to his girlfriend. Over Thanksgiving weekend last year at his family's cabin near Ely in far northern Minnesota, he had his chance.

Hobbie woke up early that morning to drill holes in the ice on Burnside Lake and erect a tip-up — a spring-loaded device that indicates a fish has taken the bait.

On the end of the line he tied his grandmother's heirloom diamond ring.

Poorly, as it turned out. When he went to the hole with his girlfriend, Pamala Gahr, and they pulled up the line, the ring was gone.

"When he got to the end, he just looked at it in kind of horror," said Gahr. She didn't believe him until he produced the empty jewelry box.

"There was nothing we could do but laugh," Gahr said. "Then we just stood there staring at the hole for quite some time trying to figure out what to do."

Hobbie, 44, who works as a chemical engineer in Washington, D.C., popped the question on the spot anyway. Gahr, 37, a native of Champlin, said, "Yes."

■ COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — Fort Carson Staff Sgt. Rick Bousfield of the 3rd Brigade Combat Team had a mission: Saving Pvt. Hammer.

Pfc. Hammer is an Iraqi tabby cat the unit adopted after he was born last fall at a base in Balad, 50 miles north of Baghdad.

When Bousfield found out his unit was leaving Iraq in March, he decided he couldn't leave a member of his team behind.

"He has been through mortar attacks," said Bousfield, a

19-year Army veteran. "He'd jump and get scared like the rest of us. He is kind of like one of our own."

Pfc. Hammer got his name from the unit that adopted him, Team Hammer. Soldiers would tuck Hammer in their body armor during artillery attacks, and in return, Hammer chased mice in the mess hall.

"He was a stress therapist," Bousfield said. "The guys would come back in tired and stressed. Hammer would come back and bug the heck out of you. He wiped away some worries."

The kitten earned his rank after nabbing five mice.

When Bousfield learned his unit was going, he sent an e-mail to Alley Cat Allies, a national clearinghouse of information on stray cats, asking for help bringing Hammer along.

Alley Cat Allies raised \$2,500 for Hammer's shots, sterilization, paperwork and a plane ride to the United States.

Hammer left Iraq with his unit in March, then flew from Kuwait to San Francisco in cargo-class. He traveled first

class with an Alley Cat Allies volunteer to Denver. Bousfield met the kitten at the airport.

■ GREEN BAY, Wis. — Three times was the charm for police who apprehended a teen bicyclist after the third robbery in a week of the same gas station.

Police said Monday that the 18-year-old man was arrested in connection with the robberies at East Mason Shell. The final heist was Sunday night, and it followed robberies the previous Tuesday and again on Friday. The description of the robber in all three cases was similar.

After the first two robberies, Officer Dave Steffens stalked out the station area.

Once the call about the robbery came in, Steffens spotted a suspect pedaling a bicycle and took him into custody without incident.

Christopher R. Harris was charged Monday with three counts of armed robbery, carrying a possible sentence of up to 40 years in prison.

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Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, July 14, the 196th day of 2004. There are 170 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 14, 1789, during the French Revolution, citizens of Paris stormed the Bastille prison and released the seven prisoners inside.

On this date:

■ In 1798, Congress passed the Sedition Act, making it a federal crime to publish false, scandalous or malicious writing about the United States government.

■ In 1853, Commodore Matthew Perry relayed to Japanese officials a letter from former President Fillmore, requesting trade relations.

■ In 1881, outlaw William H. Bonney Jr., alias "Billy the Kid," was shot and killed by Sheriff Pat Garrett in Fort Sumner, N.M.

■ In 1904, 100 years ago, author Isaac Bashevis Singer was born in Radzymin, Poland.

■ In 1933, all German political parties, except the Nazi Party, were outlawed.

■ In 1958, the army of Iraq overthrew the monarchy.

■ In 1965, the American space probe Mariner Four flew by Mars, sending back photographs of the planet.

■ In 1965, U.S. Ambassador Adlai E. Stevenson Jr. died in London at age 65.

■ In 1966, eight student nurses were murdered by Richard Speck in a Chicago dormitory.

■ In 1976, Jimmy Carter won the Democratic presidential nomination at the party's convention in New York.

■ In 1978, Soviet dissident Natan Sharansky was convicted of treasonous espionage and anti-Soviet agitation, and sentenced to 13 years at hard labor. (Sharansky was released in 1986.)

Ten years ago:

A tidal wave of Hutu refugees from Rwanda's civil war flooded across the border into Zaire, swamping relief organizations.

Five years ago:

Iranian hard-liners answered a week of pro-democracy rallies with one of their own, sending 100,000 people into the streets of Tehran. Race-based school busing in Boston came to an end after 25 years. Major league umpires voted to resign Sept. 2 and not work the final month of the season (the strategy collapsed, with baseball owners accepting the resignations of 22 umpires).

One year ago:

Iraq's new governing council, in its first full day on the job, voted to send a delegation to the U.N. Security Council and assert its right to represent Baghdad on the world stage. President Bush, facing questions about his credibility, said the United States was working overtime to prove Saddam Hussein was developing weapons of mass destruction before the United States invaded Iraq.

(Eds: "taboo," lower case, is correct)

Today's Birthdays:

Actress Gloria Stuart is 94. Former President Gerald R. Ford is 91. Movie and stage director Ingmar Bergman is 86. Actor Dale Robertson is 81. Actor Harry Dean Stanton is 78. Actress Nancy Olson is 76. Actress Polly Bergen is 74.

Former football player Rosey Grier is 72. Country singer Del Reeves is 72. Actor Jerry Houser is 52. Actor-director Eric Laneville is 52. Actor Stan Shaw is 52. Movie producer Scott Rudin is 46. Country musician Ray Herndon (McBride and the Ride) is 44. Actor Jackie Earle Haley is 43. Actor Matthew Fox is 38. Rock musician Ellen Reid (Crash Test Dummies) is 38. Rock singer-musician Tonya Donnelly is 38. Actress Missy Gold is 34. Rhythm and blues singer Tameka Cottle (Xscape) is 29. Hip-hop musician taboo (Black Eyed Peas) is 29.

Thought for Today:

"Jealousy is no more than feeling alone among smiling enemies." — Elizabeth Bowen, Irish novelist (1899-1973).

New Jersey utility to pull out of Inez water plant

The Associated Press

INEZ — A New Jersey-based utility is abandoning a water plant in Martin County, citing a \$537,296 debt owed by the county's water district.

American Water Services Inc., a subsidiary of RWE in Germany, will sever all ties to the plant on Wednesday, project manager Dave Cooley said.

"It couldn't go on any longer," he said.

The 31-year-old rust-streaked water plant has been plagued with problems in recent years.

In April 2002, the plant stopped running, creating an emergency that sent state officials scrambling to find a backup source for the system's 3,400 customers.

The breakdown came shortly after a crackdown by both the Public Service Commission and the state Division of Water on the facility's operations and staffing problems.

Under fire from all sides, the water district board entered a five-year contract with American Water in October 2002 to operate the system. The deal called for American Water to receive monthly payments of \$70,833 plus reimbursements for repairs.

"The problem is, basically, that the district can't generate enough money," Cooley said. "Our company has made the financial decision that we just can't keep going on and not get paid."

The district still needs new meters and water loss from leaky lines is still high, he said.

"We spent a lot of money here, bringing it to where it

needed to be," Cooley said. "We're just now getting to the point where the folks have confidence to drink the water again."

Water board chairman Greg Scott said Cooley is the only American Water employee now at the plant. With Cooley gone, local plant workers will continue to improve water quality and the system, Scott said.

The district purchased new meters and will work closely with the state Division of Water and PSC, he said.

Division of Water official Sandy Gruzsky said the agency will meet Tuesday at the Inez plant to discuss any transition concerns.

PSC spokesman Andrew Melnykovich said his agency also is aware of the transition.

"Our settlement with the Martin County district is silent on whether they operate the plant or hire someone to operate it for them," he said. "The PSC's concern is that they meet the terms of the settlement, and that is what we will continue to monitor."

American Water vice president William Eisenstadt notified the Martin County board in a June 23 letter that it was cancelling its service agreement.

After months of failed negotiations, "It is now apparent the district has no intention of meeting its commitments," wrote Eisenstadt, who warned the company "shall vigorously pursue all monies owed to it by the district."

Board member Brian Cumbo, an Inez lawyer, answered in a

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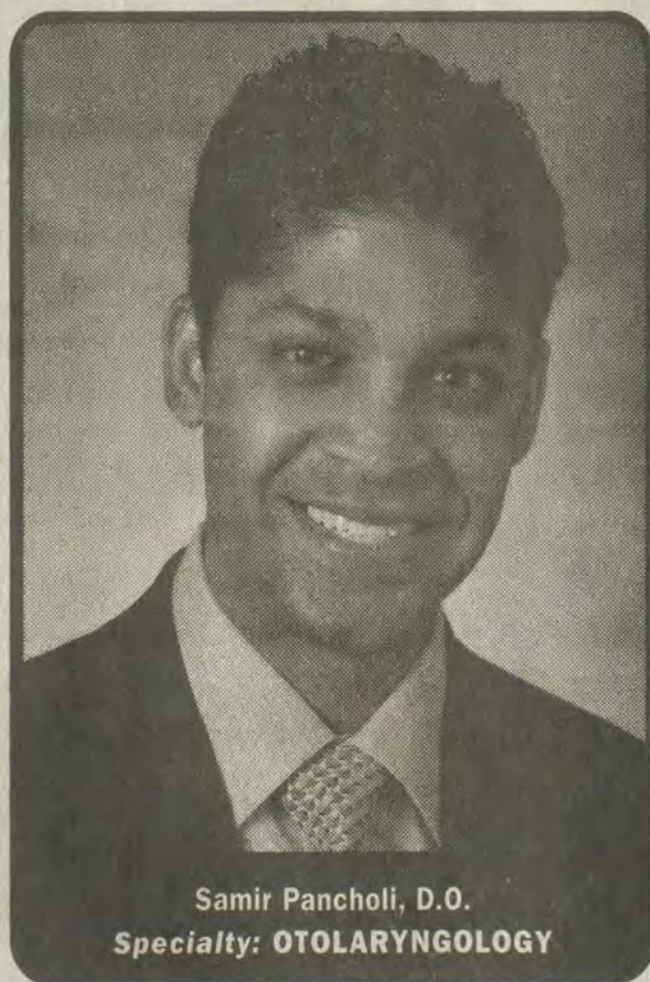
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School

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[Appalachian Regional Commission] funds, but \$6 million is way too much for Johnson County to have enough to match those funds."

If funding were approved and granted by surrounding counties, it would "wipe out" existing projects in these locations, she said, suggesting that Perry find ways to lower the cost of construction and operation.

With an expected enrollment of 300 students, Perry said the school's \$26,000 annual tuition would provide substantial funds for school operation, but funding is still needed for construction.

Big Sandy Area Development District Director Sandy Runyon suggested that Perry try to obtain private funding from corporate sponsors like Wal-Mart, or other organizations that house optometrists.

Obtaining private funds, however, is difficult without a formalized plan or foundation of support, he responded.

If the plan takes off, Perry said the school could be temporarily housed on the fifth floor of Highlands Regional Medical

Center or be constructed on some land owned by the hospital. Possible locations also exist, he said, at local colleges.

Before adjournment, Perry said he'd attempt to get four county judges to "agree to something."

During the meeting, the authority also:

- Updated members on the Honey Branch Industrial Park, where Schlumberger is relocating.

- Accepted financial reports.

- Voted to pay more than \$63,000 in overdue invoices to vendors. Stumbo reported that the authority couldn't pay these vendors prior to the Schlumberger contract. A \$10,000 payment went to Big Sandy ADD.

- Set up a new checking account to keep separate records of economic development funds.

- Voted to lease a season mowing contract to Craig Preece, who volunteered to mow the a partial tract at Honey Branch in return for the hay on the property.

Martin

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expected to last approximately 8-to-10 years.

Bill Neighbert, deputy commissioner of the Department for Local Government, who attended in place of Gov. Ernie Fletcher, said he spearheaded a flood prevention project in Williamsburg several years ago when he was mayor. The town hasn't flooded again, he said.

He and state Rep. Chuck Meade spoke about the economic potential the redevelopment will provide for Martin in the future.

The project, a four phase venture between the city, county, state and federal government, aims to raise the town, which has been flooded 36 times since reports began in 1862, approximately 12 to 14 feet above the floodplain. Dirt extracted from Fire Station Hill will be utilized in the process.

Upon completion, the new city of Martin will stand as the second Corps project to relocate an entire town, Corps Secretary John P. Woodley said.

Several residents of Martin have recently voiced their opinions for and against the project. Those in favor say it will benefit the "younger generation." Those who oppose do so citing historical significance of the homes and businesses there. Several have suggested that other options could have been used to alleviate the flooding problem, but those solutions were all reviewed previously, Rogers said, pointing out that this is the "only way."

"May Martin never flood again," he said as he and other officials tossed shovels full soil to officially begin the project.

Wreck

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where he crashed head on with an Aerostar van driven by Jeff Collins, 42, of State Road Fork.

All three vehicles were twisted in shambles, sprawled across the highway, as rescue workers and emergency medical technicians worked to recover the drivers. EMT Larry Adams held Collins' head and spoke to him as rescuers used the "Jaws of Life" to cut away the driver's side door of the vehicle.

His daughter, Shawnda, 16, emotionally shaken, cried as workers removed the windshield from her father's van.

Collins, who was trapped in his vehicle for approximately 15 minutes, was airlifted to Cabell Huntington Hospital in "stable but serious" condition.

McCoy was listed in fair condition at Highlands Regional Medical Center yesterday. Saylor was treated and released at the hospital.

"I tell the guys all the time, 'If you say that stuff like this doesn't bother you, then you're either lying or you need to get out of the business,'" said Assistant Chief Tim Johnson, after all three victims were removed from the scene.

The men were wearing seat belts, Watkins reported, noting that drugs or alcohol did not appear to be a contributing factor in the accident.

"These people are extremely lucky," he said, taking pictures of the wreckage.

Victim

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Terry Tackett and Dorothy Moore were both airlifted to Cabell Huntington Hospital.

Moore died July 9, due to injuries received in the accident.

Willis Tackett was allegedly driving under the influence of alcohol. He allegedly fled the scene and was later arrested at Our Lady of the Way Hospital in Martin.

A police report stated that there was a strong smell of alcohol about Willis Tackett and his eyes were glassy at the time of his arrest. Results of a blood test to determine Tackett's alcohol level are pending.

Willis Tackett is charged with a DUI, two counts of leaving the scene of an accident without rendering aid or assistance and two counts of first-degree assault.

The accident is still under investigation by accident reconstructionist Trooper Rick Conn.

Teens

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what they can and cannot do.

The group, calling itself "Youth of Prestonsburg," or Y.O.P., also brought a comprehensive outline of why they feel a center is needed and presented copies to the council. The plan details that a center would serve many functions as well as providing a play space. It could also be an important meeting ground for area youth and professionals who could be brought in to speak to the teens on issues such as drug awareness and teen pregnancy.

The youth showed initiative by introducing plans for a fundraiser that would begin generating the revenue for a Center.

C.E. "Shag" Branham steered the group towards Big Sandy Area Development District, which he said may be able to help plan the center and secure funding.

Hansel Cooley, the oldest member of the council, proved the most adept at bridging the generation gap and recognized the teens' efforts to keep the park tidy.

"I appreciate so much you going over there [to the park] and cleaning up the graffiti," Cooley told the group.

A little over a dozen youths attended the meeting and quietly waited in the hall for one hour until they had the floor.

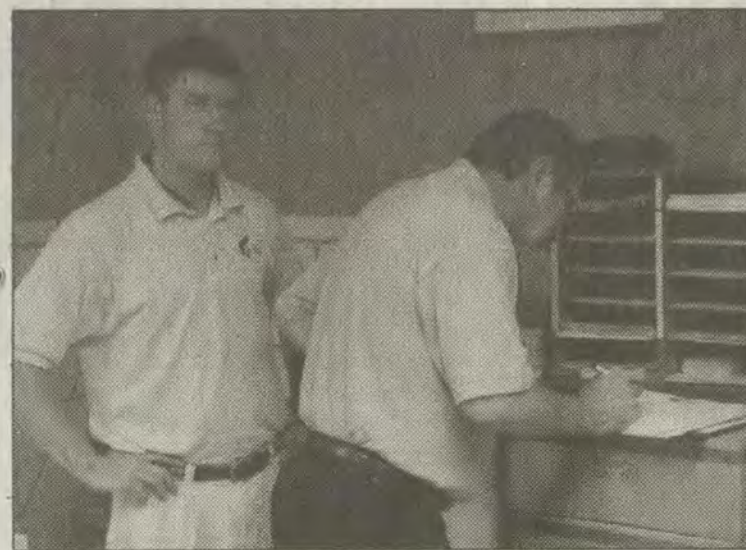


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Floyd County Sheriff John K. Blackburn, right, signed for a delivery of gun locks that were donated by Childsafe, while Childsafe representative Chris Sessions looks on.

Police arrest man for arson, threat

by JOYAL FRAZIER
STAFF WRITER

MARTIN — A Weeksbury man was arrested Monday and charged with third-degree arson and terroristic threatening.

Joshua Adkins, 22, allegedly attempted to set fire to a residence and all-terrain vehicle belonging to Red Salisbury and threatened Salisbury's neighbor. Adkins was taken into custody at Toler Creek in Martin and police suspected he was intoxicated.

Kentucky State Police has video statements from the vic-

tims stating what Adkins had tried to do.

According to the police report, Adkins gave several different dates of birth, phone numbers and addresses. The police were unsuccessful in contacting anyone at the phone number Adkins gave. They also found no form of identification on Adkins and are still not sure they have his correct name.

Adkins was arraigned Monday and is being held on a \$10,000 cash bond. He is scheduled for a preliminary hearing July 19 in front of Judge Eric Hall.

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—Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

Our View

Redevelopment good for county

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' ambitious plan to raise the city of Martin out of the floodplain once and for all has come under fire in recent weeks, from both within and without Floyd County.

Some folks in the city of Martin are understandably nervous about the project, which is now getting underway. We can understand that hesitancy from the people most directly impacted by this huge project, as homeowners and businesses alike will bear the brunt of the inconvenience and uncertainty that will come with tearing down and rebuilding an entire city. But we also believe that the prices paid now will be well worth the investment.

On the other hand, we cannot sympathetically disagree with the Lexington Herald-Leader's criticism of the project. We can only disagree.

The Herald-Leader, in a recent editorial, claims the project "smells like pork," and the paper has noted that the \$97 million pricetag for the project "could buy every man, woman and child in Martin a nice new house outside the floodplain." The paper has also spent great effort to highlight the fact that the entire town, according to property tax assessments, is only worth about \$10 million.

But the Herald-Leader's argument is, quite simply, ludicrous. To point to the sum of property tax assessments as the only way to measure the value of this project, or the city of Martin itself, is both shortsighted and silly.

True, correcting the problems posed by Mother Nature will cost a phenomenal amount. But how many times has Martin flooded over the years? How much has been spent to repair that damage? How many opportunities have been lost because of the city's unfortunate geography?

We think the answers to those questions more than justify the amount of money it will take to complete this project, and that is only scratching the surface.

Consider the fact that, despite the hardships imposed by Mother Nature, Martin has survived. That fact alone serves as testament to the strength of the community and reveals the Herald-Leader's notion of moving all of Martin's residents somewhere else as fallacy. A community cannot be saved by destroying it.

And as rich as the history of Martin is, its future once this project is complete is far more valuable. Floyd County's future growth depends largely on Martin. Prestonsburg has served as this county's commercial center for decades, but Floyd County's chances for prosperity depend largely on extending growth to other areas, and Martin is first on that list. Already the largest commercial center outside of Prestonsburg, Martin is in an ideal location to serve both Floyd Countians and others. Once flooding is no longer a concern in that community, we see no limits to the potential for growth and that will benefit all of Floyd County.

So when some question whether the redevelopment of Martin is worth the cost, we have only two words in response.

You betcha.

—The Floyd County Times



Guest Column

Legal Aid cut demonstrates governor's insensitivity to needs of the poor

by SEN. RAY S. JONES II

Gov. Ernie Fletcher projects a mild-mannered exterior, consistent with the so-called "compassionate conservative" image the Republican Party strives to project. But the governor's actions are cutting through any façade and revealing his insensitivity to the needs of the poorest Kentuckians.

Just six months into his term, a disturbing pattern is beginning to emerge, as the governor cuts programs that help the poor and supports policy changes that will prove costly if not disastrous to the state's most vulnerable citizens.

The pattern was visible again recently when the governor made a whopping 27 percent cut to Legal Aid, which represents the poor in civil cases. The cut was

part of the Governor's "Public Services Continuation Plan," a spending plan for state dollars that he alone is implementing.

The cut to Legal Aid came at a time when the agency had already been cut to the bone in previous budgets. Legal Aid had already stopped taking non-emergency cases because of chronic underfunding. Today, its cases represent real emergencies.

What kinds of emergencies? Many of the people Legal Aid serves are about to lose their housing, their children or their health care. Legal Aid fought for the people who were being kicked out of nursing homes in an effort to trim Medicaid spending. (The governor ultimately reversed these particular Medicaid cuts under heavy public pressure.)

Legal Aid clients are often the victims of domestic violence. Like one case involving a young woman from rural Kentucky who was raped by her stepfather at age 13. He was convicted; she was pregnant. When he got out of jail,

unbelievably, he sought custody of the child. She had nowhere to turn. Legal Aid represented her in court and stopped him.

The big holes the Governor is ripping in the Legal Aid safety net mean that the agency will be able to serve approximately 1,700 fewer families this year. Caseloads in Legal Aid already average 250 clients per attorney. Fletcher's is clearly cutting desperately needed services.

The governor's curious lack of concern for the impact of his cuts on the poor were reflected by the out-of-touch comments of his spokesman, who denied that Fletcher's cuts to Legal Aid would have a "devastating effect on the legal system in general." Nothing is farther from the truth.

The governor may need a civics lesson. One key cornerstone of our system of justice is that every man or woman can have his or her day in court, and in a

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Letters

Anti-Bush is not anti-American

I do not consider myself to be extremely political. However, the state of American politics has become very ugly.

As a liberal I did not support the war in Iraq, and I get very angry when people call me un-American or unpatriotic.

The talk radio clowns (Limbaugh) are always accusing the liberal Democrats of launching a hateful Bush-

bashing campaign. In fact, any criticism of Bush or his policies is seen by them as anti-American. To me, criticism is just good old-fashioned debate. It's the First Amendment at its best. Limbaugh seems to have forgotten his eight-year assault on Bill Clinton. There's real hypocrisy on the Republican side.

All this said, I was blown away when I stumbled upon a website while planning a vacation to Niagara Falls. The site, www.partofniagara.com was offering a gift for a \$30 donation. The gift was a French Flag complete with DEPORTATION documents to be given to any liberal by the conservative contributor!

This is what I consider extreme and Anti-American. Just because I do not support

Bush's policies, including the mess in Iraq, does not make me unpatriotic!

Ian Quartermann
Burnside

Cemetery should be kept up

On Fourth of July weekend, several members of my family went to Auxier to attend our family reunion. We came from Ohio, Indiana and Virginia. Some stayed at the Holiday Inn and Microtel, and some stayed with relatives in Auxier.

The motels were very nice.

We took in the show at the Mountain Arts Center and attended a show at Auxier the firemen put on. Both shows were great.

On Saturday, several members of the Setser family went to the cemetery on what used to be called the Auxier Road to put flowers on the graves of our family members that are deceased. I was appalled at the condition of that graveyard. We could not get to the graves for the weeds.

I know for a fact that the government is supposed to keep the graveyard up. My family does not believe it will bankrupt the government to hire someone to mow and keep that cemetery and road in good condition.

Mrs. Richard Silveus
Mentone, Ind.

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Health Extra

Guidelines urge drastic lowering of bad cholesterol for heart attack patients

by JAMIE STENGLE
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DALLAS — Health officials are issuing a stern message to people who have recently had a heart attack: Lower your "bad cholesterol" to rock-bottom levels.

"The concept here is that lower is better with respect to cholesterol," said Dr. Steven Nissen, cardiologist at the Cleveland Clinic, who is among those who have studied the issue. "It'll be hard to get there, but we do have aggressive drugs."

New guidelines issued Monday for very high-risk heart

patients call for lowering their so-called bad cholesterol, LDL, to 70. The previous guideline was 100.

Heart patients in need of drastic measures can use statin drugs — including Lipitor — in higher doses or combine statins, which block formation of cholesterol, with drugs that block cholesterol's uptake by the body.

The guidelines, in Monday's issue of the American Heart Association journal *Circulation*, are not a complete surprise. Recent studies have shown that lives can be saved by a drastic lowering of LDL in people who have had recent heart attacks.

Created by the National Cholesterol Education Program, the guidelines are endorsed by the American Heart Association, the American College of Cardiology and the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute. A panel of the education program examined five major studies involving cholesterol-lowering medicines.

"By doing this we expect further reduction of death from heart disease, as well as heart attacks, and the need for expensive re-vascularization procedures like bypass surgery and coronary angioplasty," said Dr. Sidney Smith, a co-author, former president of the American

Heart Association and professor of medicine at the University of North Carolina.

"I think that the majority of patients — based on the studies — should be able to achieve these goals," he said.

Every year, 1.2 million people in America have a new or repeat heart attack. Dr. Scott Grundy, lead author of the guidelines, said that as of 2001 there were about 36 million people who could benefit from drugs to lower their cholesterol. He said that it's hard to put a number on it, but the new guidelines could increase that number by "a few million."

The LDL guideline of 70 is for people who have just had a heart attack or those who already have cardiovascular disease plus diabetes, are persistent smokers and have high blood pressure, or other multiple risk factors.

Grundy, director of the Center for Human Nutrition at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, said that the updated recommendations call for drug therapy in almost all high-risk patients with levels of LDL higher than 100.

For moderately high-risk people — those who have multiple risk factors and are estimated to have a 10 percent to 20 percent chance of heart attack or cardiac death within 10 years — the new guidelines reinforce the need for treatment if LDL levels are 130 or higher and add an optional consideration of drug therapy if levels are between 100-129.

The guidelines have not changed for those in the lower to moderate risk categories. Grundy said those in the low risk category should be keeping their LDL level at 160 or lower and moderate risk patients should be keeping it at 130 or lower.

Medicaid program, nursing homes to get cash infusion

The Associated Press

LEXINGTON — Kentucky's Medicaid program and nursing homes treating Medicaid patients will share in a \$110 million infusion in federal money stemming from an increase in taxes on nursing homes.

About \$55 million will go to nursing homes that serve 15,575 Medicaid patients. Another \$55 million is expected to help ease the Medicaid program's budget shortfall this fiscal year.

Nursing home advocates hope the money will be used to improve care, such as increasing staff pay or hiring additional staff.

The effect the money will have on the quality of nursing home care is likely to vary, said Kathy Gannoe, executive director of the Nursing Home Ombudsman Agency of the Bluegrass.

"The nursing homes who are already doing a good job are likely to enhance the care they give," Gannoe said, but those that lag behind are less likely to make improvements. "The cynic in me doesn't expect to see a significant change."

Bernie Vonderheide of Lexington, an advocate for nursing home reform, said he was concerned about how the money will be used.

"They have a very, very poor

track record," he said. "They need to use the money to put more people on the floor."

The new funding is possible because the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services gave the state permission for a tax increase on nursing homes that was approved this year by the General Assembly.

Nursing home providers will pay an additional 4 percent of their non-Medicare gross receipts to the federal government, estimated at \$49 million.

The federal government, in turn, will give the state \$110 million, said Gil Lawson, spokesman for the Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

The federal government also returns the \$49 million, for a total of \$159 million.

The additional dollars will help balance the budget for the state's \$4 billion-a-year Medicaid program this fiscal year. But by 2006, officials have estimated, shortfalls could top \$300 million.

FEMA Helpline available for disaster questions

FRANKFORT — Disaster Recovery Centers will be closing in Eastern Kentucky this week, but answers to disaster questions and updates about your application are just a phone call away, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) officials point out.

FEMA's registration number, (800) 621-FEMA (3362), or (TTY) (800) 462-7585 for the speech- or hearing-impaired, provides a multilingual Helpline option to provide disaster-related information to callers. The

Helpline is currently open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (EDT or CDT), seven days a week, until further notice.

"Disasters are very disruptive events," said Michael Bolch, FEMA's federal coordinating officer for Kentucky recovery efforts. "People who registered for aid may move, have a new phone number or have questions about their application or available assistance. By staying in touch, they can know exactly where they are in the process. We are still available. Just pick up the phone and call us, at no charge," said Bolch.

Homeowners, renters and business owners who had uninsured structural or economic loss or damage from recent severe storms, and floods and who have not yet applied for aid are encouraged to call and register at the same phone number.

On March 1, 2003, FEMA became part of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. FEMA's continuing mission within the new department is to lead the effort to prepare the nation for all hazards and effectively manage federal response and recovery efforts following any national incident. FEMA also initiates proactive mitigation activities, trains first responders and manages the National Flood Insurance Program and the U.S. Fire Administration.

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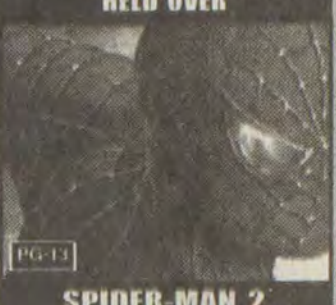

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Obituaries

Clara (Toots) Allen

Clara (Toots) Allen, age 86, of Prestonsburg, passed away, Saturday, July 10, 2004, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, following an extended illness.

She was born October 6, 1917, at West Prestonsburg, the daughter of the late Roland T. and Georgia (Allen) Allen. She was an L.P.N., and was employed at the Emerson North Hospital, at Cincinnati, Ohio.

She is survived by one sister, Ann Gibson of Prestonsburg; and three nephews, and three nieces.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, July 13, at 2 p.m., at the Burke Funeral Home Chapel at Prestonsburg, with Rev. Jay Tolbott officiating.

Burial was in the Gethsemane Gardens Cemetery, at Prestonsburg, under the direction of Burke Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Kathryn Osborne Hall

Kathryn Osborne Hall, age 79, of Martin, widow of John C. Hall, passed away, Thursday, July 8, 2004, at her residence.

She was born December 1, 1924, in Huntington, West Virginia, the daughter of the late Bert Osborne and Irene Chalmers Osborne. She was a former bookkeeper and co-owner of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Survivors include two sons: John C. Hall Jr., and his wife, Gloria, and Tommy Hall, and his wife, Burnetta, all of Martin; one daughter, Kimberly Ann Hall of Salt Lake City, Utah; one sister, Lois Drumm of Cincinnati, Ohio; two grandchildren: Kara Kathryn Hall, and Courtney Blair Hall.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; one brother, B. R. Osborne; one sister, Patsy Osborne; and one nephew, Robert Keith Osborne.

Funeral services for Kathryn Osborne Hall were conducted Sunday, July 11, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home, Martin, with Clergyman Roy Harlow officiating.

Entombment at the Highland Memorial Park, Staffordsville, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Pallbearers: Charles Luxmore, Brian Hunter, Jody Thompson, Derwin Merion, and John Patrick Samons. (Paid obituary)

Bobby Curnutte

Bobby Curnutte, 72, of Auxier, died Monday, June 28, 2004, at St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington.

Born October 3, 1931, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Ora Curnutte and Maude Watson Curnutte. He was a retired coal miner and a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War.

He is survived by his wife, Alice Wireman Curnutte.

Other survivors include one son, Bobby Curnutte Jr., of Morehead; two daughters: Amy Odenwald (Walter) of Lexington, and Cathy Curnutte of Martin; one brother, Jim Curnutte of Cow Creek; two sisters: Helen Music and Bobbie Wells, both of Auxier; and one granddaughter, Amelia Odenwald of Lexington.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers: Ora Curnutte Jr., and Billy Gene Curnutte.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, July 1, at Jones-Preston Funeral Chapel, Paintsville, with Rev. Garfield Potter, and Rev. Robert Wireman officiating.

Burial was in the Highland Memorial Park, at Staffordsville, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Michael Keith Hall

Michael Keith Hall, 44, of Banner, died Sunday, July 11, 2004, at the Pikeville Medical Center emergency room.

Born May 11, 1960, at Martin, he was the son of the late Ellis Green and Miles Parsons Hall. He is a disabled carman for CSX Railroad.

Survivors include a brother, Bryan Joe Hall of Banner; best friend, Floyd; aunts, Martha Wheeler of Missouri, Vernie Jane Hall and Reddy Hall, both of Banner; nieces, Margaret Newsome of Ligon, Michelle Hall of McDowell; and Melinda Jo Cusick of Pennsylvania; great nieces: Whitney Newsome of Ligon, Heather Hall and Alexis Hall, both of McDowell; and great-nephews, B.J. Newsome of Ligon, and Ethan Michael Cusick of Pennsylvania.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one infant brother.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, July 14, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Jim Smith and Woody Crum officiating.

Burial will be in the Green Hall Family Cemetery, at Banner, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

Active pallbearers: Bill Hall, Gary Hall, Hank Boyd, Steve Boyd, Jim Bailey, Jesse Booth, Dennis Hall and Randy Dotson. (Paid obituary)

Bud Calhoun

Bud Calhoun, 75, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, July 11, 2004, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

Born December 28, 1928, in Water Gap, the son of the late Dewey Calhoun Goodman and Nannie Wallen Calhoun Baldrige. He was a retired heavy equipment operator for Island Creek Coal Company; a member of U.M.W.A. Local Union 1827; a U.S. Army and Korean War veteran; a life member of D.A.V. Chapter 18, of Auxier; and a member of the Old Time Holiness Church at Arkansas Creek.

He was twice married, first to Elsie June Hamilton Calhoun, who preceded him in death, and afterward to Wanda Stewart Calhoun, who survives.

Other survivors include one daughter, Danielle B. Hughes of Tampa, Florida; a special brother, Taulbee Goodman of Prestonsburg; a brother, Luke Goodman of Michigan; one sister, Janie Goodman; four grandchildren: Mike Boggs, Chris Boggs, Shonda Wright, and Melissa Calhoun; seven great-grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews, cousins, brothers- and sisters-in-law.

In addition to his parents and first wife, he was preceded in death by one son, Larry Douglas Calhoun; and a sister, Rina Mae Wells.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, July 14, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Levi Meade and Tom Blackburn officiating. Military rites will be conducted by D.A.V. Chapter 18, of Auxier.

Burial will be in the Richmond Cemetery, at Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

Active pallbearers: Mike Boggs, Chris Boggs, Charlie Wright, Derek N. Blackburn, Ronnie Stewart, Randall Stewart, Greg Nelson, Rod Nelson, Sherif Wells, and Charles Wright, Jr.

Honorary pallbearers: John Wallen, Ezra Branham, Glenn Frazier, Gary Wright, Roger Nelson, Tom Blackburn, and Shag Branham. (Paid obituary)

Dorothy (Dotty) Bentley Moore

Dorothy (Dotty) Bentley Moore, 32, of Ligon, died Friday, July 9, 2004, at Cabell-Huntington Hospital in Huntington, West Virginia, as the result of an auto accident.

Born September 23, 1971, at McDowell, she was the daughter of Geraldine Wright Cook of Ligon, and the late Hatfield Bentley Jr. She was a homemaker.

In addition to her mother, she is survived by one daughter, Katherine Delana Moore of Ligon; four brothers: Curtis Dwayne Dye and Jackie Lee Bentley, both of Warsaw, Indiana, Bobby Darrell Dye and Harlas Ray Hall, both of Drift; her step-father, Danny Cook, and several aunts and uncles.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by one brother, Johnny Rann Dye.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, July 13, at 1 p.m., at the Drift Pentecostal Church at Drift, with Ted Shannon and Woodrow Dye officiating.

Burial was in the Drift Cemetery, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation was at the church. (Paid obituary)

Ernest Dale Chaffins

Ernest Dale Chaffins, 52, of Inez, died Thursday, July 8, 2004, at his residence.

Born December 13, 1951, in Floyd County, he was the son of Erma Oney Chaffins of Inez, and the late Cecil Chaffins. He was a disabled mechanic.

Survivors include one son, Danny Chaffins of Dayton, Ohio; one daughter, Karla Sensabaugh of Dayton, Ohio; brothers: Richard Chaffins of Louisville, Jay B. Chaffins and Charles Chaffins, both of Dayton, Ohio, Albert Chaffins, Steve Chaffins, and Dee Chaffins, all of Prestonsburg, and Wally Chaffins of Richmond; sisters: Barbara Hurd of Prestonsburg, Serena DeRossett of Versailles, Hazel (Girlye) Martin of Mansfield, Ohio, and Charlotte Kidwell of Nicholasville; and two grandchildren, Brooke and Trevor Sensabaugh; a loving companion, Loretta Osborne; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by one brother, Buster Chaffins.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, July 11, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Tom Nelson officiating.

Burial was in the Martin-Smith Cemetery, at Wayland, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Claude Ramey

Claude Ramey, age 44, of Hueysville, passed away, Wednesday, July 7, 2004, at King's Daughters Medical Center, Ashland.

He was born February 21, 1959, in McDowell, the son of the late Curtis Ramey and Laura Terry Ramey.

Survivors include his companion, Deborah Neeley of Hueysville; his ex-wife, Carol Ramey of Drift; three sons: Derek Ray Ramey of Hueysville, Jonathan Claude Ramey of Martin, and Adam Curtis Ramey of Garrett; two brothers: Bradford Ramey of Hueysville, Ray Ramey of Kendallville, Indiana; seven sisters: Edna Blevins of Auburn, Indiana, Evie Zolman of LaGrange, Indiana, Shirley Rose of Langley, Fay Howard of Garrett, Clausie Cox of Mousie, Brenda Patton of Hueysville, and Barbara Stanford of Kendallville, Indiana.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, July 10, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, with Clergyman Bethel Bolen officiating.

Burial was in the Handshoe Family Cemetery, at Hueysville, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Pallbearers: Johnnie R. Prater, Arnold Prater, Willie Prater, Bruce Prater, Olen "Hoss" Cornett, and Curtis Ramsey. (Paid obituary)

Minnie-Del Caudill

Minnie-Del Caudill, 74, of Hi Hat, died Sunday, July 11, 2004, at the residence of her son, Tivis Caudill, at Wheelwright.

Born February 26, 1930, in Pike County, she was the daughter of the late Toulby and Roxie Ann Johnson Tackett. She was a homemaker and a member of the Little Nancy Old Regular Baptist Church, at Hi Hat.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Tivis Newberry (Peat) Caudill Sr.

Survivors include four sons: Tivis (Faye) Caudill Jr., of Wheelwright, Jimmy Lee (Bernice) Caudill of Ligon, Johnny Darrell Caudill of McDowell, and Jeffery Wayne Caudill of Hi Hat; a brother, Elzie Tackett of Virgie; eight grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren; three step-grandchildren and, step-great-grandchild; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by four brothers: Irland Tackett, Delmer Tackett, Lee Tackett and Elmer Tackett; and four sisters: Draxie Tackett, Maxie Tackett, Delilah Hall and Flossie Johnson.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, July 14, at 11 a.m., at the Little Nancy Old Regular Baptist Church, at Hi Hat, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Boyd Cemetery, at Hi Hat, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation is at the church. (Paid obituary)

Frank Wallace

Frank Wallace, 68, of Prestonsburg, passed away, Saturday, July 10, 2004, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg, following an extended illness.

He was born July 8, 1936, at Garrett, the son of the late Orel Kenneth and Ruby (Campbell) Wallace. He was a self employed T.V. technician, and was the owner of Wallace T.V. Repair. He was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia (Burchett) Wallace.

Other survivors include two sons and their wives: Dr. Kenneth Franklin and Dr. Olivia Wallace, and Dr. Bryan Douglas and Meri Wallace; two brothers: Harry Wallace of Prestonsburg, and Pete Wallace of Hueysville; two sisters: Wanda Prater and Brenda Stephens, both of Kendallville, Indiana; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, July 13, at 11 a.m., at the Burke Funeral Home Chapel, at Prestonsburg, with Rev. Floyd Price officiating.

Burial was in the Campbell Family Cemetery, at Mousie, under the direction of Burke Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Jersey

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THE FAMILY OF TREVA CHRISTINE MARTIN

Card of Thanks

The family of Beatrice Newman Bryant would like to acknowledge with heartfelt appreciation, all those who helped in any way during the recent loss of our loved one. Thank you all so much for the food, flowers, prayers, and all the acts of kindness shown to our family. We especially want to thank the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, Little Nancy Regular Baptist Church, the Sheriff's Department for the assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for providing dignified and courteous service.

THE FAMILY OF BEATRICE NEWMAN BRYANT

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The family of Dorothy Turner Martin would like to express a sincere appreciation to all the relatives, friends, and neighbors who helped to comfort us during our time of grief. We would like to thank all those who sent food, flowers, and words of comfort expressed. A special thanks to Clergyman Ted Shannon for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service. Your love and support will never be forgotten, we greatly appreciate you all.

THE FAMILY OF DOROTHY TURNER MARTIN

Juanita Bailey Hall

There are many to thank for their prayers and words of comfort following her death on June 1, 2004, after a long battle with Alzheimers disease. She is finally at peace with God.

Our thanks to Dr. Rivera and clinic staff; the nurses as well as other employees of the McDowell ARH for their kindness and assistance during her illness.

A special appreciation for the services of ARH Home Health Agency and the Homecare Store for helping our caretakers—Irene, Roberta and Anne, provide care for her at home.

Thanks to the Perfect Setting and the Community of McDowell, Lawrence County Board of Education, Toyota and others, who provided food.

The service, with the assistance of the caring staff of Hall Brothers, was just the way she would have wanted, because it was presented by her family—the music by Beth, Mary Lynn and Ron; the Memories by Elaine; and Aaron, whose sermon so typically described the way our mother loved life and her family.

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Stumbo plans to skip convention to campaign for fellow Democrat

by **BRUCE SCHREINER**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Attorney General Greg Stumbo said Monday he plans to skip the Democratic National Convention to tend to political business in Kentucky.

Instead of going to Boston, Stumbo said he would campaign for Dorsey Ridley, a former Kentucky House colleague who is the Democratic nominee in a special election for a vacant state Senate seat in western Kentucky.

Ridley's opponent is a recent Republican convert, David Thomason, who also served in the House with Stumbo.

Gov. Ernie Fletcher called the special election for July 27, which coincides with the Democrats' convention in Boston, where delegates will

formally nominate the John Kerry-John Edwards ticket.

The winner of the special election succeeds Paul Herron, a Democrat who died in June midway through his third term. Republicans hope to add to their advantage in the Senate, where they hold 22 of the 38 seats.

Thomason, an attorney and lobbyist who once was speaker pro tem of the House, changed parties last month after consulting with prominent Republicans including Fletcher and U.S. Sen. Mitch McConnell.

Stumbo said he had been looking forward to being a delegate. He said he changed his mind when Ridley asked him to campaign with him in the days before the election.

"We'll do the Kerry-Edwards ticket more good by

winning that race down there than we would by being part of the crowd yelling for them in Boston," Stumbo said.

The district is made up of Henderson, Caldwell, Crittenden, Livingston, Union and Webster counties.

At one time, Stumbo and Thomason were roommates while serving in the House.

"I am surprised to hear that he is planning on spending so much time in the district based upon our long friendship, but I understand that he has further statewide aspirations," Thomason said of Stumbo.

State Democratic Chairman Bill Garmar said he wasn't aware of any other delegates planning to miss the convention because of the election.

"I think everybody is going to do everything they can before they leave" to boost

Ridley's campaign, he said.

Stumbo said a Democratic victory in the special election would build momentum for the rest of the campaign.

Echoing other Democratic leaders, Stumbo accused Fletcher of putting the special election "on a fast track." The governor announced the election less than a week after Herron's death.

Stumbo said the governor deliberately timed the election to coincide with the Democratic convention.

"It's obvious that the Republican Party has manipulated that Senate seat," Stumbo said. "We're going to go down there and whip them."

Fletcher spokesman Doug Hogan responded that the governor's office received requests

from people in the district for a quick election.

"We called the special election in a timely fashion,"

Hogan said. "And it's purely coincidental that it happens at the same time as the national convention."

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THE FAMILY OF
BUDDY BOY BURKE

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democracy that most emphatically includes the poor. Denying the poor access to the legal system — and that's what the governor is doing — will ultimately undermine it.

Candidate Fletcher promised the people of Kentucky that he could address the state's budget woes just by cutting waste, fraud and abuse and without raising taxes. In making this promise, he never mentioned hurting poor people. But in six short months Gov. Fletcher has:

- Proposed tax reform that experts say would increase taxes for many poor people.

- Failed to address the gaping \$1 billion hole in the Medicaid budget, meaning painful cuts are inevitable in health services for poor people.

- Cut funding for health departments, hurting poor women and young children.

- Cut higher education, most hurting poor people who can't possibly keep up with the rapid-

(See GUEST, page eight)

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Attorney general investigating PSC commissioners

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Kentucky Attorney General Greg Stumbo is looking at the personal financial information of top officials at the Public Service Commission as part of an investigation into rate increases the agency recently granted.

Stumbo's office has requested financial forms filed with the Executive Branch Ethics Commission for com-

mission Chairman Mark David Goss, Commissioner Ellen Williams, former commissioner Martin Huelsmann and various commission staff members.

In addition, 15 current and former commission employees were subpoenaed to give depositions. PSC spokesman Andrew Melnykovich said they included Goss, Williams, Huelsmann, Executive Director Beth O'Donnell and her predecessor, Tom Dorman.

The commissioners approved the rate increases June 30 for Kentucky's two largest utility companies. Huelsmann retired immediately afterward.

Vicki Glass, spokeswoman for the attorney general, said she could confirm an investigation but could not comment on any other details. The type of subpoena being used is a "civil investigative demand" for information, she said.

Stumbo said last week that

his office launched a probe into the rate hikes the PSC approved for LG&E Energy Corp., whose subsidiaries are Louisville Gas & Electric and Kentucky Utilities. The increases will bring in \$101.4 million in annual revenue for the utilities.

The PSC staff seemed mystified by the requests for financial forms, as well as for boxes of travel, phone and meeting records, Melnykovich said the com-

mission did not know what Stumbo was looking for and wasn't aware of what he had received from the ethics commission.

Gov. Ernie Fletcher's chief of staff, Daniel Groves, said the investigation "appears to be a fishing expedition by the attorney general. To my knowledge, there is no evidence of any inappropriate activity whatsoever."

The broad annual financial disclosure forms that are required of elected and appointed government officials list stock or bond holdings worth more than \$10,000, along with other business positions, jobs of spouses and properties owned.

Half of the 12 PSC officials the attorney general cited in his request have not filed disclosure forms because they have been in appointed positions for less than a year.

Of the other six, including former commissioner Huelsmann, none listed any ties to LG&E or KU.

It is against state law for a commissioner — but not for staff members — to hold stocks or bonds in utility companies that they regulate.

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Fletcher says he's going after 'advanced agriculture'

by CHARLES WOLFE
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Kentucky intends to recruit or help launch companies that can turn plants and other farm products into such things as pharmaceuticals, Gov. Ernie Fletcher said.

"I want to move into advanced agriculture," Fletcher said at a news conference Monday. "It's an area where I think we have a niche ... that's unlike any other in the world."

But first, Kentucky must retool a business recruitment system that was historically geared toward manufacturers and which put a premium on volume of jobs created, Fletcher and other officials said.

For "life science" or "bio-science" companies, tax breaks may be less meaningful than laboratory space or university research assistance, they said.

Such companies can generate and invest huge amounts of money with comparatively few employees. But they also may take years to hit their stride.

"There are benefits these life science companies can bring to the state other than just job creation," Alex Day, manager of Kentucky Natural Products Fund in Louisville, said in an interview.

Day is heading a newly created Governor's Life Sciences/Biosciences Consortium, a group of government, industry and education leaders whose job is to devise a strategy for attracting high-tech entrepreneurs.

Economic Development Secretary Gene Strong, a member of the consortium board, said the administration will initially target "seven or eight companies" identified by Fletcher and a Kentucky contingent at a biotechnology conference in San Francisco last month.

William Brundage, the administration's "new economy" point man, said life science — "using plants as a factory" — was identified years ago as an area ripe for growth.

Brundage said Kentucky had the potential to be a world leader

in production of pharmaceuticals from plants, drawing on years of tobacco research and development of artificial hearts.

"Kentucky now owns some valuable technology nobody else owns," Brundage said.

Among the best-known of Kentucky's biotech companies is Large Scale Biology Inc. of Owensboro, which makes customized proteins.

Another company, Apolimmune of Louisville, has been lining up backers for its production of "human therapeutics" — using tobacco plants to produce cancer-fighting proteins.

Guest

ly rising tuition.

Proposed several rounds of cuts to education. The cut he proposed and quickly withdrew (again under heavy public pressure) to the schools' Family Resource and Youth Service Centers is a case in point. His assault on the centers, which help poor students overcome barriers to educational success, earned him universal condemnation.

Even instituted a dress code at our state parks that resulted in the firing of single mothers earning near minimum wage.

Fletcher's willingness to make cuts that will hurt our most vulnerable citizens has not gone unnoticed. The House Democrats' budget proposal, which is supported by Senate Democrats, have offered protections against many of the cuts the governor wants, including those he has made to Legal Aid.

Also Monday, Brundage, who was recruited to Kentucky by then-Gov. Paul Patton to head a state Office for the New Economy, said he soon would be leaving his agency, which Fletcher has renamed the Department of Innovation and Commercialization for the Knowledge Based Economy.

Brundage said he was not retiring but was ready to "do something else." Fletcher said he hoped to persuade Brundage to remain in Kentucky.

Brundage headed technology development projects in Florida and Kansas prior to coming to Kentucky.

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Everyone in Frankfort is realizing — as is the public — that the governor cannot balance the budget by cutting only waste, fraud and abuse, as he promised. He cannot cram the square peg of Kentucky's growing needs into the round hole of structural state budget deficiencies without cutting services.

However, the public may not be aware that the governor is trying to balance the budget on the backs of those who can least afford it — and who can't fight back.

I call upon the governor to lead in the interest of all Kentuckians.

I call upon him to make an unfettered call to the Republican bosses of the state Senate to pass a bipartisan budget that will address Kentucky's needs and end the poison cynicism of partisan politics that has led to the current budget stalemate.

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photo by Tom Doty

The Village Plaza branch of Citizens National Bank was closed Monday afternoon after it was robbed by men who escaped in a stolen truck.

Police seek two men for bank robbery

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PAINTSVILLE — A daring daytime robbery Monday of the Citizens National Bank, at Village Plaza, led to a high-speed pursuit on Route 40.

The robbery occurred at approximately 9:45 a.m. An armed thief took off in waiting truck, which was stolen, and took off down Route 40 going east towards Martin County. A

customer at the bank followed the robbers at a safe distance and used a cell phone to contact 911 and alert authorities to the truck's location.

The chase saw a concerted effort by the Paintsville Police and Johnson County Sheriff's departments alongside state troopers. The car chase ended when the thieves lost control of their truck and hit a telephone pole near Greasy Creek. They then took off on foot.

"They may still be on foot up in the mountains," said

Paintsville Police Chief Larry VanHoose.

The suspects are said to be heavily armed and got away with an undisclosed amount of money.

Citizens National Bank released a brief press notice on the robbery that only confirms that there was a robbery and that it happened at approximately 9:45 a.m. A staff person at the bank's Broadway location also commented that no one was injured during the robbery.

Miners plan second protest to save benefits

The Associated Press

LEXINGTON — Members of the United Mine Workers are planning a second protest in hopes of securing benefits from bankrupt Horizon Natural Resources.

On June 30, about 600 miners from across central Appalachia rallied outside a bankruptcy hearing because of concerns a judge might throw out union contracts.

UMW President Cecil Roberts said U.S. Bankruptcy Judge William Howard should require that Horizon's labor contracts remain in force to protect health care and retirement benefits.

The second rally is scheduled for July 20, the day Howard could rule whether Ashland-based Horizon is responsible for the benefits.

The protesters are speaking out against what they call unfair bankruptcy laws that allow companies to shed medical costs and retiree benefits, so-called legacy costs that can make companies hard to sell.

At a June 30 hearing, attorneys for Horizon gave no indication that they would ask to have union contracts voided in the bankruptcy proceedings.

But Horizon employees have been told that their place of work might close and that they could lose their jobs, as is

required under the Workers Adjustment and Retraining Act of 1988.

Last month, Howard declared Newcoal LLC the preferred bidder for Horizon's properties. Horizon conducts mining at 16 surface and underground mines in Kentucky and West Virginia and four surface and underground mines in Illinois and Indiana.

But Newcoal, formed by New York billionaire Wilbur L. Ross and four other investors, doesn't want Horizon's six union operations, which also include mines in Kentucky and Illinois, Isner said.

"They (Horizon officials) are trying to sell those," said Matt Isner, a Horizon spokesman. "But every offer to buy them is on the condition that the union contract be rejected."

Bids on Horizon's assets are

due Tuesday, and the auction is scheduled for Aug. 17 in Lexington, according to Isner.

Roberts has said that the UMWA is prepared to take whatever legal action possible to stop Horizon from selling its properties without having to take care of its workers and retirees.

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Fletcher meets with House Democrats in discussion on budget

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Republican Gov. Ernie Fletcher and Democratic House leaders met at the governor's mansion on Saturday to begin negotiations on the state budget.

Fletcher and House Speaker Jody Richards said after the nearly three-hour meeting that they exchanged many ideas for compromises but made no agreements.

They intend to meet again in a few days but did not set a date. The meeting also included Republican leaders in the Democrat-controlled House. No senators attended.

"Any time you can understand each other's positions, I think there's progress made," said Richards, of Bowling Green.

The House and Senate have been deadlocked over a state budget since the 2004 General Assembly adjourned in April.

They were at odds over Fletcher's tax proposal. The Republican-controlled Senate has insisted that any budget include the governor's tax plan. Meanwhile, the House has wanted to deal with each issue separately.

Fletcher told The Courier-Journal, "I think it's a clearer path that we can see — that

there's a way of allowing people to get their opinions considered, to begin to, say, walk in the other person's shoes, if you will."

Saturday's meeting came after House leaders proposed an alternative budget and tax bill that does not include some of Fletcher's tax measures, such as a big increase in the cigarette tax and changes in taxes on telecommunications.

"It was a good discussion ... that I think helps us at least begin to move toward addressing the issues and concerns that both parties have," Fletcher said. "We're both going to go back and look at some things and discuss some things, try to come back together in a few days and see if we made any progress."

Richards called the meeting "very amicable."

The meeting was the longest Fletcher has had with a group of Democratic legislative leaders since February, when their talks about tax reform broke down.

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Woman accused of blocking roadway

by JOYAL FRAZIER
STAFF WRITER

DRY BRANCH — A criminal complaint was filed in district court Monday after a county road on Dry Branch was blocked.

Maggie Hamilton, 74, allegedly had her son intentionally block a county road by placing her vehicle in the path of Jim C. Hamer Company workers who have been logging on property past her home.

Hamilton has been charged with obstructing a highway or other public passage, a misdemeanor.

"She claims the road belongs to her, but it became a county road on June 29, 1966," said Anthony Raines, with Jim C. Hamer Company. "A car or pick up could get by, but there was no way a tractor-trailer could pass."

According to Raines, Hamilton wants payment for the company to use the road. She has been ordered to remove any and all vehicles or obstructions blocking the road.

"We just want her to leave us alone and let us do our job," Raines said.

Hamilton is scheduled to be in district court July 14 for arraignment.

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Wedding Anniversary
Mr. and Mrs. Homer Howell will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Friday, July 16, 2004, at their residence, at McDowell, Kentucky.
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985003	THE NOTEBOOK	985003	HELD OVER Mon.-Fri., 7:10, 9:30; Sat.-Sun. Matinee 4:30, 7:10, 9:30 Rated PG-13
985003	KING ARTHUR	985003	HELD OVER Mon.-Fri., 7:30; Sat.-Sun. Matinee 5:15, 7:30 Rated PG-13

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Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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

ZEBULON MASONIC LODGE SCHEDULES DEGREE WORK

Zebulon Lodge No. 273, F&AM, Prestonsburg, will confer the Entered Apprentice degree at a meeting to be held Saturday, July 17.

The meeting will begin with a dinner at 6 p.m., and the degree work will follow at 7 p.m.

All members of the fraternity are encouraged to attend.

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.

JONES/SHEPHERD/ OUSLEY REUNION

To be held July 31, at Shelter #1, Dewey Dam Recreation Area. For more information, contact Charlotte Goble, after 7 p.m., at 889-9344.

OPEN CASTING CALL - APPALSHOP

Appalshop, located at 91 Madison, Whitesburg, will hold an open casting call for their "RFK in EKY" production, on Friday, July 16, from 5-9 p.m., at the Appalshop offices. The production will recreate Robert F. Kennedy's 1968 visit to southeastern Kentucky. No prior acting experience is required and is not necessary to prepare an audition. Roles for a variety of ages available, including the role of Robert F. Kennedy. For more information, call Nell Fields at 606-633-0108.

1973 AND 1974 ACHS CLASS REUNION

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

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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!"

JUBILEE CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY CHURCH

July 18 - 11 a.m., guest speaker Skip Arp, operational director, Teen Challenge, of Louisville.

July 28-30 - Vacation Bible School, "God's Boot Camp - Paul's Call to the Battlefield." Ages 4-18, 6-9 p.m.

July 31 - Super Saturday Fun Fest. Cotton candy, sno cones, jumbo inflatable slide, moonwalk, games and more.

August 1 - VBS graduation, 11 a.m.
All are welcome to join!

HRMC JULY CALENDAR

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 A & B.

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.

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

UK DENTAL VAN AT FCHD
The UK Dental van is now at

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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.

BLHS CLASS OF '94

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

PHS CLASS OF '69

The Prestonsburg High School Class of 1969 will hold a

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

FREE BODY RECALL CLASSES

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

'EARN WHILE YOU LEARN'

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

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Council's discussion of flood impact quickly turns to school site

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The site of a new elementary school for the Prestonsburg area became the subject of much debate during a city council meeting Monday night when Assistant Fire Chief Bob Carpenter presented his update on the Memorial Day flood.

Carpenter reported that FEMA has agreed to reimburse the city \$320,000 for repairs, but that money will not be enough to do all that needs to be done.

Councilman Hansel Cooley pointed out that, "Creeks are already in danger of flooding again. There's a need here that needs to be addressed."

"We are exploring every resource available to lower waters in creeks," Carpenter said, adding that it is a complicated task to lower creeks and must involve the input of the Division of Water.

This topic quickly segued into a talk about the proposed site for new elementary school at Middle Creek which would require filling to keep the property above flood-

plain. Permission has already been granted by the state to do the fill but councilmen were reluctant to sign off on the plan and will be scheduling an open hearing so everyone with concerns about the project can voice them.

The council also heard from area baseball coordinators who would like to see a mountaintop ballfield at Stone Crest finished with the money FEMA has approved for fixing the field at Archer Park.

Mayor Jerry Fannin nixed that

plan, saying as much as he would like to see the new fields completed, "You've got to use FEMA money to fix fields where they are at."

"Recreation money is the hardest to get [from the state]," Fannin said.

Prestonsburg High School baseball coach Russell Shepherd was present and chimed in on the issue. He said would like to see Prestonsburg with a ballfield so it could host tournaments and bemoaned his small budget which brought a lot of sympathy from the

council. "It's sure not the New York Yankees," Shepherd said of the budget.

Fannin suggested that the coach and his teams, colleagues and fans should instigate a letter campaign to U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers, who might be moved by such an effort to make funding available for the mountaintop baseball field.

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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.

■ Overeater's Anonymous (O.A.) - Meets each Monday, at 3:30 p.m., at the St. Martha Catholic Church, Water Gap Road. For more info., call 886-2513.

■ Community Weight Loss Support Group - To meet Thursday's at 6:30 p.m., at the Martin Community Center, beginning Feb. 5. For more info., call 377-6658. Those who have had gastric bypass surgery most especially welcome to attend. Meetings being offered as support to anyone needing extra support in dealing with weight loss.

■ Domestic Violence Hotline - 24-hour Crisis Line manned by Certified Domestic Violence counselors. Call 886-6025, or 1-800-649-6605. Remember, "Love Doesn't Have to Hurt."

■ Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children - Free, confidential assistance for unplanned pregnancy concerns. Talk with someone who cares about you and your baby. Call 1-800-928-5242.

■ Disabled? - You may be

eligible for grant money to assist in your daily living. For an application or more information, call 886-4326.

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

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

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

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Please join us for Vacation Bible School. When: Sunday, July 18 thru Thursday, July 22, from 6 p.m. thru 8:30 p.m. Where: Allen First Baptist Church located on U.S. 23 at Watergap, ages 2 thru 8th grade. If you need transportation, call the church office at 878-1979.

NEW BEGINNING CHURCH TO HOLD MONTHLY SINGING

Monthly singing at New Beginning Outreach Church, Garrett, Ky. (across from Post Office), July 17, beginning at 7 p.m. Featured singers will be the Shop Fork House of Prayer Singers. Everyone welcome!

NEWBEE QUILT GROUP

Will conduct session on use of rotary cutter, July 29, from 6-8 p.m., at Co-Op Ext. Office. Learn to cut everything you need for a Log Cabin quilt using a rotary cutter. Bring with you: 2-4 dark fabrics, quarter yards or "fat quarters"; 2-4 light fabrics, quarter yards or "fat quarters"; small amount of contrasting color for center of block; rotary cutter; rotary ruler 12" or longer; rotary map; scissors; and hand-sewing supplies (needle, pins, grey thread, thimble).

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Must pre-register by calling Theresa Scott at 886-2668.

FARMER'S MARKET 2004

The Floyd County Farmer's Market 2004 Grower's Meeting will be held on July 19, at 7 p.m., at the Co-op Ext. Office. Sell dates and times will be discussed. For questions, call Ray Tackett, 886-2668. All growers who plan on selling produce at the 2004 market must attend this meeting.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

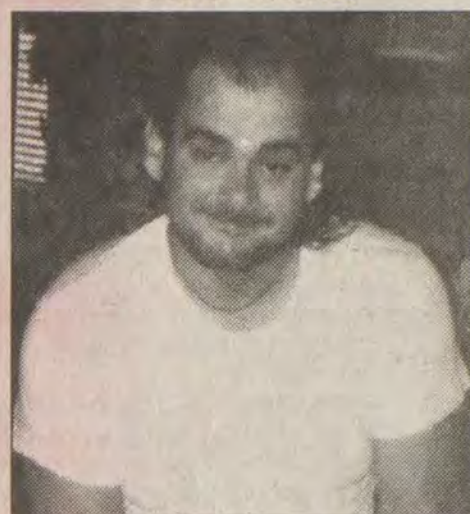
To be held July 19-23, from 6-8 p.m., at Faith Independent Free Will Baptist Church. Classes for all ages. For more info., call 358-9209; 358-9403; or 886-3180. All welcome to attend.

FCCD MEETING

The Floyd County Conservation District will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, July 27, at 10 a.m., at the District Office, near Brandykeg. Meeting is open to public, and all interested persons are encouraged to attend. For more information, call 889-9800, or email to: conserve@mikrotec.com

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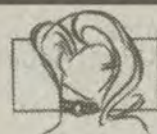


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and gave them the most heavenly hugs,
as I sit here in Heaven, listening to the beautiful streams.
Watching the little children play,
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My wish for my family is a little joy,
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Fletcher's lawyers say he can't be forced to convene legislature

by CHARLES WOLFE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — No judge can compel Gov. Ernie Fletcher to call the General Assembly into session to pass a budget, his attorneys argued

in court papers filed Tuesday. The very notion, advanced last week by three Kentucky House members who intervened in a lawsuit against Fletcher, "would flout the very separation of powers principles that (the legislators) pro-

posed to be protecting," Fletcher's attorneys say. A lawsuit challenging Fletcher's authority to run state government without a budget moves back into Franklin County Circuit Court on Wednesday. Attorney General Greg Stumbo filed the suit to contend that Fletcher could not use an executive "spending plan" to suspend statutes.

The citizen group Common Cause later joined the suit, as did three legislators — state Reps. Charles Geveden of Wickliffe, Jim Wayne of Louisville and Steve Nunn of Glasgow.

Common Cause claims the Kentucky Constitution forbids Fletcher to spend unappropriated state money. The three House members contend his spending plan, which took effect July 1, usurped a power the Constitution reserved to the legislative branch. They

asked Judge Roger Crittenden to order Fletcher to call a special legislative session.

The response filed Tuesday by Fletcher's attorneys — his general counsel, John Roach, and Louisville attorney Sheryl Snyder — said the Constitution also gives the governor exclusive authority to call the legislature into special session.

The interveners "are simply attempting to seize the spotlight," the Fletcher team said. Crittenden should decline to rule on it because any decision would provoke an immediate appeal, "which would only unnecessarily disrupt and prolong this litigation," the response said.

Another group, the Kentucky Association of State Employees, also wants into the suit in order to argue that state employees should be given a 5 percent raise under Fletcher's spending plan.

Crittenden had not ruled on that request Tuesday. He scheduled another hearing Wednesday.

The General Assembly failed to pass a budget before adjourning on April 13. The Senate, controlled by Fletcher's Republican allies, insisted on a budget that included numerous tax code changes sought by Fletcher. The Democrat-controlled House wanted to pass a budget now and delay tax action until January.

Kentucky began a new fiscal year July 1 without a budget. In its place, Fletcher issued a 90-day "public services continuation plan." Crittenden upheld Fletcher's use of the plan but said the administration was limited to spending on programs and services previously approved and funded by the General Assembly.

Fletcher's chief of staff,

Daniel Groves, said Tuesday that "the services of state government will continue uninterrupted." The first state paychecks of the fiscal year are to be issued Thursday.

Group asks state for paper ballot backups in November election

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — A group advocating fair elections asked Secretary of State Trey Grayson on Tuesday to pledge that the state's electronic voting machines would be backed up with paper ballots this November.

But Grayson said he didn't think any changes were on the way.

The group — representing various organizations including the Lexington-based Change for Kentucky, asked Grayson to sign a "Pledge of Ballot Security." It also presented Grayson with a petition containing more than 3,200 signatures.

"Having a voter-verified paper ballot allows voters to make sure that the person they came to the polls to vote for are the person that they voted for," Jeremy Horton, a spokesman for the group, said.

Currently, seven counties' voting systems are not fully electronic, Secretary of State spokesman Les Fugate said.

Along with the petition, the

group also gave Grayson a letter signed by Howard Dean urging Grayson for support.

"Today we call on you to require any electronic voting machine used in this election to produce a paper trail — one that allows voters to verify their choices and officials to conduct recounts," Dean wrote.

However, Grayson released a statement later that indicated there wouldn't be any changes coming.

"I have confidence in the voting systems in place in the Commonwealth," Grayson stated. "These systems have been in use for well over a decade without incident."

Similar requests were being made to election officials in 19 states Tuesday as part of the "Computer Ate My Vote" day of action campaign, Horton said.

Meanwhile, Grayson announced that Kentucky would be receiving a federal grant — worth more than \$169,000 — for making polling places accessible for people with disabilities.

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Blackcat Touchdown Club to meet

The Blackcat Touchdown Club will meet at Josh Francis Field Thursday at 6:30 p.m. The major points of discussion will include fence signs and this year's football program.

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Two Kentuckians to fish for \$500,000 top pro award

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Wal-Mart FLW Tour competitors from the United States, Japan, Australia and Italy were Birmingham Bound in 2004, with the popular tournament trail's \$1.5 million championship set for Birmingham's Logan Martin Lake Aug. 11-14. Pro anglers hit the water in six regular-season events in hopes of landing one of 48 coveted championship spots that would enable them to compete for the top award of \$500,000 — the sport's largest guaranteed cash award. Two Kentucky pros will be in the hunt for that career-changing top prize, and two championship co-anglers from Kentucky will also fish from the back of the boat for a top award of \$25,000.

Kentucky pros heading to Birmingham are Dan Morehead of Paducah and Randy Alexander of London. 2003 Land O'Lakes Angler of the Year Morehead will make yet another championship appearance thanks to a 21st-place ranking in 2004. Morehead has made six previous visits to the championship and has fished the FLW Tour since its inception in 1996. Morehead's season got off to a rocky start but he quickly made up some ground by posting four consecutive finishes inside the top 15, including a season-best eighth-place effort at the Forrest Wood Open on Lake Champlain. The veteran Evinrude pro also found success in the EverStart Series this season, earning the points title in the series' Central Division. His opening-round opponent, Yamaha pro Brent Chapman of Shawnee, Kan., scored his career-best year-end ranking in 2004 with a 28th-place finish in the standings. He will make his second championship appearance after five years on tour, and although short, his championship record is solid — he finished third in 2002. Chapman's best effort of the 2004 season was an 11th-place finish at the Wal-Mart Open on Beaver Lake.

Alexander, the No. 34 seed, put together his best FLW Tour season since he began the tour in 2001 and made his first championship this year. Alexander first made waves in the EverStart Series Eastern Division in 1999. He claimed two top-10s there in 2000 and made the EverStart Series Championship twice. He also fished in the BFL All-American in 2000. His challenger, No. 15 seed Charlie Ingram of Santa Fe, Tenn., qualified for the third FLW Tour Championship of his career this season by stringing together five consistent finishes in the

(See FISH, page two)

Webb coaches 15th, 16th region all-stars to win

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — In the boys' East Kentucky All-Star Game, Pikeville senior Jesse Parrish scored 20 points and led his team of All-Stars from the 15th and 16th regions to a 110-80 win over the All-Stars from

the 13th and 14th regions. For his efforts, Parrish was named the game's most valuable player.

South Floyd High School boys' basketball coach Henry Webb coached the triumphant boys' basketball team.

Greenup County standout Saiho Jassey, a foreign exchange student,

netted 21 points and pulled down 12 rebounds. Jassey was the slam dunk champion, while Greenup County teammate Zach Gillum, a point guard, took the three-point championship. Gillum, who at one time was a teammate of national sensation O.J. Mayo, scored eight points and dished out eight assists. Gillum

has already been a part of a State Tournament team, while a member of the Rose Hill boys' basketball team.

Also from the 16th Region, Davin Barnett pushed in eight points while Bryant Furman added

(See ALL-STARS, page two)



photos by Jamie Howell

Prestonsburg High School grad Jeremy Caudill (68), after four years of college football, is now a member of the Lexington Horsemen indoor professional football team. In a post-season win over Atlantic City Saturday night, Caudill had three tackles for loss and one sack.

CAUDILL, HORSEMEN GET PAST ATLANTIC CITY, ADVANCE IN PLAYOFFS

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON — History has been made within the Lexington Horsemen indoor football franchise. The Horsemen (11-4) recorded the first playoff win in team history on Saturday, defeating the visiting Atlantic City CardSharks 54-25 to advance to the NFL Atlantic Conference Semifinals. The Lexington defense snagged five interceptions in the game and held the CardSharks to just eight second-half points. Lexington put up 41 points in the second and third quarters to pull away. Prestonsburg High grad Jeremy Caudill was one of the top defenders for the Horsemen.

Caudill, who signed with the Horsemen less than a month ago, has

now played in two games.

Lexington quarterback Dusty Bonner completed 15 of 33 passes for 148 yards and five touchdowns on the day, with one interception. The former University of Kentucky and Valdosta State signal-caller had comfortable protection for most of the night.

Lexington wide receiver Chad Spencer led all receivers with 10 catches for 102 yards and three touchdowns. Running back Martez Johnson led all rushers with 30 yards on four carries. Johnson also pulled in a 33-yard touchdown reception and iced the game with a dazzling 41-yard kickoff return for a touchdown

(See HORSEMEN, page two)



Kinzer team claims Independent Shootout feature win

ALLEN — Racing on a hot Thursday night in July, 26-year-old Brandon Kinzer was all business. All business as in feature-win business.

Kinzer led only two laps of the Third Annual Independence Shootout, but he made the two laps he led count the most. They counted more than any other two circuits. The two laps Kinzer led just happened to be the race's final two go-arounds. The Third Annual Independence Shootout feature win, claimed Thursday night, was the biggest win of Kinzer's Late Model racing career.

Kinzer started the feature race on the Cherokee Speedway track, located in Gaffney,

S.C., fifth in the Barry Wright house car. He had worked his way up to fourth-place when the top three cars were eliminated. By racing hard and hanging near the front of the pack, Kinzer was able to guide his Gaerte Engines Dodge ride to the front of the field and on to the feature win.

Ricky Weeks passed Jimmy Owens for second-place on lap 37, but would need a caution to be able to battle Chris Madden for the top spot and the feature-race lead.

In a similar situation, the caution flag waved

(See KINZER, page two)



Prestonsburg High School graduate Nicholas Jamerson, pictured with KHSAA Commissioner Brigid DeVries, was selected to receive an award from the Jerry D. Claiborne Chapter of the National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame. Another local honoree was Pike County Central grad Scott Combs.

Fish

money. His best performance was 15th place at Old Hickory Lake, which helped him attain his best finish in the FLW Tour standings — also 15th place — since 1998, when he placed 11th. Having fished the tour since 1997, he has one prior top-10 finish, an eighth at Lake Toho in 1998.

Representing Kentucky in the Co-angler Division are Tee Watkins of East Point and Leon Williams of Fairdale. Watkins, an avid angler, fishes throughout Eastern Kentucky and has fished a great part of the United States.

The Wal-Mart FLW Tour Championship — dubbed the "Super Bowl of bass fishing" by Virginia Business Magazine following last year's event on the James River in Richmond, Va. — features a unique bracket-style format that pits pro anglers head-to-head based on their year-end ranking. Anglers are seeded according to their final position in the Land O'Lakes

Angler of the Year standings, with the No. 1 seed fishing against the No. 48 seed, the No. 2 seed fishing against the No. 47 seed, and so on for two days to determine the 24 anglers who will advance to the semifinal round. Weights are cleared for the semifinal round, and anglers continue in head-to-head competition for one day, with the 12 winners of each semifinal-round bracket advancing to the final round to compete for the \$500,000 top award. Anglers again start at zero the final day and compete against the rest of the final-round field to determine the 2004 FLW Tour champion.

Co-anglers compete for three days, with the top 24 from the two-day opening round advancing to day-three competition. Weights are cleared for the co-angler final round, with the winner determined by the heaviest one-day weight. Co-anglers compete against their entire

field each day.

In conjunction with the championship is a world-class boat and outdoor show featuring more than 140 exhibits and free daily giveaways, including hats and T-shirts, tackle kits, tackle boxes, and rods and reels, at the Birmingham-Jefferson Convention Complex. The outdoor show runs 2 to 8 p.m. Aug. 11 and 12, noon to 9 p.m. Aug. 13, and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Aug. 14. One lucky fan attending the final weigh-in Aug. 14 at 5 p.m. will win a NASCAR Limited Series Ranger 521 VX bass boat powered by a 225-horsepower Evinrude outboard courtesy of the Birmingham News and Birmingham Post-Herald.

Anglers will take off each morning at 7 a.m. from Pell City Lakeside Park, located at 2801 Stenley Bridge Road in Pell City, Ala., with daily weigh-ins beginning at 5 p.m. at the Birmingham-Jefferson Convention Complex.

All-Stars

14 points and eight rebounds for the winning team.

Also representing the 15th Region, South Floyd senior Burnett Little and Johnson Central senior Nick Music scored six points each. Shelby Valley participants Kelsey Friend and Seth Kiser flipped in four each.

In the win, East Ridge guard Aaron Branham added two points.

East Ridge head coach James Hurley organized the all-star tournament. Pikeville College sports information director and Times Columnist Rick Bentley assisted.

"We had two great basketball games," noted Hurley.

GIRLS

13th/14th 78, 15th/16th 77: In the end, the 13th/14th All-Stars held on to beat the 15th/16th All-Stars in the girls' game of the East Kentucky All-Star event. Barbourville High senior Monica Mills was named the game's most valuable player



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Kinzer

again with two laps to go in the race when it was a flat tire on Weeks' racecar, at the time the second-place ride.

Madden had to hold off the field for only two laps, but after the restart, couldn't make it through Turn 1. Owens, at the time in second-place, and Madden, made contact, sending Madden's car to the inside of the racetrack. Both drivers, following the mishap, were sent to the rear of the field. Instead of going to the rear of the field, with just two laps to go, both drivers chose to park their respective racecars.

The running order for the restart in the top-five was Kinzer, behind the wheel of the Barry Wright housecar, Mike

Duvall (2), Jeff Cooke (3), Petey Ivey (4) and Billy Hicks (5). Ivey spun from his fourth-place spot on the ensuing restart and lined up on the rear of the field on the next restart.

When the green flag waved, Cooke got around Duvall and into second-place, challenging Kinzer for the race. But the Allen driver wouldn't be denied the victory as he hung on to the race lead and went on to the feature win, claiming the \$5,000-top prize.

Following the race, an overjoyed Kinzer looked back at what was an interesting ending.

"It was a real good race," Kinzer admitted. "All of those guys we were racing against are real good drivers."

As for the ending, through a great racecar and a determined driving effort, Kinzer was at the right place at the right time.

"There at the end of the race, that was just awesome," Kinzer added.

As for the feature race results, Cooke settled for second. He was followed by Duvall, who finished third; Hicks, who finished fourth; and polesitter Jeremy Clements, who ended the race with a fifth-place finish.

Kinzer tied with Owens in the time trials with a fast time of 19.171. In the Dash race, Kinzer drew the sixth position and finished fifth. — Steve LeMaster



The Lexington defense stuffed Atlantic City's offense on more than occasion Saturday night.



Jeremy Caudill has settled into and adjusted well to the indoor football game.

Kentucky cornerback in hospital

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
PEWEE VALLEY — One Kentucky football player was released from the hospital Monday and another remained in jail after a fight in Oldham County that involved at least four other people, police said.

Kentucky cornerback Bo Smith was released from University of Kentucky Hospital in Lexington, athletic department spokesman Tony Neely said.

Smith, 21, was hit in the head with a baseball bat Saturday about 4 a.m. EDT, Oldham

County Police Detective Kevin Nuss said. Smith suffered a fractured skull and a broken orbital bone, Nuss said.

Michael Haire, 21, of Simpsonville was arrested Monday and charged with first-degree assault in connection with the fight, Nuss said.

Another Kentucky player, 19-year-old Ryan Schumm of Crestwood, was charged with first-degree assault after allegedly hitting Tyy Owens, 20, of Pewee Valley, in the head with his feet and hands. Owens' jaw was broken in two places, Nuss said.

The fight happened in the parking lot of a business in Pewee Valley after words were exchanged at a party in Crestwood, Nuss said. The party was not at Schumm's house and neither player was involved in the initial verbal altercation, he said.

Police are still investigating the fight.

Meanwhile, Kentucky coach Rich Brooks said he hoped that Smith would have a quick recovery.

"At this time, our first con-

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Horsemen

in the fourth quarter.

Defensively, defensive back William Mulder continued on an accelerated pace, picking off two CardShark passes and returning one 31 yards for a touchdown. Mulder now has nine interceptions and five interception returns for touchdowns in the last three contests. Nate Green, Shan Housekeeper and Champ Kelly also added interceptions in the game. Housekeeper led the Horsemen with 7.0 total tackles. Caudill, from his defensive line position, notched three tackles for loss and a sack.

The 11-3 Houma Bayou Bucks, 2004 Atlantic South division champions, finished their impressive campaign fifth in the league in scoring offense (52.9 ppg) and fourth in the league in scoring defense (37.4 ppg allowed). Their opportunistic defense also helped them

lead the league in turnover margin this season (plus-1.79 turnovers per game).

The Bucks offense is paced by quarterback Doug Coleman, wide receiver Kevin Heard, and running back Jarvis Dunn, all of whom were among the league's statistical leaders this season. Coleman was second in the league in passing yards per game (194.0), and sixth in both passer rating (104.1) and total offense (197.9 ypg). Heard was third in receiving yards (1,020), fourth in scoring (192 points) and eighth in receptions (70) on the year. Dunn finished seventh in rushing (561 yards).

Defensively, the Bucks are led by lineman Andre Reed, who finished ninth in the league in tackles for loss (14.0), and linebacker David Dorsey, who led the team in tackles with 62.0. Although Houma, with a higher seed in the playoffs, had

the right to host this week's game, the Bayou Bucks elected to let Lexington host the game in Rupp Arena for scheduling reasons. And the Horsemen didn't argue.

The Horsemen game against Houma will be broadcast live at 7:30 p.m. on WLAP 630-AM. Ryan Lemond and Jeff Gilstrap will have the call.

This week's NIFL playoff schedule follows.

- Atlantic Conference Semifinals (July 16-17): Houma (11-3) at Lexington (11-4) Fort Wayne (9-6) at Ohio Valley (11-3) Pacific Conference Semifinals (July 17): Omaha (10-5) at Billings (11-3) Utah (7-8) at Sioux Falls (11-3)

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McClure sweeps Late Model feature races at LPR

by ARON TURNER
COALFIELD PROGRESS

COEBURN, Va. — Eric McClure returned to his short track roots Saturday night and swept a pair of 50-lap Late Model features at Lonesome Pine Raceway. McClure was coming off an unsuccessful attempt to qualify for the July 3 Pepsi 400 NASCAR Nextel Cup at Daytona International Speedway and started from the pole in both feature races at the

.375-mile asphalt oval. He held off the charges of newcomer Matt McCall and Wayne Hale to win both races.

In other action, Brian Blevins continued his dominance in the Limited Sportsman class by starting from the pole and held off an early charge from Caleb Holman to lock up the victory.

Chris Tunnell, Joey Owens, Roger Neece and Paul Shull rounded out the top five in the Limited race.

Winners in other divisions

were Neece in Grand Stock, Kirby Gobble in Modified 4, Randall Davis in Pure Stock 4, Mark Dyer in Pro Challenge and Kevin Wood in Legend classes.

"It is great being back here with these guys," said McClure following his Late Model wins. "All these drivers are getting better and they will help you in the garage whether they like you or not and you do not get that in a Busch garage."

McCall, who usually races at Hickory (N.C.) Motor

Speedway and is second in the Atlantic Region in Dodge Weekly Series points behind Steve Blackburn, made his first trip to the track to try and narrow Blackburn's lead. McCall finished second in both races while Blackburn came away with two fourth-place finishes.

"This is a fun track," said McCall. "We tested here on Monday and I like this track for some reason."

Hale finished third in both races with Jeff Berry coming

home fifth twice.

McClure had to face his toughest competition in the second race of the night as Hale and McCall each took shots at the lead. McClure started from the pole, but Hale wasted little time at making a bid for the lead by sticking the nose of his machine under McClure's Chevrolet on the second lap.

McClure held onto the position as Hale slipped back into second. Behind the Hale-McClure battle, McCall and Blackburn were staging a fight of their own. McCall slipped under Blackburn coming off turn four.

McCall and Blackburn battled for the third spot until lap 19 when Blackburn, McCall and the lapped car of Will McKnight all went three wide into turn one with Blackburn in the middle of the sandwich. The formula proved costly for Blackburn as his car spun in the middle of one and two, forcing him to the back of the pack as McCall slipped into third.

The restart gave Hale another shot at the lead as he put the nose of his machine under McClure's car on lap 29. The two raced side by side for the next four laps until Hale's car got loose coming off turn four of lap 33. The problems were just beginning for Hale as he began

feeling ill inside the car and later relinquished second place to McCall.

"That was a pretty good car," said Hale. "That was my fault we did not finish higher than what we did. I got sick as a dog out there. I was feeling bad before I got in and it just got worse. I guess the car was better than I was."

McCall tested McClure a couple of times during the final five laps, but he could not make a pass for the lead.

"That was pretty awesome," said McClure. "I have not had back-to-back wins since my Pure Stock days."

McCall gave McClure bigger fits in the first race of the evening. He threatened to take the lead numerous times before settling for a second-place finish.

"This was a good race, but I wish Matt McCall would go home," said McClure with a laugh in victory lane. "He gave us all we could handle tonight. I am sweating more than I ever have in a car. I have to give credit to this Dixie Pottery crew. They did a great job tonight. We do not win 10 races here, but when we do it is fun."

McClure and the rest of the Late Model cars will be back in action Saturday with action starting at 7 p.m.

Hemphill wheels to second straight Kentucky Speedway win

TIMES STAFF REPORT

SPARTA — Timing was everything over the weekend for Ryan Hemphill at Kentucky Speedway in the rain-shortened ARCA RE/MAX Series Kentucky 150.

The 23-year-old driver, his No. 64 TRIMSPA Dodge crew chief Greg Tester, and his stepmother, also serving as his race spotter, combined to correctly time Hemphill's fuel mileage with the arrival of a passing summer rain shower to deliver his second consecutive series win at the track. He joins three-time Kentucky Speedway winner Frank Kimmel as the only series drivers to sweep two races at Kentucky Speedway in the same year.

The race was red flagged on Lap 67 of a scheduled 100 laps due to rain, sending Hemphill to Victory Lane. Hemphill said he was happy to earn the win after not being able to adjust his car set-up after qualifications were rained out yesterday following the morning

practice session.

Hemphill scores his fourth win, sixth top-five and seventh top-10 of the season through nine of a possible 12 starts this season. The Chip Ganassi Racing with Felix Sabates Driver Development Program member is scheduled to compete in the 10-race ARCA RE/MAX Superspeedway Challenge this season.

"It feels real good to be back in Victory Lane. It has been a rough past couple races," Hemphill said. "We destroyed a car in Michigan on a bad tire and ran out of gas at Pocono. We got to bring a brand new car to Kentucky. It had never seen the track this year and I think the new paint scheme from TRIMSPA must have been good luck."

"I was a little worried when I came back and found out that we couldn't adjust the car, but that's how good the car was. It won without any adjustments. That says a lot about my guys here and my crew chief."

"They gave me a great car this weekend. I didn't think that weather was going to be a

factor, but as we started, the skies got dark and then the rain came."

Hemphill started the race fourth and took a lead he would never relinquish when he powered his No. 64 TrimSpa Dodge to the high line to pass the No. 5 ditech.com Chevrolet of second-place starter Boston Reid. Later in the lap, he tracked down and passed pole-sitter Kimmel for the lead.

"My stepmother spotted for me before early in my career. Since my spotter was flying to China, she stepped in and did a great job. She thought I'd be able to pass the No. 5 car early on, I don't know if he was having tire problems. The No. 46 (Kimmel) looked like was a little loose when I passed him."

Hemphill will continue his rookie-of-the-year campaign at Gateway International Raceway on July 16.

"The number position in rookie points and the number one position in super speedway were my goals and we are doing good right now," he said. "The program is headed in the direction that we intended it. I am getting the experience and the year has been going great for myself and the whole team."

Kimmel, a three-time Kentucky Speedway winner, started his third consecutive Kentucky race from the pole and posted his sixth top-five in his past seven starts at the track. He closed the race in fifth to post his eighth top-five and 11th top-10 finish of the season through 12 starts.

He pitted under caution on Lap 34, restarted the race in 19th, moved through the pack steadily, but was unable to threaten Hemphill before the rain hit.

"All in all, we are happy with a top five, I guess," Kimmel said. "The car wasn't running real great, so I'm

unhappy with that. (After the pit stop), we had to get back in the pack and try to gain on them. I know that we had enough fuel to go all the way so it would have been cool to see the race go another 10 laps because I think a bunch of guys would have had to pit. That's how it goes. The rain helped us (with a win) last week but it just came a little too early this week."

by MURRAY EVANS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SPARTA — Bobby Hamilton became the first three-time winner this season on the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series circuit, rallying to win the rain-delayed Built Ford Tough 225 on Saturday night at Kentucky Speedway.

The 47-year-old Hamilton dominated most of the race, but still needed a dramatic rally on a restart following a caution with two laps to go. Hamilton dipped his Dodge inside of Jack Sprague's Chevrolet and held off Sprague to win by 0.179 seconds.

Sprague took the lead on a restart on lap 146 of the scheduled 150-lap race, but the race went back to caution on lap 149 when Rick Crawford's truck spun into the infield. Truck series rules dictate that a race must finish with two green-flag laps, so the field ran under caution for three laps before green-flag racing resumed.

"I was able to hang with him (on the restart), but he was so strong, it was unbelievable," Sprague said of Hamilton. "He was the class of the field."

NASCAR showing support for NASCAR Day

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

JOLIET, Ill. — NASCAR fans aren't the only people who know how to support a good cause. NASCAR sponsor Featherlite, Inc. last week announced it will participate in the inaugural NASCAR Day, a nationwide initiative to raise money for NASCAR-supported charities.

This year NASCAR Day will support Victory Junction Gang Camp. Featherlite, Inc., the Official Trailer of NASCAR, will match employee contributions to NASCAR Day dollar-for-dollar.

Additionally, Jeff Gordon, driver of the No. 24 Dupont Chevrolet, announced that employees of JG Motorsports and The Jeff Gordon Foundation, will also participate in NASCAR Day.

At Chicagoland Speedway, both Jeff Gordon and Tracey Clement, executive vice president of Featherlite, Inc., were presented with commemorative NASCAR Day lapel pins by Kyle Petty, founder of the Victory Junction Gang Camp, the non-profit organization created to provide memorable camping experiences at a race-

themed camp for chronically ill children.

"Featherlite, has been a strong and consistent supporter of NASCAR for over 12 years. We want to celebrate our involvement with a company-wide commitment to NASCAR Day and the hundreds of children served by Victory Junction," said Clement.

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"We are proud to have our loyal sponsor Featherlite on board for NASCAR Day. The company's support, along with the involvement of many of our NASCAR sponsors, is a testament to the community spirit in our industry," said George Pyne, Chief Operating Officer for NASCAR.

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Hamilton dominates, then rallies to win Built Ford Tough 225

"He deserved to win it more than I deserved to win it."

Hamilton lapped all but 16 of the 35 other drivers who started the race. Hamilton led for 133 of the race's 153 laps and moved up a spot to second in the series point standings, six points behind Dennis Setzer.

Hamilton led by as many as 8.4 seconds and, until Sprague passed him, wasn't seriously challenged after taking the lead from Carl Edwards on lap 14.

Hamilton won in 1:52.20, averaging 122.587 mph. David Starr, who also briefly passed Hamilton on the lap 146 restart, finished third, with Matt Crafton and Chad Chaffin (who survived an early spinout) rounding out the top five.

Hamilton's other wins this year came in the Easycare Vehicle Service 200 at Atlanta Motor Speedway on March 13 and the O'Reilly 200 at Memphis Motorsports Park on May 19.

The former driver on NASCAR's top circuit has seven career Craftsman Truck Series wins. His son, Bobby Hamilton Jr., won a Busch Series race at Kentucky Speedway last year.

The race started 55 minutes late because of rain that soaked the track less than three hours before the scheduled start time. The race's first 11 laps were run under caution, as the trucks helped dry the track.

Qualifying for the race on Friday was canceled by the rain, meaning the lineup was set based on the points standings. Setzer and Edwards started on the front row, with Hamilton on

the second row.

Earlier Saturday, Kentucky Speedway officials announced that Ford Racing has agreed to extend its title sponsorship of the track's annual Craftsman Truck Series race through 2007. Ford Racing, a division of Ford Motor Company, began its sponsorship of the race in 2003.

Ford Racing also sponsors the season-ending "Ford Championship Weekend" at Homestead-Miami Speedway, which is where NASCAR officially crowns champions in the Nextel Cup Series, the Busch Series and the Craftsman Truck Series.

South Floyd set to begin football practice

HI HAT — The South Floyd High School football team will begin practice Thursday at 5:30 p.m. Players interested in playing in the 2004 season should be at the football field.



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Tungate captures BoB feature win

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

BARDSTOWN — Tim Tungate of Campbellsville won his first career O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series presented by Arizona Sport Shirts event on Sunday afternoon at the Bluegrass Speedway as he captured the Sixth Annual Kentuckiana Klash for the biggest win of his racing career. The event was delayed one day because of rain on Saturday and then on Sunday was delayed twice by rain showers. The 39-year-old driver becomes the ninth different winner in 13 series events in 2004 as he piloted the Logan Parrott Guhan Mortgage, WBM Motorsports, Nuckul's Grocery,

The Children's Palace, Shelly's Hot Styles, MDW Transport, J&L Title, Hoosier Racing Tires, AMS Racing Engines, Rocket Chassis Monte Carlo to the win despite crashing into a stalled Dustin Neat just passed the flagstand at the finish. Kevin Claycomb of Vincennes, Ind., finished second in the Prestige Auto Service/MasterSbilt Monte Carlo with Scott James of Lawrenceburg, Ind., taking third in the Powell Motorsports/Rocket Grand Prix. Finishing in fourth in the 30-lap Lucas Oil A-Main was Johnny Wheeler of Campbellsville, in the Larry Yantz Racing/Clayton Homes/C.J. Rayburn Monte Carlo with fifth place going to Joey Daniel of Liberty, in the

Chubby Baird Gate Company/C.J. Rayburn Grand Prix. A total of 41 cars were on hand for the event that took two days to finish up because of rain.

Under the bright Kentucky sunshine Tungate and Dustin Neat would start from the front row of the Lucas Oil 30 lapper with Tungate grabbing the lead in turn two on the initial lap. Kevin Claycomb in one of his rare appearances of 2004 jumped into second with Scott James taking third. The race was going along smoothly until rookie Jordan Bland jumped the cushion in turn one and rode the wall for a while bringing out the first caution flag of the race after four laps were scored. Bland would go pitside with damage

taking him out of action in his first career BoB start.

When the race resumed it was Tungate on the point as he was in front building his lead over Claycomb and James who fought for second place. Johnny Wheeler was in third at this point with Dustin Neat running in fifth. Another caution for a spin on lap eight would slow Tungate momentarily. The race would see several green flag laps ensue with Tungate still in control of the race and Claycomb along with James trying to catch up to him. Tungate would start to encounter the back of the field just past the halfway mark and that would allow both Claycomb and James to close the margin.

Action on lap 22 would see the leader, Tungate get up close and personal with a car he was trying to lap bringing out another caution flag. Tungate would keep going with the lead he had built up now gone. But the caution allowed for a clear track for Tungate the 1998 and 1999 Bluegrass Speedway Late Model Track Champion who looked poised to pull off his first career Battle of the Bluegrass win. The pair of Hoosier drivers behind him however were not going to make it easy for him in the remaining seven caution free laps of the race. But Tungate's experience of running at Bardstown on a weekly basis would pay off as he would go on to claim the \$3000 first place money in a wild and dangerous finish. Dustin Neat had started to slow in the final few laps of the race and dropped to the near the back of the back as Dustin Neat took the white flag he got crossed up on the main straight just passed the flagstand. Tungate and everyone else were already headed off of turn four and to the finish line with the checkers waving. As Tungate was focused on getting the checkers first he would make heavy contact with stalled car of Neat's after winning the race. Both drivers were shaken up and checked out. Tungate emerged from his crumpled car waving to the crowd as he just won the biggest race of his career in spectacular fashion. Claycomb would come across the finish line in second followed by James, Wheeler and Joey Daniel.

After the race Tungate was still a little bit shaken by the wreck and his main concern first off was that Dustin Neat was OK.

"Man, I didn't even see him until it was too late, I was so focused on the checkers and I tried to dive to the inside at the last second and struck him, I hope Dustin's alright," said the winner. "I am so glad to finally win a Battle of the Bluegrass race, I want to thank Logan Parrott, Jeff Harrod, my girlfriend and a whole bunch of other people out there who helped make this happen." "The \$3000 we won will help pay to repair the damage to the race car at least I hope so," said Tungate who walked to victory lane to accept the trophy for the big win. Completing the top-10 were Tyrel Todd, John Gill, Steve Barnett, Brad Neat and Dennis Selby.

In preliminary events, East Kentucky driver David Powers was the Racing Optics Quick Timer at 15.754 seconds around the 1/2-mile high banked oval. The four Crown Spray Power Heat Race winners were Mike Jewell, Joey Daniel, Kevin Claycomb and Dustin Neat. The O'Reilly Auto Parts B-Mains went to Victor Lee and Dennis Selby.

The next O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass Series event will be this Saturday night, July 17 for the running of the 17th Annual "Butterball" Wooldridge Memorial event at the Richmond Raceway in Richmond, paying \$5,000 to win.

Things I would like to see for Reds in second half

by ED TAYLOR
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

Well, last night the summer All-Star Classic took place at Minute Maid Park in Houston, Texas and we have heard a lot about the classic event on almost all the sports shows. I enjoy the All-Star game even though there are some changes I would like to see take place.

However, I would like to look to the second half of the 2004 season, especially as we near the trading deadline where most teams will be sellers this year instead of buyers.

Dan O'Brien, General Manager of the Cincinnati Reds, has already indicated the Reds may not be too active in the trade market as the July 30 deadline approaches. Reds team captain, Barry Larkin, has voiced his opinion the other way saying the Reds owe it to the players to go out and make a deal that might help the Reds in their divisional race or at least the wild card race.

Most of us believe the Reds are out the running for a divisional title but could conceivably win the wild card bid. However, it will take two or three more bats in the line up to get even that done.

Well, as the second half of the season unfolds tomorrow night when the Cincinnati Reds host division leader St. Louis in a four-game series, it will be a do or die situation. Cincinnati already is trailing the leaders by eight and half games after being swept three games in St. Louis a week ago. If the Cardinals get a second sweep, then the Reds will not only be eliminated from contending for a divisional title but for the wild card as well.

If Cincinnati does not survive the four-game series (and they must win three of the four) then look for the Reds to be sellers instead of buyers before July 30. The Reds look to be in good position in possibly moving centerfielder Ken Griffey Jr. until an injury sidelined the All-Star against Milwaukee. Griffey was placed on the 15 day disabled list but from all reports the injury could be worse than first thought.

The same injury sustained by Griffey, is the same one that took him out of the 2001 season. There is the possibility that Griffey could miss the rest of the current season.

There are some things I would like to see the Reds do more of than they did the first

half of the season.

Take more chances on the base paths. Take the extra base when the outfield has to go wide to retrieve a base hit. The Reds seem timid on the bases.

Be more aggressive at the plate. I think they are trying to maintain their stats as the team with most walks. You are not going to hit the ball unless you swing at the better pitches. Adam Dunn is the culprit here. He lets the good pitches go by and swings at the ones in the dirt.

I would like to see Willy Mo Pena bat higher in the lineup. With Griffey out, move him to the three spot in front of Dunn. That way he would see more good pitches. In fact, I would like to see Pena become the regular rightfielder even when Kearns does come back. Kearns will not hit this year. He is not due back until August and he will be like spring training all over again for him.

I look for the Reds to shop some of their big name players and Kearns could very well be one of them. The Reds will try and move Paul Wilson as well as Cory Lidle as both are free agents next season. The future of

Barry Larkin is also up in the

air as the star shortstop says he has put retirement off for another year.

It will be interesting how the next two weeks unfolds for the Reds.

Again, much will depend on the Reds fair in the upcoming four game series with St. Louis. Until Friday, good sports everyone and be good sports

Weather permitting, HMS to resume racing

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ROYALTON — Just before all the cars completed hot lapping Saturday at Half Mountain Speedway, the rains came. Crews tried to run it back in but the rains kept coming and harder and the show was eventually called off.

Next weekend, the Magoffin County track will host a regular show in all divisions:

Super Late Models \$1,500 to win; \$100 to start, plus \$100 for fast time sponsored by Magoffin County Kentucky Farm Bureau.

Limited Late Models — \$800 to win; \$75 to start.

Modifieds — \$650 to win; \$50 to start.

Bombers — \$400 to win paying back eight places.

Four-Cylinders — \$200 to win paying back eight places.

Also, a bike race will be held

for kids ages 12 and under. Any child wanting to compete in the bike race needs to bring their own bike and helmet.

Heat race trophies will be awarded to all heat race winners and the bike race winners, thanks to LeMaster Towing of Salyersville.

Next weekend, HMS will also be giving away a bike, Kids 6 and under will receive a special ticket as they enter the track. Sometime around feature time, the winning ticket will be drawn. The bike is donated by Mayhubb Racing.

Also, HMS is giving away a storage building on July 31. The building is valued at over \$1000. Tickets can be purchased at the concession stands.

In addition, Half Mountain Speedway is also having a big turnout for its 50/50 drawings with over \$360 awarded to the fans

over the past two weeks of racing. With the other half of the money going to Magoffin County Dance Team, or some other local organization.

Admission for HMS is \$10 for grandstands with kids five and under free getting in free and kids 12 and under competing in the bike race free.

The cost of admission is \$20 for the pits with kids five and under getting in free and kids ages six to 12 competing in the bike race \$10 with nuke.

Also, all drivers and race fans that wer at HMS for the July 10 event need to be sure to bring their tickets back this weekend to be admitted free.

For more information on Half Mountain Speedway, go online to www.halfmountainspeedway.com

NBS crew chiefs fined for Daytona violations

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — NASCAR Busch Series crew chiefs Jay Guy, Scott Riefner, Kevin Payne, Julian Burgess and Larry Shore were issued fines for rules violations that occurred during the race weekend of the July 2 event at Daytona International Speedway, NASCAR officials announced today.

Guy, crew chief of the No. 14 Chevrolet for driver Casey Atwood, and Riefner, crew chief of the No. 12 Chevrolet for driver Tim Fedewa, were each fined \$2,500 for violating Section 12-4-A (Actions detrimental to stock car racing) and Section 12-4-Q (Any determination by NASCAR Officials that parts and/or equipment used in the Event do not conform to NASCAR

rules) of the NASCAR Busch Series Rule Book for unapproved rear spoilers.

Shore, crew chief of the No. 71 Chevrolet for driver Kevin Lepage, Payne, crew chief of the No. 68 Chevrolet for driver Rick Markle, and Burgess, crew chief of the No. 96 Chevrolet for driver Shane Hall, were each issued \$250 fines for violating Section 12-4-A (Actions detrimental to stock car racing) and Section 17.2-C (Seat belts — manufacturer's date expired) of the NASCAR Busch Series Rule Book.

All of the infractions were found by NASCAR officials during opening-day inspection.

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cern is for his health and his playing status will be determined at a future date," Brooks said.

Smith, a junior from Owensboro, has been projected to be a starter for the Wildcats in 2004. Smith started seven games last season and was sixth on the team in tackles with 57, but missed the last two games of the season and all of spring practice with what was originally

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Sean Casey and Ryan Freel return from the Cincinnati Reds' injured list on Thursday.

Pinch-hitter/backup outfielder John Vander Wal is finally available after missing the first half of the season because of an off-season knee injury he suffered at home. But outfielders Austin Kearns and Ken Griffey Jr. are out

with injuries.

It seems like a rerun of last year for the Reds, when injuries cut short the seasons of their opening-day outfield of Griffey, Kearns and Adam Dunn.

At the All-Star break this year, Cincinnati is 7 1/2 games behind NL Central leader St. Louis with a 47-41 record, better than many fans expected.

Shortstop Barry Larkin — on the disabled list three times last year — and first baseman Casey are having strong seasons in 2004. Starting pitcher Paul Wilson has a career-high nine wins and closer Danny Graves has 33 saves in 40 chances.

"Individually, we've done some great things," Larkin said. "Collectively, as a team, we've done all right. All in all, it's been a successful first half.

"We're better than what people expected us to be," Larkin said.

Casey is second in the National League in batting with a .352 average. His 15 home runs are third on the Reds behind Dunn's 25 and Griffey's 20.

Casey, Freel returning but Griffey is out

Griffey, goes into the All-Star break batting .270 with 10 homers and 28 RBIs in 159 at-bats.

Casey and Freel, a valuable utilityman, are expected back in action after the All-Star break, having recovered from injuries.

Vander Wal saw action briefly Sunday and could help the Reds off the bench as a pinch hitter, backup outfielder and first baseman in the second half.

But there are also problems. Griffey suffered a partial tear of his right hamstring Saturday and the Reds placed him on the 15-day disabled list Sunday.

A left hamstring injury plagued Griffey for all of 2001, and a right hamstring injury put him out for almost a month in 2002.

"I don't think it's as bad as the last time," said Dr. Timothy Kremchek, the Reds' medical director.

Griffey will miss the All-Star game, but will start rehabilitation as soon as possible. His condition will be reassessed in about 10 days, Kremchek said.

NASCAR

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NASCAR Day will take place on August 20. Supporters are asked to make a \$5 donation to Victory Junction, in exchange for the opportunity to wear NASCAR apparel to work on that day.

Additionally all participants will receive a commemorative lapel pin. NASCAR Day is open to sponsors, tracks, teams, and all NASCAR fans. Any corporation interested in implementing a company-wide NASCAR Day program can call 866-451-9910.

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For more information, please visit www.JeffGordonFoundation.org

Fourteen homers — 14 players, 8,083 homers and Tejada as HR Derby champ

by RONALD BLUM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — Miguel Tejada didn't seem to fit in. Hank Aaron, Barry Bonds, Willie Mays — and him?

"Shivers," he recalled. "Just being so close to those guys, it's unbelievable."

Bonds hit the early drives — after a humorous call for the usual intentional walk — and Tejada then flashed even more power than the slugger who usually gets the attention.

The Baltimore shortstop hit a

record 15 home runs in the second round, topping out at 497 feet and putting several over the 58-foot wall behind the left field seats, toward Crawford Street. He went on to defeat hometown favorite Lance Berkman 5-4 in the final with five of 10 outs to spare.

"Oh my gosh, I'm winning the Home Run Derby," Tejada thought to himself. "I usually watch it from my house, usually watch it on TV."

Five of Berkman's 10 homers in the second round were dramatic shots out of the ballpark,

including a 493-foot drive.

"After I hit three in a row out of the stadium, I thought that was really neat. The fans were going crazy," Berkman said. "I got in a nice groove. The second round was quite an experience. I ran out of gas."

Both finalists batted right-handed and replaced left-handers who pulled out, with Tejada taking over from Jason Giambi and Berkman, a switch-hitter, getting the call after Ken Griffey Jr. got hurt last weekend. The big wall in left, which has a replica 1860 locomotive that

runs across it, provides a perfect panorama for right-handers.

When he took his first swing, Tejada was hoping to hit just one homer.

"Miggy, you're not going to win," he recalled thinking. "There's so many home run hitters."

Bonds did get pitched to, hitting eight homers with the roof closed in the first round, one a 483-foot shot over the top row of seats in the right-field upper deck. But he had just three in the second, when the panels pulled back to reveal the night sky, and

the humidity rolled in.

Before the competition, the 20 living players among the 20 with 500 or more homers came together to swap stories, pose for photos and project what the future will bring to the long ball. If the ball has been juiced in recent years, this was the appropriate setting for such a gathering — Minute Maid Park.

Adding it all up, the gathering totaled 8,083 homers; 10 of the top 11 sluggers in baseball history, all but the deceased Sultan of Swat, Babe Ruth.

Aaron, the only man to top Ruth's 714, predicted Bonds (currently at 681) will surpass his mark.

"It won't bother me a bit," Hammerin' Hank said.

Even among the glittery stars, Bonds shined the brightest. The light from the cameras reflected off the diamond crucifix earring on his left earlobe.

Mark McGwire, making a rare ballpark appearance, predicted 28-year-old Alex Rodriguez (367) or 24-year-old Albert Pujols (136) could be the next record challengers.

"In 10 years, it's going to be scary," he said.

McGwire, whose season record of 70 homers in 1998 was

topped by Bonds' 73 in 2001, didn't want to discuss baseball's decision this spring to ban the use of androstenedione, the steroidlike supplement McGwire used in 1998.

"Great. Perfect. Then I would have never used it," said McGwire, who stopped taking andro the following year, saying he didn't want children to follow his lead.

Bonds wouldn't talk about steroids. He was among the athletes who testified last fall before a federal grand jury investigating illegal steroid distribution. His personal trainer was indicted. Bonds has denied using illegal steroids.

"What court are you talking about?" he said when asked whether the court proceedings were a distraction. "I'm not in court. I'm not in there, so I don't have to worry about it."

Reggie Jackson thought it was unfair the media have cast suspicion on today's home run hitters for using illegal steroids.

"You haven't fingered anybody," he said. "So until then, stop accusing until you have evidence that this guy did this, and if you don't, lay off of him. If it was me, I would sue for defamation of character."

Jackie Boggs takes Willard Speedway Late Model feature

TIMES STAFF REPORT

WILLARD — Jackie Boggs, with his experience and racing ability, has the right combination to be top contender at Willard Speedway when he drops in at Willard Speedway, his local racetrack. On Saturday in the track's Late Model feature, Boggs led from flag to flag and was not contested at all. Earlier in the evening, he set fast time at 12.714, and won the first heat race also. That makes several victories for Boggs this season at Willard Speedway. It's always a treat for his family and friends, because the Willard track is close to home and easy for them to come see him. Naturally, he's a favorite of the fans in the area.

Josh McGuire did run a strong second to Boggs throughout the Late Model feature. Louisa racer Chris Wilson, on his first outing at Willard, came in third. Jim Edmiston placed fourth, and the top five

was rounded out by Corey McKenzie. Dave Hackathorn, won the second heat race but had mechanical difficulties in the feature race and had to be towed off on the third lap.

The Modified feature winner this week was Kevin Copher, who also set fast time at 14.144 and won the first heat race. Jeff Isaacs won the second heat race but was unable to start the feature race. Second place in the Modified feature went to Theodore Brothers, doing very well on his first visit to Willard. Jeff Meadows, a consistently successful racer, took third place. Fourth and fifth places went to Joey Back and Brian Sammons in that order.

The second Powder Puff race of the season was held Saturday, with eleven women racers driving either V6 Stock or 4-Cylinder racecars, on the starting line at the green flag. The winner of the race was Dawn McKinney. Placing second in the contest was Linda Cooper,



Veteran Late Model driver Jackie Boggs returned to victory lane Saturday, winning at Willard Speedway. Pictured to the right of Boggs is Floyd County resident and Willard Speedway track owner Jim Allen.

and third place went to Tina Johnson, sister of the winner, McKinney. First place was awarded money and the winner's trophy, and all of the top three received gift certificates from Sylvia's Hair Fashions in Grayson, or Fabulous Foods in Olive Hill. Everybody present enjoyed seeing the women on the track competing for a change.

The Bomber competition had Eric Steagall number one, again, in the feature contest, and won the first heat race as well. Jason Wright won the second heat. Second place in the feature contest went to Stacy Jackson, third to James McDaniel, fourth to Ervin Blair. Fifth place went to Davey Warnock.

The V6 Stock made quite a showing as 19 participants showing up for this week's race. A new name in Victory Lane at Willard was established by Jerry Adkins who took the checkers in the feature race and won the second heat race. The first heat

race was won by Jeff Goodan. Glenn Marshall, who has won many of these races this season, took second place in the feature. Third place went to Mark Adkins, with fourth going to Greg Sparks, and fifth to Josh May.

The Four-Cylinder was another new name to Willard, that of Roy Wilburn. Dennis Meadows, often the winner of Four-Cylinder features at Willard Speedway, took second place in the feature and won the first heat race. Third place in the feature went to David Smith, with fourth going to Mike Golluhue, and fifth was Kenny Martin.

The Fan of the Week was Albert Swanagan of Grayson, who was awarded a free pass to next week's races, a free T-shirt, and free concession treats.

The next race at Willard is the Mid-Season Championship on July 17. For more information, go online to www.willard-speedway.com.

Judge says county can pursue lawsuit over Bengals stadium lease

by JOHN NOLAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Hamilton County can pursue a lawsuit challenging the Cincinnati Bengals' lease for the stadium that county taxpayers paid to build, a federal judge ruled Monday.

U.S. District Judge S. Arthur Spiegel ruled the county can replace a taxpayer as the plaintiff in the lawsuit, which alleges the Bengals' lease for the county-owned Paul Brown Stadium violates antitrust law. The lawsuit alleges that the Bengals and the National Football League used their monopoly and the Bengals' threat to move to another city to coerce construction of the 65,000-seat stadium and to extract highly favorable lease terms.

The \$458 million stadium opened in 2000. It was built with proceeds from a half-cent sales tax increase that county voters approved in 1996.

The Bengals and the NFL have denied wrongdoing and are fighting the lawsuit. The team had no comment on the judge's ruling, spokesman P.J. Combs said. NFL spokesman Greg Aiello also declined comment.

In February, the judge rejected a request by the NFL and the Bengals to dismiss the lawsuit.

The county's lawyer, Stanley

Chesley, said Monday he plans to seek financial records from the Bengals and take statements from team officials, including owner Mike Brown. Chesley said he also would seek to take a statement from Bob Bedinghaus, a former Hamilton County commissioner who backed the stadium sales tax increase and now works for the Bengals after losing a re-election campaign in 2000.

Chesley said he hopes the lawsuit can go to trial early next year.

County commissioner Todd Portune filed the lawsuit in January 2003 as an individual taxpayer, without the support of fellow commissioners. That complaint, which named the NFL and all its franchises as defendants, alleged fraud, civil conspiracy, antitrust violations and breach of contract.

When conflict-of-interest questions arose regarding Portune's position as a county commissioner, community activist Carrie Davis took his place as lead plaintiff.

A judge dismissed the case in state court, but Spiegel said the case should be heard in federal court. The county will replace Davis as the plaintiff.

Portune and fellow county commissioner Phil Heimlich voted in March to have the county pursue the lawsuit.

BGSG diving competition canceled

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — The diving competition for the Bluegrass State Games, scheduled to start Friday, has been canceled, according to George Milligan, executive director of the Bluegrass State Games.

"There's a big diving meet scheduled this weekend in Lexington, so that's where our divers are," said Milligan, who said the State Games' diving competition failed to draw enough athletes to justify the competition.

Diving is one of 28 sports

to be played during the Bluegrass State Games, which will be held Friday through Sunday, July 16-18 and July 24-25 in Lexington and surrounding Central Kentucky cities.

On-site registration for diving was scheduled to begin at 3 p.m., Friday, Milligan said. Now the registration and the event are both canceled.

Opening ceremonies for the Bluegrass State Games will be held at Applebee's Park on Friday at 7:30 p.m. The Fun Lot, with activities for youngsters, opens at 4 p.m.

Hot summer of racing continues at Riverside

TIMES STAFF REPORT

DWALE — The competition in the stock medium and stock light go-cart races heated up Friday night at Riverside Raceway.

It began with qualifying for position. Jeremy Back (28) took

the pole in the stock medium; Jimmy Linsey (68) took the front seat for the stock light; and Greg Hampton (11H) scored the same for the stock heavy.

The heat races were just a hint of the racing that was to come. In two races for the stock medium, winners were Back and Eric Wells (11). The stock light divided to two races as well; winners were Scott Smith (5) and Chris Adams (18). In the stock heavy class, Greg Dawson (00) took the winner's flag.

Timberline Kawasaki of Hazard sponsored the Dash for Cash race. Scott Smith (5) took

the prize of \$50.

A field of 13 carts rolled onto the track for the stock medium feature. Back led most of the laps when a spinout yielded the lead to Chris Adams (18). The lead changed hands again to Smith of Leburn, who took the checkered for the win. Second place went to Adams of Whitesburg; third to Wells of Hazard; and fourth to Back of Martin.

The stock light was spin out, knock out excitement. The turns saw three wide several times during the race. As the checkered flew, Smith finished first,

Wells second, Linsey third, and Adams fourth.

In the stock heavy class, Greg Dawson (00) of Dwale again took the winning honors with Bobby Spencer (41) of Paintsville second.

A new class will be opening for 3-6-year-olds, boys and girls. For rules and cart specifications contact track officials at 606/874-6733. The classes for stock heavy will pay \$200 to win Friday. Bleacher seating and concessions are available for race fans. Gates open at 5 p.m. with hot laps at 7 p.m.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MUNCIE, Ind. — Ball State's men's basketball team will play the Kentucky Wildcats on Nov. 23 in Cincinnati.

The game — the teams' first-ever meeting — will be played at U.S. Bank Arena in downtown Cincinnati, said Cardinals head coach Tim Buckley.

Kentucky finished with a 27-5 record last season and was ranked No. 2 in the final Associated Press college basketball poll. The Cardinals were 14-15.

Buckley said Ball State is trying to strengthen its schedule

BRIEFS:

Jones advances to finals

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Marion Jones, her vulnerability seeming to grow with each event, finished a shocking seventh but managed to advance to the final of the long jump at the U.S. Olympic trials.

Jones, by far the best U.S. long jumper in a weak field, was among the 12 qualifiers who advanced to Thursday's final. But she failed by a quarter-inch to reach the automatic qualifying mark.

Jones, who won an unprecedented five medals at the 2000 Sydney Games, failed Saturday night to make the U.S. squad in the 100 meters — an event in which she is the defending Olympic champion.

BASEBALL

HOUSTON — Roger Clemens was to open the All-Star game last night for the National League, throwing the first pitch to his nemesis, New York Mets catcher Mike Piazza.

Clemens, 10-3 with a 2.62 ERA for his hometown Houston Astros, was selected to start by NL manager Jack McKeon of the Florida Marlins. Oakland's Mark Mulder was picked to start by AL manager Joe Torre of the New York Yankees. — The Associated Press

Ball State to play Kentucky in November

with games against teams such as Kentucky and Indiana, whom the Cardinals will face Dec. 28 at Conoco Fieldhouse.

"Adding Kentucky to an already challenging schedule certainly gives us exposure, but more importantly, gives our basketball team a chance to play one of the nation's best programs," Buckley said in a news release Saturday.

Belfry upsets Paintsville

by STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE — Belfry pitcher Matt Blackburn came ready to throw Friday. He also came ready to hit. Blackburn, the starting pitcher against the Paintsville 11-12-year-olds in the title game of the District Seven Little League All-Star Tournament, clubbed a three-run home run in the third fourth inning and held his own on the mound, lifting Belfry to a 7-5 win over Paintsville. For Belfry, the win avenged a loss suffered to Paintsville last all-star season.

To get into the title game, Belfry beat Phelps 5-1 Wednesday in a rain-shortened game.

Paintsville led in the bottom half of the first inning, but Belfry soon took over a lead, holding a 3-1 advantage in the top half of the third inning.

Paintsville led by two runs, before Belfry came through with a decisive four runs in the top half of the fourth inning.

Blackburn finished strong, striking out the side in the order in the sixth and final inning.

With the win, Belfry advances on to play in the state tournament.

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POISON OAK

Should we believe it... or not?

Hardly a week goes by that Wilma Jean doesn't threaten to "throw some of this junk away" that I keep sticking in this drawer or that. But if one needed further proof that I am indeed a pack rat (no pun intended), the other day I ran across a 12-year-old letter (October 20, 1992) postmarked Toronto, Ontario, Canada that I'd received from Edward T. Meyer, Vice President of Exhibits and Archives for "Ripley's—Believe It or Not."

He was responding to one of my "Poison Oak" columns that had run sometime previous to that date, wherein I had commented that Ripley's famous newspaper cartoon had at one time (perhaps in the 1940s) featured the Thealka Post Office as being the largest "little post office" in the U.S. because of the volume of mail that passed through the tiny structure.



Clyde Pack

Part of this letter read as follows:

"Clyde, for the record, we searched our archives from 1929 to 1949 but could not find anything about Thealka Post Office. Could it have been published during the 1950s—or maybe even by a Ripley imitator? Let me know if you can provide any other details about this item, and we will be happy to try again."

I recall that at the time (back in 1992) I wondered just how my column had reached him since it is only published here in Eastern Kentucky, and I also remember that I invited our readers to send us anything they might find on the

(See OAK, page three)

Floyd County students experience Governor's School for the Arts on Transylvania's campus

Lexington - The Kentucky Center brought over two hundred eager young artists from every region of the Commonwealth to the heart of the Bluegrass, as The Kentucky Center Governor's School for the Arts took place on the campus of

Lexington's Transylvania University, June 20 through July 10.

During their three-week stay, 224 student artists from 54 Kentucky counties, and 11 students from Ireland and Northern Ireland, were immersed in a rigorous schedule of

daily seminars, master-classes, lectures, hands-on workshops and field trips to local cultural attractions. Students received instruction in eight disciplines: Architecture, Creative Writing, Dance, Drama, Instrumental Music, Musical Theatre, Visual Arts

and Vocal Music. Performances and lectures by Pulitzer Prize-winning cartoonist Joel Pett, Art! Art! Barking Dog Dance Company, Affrilachian Poets, the Louisville Improvisers,

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photo by Tom Doty

Dianna Tucker, as Jack's Mom, instructs him (Adam Doran) to sell their cow (Josh Blann), in a scene from INTO THE WOODS.

Rev. George Love addresses Jenny Wiley Chapter

The Rev. George C. Love, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Prestonsburg, was the guest of Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528, AARP, at the meeting held on Friday, June 18, at the church.

The meeting was called to order by the president, James E. Goble, and all present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary, Marie Goble; and Garnett Fairchild, treasurer, presented the treasurer's report. Both of these reports were approved.

The Rev. George Love, who has made two visits to the Holy Land, shared his experiences with the group, and displayed many historical artifacts and photographs of those trips.

Present for the meeting were: James E. and Marie Goble, Norman and Gwen Miller, Garnett Fairchild, Elizabeth B. Castle, George Love, and Jane Bond.

The next meeting of the Chapter will be held on Friday, July 16, 6 p.m., at the Presbyterian Church. All members and friends of AARP are encouraged to attend. Jane Bond will present a discussion of the new Medicare prescription drug discount card.

Into The Woods

by TOM DOTY
 STAFF WRITER

INTO THE WOODS- The Jenny Wiley theatre has produced a masterful production of the Broadway hit by Stephen Sondheim and James Lapine. This is not your ordinary take on fairy tales but is a thoroughly rewarding experience for theatre fans who want a mature story with songs that help move the action instead of seeming to halt it.

The story begins innocently enough by tying several fairy tale characters into interlocking stories.

You get the Baker and his wife going on a scavenger hunt for several items to please a witch who will then grant them a child to raise. This quest brings them into the orbit of Rapunzel, Jack (of Beanstalk fame), Cinderella and Little Red Riding Hood. Things go as you might remember them for awhile with Red Riding Hood escaping the Big Bad Wolf, Cinderella going to the ball and Jack defeating the giant and escaping with his Golden Egg laying goose. Then comes act 2 and everything gets turned on its head.

In act 2 things get notched up as

the consequences of the characters' actions bring trouble to their fairy tale existence. Mainly they have one big problem—the Giant's wife. She comes stomping through the woods and crushes several characters in search of Jack. This leads to a division amongst the characters. Some, led by the Witch, want to hand Jack over to the giant while the Baker and Cinderella realize their complicity in the preceding events and decide that their humanity lies in protecting the boy though it means taking on the giant. In between, their feelings are often

portrayed in song and this underlies the events and never feels like an interruption.

The production is amazing with an ensemble cast that rises to the occasion of Stephen Sondheim's intricate score. Sondheim's songs are carefully orchestrated and require strong singing chops which this cast delivers in spades.

The Baker and his wife anchor the show and are brought to life by Seth Kinney and Jill Pennington

(See WOODS, page three)

CRITTER CORNER

Rules for dealing with stray cats

By Dr. Carol Combs-Morris, DVM

Here's a humorous look at how many of us "lay down the law" when it comes to dealing with the critters that follow us home.

Strict, Unbending Rules For Dealing With Stray Cats

- Stray cats will not be fed.
- Stray cats will not be fed anything except dry cat food.
- Stray cats will not be fed anything except dry cat food moistened with a

- little milk.
- Stray cats will not be fed anything except dry cat food moistened with warm milk, yummy treats and leftover fish scraps.
- Stray cats will not be encouraged to make this house their permanent residence.
- Stray cats will not be petted, played with or picked up and cuddled unnecessarily.
- Stray cats that are petted, played with, picked up and cuddled will



This little kitty is "Summer Campbell." Summer is owned by Letitia Campbell, of Lovely. Letitia shares that both of her cats, Summer and Taylor, enjoy "relaxing after a big meal." Summer is two years old.

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School Calendar

■ June 14 thru July 22 - UK Dental Van will offer services at Floyd County Health Department, in Prestonsburg. Call 886-2788, ext. 221 for an appointment.

■ July 28 - "Back to School Health Fair," 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Allen Central High School. Services will include free physicals, hearing screenings, child identification, school supplies, and drawings for free haircuts. Event is FREE to all Floyd County students.*

ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

■ July 14 - FREE sports physicals for PHS and it's feeder schools will be provided by Our Lady of the Way Hospital, at the Seton Complex, in Martin, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Parent/guardians need to accompany students.

■ August 5 - New student/parent orientation for AMS students, 6 p.m., at the school. Information about school programs and policies will be provided. Students and parents may meet staff, tour building, and get answers to any

questions they may have.

■ Health records for students may be dropped off to the Youth Services Center throughout the summer months.

■ The AMS Youth Services Center is open all year to assist students and families in need. Please drop by or call the center at 886-9812 for more information or to request assistance with a family need. Center is open from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., and later by appointment. Center coordinator, Michelle Keathley, Assistant coordinator, Sheila Allen. Center offers services to all students regardless of income.

ALLEN CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

■ The ACMS Youth Service Center is open each day from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or later by appointment. For more information about the center, call LaDonna Patton, coordinator, or Marilyn Bailey, assistant, at 358-0134.

ALLEN CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

■ August 3 - Freshman Orientation, 6 p.m.

ALLEN ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

■ Call Allen Elementary Youth Service Center at 874-0621 to schedule your child's Hepatitis B vaccination, immunizations, and WIC appointments.

BETSY LAYNE ELEMENTARY

■ The Family Resource Youth Service Center provides services and referral services to all families regardless of income. The center is located in the middle building of the Betsy Layne Elementary School. Office hours are Mon. - Fri., 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.

■ Open enrollment for After School Child Care is available through the Family Resource Center. Service hours are 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

■ Contact the center at 478-5550. Contact persons are Brian Akers and Charlotte Rogers.

CLARK ELEMENTARY

■ We are currently scheduling Hep B immunizations and physicals for 5th grade students. Also scheduling appointments

for WIC services. These services are available to anyone in the community.

■ The FCHD nurse is in the center weekly. Please call to schedule an appointment.

■ The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Clark Elementary School building and can be reached by calling 886-0815.

DUFF ELEMENTARY

■ Floyd County Health Dept. is at the school each Tuesday. Services include 6th grade school entry physical; kindergarten, Head Start and well-child physicals; T.B. skin test; T.D. boosters; and WIC services. Please call 358-9878 for appointment if you are in need of any of these services.

■ The J.A. Duff Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are Nutrition Camp - July 19-23.

Kids learn how to eat healthy, become more active. Nutritious snacks prepared each day. Students will also learn how to make healthy versions of favorite snacks and be taught

about the basic food groups. Offered in collaboration with Our Lady of the Way Hospital.

■ Physical & Health Activities Camp - July 26-30. Children will participate in physical and health education programs. Offered in collaboration with McDowell ARH.

All Camp Week activities are FREE for those students enrolled at McDowell Elem. Parents/guardians must provide transportation. Activities held from 9-11 a.m. To register your child, call 377-2678.

■ Floyd County Health Department Nurse Joy Moore, is at the center each Monday to administer immunizations, T.B. skin tests, well-child exams, WIC, prenatal and post-partum services, and school physicals. Call 377-2678 for an appointment.

PRESTONSBURG ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ The Family Resource Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

■ After School Child Care, 3-6 p.m., school days.

■ Call 886-7088 for addi-

tional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center or its programs.

SOUTH FLOYD YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

■ Walking track open to public.

■ The center has a one-stop career station satellite that is available to the community as well as students.

■ Anyone interested in Adult Ed may contact the center for information.

■ All new students and visitors, stop by the Center, located on the South Floyd campus, Room 232, and see Mable Hall.

■ For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood, ext. 242.

STUMBO ELEMENTARY/MUD CREEK FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ Resource Center hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Parents and community members are welcome to visit. For questions,

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YESTERDAYS

(Items taken from The Floyd County Times, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and 60 years ago.)

Ten Years Ago

(July 13 and July 15, 1994)

A Floyd County native who was sentenced to serve 30 years in a Georgia prison was indicted, Tuesday, by a Floyd County Grand Jury. Harry Eugene Hale, 38, originally from Martin, was indicted on a charge of receiving stolen property...Prestonsburg police officers raided a home at Westminster Street, Tuesday morning, and arrested two men for allegedly running an indoor and outdoor marijuana cultivation operation. William Crandal Chapman, 21, of Prestonsburg, was charged with cultivating marijuana, more than five plants; and Jimmy L. Nelson, 22, of Prestonsburg, was charged with conspiracy to cultivate marijuana...A federal lawsuit filed against the Floyd County Board of Education by three former school administrators was dismissed, Monday, by U.S. District Judge Joseph Hood...Governor Brereton C. Jones made several stops throughout the state, the first part of the week, including a visit to Prestonsburg, Tuesday, where he announced that the city had received a Community Development Block Grant, amounting to \$167,915...It appears that the position of tourism director for Prestonsburg could be the next position in the city administration targeted for change. Council talked behind closed doors for approximately an hour at Monday's meeting about tourism director Fred James' job...After getting off to a rocky start, Otter Creek Correctional Center representatives and Wheelwright city officials are working together on several community development projects, saving the city thousands of dollars. Wheelwright Mayor David M. Sammons said the work done by the prisoners has been a godsend to the city...Dr. Warren Parker Tiller's thirty years experience as an educator, mostly in eastern Kentucky, has ranged from being a teacher in a one-room school, to college professor, to superintendent of an independent school system. Last week, Dr. Tiller began a new phase in his career when he assumed the role as dean of Mountain Christian Academy (MCA) in Martin...Money woes in the water department continue to plague Martin city officials and they are scrambling to find a way to make the system financially solvent...Apparently all the claims made in a federal lawsuit filed against the Floyd County Board of Education by three employees, last June, were not dismissed Monday. U.S. District Judge Joseph Hood dismissed claims of alleged due process violations against three board members and superintendent Steve Towler, but did not dismiss the

claims of alleged First Amendment violations against the entire board and Towler...A concert to raise funds for leukemia patient Sheila Jackson of Garrett will be held Tuesday, August 2, at Allen Central High School. Jackson, who is currently on a mild, oral chemotherapy treatment, is scheduled to undergo bone marrow transplant in Columbia, South Carolina, on August 18. Her sister, Lucy Samons, also of Garrett, will donate the bone marrow. Area emergency agencies gave chase to a runaway boat, Monday night, on Dewey Lake. The action began almost with tragedy, when Willis Thomas, 43, of Prestonsburg, fell out of his boat and into Dewey Lake, somewhere between the boat dock and the dam, between 6:30 and 7 p.m. Thomas told Floyd County Sheriff deputies that a wave from a passing boat had thrown him off balance. Thomas swam to shore and passersby summoned help. The boat was running in a wide circle, 35-40 miles per hour, posing a potential hazard to numerous fishermen on the lake. After many attempts, the boat was captured by members of the Floyd County Rescue Squad, and towed to shore about 1 a.m...There died: Edwin P. Frasure, 73, of Hueysville, Saturday, July 9, at Lutheran Hospital, Ft. Wayne, Indiana; Harriet Powell Wells, 95, of East Point, Thursday, July 7, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Homer Hamilton, 73, of Teaberry, Sunday, July 10, at his residence; Edna Frances Hunter, 59, of Estill, Sunday, July 10, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center; Sarah E. Prater, 93, of Prestonsburg, Sunday, July 10, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Bonnie Mills Stewart, 75, of Wayland, Sunday, July 10, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Roxie Ann Halstead, 77, of Drift, Thursday, July 7, at Williamson Memorial Hospital, Williamson, W. Va.; George Dewey Brown, 95, of Prestonsburg, Monday, July 11, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; William A. Taylor, 69, of New Albany, Ohio, Sunday, July 3, at his residence; Edgar Jones, 74, of Prestonsburg, Thursday, July 7, at his residence; Herman Wallen, 56, of Allen, Thursday, July 7, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Gary D. Ratliff, 50, of Allen, Tuesday, July 12, at the Jewish Hospital, Cincinnati, Ohio; Lizzie Hall Holbrook, 98, of Topmost, Tuesday, July 12, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Anna E. Tackett, 98, formerly of McDowell, Monday, July 11, at Circleville Manor Nursing Home, in Circleville, Ohio.

Twenty Years Ago

(July 18, 1984)

Fiscal year ends, and the Floyd County Fiscal Court finds itself in the black and surplus of \$268,876...The normally-busy courthouse stood deserted, in Prestonsburg, as sewage backed up and entered first-floor offices, the handiwork of some inmates in the county jail...Charles E. Ord, 22, of Pilgrim, was booked at the Floyd County Jail on murder and DUI charges, following an auto accident, on Cow Creek, that claimed the life of his female companion, Stella Jude, 22, of Beauty...There died: Flossie Shepherd Slone, 81, of Blue River, Saturday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; L. B. Howell, 51, of Printer, Friday, at his home; Otis Blackburn, 70, of Stanville, July 9, in a Lexington hospital; Ruby Johnson Imes, 71, of Allen, Thursday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Gracie Robinson Ousley, 60, of Martin, Sunday, in a Lexington hospital; Bill Hall Jr., 62, of Bypro, Sunday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Thirty Years Ago

(July 17, 1974)

The Island Creek Coal Company announced, Tuesday afternoon, that it is moving its division headquarters from Holden, W.Va., to the Paintsville area...The camping area developed in the Golden Branch area of Dewey Lake at a cost of approximately \$400,000, will be completed and open for the remainder of the season within a week, George Barker, manager of Jenny Wiley State Park, said Tuesday...Under a grant signed at Frankfort, last week, by Gov. Wendell H. Ford, Floyd County will receive \$1,800 in federal money to launch an emergency shelter care program for juvenile offenders...Congressman Carl D. Perkins announced, this week, a grant award of \$692,159 to Comprehensive Health Care Inc., according to Lonnie Pruitt, chairman of CHC Inc...Victor Thurman Stepp, 56-year-old World War II veteran, and former resident of this county, was killed, last Saturday, at his home at Wurtland, Greenup County, in a shoot-out with state and city officers...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Ron Warfield, of Gibson City, Ind., a son, Robb...There died: Charles Wesley Dingus, 90, last Friday, at his home at Martin; Mrs. Mellie (Ted) Morrison Clay Layne, 69, of Prestonsburg, Thursday, at Lexington; Marion (Monk) Hall, 83, of Melvin, last Tuesday, at Pikeville; Mrs. Ollie S. Hackworth, 86, of the Middle Creek Road, last Tuesday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Mrs. Melvina Cole Roloff, 73, formerly of this county, Tuesday, at Renton, Wash.; Russell Stephens, 53, of Kendallville, Ind., for-

merly of Hueysville, Friday, in Indiana; Mrs. Evelyn Akers Hall, 26, of Dana, Friday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Mrs. Wanda Tackett, 48, Sunday, at Methodist Hospital, Pikeville.

Forty Years Ago

(July 23, 1964)

A dispute over vacation pay has extended the miners' vacation in the truck-mine industry of this county to the extent that production is only a fraction of normal, it was said, here, this week...The new Floyd County courthouse is expected to be occupied by county officials by August 15, and then will begin the final phase of the big face-lifting job undertaken for Prestonsburg, through urban renewal...The strawberry processing plant, which ended its season here, recently, paid growers \$31,277.80, it was said by Carl Abbott, plant owner. The plant received 5,878 crates of 24 quarts each...The Rev. Dan Heintzelman, of Martin, has been designated chaplain of the county jail, soon to be put into service in the new courthouse building...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Elliott, of Bloomington, Ind., a daughter, Della May, July 12, at Bloomington; to A-1C Glenn T. Howard and Mrs. Howard, July 7, a daughter, Christy Carroll...There died: Courtland T. Dahlin, 45, general manager at David of the Princess Elkhorn Division of Princess Coals Inc., Tuesday night, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Warnie Mosley, 69, of Weeksbury, Friday, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Henry Collins, 90, of Ivel, Monday, at Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Mrs. Martille Williams Lewis, 42, of Catlettsburg, formerly of Wayland, last Wednesday, at her home; Mrs. Virgie Hunter, 43, of Printer, Monday, at the Pikeville Appalachian Regional Hospital; Mrs. Sarah A. Owens, 73, of Pikeville, July 2, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

Fifty Years Ago

(July 22, 1954)

Acting on the assumption that a Court of Appeals opinion handed down, Tuesday, removed the last barrier to county-city cooperation on an auditorium-gymnasium for the new county high school, here, the Prestonsburg Board of Education met, Tuesday night, to plan quick issuance and sale of bonds to finance the project...Dewey Lake surrendered its 10th drowning victim, Tuesday, when the body of Crit Conley, 57-year-

(See **YESTERDAYS**, page three)

CO-OP NEWS

THE NEWBEE QUILT GROUP will teach participants how to learn to use a rotary cutter to cut everything needed for a Log Cabin quilt on Thursday, July 29 6-8 p.m., at the UK Cooperative Extension Service Office, located on North Lake Drive, in Prestonsburg, across from Brad Hughes Toyota.

Students should bring with them:

- 2 to 4 dark fabrics (one or two colors) - quarter yards or "fat quarters."
- 2 to 4 light fabrics (one or two colors) - quarter yards or "fat quarters."

- A small amount of a contrasting color for center.
- A rotary cutter, rotary ruler 12 inches or longer, large rotary mat, scissors and hand-sewing supplies (needle, pins, grey thread, thimble).

To attend this session, you must pre-register. Please call Theresa Scott at the Floyd County Extension Office at (606) 886-2668 to pre-register.

FLOYD COUNTY FARMER'S MARKET 2004 GROWERS MEETING

All growers who plan on selling produce at the Floyd County Farmer's Market this year must attend the July 19 (Monday) meeting at 7 p.m. Sell dates and times will be discussed, as well as other items. If you have questions, call Ray Tackett, at the Floyd County Extension Office at (606) 886-2668.

Educational programs of the Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service serve all people regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability, or national origin.

Perkins Job Corps Center hosts Open House

The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center recently hosted an open house to commemorate the 40-year anniversary of the Job Corps program.

The event, which was attended by area residents and local officials, including Kentucky State Senator Johnny Ray Turner and Kentucky House Representative Chuck Meade, was a celebration of the Job Corps programs' success and the many thousands of youth it has served over the past 40 years.

Since 1964, the Job Corps program has been providing education, job training, and career placement opportunities

to America's disadvantaged youth. The original legislation that established the program was authorized by former Kentucky Congressman Carl D. Perkins, of Hindman.

Perkins Center Director Deborah Burchell was pleased with the open house which featured a cookout under the City of Prestonsburg's event-tent, center tours, and speeches by various dignitaries. "Job Corps has changed the lives of so many of America's youth during the past 40 years. It's wonderful to see so many people here today that support the Job Corps program," she said.



The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center recently hosted an open house to celebrate the 40-year anniversary of the Job Corps program. Center Director Deborah Burchell, center, is pictured with Senator Johnny Ray Turner, left, and State Representative Chuck Meade, right, both of whom spoke at the event.

ASK THE CIS

Q: If I have a low PSA level, could I still have prostate cancer?

A: A low PSA (prostate specific antigen) level does not rule out the possibility that a man has prostate cancer, according to a new National Cancer Institute study. This is the first large study to look at how often prostate cancer is diagnosed among men with low PSA levels.

PSA is a substance produced by the prostate. It can be measured by a simple blood test. A high PSA level may be caused by prostate cancer or one of several less serious conditions. A biopsy (surgical removal of tissue to check for cancer) and other tests are often recommended if the patient has a PSA level of 4 nanograms per milliliter or above. Levels under 4

are generally considered normal.

In the NCI study, almost 3,000 men age 55 and older with normal PSA levels underwent prostate biopsies. Fifteen percent were found to have prostate cancer. Most of the cancers were slow growing and likely to remain harmless. Many men over age 50 have early, undiagnosed prostate cancer, according to autopsy reports. Doctors agree that most of these cancers will remain harmless, although some may become aggressive.

About 2.3 percent of the cancers found in the study were aggressive. This means they are more likely to grow quickly and spread to other parts of the body.

It is unclear how doctors will respond to the new findings. The PSA test is commonly used in the United States to find prostate

cancer early. However, some scientists are concerned that its widespread use may lead to "over-diagnosing" the disease and unnecessary biopsies and treatment for men with slow-growing cancers.

More research on prostate cancer screening is needed, and the NCI has several studies underway. Meanwhile, men with questions should talk with their doctor.

Q: Where can I go for trustworthy cancer information online?

A: The National Cancer Institute's Web site at <http://www.cancer.gov>

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 e-mail to: carolbac@tusa.net. We'll be waiting to hear from you!

Anniversary



50th Wedding Celebration

In celebration of their parents 50th wedding anniversary, the children of Bob and Bonnie Hager will host an open reception on Sunday, August 1, from 2-4 p.m., at the First Christian Church, 514 Main Street, in Paintsville. Mr. and Mrs. Hager were married on August 1, 1954, at Danforth Chapel, on the Berea College campus, in Berea, Ky. Mr. Hager is a retired geologist and vice-president of operations, KY-W.Va. Gas Co., and Mrs. Hager is a retired teacher with the Paintsville City Schools. The couple have two children, Sharon Hager, of Louisville, and Karen Hager Daniel, of Hurricane, WV; and one granddaughter, Victoria.

In lieu of gifts, please bring a favorite memory to share.

School

call 587-2233 - ask for Tristan Parsons, Center Coordinator, or Anita Tackett, Assistant.

W.D. OSBORNE "RAINBOW JUNCTION" FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center is located in the W. D. Osborne Elementary School. Hours of operation - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or later by appointment. Call 452-4553 and ask for Cissy or Karen. Parents/community members free to visit any time.

WESLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

■ Currently accepting enrollment for 2004/2005 Kindergarten, and grades 4-8 (some classes already filled).

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■ Wesley Christian Daycare now accepting infants and toddlers up to 4 years old. Daycare hours: 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

■ Also, still have a few openings in Summer Daycare - up to 12 years old.

■ Orientation for new school year will be held August 1.

■ First day of school - August 9.

■ For additional information, call 874-8328. Summer office hours: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

FLOYD COUNTY ADULT ED CLASS SCHEDULE

■ For information about Adult Education class schedules, contact the David School at 886-8374. All classes and materials free of charge.

Critter

absolutely not be given a name.

Stray cats with or without a name will not be allowed inside the house at any time.

Stray cats will not be allowed inside the house except at certain times.

Stray cats will not be allowed inside the house except on days ending in "y".

Stray cats allowed inside will not be permitted to jump up on or sharpen their claws on the furniture.

Stray cats will not be permitted to jump up on, or sharpen claws on the really good furniture.

Stray cats may be permitted on furniture but must sharpen claws on new \$359.99 sisal-ropé cat-scratching post with three perches.

Stray cats will answer the call of nature outdoors in the dirt.

Stray cats will answer the call of nature in the three-piece, high-impact plastic tray filled with Fresh 'n Sweet kitty litter.

Stray cats will answer the call of nature in the hooded litter pan with a three-panel privacy screen and plenty of head-

room.

Stray cats will sleep outside.

Stray cats will sleep in the garage.

Stray cats will sleep in the house.

Stray cats will sleep in a cardboard box lined with an old blanket.

Stray cats will sleep in the special Kitty-Komfort Bed with non-allergenic lamb's wool pillow.

Stray cats will not be allowed to sleep in our bed.

Stray cats will not be allowed to sleep in our bed, except at the foot.

Stray cats will not be allowed to sleep in our bed under the covers.

Stray cats will not be allowed to sleep in our bed under the covers except at the foot.

Stray cats will not play on the desk.

Stray cats will not play on the desk near the computer.

Stray cats are forbidden to walk on the computer keyboard on the desk when the human is sdfjjhkljfd;oier'puyykmm4hb dm9lo9jmdskdm., USING IT.

Oak

subject. No one ever responded, but the invitation is still open. I'd like to have Mr. Meyer—or whoever might be in charge of such things now—take another look through their records.

Then again, it could be that the tale of Ripley's featuring the post office might just be part of local lore and didn't really happen at all. I have heard the story all my adult life, however, and would love to get to the bottom of it. My hope is that somebody somewhere might decide to get rid of some clutter of their own and run across an old clipping or something that some other pack rat might have collected and stored away somewhere.

And speaking of old clippings, an item in the March 26, 1942 edition of The Paintsville Herald stated that many of the employees of the Northeast Coal Company's mine at Muddy Branch had signed up under the payroll allotment plan for the purchase of defense

bonds. A list of 183 names followed, including my own father's, Willie Pack, and his younger brother, Steve. The only other "Pack" listed was Harkless Pack.

The surname listed most often was "Castle." They included Andrew, Beecher, Bernard, Bosier, Cap, Columbus, Craig, Curtis, Dick, Elmer, Ervin, Everett, Fannie, Frank, Henry, Herbert, Homer, Joe, Judge, Mart, Luther, Nathan, Lonza, Harper, Noah, Oakley, Raymond, Richard Jr., Richard, Roy, Sam B., Vern, Verner, and Woodrow.

For the record, the second most often used surname was "VanHoose."

The story indicated that the 183 names was just a partial listing of Northeast employees, and if that be the case, it's a pretty good bet that with the large coal operation at Van Lear, the mining industry was far and away the largest employer in these parts.

Woods



The Witch (Bethany Hayes) outlines a quest to the Baker (Seth Kinney) and his wife (Jill Pennington) so that they may have a child in Jenny Wiley's production of INTO THE WOODS.

who flawlessly add emotional impact to the show which draws in the audience and had several patrons in tears by show's end. Adam Doran and Cara Hall provide a youthful counterbalance as Jack and Little Red Riding Hood are called upon to be funny and poignant and succeed on both fronts. Bethany Hayes, as the witch, has a ton of stage presence and scores in a role that requires exquisite comedic timing. Stephen Brown also stands out in the dual role of Riding Hood's wolf and Cinderella's Prince. He even delivers the

play's best line when he seduces the Baker's wife and promptly dumps her after their tryst by saying, "I was raised to be charming, not sincere."

The entire production comes to life under the skilled direction of Scott Bradley who keeps the pace moving. The score is well rendered by a live orchestra and the action makes good use of costumes designed by Corey Martin. It's a great night at the theatre and manages the difficult task of being thought provoking while always remaining entertaining.

Students

Jazz at Lincoln Center's Arturo O'Farrill rounded out the students' experience in cultural growth.

Participating from Floyd County were: Jordan Atkinson (Drama) and Alanna Greene (Dance).

GSA is a public/private partnership inaugurated in 1987 by The Kentucky Center, the Commonwealth of Kentucky and numerous private support-

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ers. Today, the vital funding required to make GSA a reality is provided by the state through the leadership of the Governor's Office and the Kentucky Cabinet of Commerce, as well as The Kentucky Center Endowment Fund, Ashland, Inc., Toyota Motor Manufacturing and more than 140 corporations, parents, educators, alumni and friends of GSA.

Yesterdays

old West Garrett merchant, was recovered after a search of 24 hours...Mrs. Ila Napier, 57, of Garrett, was fatally injured on Buffalo Creek, Tuesday afternoon, after her car was struck head-on by a drunken truck driver...Beset with bills which it has not the money to pay, the Floyd Fiscal Court ordered at its meeting, last Thursday, that no claims be paid at that time...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Martin, a son, Clarence Jr., July 15, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital...There died: Mrs. Martha Huff Sexton, 71, Sunday, at her home at Garrett; Mrs. Annie Mayo Keel, 70, formerly of Dock, July 14, at a Louisville hospital; Mrs. Myrtle Ellen Meade, 56, of Blue Moon, July 14, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Hager Scott, 23, formerly of Hueysville, Sunday, in an auto wreck in Ohio.

Sixty Years Ago

(July 20, 1944)

Colbert Greer, 54, of Printer, was reported as having the second known case in the county's history of the tick-borne Rocky Mountain spotted fever...Pvt. Adam Ousley, of Risner, is reported this week, as having been killed June 22, in action on the Normandy front. Reported missing in action since June 12 is John L. Amburgey, brother of Mrs. Cleo Amburgey, of Prestonsburg...Death of the seven-months-old baby of Oscar Wallen, here, Friday, was recorded as Floyd County's first victim during the present polio epidemic in Kentucky and several southern states...Sixty-one of Floyd County's fighting men—overseas and at sea—had, as of this week, applied for absentee ballots for use in doing their part in November's election...With teenage youths taking the lead, Prestonsburg's Youth Center this week was nearer reality as the second floor of the Turner building on Court street was leased recently...Mrs. J. W. Ring, Phoenix, Arizona, the former Miss Ruth Crisp, of Martin, has just received the Purple Heart posthumously awarded her husband, S-Sgt. J.W. Ring, who was killed in action in India, November 25...Born: to Mrs. Lou Shardt, the former Dorothy Spurlock, of Prestonsburg, a son, Lou Jr., Monday, in Huntington, W.Va. The father was killed in action, in the South Pacific, on May 23; to Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Hopson, a son, Richard Prewitt, July 18, at Middlesboro; to Mr. and Mrs. Milton Ryan, a daughter, Katherine Jean, Monday, at a Martin hospital...There died: Mrs. Anna Davis Leslie, 72, Monday, at her home at Emma; Mrs. Susie Martin, 40, of Printer, last Thursday, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Sammy Conn, 30, Tuesday, at the home of a sister at Betsy Layne.

B U S I N E S S / P R O F E S S I O N S

Dr. Jason Rice completes Residency Program and opens Family Practice in Paintsville

Dr. Jason Rice, the first physician to graduate from Highlands Regional Medical Center's Osteopathic Family Practice Residency Program, completed his residency on June 28 and officially opened his Family Practice Office, in Paintsville, this week.

Dr. Rice is a native of Johnson County and a graduate of Johnson Central High School. He received his Bachelors Degree from Morehead State University (MSU) with a major

in biology and a minor in chemistry. He received his Medical Degree from the Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine in 2001 where he was a member of the first graduating class. Dr. Rice was accepted into the Osteopathic Internship and Residency Program at Highlands Regional Medical Center in July 2001 and went on to serve a one year Internship and a three year Residency in Family Practice medicine.

He said that he originally had

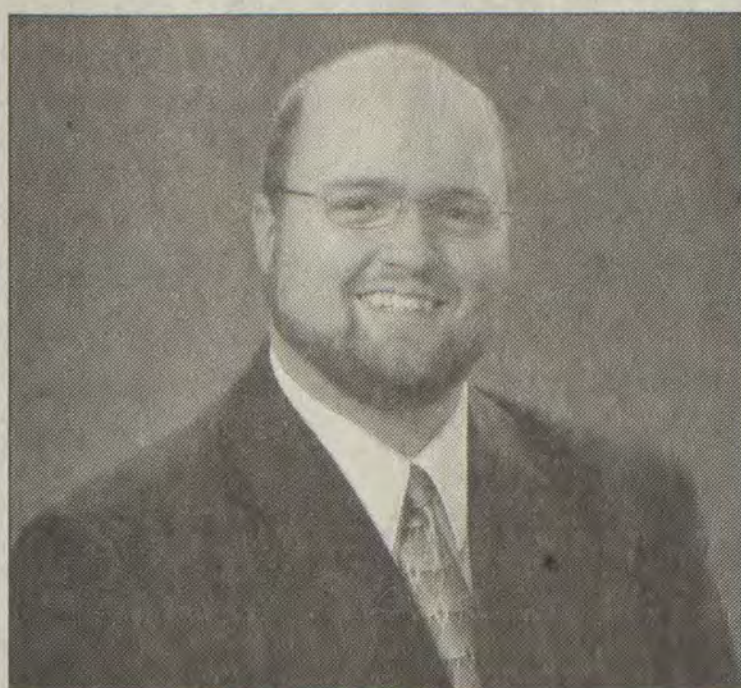
wanted to be a teacher but had a change of heart during his Junior year at MSU. "I saw an opportunity to be a part of the first medical school in eastern Kentucky and it was something I really wanted to do. From that point, I knew I wanted to stay in eastern Kentucky and help people who need a family physician. I am from eastern Kentucky and I love this area. I am excited about getting my office open and seeing patients. You have to have a compassion

for your patients in today's healthcare environment, and I believe that a family physician should be an advocate for the patient," he said.

Dr. Rice is a resident of Johnson County. He is the son of Patricia Lyons and the late Clarence D. Rice and the stepson of Reverend Bob Lyons. Dr. Rice is married to Tammy Fairchild Rice. They have a daughter, Blair, age 3, and a son, Grant, age 16 months. Dr. Rice is a member of the Sitka Freewill Baptist Church.

Dr. Rice's office is located at 313 West Street, Suite 1, in Paintsville. His office hours will be Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. As a family physician, Dr. Rice will provide care for patients of all ages.

Appointments with Dr. Rice may be made by calling 788-0303.



Dr. Jason Rice, Family Practitioner, opened his office practice in Paintsville this week.

Kentucky's 511 traffic and travel line receives millionth call

Frankfort - More than one million calls have been made to the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's 511 Traffic and Travel Information Line. The service, launched statewide in November 2002, is now receiving an average of 80,000 calls per month.

Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Secretary Clay Bailey said, "Safety is a high priority for us and managing congestion effectively is very important. We are pleased to have implemented this useful service for motorists."

By calling the simple three-digit number, motorists can receive information about accidents, construction information and weather conditions that affect the roadways. This information allows the public to make informed decisions before getting into a congested area, thereby making the roads safer.

Leon Walden, 511 program coordinator for the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, said, "We are very pleased with the response from the public. We are having more trips with drivers having information ahead of time to make their journeys safer."

Calls to the 511 line from landline phones are free. Wireless customers may incur roaming fees and airtime charges for the call. The interactive voice recognition system allows callers to speak their desired information, rather than pushing buttons. Callers can request specific information on 8,217 miles of major Kentucky roadways.

In December of 2003, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet added tourism information for 45 southern and south-eastern counties. Callers interested in events and lodging in those counties can also get

tourist information by calling 511. Callers requesting information for other areas of the state are referred to a toll free number.

Information on the phone line is updated every minute, while it takes about 15 minutes for new data to appear on the Web site (www.511.ky.gov). The service is available 24/7. When traveling outside Kentucky, the same information on our highway system is available by calling 1-866-737-3767.

The Federal Communications Commission established the 511 number in 1999 as the national traffic and travel information dialing code. Kentucky's Public Service Commission designated the Transportation Cabinet as the agency to implement the service for the Commonwealth. Currently, 20 states have at least a portion of their state with the 511 system.

Governor Ernie Fletcher announces formation of Life Sciences / Biosciences Consortium

Frankfort - Governor Ernie Fletcher today announced the formation of an advisory group comprised of government, industry, and education representatives to develop an economic model to attract additional life sciences companies to Kentucky. The primary goal of the Life Sciences / Biosciences Consortium will be to encourage the growth of life science and biotechnology jobs in the Commonwealth.

"My recent attendance at the BIO 2004 Conference in San Francisco inspired me to coordinate a group to develop a timeline and plan to attract life sciences and medical device entrepreneurs to Kentucky," said Governor Fletcher. "I am committed to attracting and retaining the highest quality biotechnical companies to our great commonwealth. Today I am bringing together, for the first time, all of the stakeholders in this expand-

ing area of job and economic growth."

The governor also announced that creative incentive packages will be developed to enable Kentucky to compete with other states who are also trying to attract such businesses. The consortium includes representatives from Kentucky's research universities, the Council on Postsecondary Education and KCTCS.

The objective of the consortium is to boost the development of the industry through technology transfer and commercialization of new ideas and discoveries. In addition, the consortium will focus on attracting technology related venture capital to Kentucky. This new initiative will capitalize on Kentucky's existing expertise within the private sector, as well as the Office of the New Economy, the Cabinet for Economic Development, and the Commerce Cabinet.

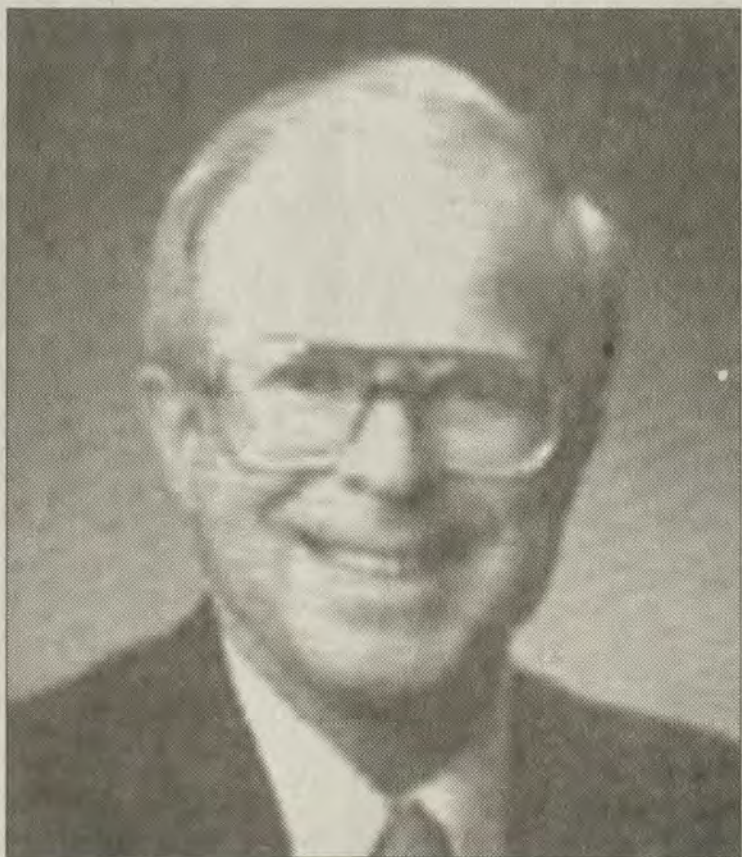
Ed Barlow to address Ky. River P-16 session on teaching and learning

No one is more passionate about, nor more actively engaged in assisting people, organizations, and professions anticipate and prepare for the world of tomorrow than Ed Barlow, who will one of the nationally recognized presenters on Tuesday, Aug. 3 at the Hal Rogers Forum in Hazard, from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The event is being organized by the Kentucky River P-16 Council.

Ed Barlow's insight and energy have been incorporated into a variety of settings including keynotes, think-tanks, seminars and strategic planning activities. He averages over 120 engagements a year. Ed's professional experience includes executive positions in healthcare, business, higher education, and a Washington D.C. based management consulting firm. He holds a master's degree in management from the University of Notre Dame.

Ed Barlow is President of Creating the Future, Inc. He is dedicated to enhancing an understanding of the future and the influences which will affect personal, professional, organizational, and community settings. In addition to his extensive speaking and consulting schedule, he is interviewed regularly by the media. He has also testified before Congress on several occasions regarding issues of workforce, transportation, travel and tourism. His advice and counsel is sought regularly by leaders in business, government, and the non-profit sector.

Ed is one of a few great speakers able to deliver meaningful information about the future in a dynamic and entertaining manner. He captivates audiences with his intuitive and well-studied perspective. His well-organized, thought-provoking, and media-supported presentations affirm his reputation as a top motivational futurist. Ed's keen insights into the process of change and expert facilitation skills have also been used to design and facilitate think-tank and strategic planning activities in a variety of settings.



A representative list of clients served includes: Abbott Laboratories, American Hospital Assn., Blockbuster, Baxter Healthcare, Six Sigma Academy, Federal Express, Growmark, Hewlett Packard, Kimberly Clark, U.S. Navy, Lockheed Martin, Marriott, Whirlpool Corporation, National Assn. of Manufacturers, Federal Reserve Bank Systems, Meeting Professionals International, CEMIG of Brazil, Paine Webber, Pepsi, U.S. Dept of Education, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, Assn. of Zoos and Aquariums, and Federal Judicial Institute.

Wofford O'Sullivan at the South Carolina Department of Education praised Barlow, saying he delivers relevant, current, research-based content in a meaningful way. Attendees at the Education and Business Summit in South Carolina were enlightened, challenged, and encouraged by his message, professionalism, and engaging presentation strategies. He is addictive!

"This event will enable local educators an opportunity to experience the type of presentation they would normally only be able to receive at a national

conference," noted Jeff Hawkins, Kentucky Valley Educational Cooperative. "The regional presentation will allow participants to network with colleagues from neighboring districts without the expense of time or resources used to travel to a more distant location," he said.

The local P-16 Council is committed to supporting efforts to achieve educational excellence in our area, and have worked to make the cost of the training very reasonable (\$10 per participant for KVEC member districts and \$15 per participant outside KVEC). This fee includes lunch for each participant.

The Aug. 3 schedule will include: registration from 8 to 8:30 a.m., Ed Barlow, "Aligning Education with a Continuum of Change" from 8:30 a.m. to 10; Carl Boyd, "No One Rises to Low Expectations" from 10:15 to 11:45 a.m.; lunch, provided by Gordon I.D. Food Services, from 11:45 to 12:45; Christine Cashen, "Why Can't Everybody Just Get Along?" from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

For more information on the three presenters, visit these web sites: Ed Barlow, www.creatingthefuture.com

Funding on the way for Eastern Kentucky PRIDE

WASHINGTON, DC - U.S. Congressman Hal Rogers (KY-5) has successfully included \$12.5 million in the federal budget to continue efforts of the Eastern Kentucky PRIDE program.

"Thanks to thousands of hard working volunteers the PRIDE program is a huge success," Rogers said. "Together we are cleaning up our environment, laying the foundation for new economic development opportunities, and creating a better life for all the residents of our region. This funding builds on all that we have achieved and allows our cleanup efforts to continue."

PRIDE will receive \$10 million through the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) budget to provide grants to low-income homeowners seeking to replace failing septic systems and straight pipes. NOAA funding will also be used to design and construct sewer projects, provide community grants for cleanup activities, and provide grants to schools for environmental education programs. Last month, Rogers was also able to include \$2.5 million in the budget of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to design and construct new, innovative wastewater treatment projects through the PRIDE program.

Eastern Kentucky PRIDE - Personal Responsibility In a Desirable Environment - was created by Rogers and the late General James Bickford, the former Kentucky Secretary of

Natural Resources. PRIDE links citizens with the resources of local, state, and federal agencies to clean up the region's waterways, end illegal trash dumps, and promote environmental education and awareness. Since the creation of PRIDE in 1997, Rogers has secured nearly \$160 million for the program.

Funding for the projects is included in the FY 2005 Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary Appropriations bill, which was approved by the House of Representatives on July 8. Rogers works to secure federal funding for PRIDE through his role as a senior member of the House Appropriations Committee.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-8048, Renewal

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given the Progress Land Corporation, 1876 Yellow Creek Road, Sassafras, KY 41759, has applied for renewal of a permit for a surface/underground/preparation plant coal mining operation, located 1.15 mile south of Price, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 149.76 surface acres, and will underlie 125.56, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 275.32 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.10 mile northwest from KY 122's junction with KY 979, and located 0.05 mile east of Left Beaver Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will include a washer and refuse disposal coal processing facility. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Progress Land Corporation. The operation will underlie land owned by Progress Land Corporation.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO. 03-CI-00491 GARY WRIGHT, ET AL. PLAINTIFFS VS.

LYNN WEDDINGTON TUCKER, JOE D. WEDDINGTON, BILLY A. COOLEY, FLOYD COUNTY, ET AL DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the

3rd of May, 2004, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County courthouse door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center, to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 15th day of July, 2004, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described surface property, located and lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Tract No. 2: Beginning at C & O Right of Way and line of Togo Harris and Georgia Harris, his wife; thence straight up the point with line of Lee Leslie and Annie Leslie to the top of the ridge; thence running with the ridge to the line of Lula Bevins and Ben Bevins and back down their lie to a cedar tree, marked with three hacks on upper side; thence a straight line down the hill to a sycamore marked with three notches; thence a straight line back to the C & O Right of Way, the point of beginning.

It is agreed by and between the parties hereto that a ten foot (10') roadway shall be given through Tract No. 1, beginning at the gate post and running to the first locust post mentioned in said Tract No. 1, and a roadway ten feet (10') in width through Tract No. 2, beginning at line of Togo and Georgia Harris and running with line of C & O Railway right of way to W.H. Weddington line.

There is EXCEPTED from the above conveyance the Weddington Cemetery located thereon as defined by the existing fence line of such cemetery; there is also EXCEPTED the "Community Cemetery" which is bounded by the blacktop road (county road), on the lower side and the back side, and by the edge of the existing cemetery where it borders the Leslie Heirs' property, and extending down to and no further than the front fence of the Weddington Cemetery and parallel to it.

That portion of the John Graham Historical Cemetery, as it now exists, as may be located upon the subject property is also EXCEPTED.

There is also EXCEPTED the blacktop road (county road) as it now exists located upon the above described property.

Being the same land conveyed by Martin Burchett, et al., to Bertha Faye B. Wright and Herbert Gary Wright, by deed dated February 25, 1999, recorded in Deed Book 431, Page 331, Floyd County Clerk's Office, and by Flo Weddington Cooley and Billy Cooley, her husband, to Joe D. Weddington, by deed dated November 5, 1997, recorded in Deed Book 412, Page 518, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

TERMS OF SALE

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum, from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America, and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2004, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) If the successful bidder is a party to this action, he/she shall be given credit on the balance of the purchase price to the extent of his/her ownership interest in the above described real property, subject to payment of sufficient funds to satisfy the costs of sale, and for the master commissioner.

Any announcements made on date of sale, take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY: Hon. Jimmy Webb 187 East Court Street Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

WILLIAM S. KENDRICK M a s t e r Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I C.A. NO. 03-CI-01164

CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION PLAINTIFF VS. BERT ROSE CITIFINANCIAL, INC. DEFENDANTS

RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of Sale, of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 24th day of March, 2004, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$84,916.10, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County courthouse door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 22nd day of July, 2004, at the hour of 9:30 a.m.,

the following described real estate, located at 35 Cavalier Drive, East Point, Kentucky, in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Located Northwest of and adjacent to Bear Hollow, Floyd County, Kentucky. Any corner in this description listed as being marked by "iron pipe (set)" implies a 3/4 x 18 inch steel pipe (set) with a plastic cap bearing the marking "KY LS 1893".

Beginning at an iron pipe (set) on the corner of Lot 8. Thence with lot 8, North 39°47'17" West, 144.98 feet to an iron pipe (set) corner of lot 8. Thence leaving lot 8 and with Hall & Hynton Development, Inc. (DB 442, PG 518), North 50° 12' 43" East, 130.00 feet, to an iron pipe (set). Thence leaving Hall & Hynton Development, Inc. and with lot 6, South 39° 47' 17" East, 124.98 feet, to an iron pipe (set). Thence leaving lot 6, Arc length 36.93 feet, Radius 30.00 feet and Chord, South 14° 56' 52" West, 34.64 feet, to an iron pipe (set), South 50° 12' 43" West 101.72 feet, to the beginning, containing 18,434.80 sq. ft. (0.423 acre) as shown on Nesbitt Engineering, Inc., drawing no. 3771 and recorded in Floyd County Clerk files at map file no. 1098. This description was prepared by H.H. Baldrige, PLS#1893 on October 25, 2000.

Being the same property conveyed to Bert Rose by deed dated September 13, 2001, and recorded September 21, 2001, in Deed Book 464, Page 47, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

TERMS OF SALE

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or \$5,000.00 of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum, from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2004, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes, will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it

shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

Any announcements made on date of sale, take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY: Hon. Kristen J. Mudd Lerner, Sampson & Rothfuss P.O. Box 5480 Cincinnati, Ohio 45201-5480

513/241-3100

WILLIAM S. KENDRICK M a s t e r Commissioner P. O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 (606) 886-2812

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I C.A. NO. 03-CI-161

THE BANK OF NEW YORK ACTING SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS TRUSTEE FOR EQCC TRUST 2001-1F C/O FAIRBANKS CAPITAL CORP. PLAINTIFF VS. STEPHEN G. HOLBROOK; KAREN J. HOLBROOK AKA KAREN JANELLE STEPHENS; COUNTY OF FLOYD DEFENDANTS

RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of Sale, of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 24th day of February, 2004, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$71,818.23, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale, at the Old Floyd County courthouse door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 22nd day of July, 2004, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described real estate, located in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning on a concrete right-of-way monument near the intersection of two county roads, both roads being within the right-of-way of Kentucky Route 114; thence with said right-of-way S 72°33'53" E, 61.60 feet to a two-inch iron pipe (set); thence leaving said right-of-way and running with Boyd Holbrook's line S 00°13'53" E 86.54 feet to a two-inch iron pipe (set); thence S 02°23'33" E 95.26 feet to a two-inch iron pipe (set); thence N 70°23'37" W, 16.44 feet to 11" W, 19.62 feet to a two-inch iron pipe (set); thence N 70°12'14" W, 20.87 feet to a two-inch iron pipe (set); thence N 68°24'52" W, 20.66 feet to a two-inch iron pipe (set); thence 70°11'10" W, 20.73 feet to a two-inch iron pipe (set); thence N

69°25'22" W, 27.00 feet to a two-inch iron pipe (set); thence N 69°45'52" W, 29.07 feet to a two-inch iron pipe (set); thence N 70°05'12" W, 14.20 feet to a one-half inch rebar (set); thence N 38°22'36" E, 26.21 feet to a concrete right-of-way monument near the county road; thence with the right-of-way N 33°00'47" E, 144.66 feet to the beginning, containing 0.43 acres.

Being the same property conveyed to Karen Janelle Stephens by a deed dated January 30, 1991 and recorded in January 31, 1991, in Deed Book 344, Page 194, in the Office of the Floyd County Clerk.

TERMS OF SALE:

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or \$5,000.00 of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days.

(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America, and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2004, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes, will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

Any announcements made on date of sale, take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL: Hon. John R. Cummins Lerner, Sampson & Rothfuss P.O. Box 5480 Cincinnati, Ohio 45201-5480

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COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO. 04-CI-00062

U.S. BANK, NA PLAINTIFF VS. THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MARY B. CHILDERS, ET AL. DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COM-

MISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF In Rem Default Judgment and Order of Sale, of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 14th day of May, 2004, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$15,641.27, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County courthouse door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 22nd day of July, 2004, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, located in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Lot 414 as delineated on Subdivision Plat or Survey prepared by Richard E. Martin and filed in Map Drawer No. 348A in the Office of the Floyd County Clerk.

Being the same property conveyed to Mary B. Childers, widowed, by deed dated December 19, 1988, of record in Deed Book 695, Page 10, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk.

TERMS OF SALE

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum, from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America, and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County and City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2004, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County and City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, real estate taxes, will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

Any announcements made on date of sale, take precedence over printed

matter contained herein.

PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY: Hon. Joseph F. Grimme 14 North Grand Avenue Fort Thomas, Kentucky 41075 859/291-9075

WILLIAM S. KENDRICK M a s t e r Commissioner P. O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

LEGAL NOTICE

I have been appointed by the Floyd Circuit Court, Civil Action No. 04-CI-00309 now pending in Floyd Circuit Court, Division II styled:

Citifinancial Mortgage Company Inc., f/k/a Associates Financial Services Company of Indiana, Plaintiff v. Connie Stanley, Ted Stanley, aka Teddy Stanley, Unknown Occupant of 1837 Route 306, Wheelwright, Kentucky, and US Bank National Association f/k/a The First Guaranty National Bank, Defendants

The nature of this action is foreclosure. If you are Ted Stanley, aka Teddy Stanley, you are hereby warned and notified that you have thirty days from and after June 29, 2004, in which to file an answer to the complaint. If you fail to do so, the relief demanded in the complaint may be awarded to the plaintiff. This may be a matter for which you may want to consult an attorney.

JOSEPH LANE WARNING ORDER ATTORNEY 124 WEST COURT STREET PRESTONSBURG, KY 41653 (606) 886-6090/Fax (606) 886-6148

PUBLIC NOTICE ZONING CHANGE REQUEST

The owner(s) of the following property: TRACT 1 A certain tract(s) or parcel(s) of property lying on the Spradlin Branch of the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at an Iron Pin Set W/Cap LS #2878, and being a portion of a tract deeded to the City of Prestonsburg, Ky. (Deed Book 429, Pg. 19), and being a common corner with Tract 2, thence with the line of Tract 2, N 00°02'07" E, 122.12' to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap, PLS #2878, said iron pin being a common corner with Tract 2 and being a point on the City of Prestonsburg's 15' easement (Deed Book 423, Page 296) thence leaving Tract 2 and with the line of the 15' easement, S 63°22'26" E, 7.50' to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap, PLS #2878, thence continuing with the line of the said 15' easement N 26°37'34" E, 153.37' to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap, PLS #2878, said iron pin being a corner to the 15' easement, thence leaving the 15' easement, N 89°44'47" E, 67.56' to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap, PLS #2878, thence S 79°37'09" W, 148.28' to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap, PLS #2878, said iron pin being set on the left edge of a 9' wide gravel road, thence crossing the gravel road and an 8'

wide dirt road, S14°55'45" E, 111.76' to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap, PLS #2878, thence S 12°06'17" W, 174.68' to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap, PLS #2878, said iron pin lying within the City of Prestonsburg tract (Deed Book 429, Pg. 19) thence S 07°02'32" W, 30.00' to and Iron Pin Set W/Cap, PLS #2878, thence N 83°30'30" W 124.37', thence N 06°29'30" E, 30.00', thence N 77°21'44" W, 161.13' to the point of beginning, containing 1.88 acres, more or less.

TRACT 2
Beginning at an Iron Pin Set W/Cap PLS #2878, and being a portion of a tract deeded to the City of Prestonsburg, Ky. (Deed Book 429, Pg 19), and with said iron pin being a common corner with Tract 1, thence leaving Tract 1, N 74°30'37" W, 279.55' to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap, PLS #2878, said iron pin being in the left edge of an 8' dirt road, thence leaving the dirt road, S 09°26'44" W, 105.68', to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap PLS #2878, thence S 70°02'30" W, 115.78' to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap, PLS #2878, thence N 49°36'42" W, 176.74' to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap, PLS #2878, said iron pin being on the 50' right of way of the Kentucky Power Company, (Deed Book 402, Pg. 088), thence leaving the Kentucky Power Company right of way, N 07°30'44" W, 141.14' to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap, PLS #2878, said iron pin being a point on the Stacey Suzanne Calhoun property (Deed Book 416, Page 192), thence leaving Stacey Suzanne Calhoun's property, N 58°46'50" E, 164.44' to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap, PLS #2878, said iron pin being in the left edge of a 9' wide gravel road, thence, with the gravel road, N 61°11'16" E, 157.14' to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap PLS #2878, said iron pin being in the right edge of the 9' wide gravel road and being a portion of the tract deeded to the City of Prestonsburg, Ky. (Deed Book 423, Pg. 296), thence S 62°57'31" E, 46.21' to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap PLS #2878, with said iron pin being a corner to the United States Cellular Wireless Communications Excursion line (Deed Book 412, Pg. 13), thence staying with the United States Cellular Wireless Communications line, S 62°57'31" E, 149.98' to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap, PLS #2878, said iron pin being a corner to the United States Cellular Wireless Communications line, S 88°29'54" E, 63.86' to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap, PLS #2878, said Iron Pin being in the left edge of the 9' wide gravel road, thence 89°44'47" E, 90.14' to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap, PLS #2878, said iron pin being a corner to the City of Prestonsburg's 15' easement, thence with the line of the 15' easement, S 26°37'34" W, 145.76', to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap, PLS #2878, said iron pin being a corner to the 15' easement, thence continuing with the

line of the 15' easement, S 63°22'26" E, 7.50' to an Iron Pin Set W/Cap, PLS #2878, said iron pin being at the center of the 15' easement and being a common corner with Tract 1, thence leaving the 15' easement and the line of Tract 1, S 00°02'07" W, 122.12' to the point of beginning, containing 3.43 acres, more or less.

Has (have) requested a zoning change from P-1 (parks with no Facilities) zone to a SPA zone. The proposed change would result in zoning of the property as a Special Purpose Agriculture Classification. The purpose of this change is to allow the owner(s) to develop a primary Agriculture area with secondary housing lot(s).
A hearing has been scheduled for July 23, 2004, at 10:00 a.m., at city hall, 200 North Lake Drive. The Public is invited to attend and comment upon the proposed zoning change if they so desire.
Bobby Carpenter
Zoning Enforcement Officer
City of Prestonsburg

REQUEST FOR BIDS FOR VEHICLE

Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Inc., is now accepting bids for a vehicle for the Weatherization Program. Sealed proposals will be received by the Executive Director, 3rd floor, Johnson County courthouse, Paintsville, KY 41240, until 4:00 p.m., on Friday, July 23, 2004, at which time they will be publicly opened and read.

Questions regarding this Request for Bids should be addressed to James Michael Howell, Executive Director, telephone 606-789-3641, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m., to 4:30 p.m., or by fax to 606-789-8344. Any and all revisions to this request shall be made only by written addendum issued by BSACAP, Inc. No oral statements by any person shall modify or otherwise affect the terms, conditions or specifications stated in this request. The bidder is cautioned that the requirements of this bid can be altered only by written addendum, and that verbal communications from whatever source, are of no effect.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS:

- 1 Full Size Pickup Truck
- Long Wheel Base Four Wheel Drive V6/V8
- Automatic/Standard Transmission (Standard Preferred)
- Standard Option Package

Bid responses containing terms and conditions that do not conform to the terms and conditions in this bid request, will be subject to rejection as nonresponsive. BSACAP, Inc., reserves the right to permit the bidder to withdraw nonconforming terms and conditions from its bid response prior to the determination by BSACAP, Inc., of nonresponsiveness.

BSACAP, Inc., accepts no responsibility for any expense

incurred by the bidders in the preparation and presentation of a bid. Such expenses shall be borne exclusively by the bidder.

BSACAP, Inc., reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids and proposals, and further specifically reserves the right to make the award or awards in the best interest of BSACAP, Inc.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5306, Operator Change #4

In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that MATT/CO, INC., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, intends to revise permit number 836-5306, to change the operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is Double C Enterprises Inc., 1720 Wolpitt Branch, Elkhorn City, Kentucky 41522. The new operator will be Little Ty Coal Company Inc., P.O. Box 104, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.

The operation is located 0.5 mile northeast of Emma, in Floyd County. The operation is located approximately 0.25 mile north from KY Route 1428's junction with KY Route 194, and located 0.3 mile northeast of the Levisa Fork. The operation is located on the Lancer U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map, at latitude 37°38'30" and longitude 82°41'45".

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5427, Operator Change

(1) In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 750 Town Mountain Road, Pikeville, KY 41501, intends to revise permit No. 836-5427, to change the operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is Mud Creek, LLC, 3315 Christy St., Ashland KY 41102. The new operator will be Oscar Hatten Coal Co., LLC, 700 13th St., Park Circle Drive, Kenova, WV 25530.

(2) The operation is located .8 mile south of Blue Moon, in Floyd County. The operation is approximately .60 mile southwest of Little Mud Creek Road's junction with Morgan Fork Road, and located adjacent to and

10 feet south of Morgan Fork. The operation is located on the McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map, at latitude 37°29'33" and longitude 82°42'21".

(3) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite #6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director of Division of Permits, Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5408

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 750 Town Mountain Rd., Pikeville, KY, 41501, has filed an application for a permit for an underground mining operation, located 1.5 mile southeast of Printer, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 3.04 surface acres, and underlie 194.13 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 197.17 acres.

The facility is approximately .2 mile northeast from KY 2030's junction with Big Branch-Honaker Rd., and located adjacent to Spurlock Creek. The latitude is 37°31'24" and the longitude is 82°43'22".
The proposed facility is located on the Harold USGS 7.5 minute quadrangle map. The surface area is owned by Bull Creek Coal Corporation. The permit will underlie land owned by Bull Creek Coal Corporation.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

(For final advertisement only): This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections and/or requests for a permit conference, must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application No. 880-7010, Major Revision No. 6

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Czar Coal Corporation, H.C. 64, Box 915, Debord, Kentucky 41611, has

applied for a major revision to an existing surface (haulroad) coal mining and reclamation operation, located approximately 1.25 mile north of Thomas, Kentucky, in Martin, Johnson and Floyd counties. The major revision will add 15.14 acres of surface disturbance, making a total of 330.83 acres within the permit boundary.

The proposed area is approximately 1.25 mile southwest from KY Route 3's junction with Middle Fork of Rockcastle Creek Road, and located 1 mile west of Middle Fork of Rockcastle Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the Inez, Lancer, Thomas and Offutt U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Pocahontas Development Corporation.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference, must be

filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

For Final Advertisement: This is the final advertisement of this application. All comments, objections and/or requests for a permit conference, must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II CA NO. 04-CI-00302

Branch Banking and Trust Company (Successor in Interest to Matewan National Bank), Plaintiff vs. NOTICE OF PENDING LITIGATION Millard Stevens, et al., Defendants
The above action has been filed against Millard Stevens, P.O. Box 461, Betsy Layne, Kentucky 41605. The purpose of this suit is to enforce the mortgage due and payable to the Plaintiff, Branch Banking & Trust Company (Successor in Interest to Matewan National Bank).

The Defendant, Millard Stevens, should promptly contact Stephen L. Hogg, Stratton, Hogg & Maddox, P.S.C., P.O. Box 150, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, (606) 437-7800, to obtain further information concerning this lawsuit.

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Friends Around the World

The Olympics encourage people around the world to be friends. And there is always something special about getting a postcard from a friend who lives in another place.



Weekly Writing Corner

Postcard from Home

I like living in a quiet town where there isn't a lot of racket like in a big city. There are a lot of fun things to do here. There are a few nice parks and there's nice weather for most of the year.

Shelby,
3rd Grade

How are you doing? I'm doing just great! I love it here. It's so nice. I wish you were here with me because the weather is nice, there are beaches and camping and lots of fun things.

Matt,
6th Grade

There are lots of plants on the side of the road. It's really green. There is a creek and we have deer all around. This is a little town but there's lots of wildlife here. There are birds, squirrels and sometimes snakes too.

Becky
4th Grade

I'm here in the plaza and on every Tuesday night there is a Farmer's Market. There is music in the air and a lot of food to eat. This is an awesome town.

Sean,
4th Grade

I live in a great little town. It has cool shopping, good people and it has this great school. I love this town. I would not want to live anywhere else but here.

Kyndal,
6th Grade

I'm living in an awesome place just north of a big city. It is very small but not too far from the ocean. Real estate is very expensive here due to the near perfect weather and the beautiful landscape. There are also many animals here, mostly cows.

Caroline,
7th Grade

The weather here on the north shore of Oahu is pretty nice. There's lots of sunshine, water to swim in and great food to eat. Also, I have lots of friends to surf with. We have parties almost every weekend and every lady older than you is your aunty. Everyone knows everyone and everyone is family. That is my hometown!

Jesse and Jordan,
8th Grade

RWTUJPSDZSVWIHSAYTMPXEBXTCIBLCULO

Hi Kid Scoop!

It's fabulous here! Moscow is beautiful. We took the Metro to Red Square and saw the Krewlin. Tonight we see the Bolshoi Ballet. Can't wait!

From Eugene



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Mystery Postcards

Kid Scoop just got some postcards, but the senders forgot to say which country they were writing from. Can you use the geography clues to find out which country each card is from?

Standards Link: Social Science: Use map and globe skills to find the absolute location of places; use the Internet or encyclopedia to research.

G'day, Kid Scoop, from the Southern Hemisphere!

Went snorkeling on the Great Barrier Reef today. Next we are taking a trip to the outback to Ayers Rock. More later!

Your friend, Rebecca



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Dear Kid Scoop,

iHola! Bargain hunting at the market was great. There were serapes, pottery, and colorful chilis. We got silver bracelets and a red-and-green piñata. Now I think I'll eat some chips and salsa. My next stop: Acapulco!

Adios, Hayley



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Dear Kid Scoop, It is HOT here! Today we floated down the Nile. I toured the Great Sphinx yesterday. Tomorrow we get to visit the Pyramids! Love, Marcus



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Border Clues

The names of the four countries where these postcards came from are hidden in the letters that form the border at left and right. To find out the names, circle every third letter—starting with the starred one in each row of letters.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Understand simple written directions.

Extra! Extra!

Cities Search

Look through the newspaper for names of 10 different cities. Arrange these words in alphabetical order.

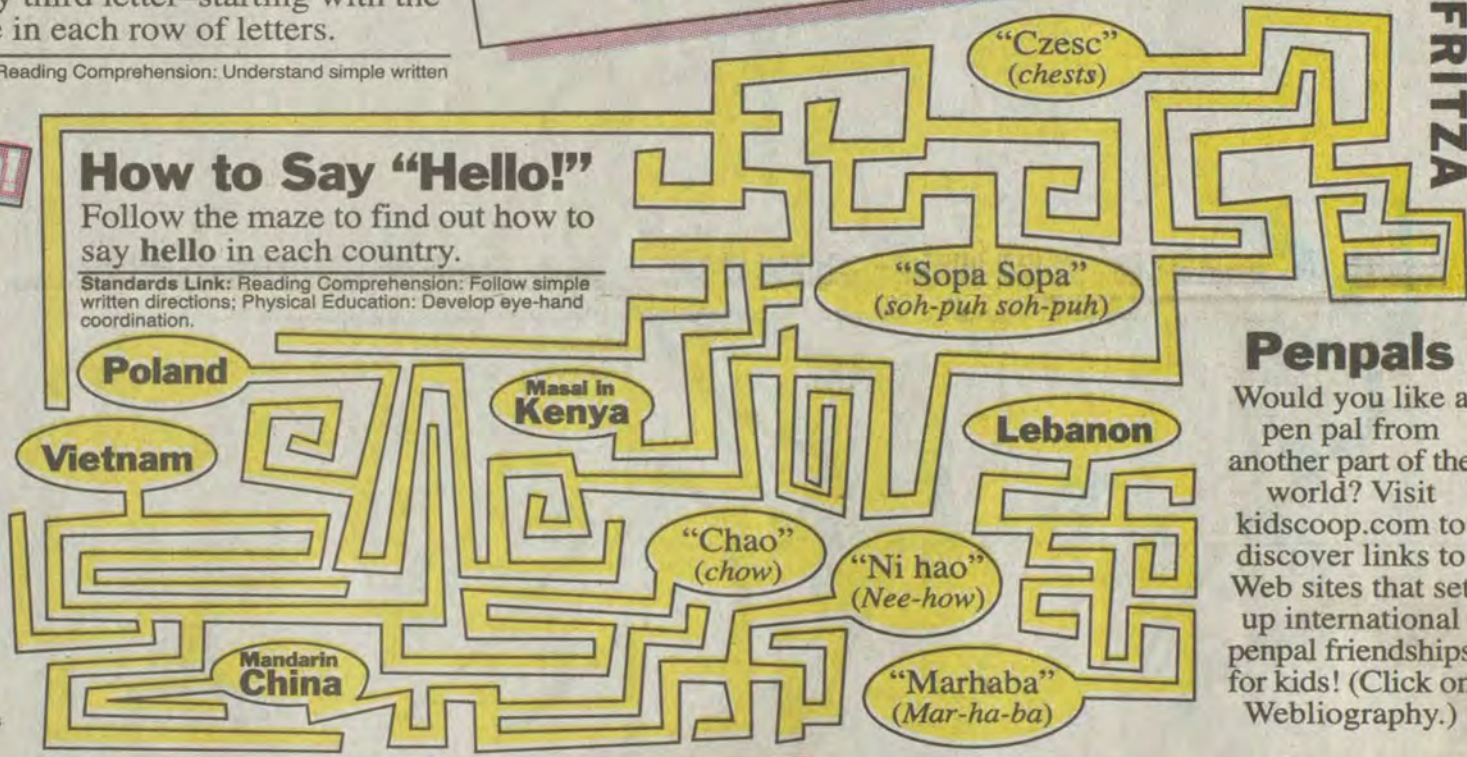
Standards Link: Spelling: Arrange letters in alphabetical order.

Activities on today's page were adapted from the National Geographic Society's educational materials.

How to Say "Hello!"

Follow the maze to find out how to say hello in each country.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions; Physical Education: Develop eye-hand coordination.



Penpals

Would you like a pen pal from another part of the world? Visit kidscoop.com to discover links to Web sites that set up international penpal friendships for kids! (Click on Webliography.)

Fido Phrases

What do dogs "say?" In English we imitate them by saying, "Bow wow!" People in other countries have their own ways to copy the sound a dog makes. Can you find each of the dog sounds in the word puzzle?



HINT: one of them is spelled around a corner.

- English: Bow wow!
- Chinese: Wang wang!
- Russian: Gav gav!
- German: Vow vow!
- Swahili: Wow wow!
- Hebrew: How how!
- Japanese: Wan wan!
- Swedish: Voff voff!
- Spanish: Gwow gwow!

F G A V G A V O
O W A N W A N O
V O F F V O F F
O W O W W O W W
W G H O W B N A
G W O V W O V N
W O V G N A W G
O W O H W O H O
B O W W O W O B

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

- REEF
- CHINA
- POLAND
- VIETNAM
- KENYA
- LEBANON
- METRO
- SALSA
- HELLO
- WORLD
- NILE
- LEFT
- CHAO
- GOT
- LINKS
- TRIP

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

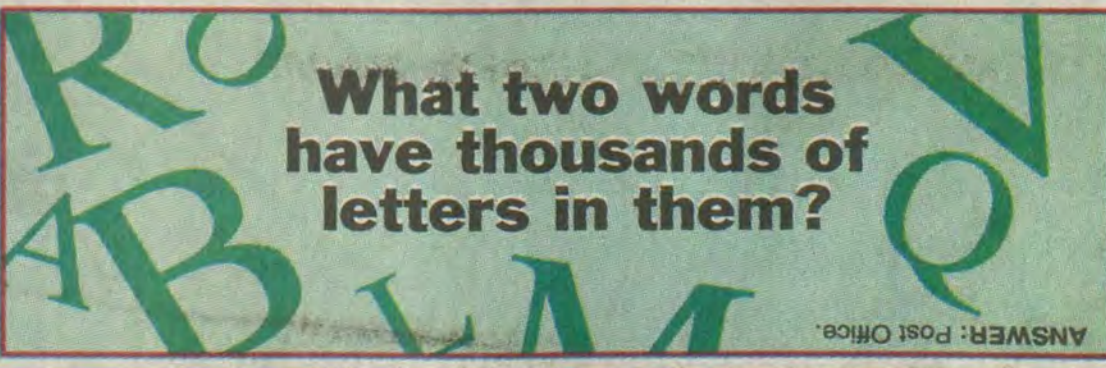
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Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

BEYOND Kid Scoop

Sports Stars of the World
Look through the newspaper for names of famous sports stars who come from other countries. Make a collage about your favorite star with newspaper articles, maps and pictures.

Standards Link: Social Science: Recognize the similarities and differences in cultures around the world.



ANSWER: Post Office.

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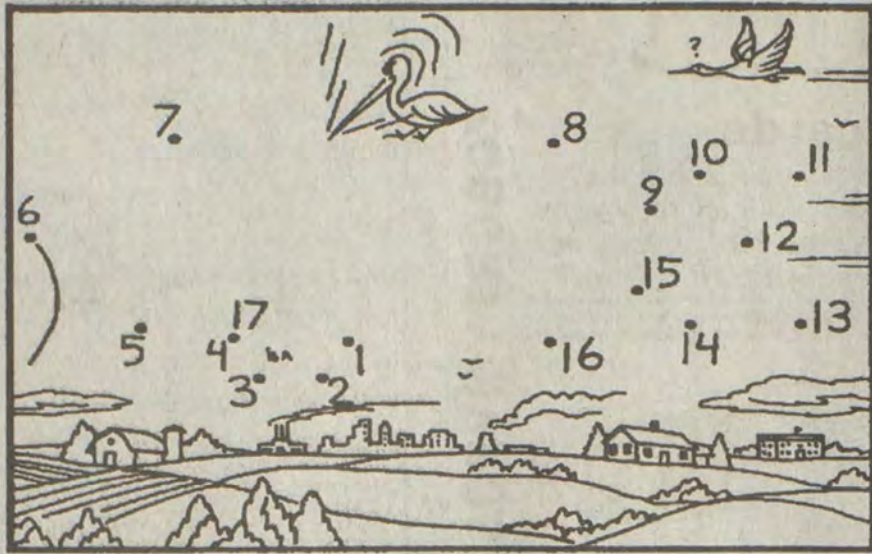
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SHIP AHOY! What's coming in for a landing? Add lines dot to dot. What can you draw to complete the picture?

Junior Whirl

by Hal Kaufman

1	ATE	
2	_ ATE	
3	_ _ ATE	
4	_ _ _ ATE	
5	_ _ _ _ ATE	
6	_ _ _ _ _ ATE	

ATE SPATE POSER TO PONDER

OBSERVE that the word ATE appears progressively as a key element of five words at left. See if you can find these words in accord with the following definitions:

1. "It must have been some thing I ___." (ATE, in place).
2. Utility bill cost factor.
3. Collective group running for office.
4. Contribute to a cause or charity.
5. Promote.
6. Fire up into motion.

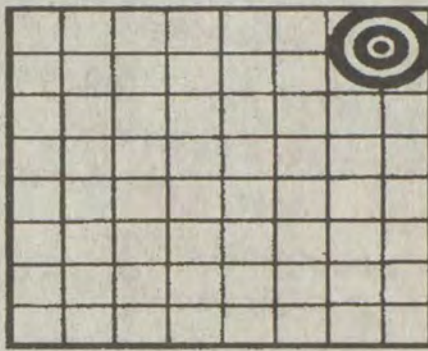
How quickly can you fill in the answers?

1. Ate. 2. Rate. 3. State. 4. Donate. 5. Elevate. 6. Activate.

WINGING IT! Two of these creatures are wingless, two have two wings and two have four wings: Flea, gnat, deer tick, dragonfly, housefly, butterfly. Which are which?

No wings: flea, deer tick; two wings: gnat, housefly; four wings: dragonfly, butterfly.

PAIR GAME! You are invited to take aim with a pencil at this 64-square target. Object is to fire off 16 shots in such a manner that there are two hits in each of the rows across, down, and in corner-to-corner diagonals. (No two shots are to strike the same square.)



Let's see how quickly you can achieve the desired result.

P.S.: Target design at top right is for embellishment purposes only.

Top row, across: 4th and 6th squares; succeeding rows: 3, 5, 5, 7, 2, 4, 1, 7, 2, 3, 6, 8, 1, 8. Other answers may be possible.

WHERE TO? Joe's at the show. Paul's at the mall. Gail's at the sale. Nellie's at the deli. Can you think of some?

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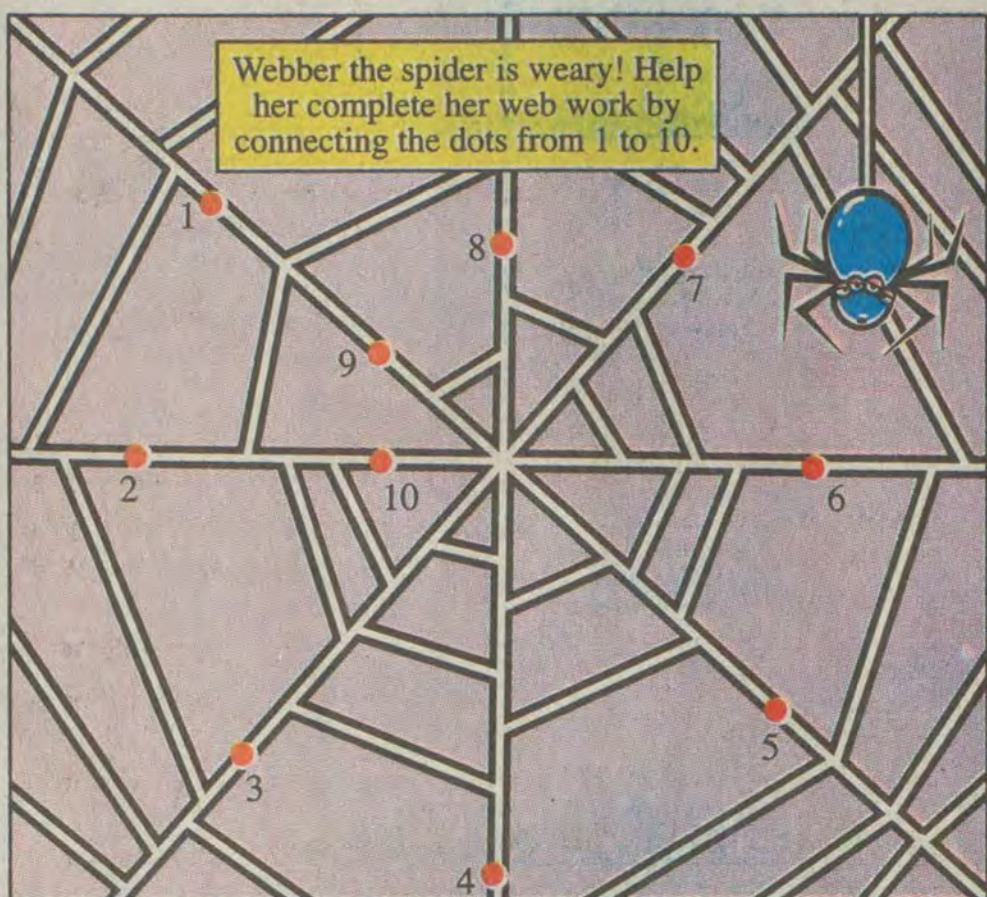
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My name: _____

Learning Buddies: Spell your child's first name, using the lines to write large letters. Use an uppercase letter for the first letter in the name and lowercase letters to spell the rest. Have your child trace the letters with a finger, crayon or pencil.



My Rhyme Time

Webber Spider spent her days
Surfing on the ocean waves.
At night she watched the stars come out
From her web on the water spout.

My Letters

W is for Web
w is for web



Learning Buddies: Read the two phrases aloud. Have your child read with you. Trace the uppercase and lowercase letter W. Say the letter as you trace it.

How many words or pictures can you find on this page that start with the W sound like the word web?

My Numbers

How many watermelons?



How many waffles?

Learning Buddies: Trace and say the number. Read the questions. Touch and count to find the answers.

My Sentence

Learning Buddies: Read the first part of the sentence aloud. Ask your child to think of a way to finish the sentence. Write your child's words in the lines. Read the entire sentence to your child while pointing out that reading is done from left to right. Older children may want to trace all or some of the letters in the sentence.



Webber's web was _____



Sunday

Letter Identification
With your child, look through the newspaper to find pictures of things that start with the same sound as the letter W in web.

Monday

Math Play
Point to the number 8 in the newspaper. Have your child say the number and, if it's large enough, have your child trace the number.

Tuesday

Eight Legs
Wad up one sheet of newspaper to form a "ball." Wrap tape around the ball, this is the body of the spider. Help your child cut out 8 strips of newspaper, one strip for each spider leg. Tape the legs to the newspaper "ball" body.

Wednesday

Where do they live?
Look through the newspaper for pictures of animals. Point to each animal and ask your child where the animal lives. Does it live in a tree? Under the water? In a barn? On a web?

Thursday

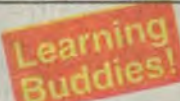
Big W, Little w
On one page of the newspaper search for an uppercase letter W and a lowercase letter w. Draw a line to connect the two. Can you find more uppercase and lowercase W-w pairs?

Friday

The Five Ws
Ask your child to find a funny picture in the newspaper. Ask questions about the picture using the five Ws: **Who** is in the picture? **What** is happening in the picture? **Where** was the picture taken? **When** was it taken? **Why** was it taken?

Saturday

One Minute Fun
Use the newspaper to find out how long a minute lasts. Roll or fold up a newspaper and have your child lay down with his/her feet up in the air. Ask, "Can you balance the newspaper on your feet for one minute?"



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HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.

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Rational Numbers

Rational Numbers

Using the clues, simple arithmetic, and a little logic, place a single digit (0 to 9) in each empty box in the diagram. To help you get started, one digit has been entered in the diagram.



answers

- ACROSS**
- 5-Across plus 10-Down
 - Consecutive digits in descending order
 - The last digit is three times the first digit
 - Eight times 11-Down
 - 14-Across minus 6-Across
 - The first digit is the sum of the other digits
 - Seventy more than 9-Across
 - Three times 3-Down
 - One-half of 2-Down
 - One-third of 1-Across
 - Consecutive digits in descending order

- DOWN**
- 15-Across minus 3-Across
 - One less than 13-Down
 - The first digit is the sum of the other digits
 - Four more than 18-Across
 - Consecutive odd digits in ascending order
 - Digits of 16-Down reversed
 - Consecutive digits in ascending order
 - Digits of 12-Across reversed
 - Thirty less than 7-Across
 - The first digit is three times the last digit

5	1					4	3
3	9		1	0	1	6	
	2	2	3			3	
		6	5	1			
	1		7	2	1		
1	2	3	9			9	6
1	7					3	2

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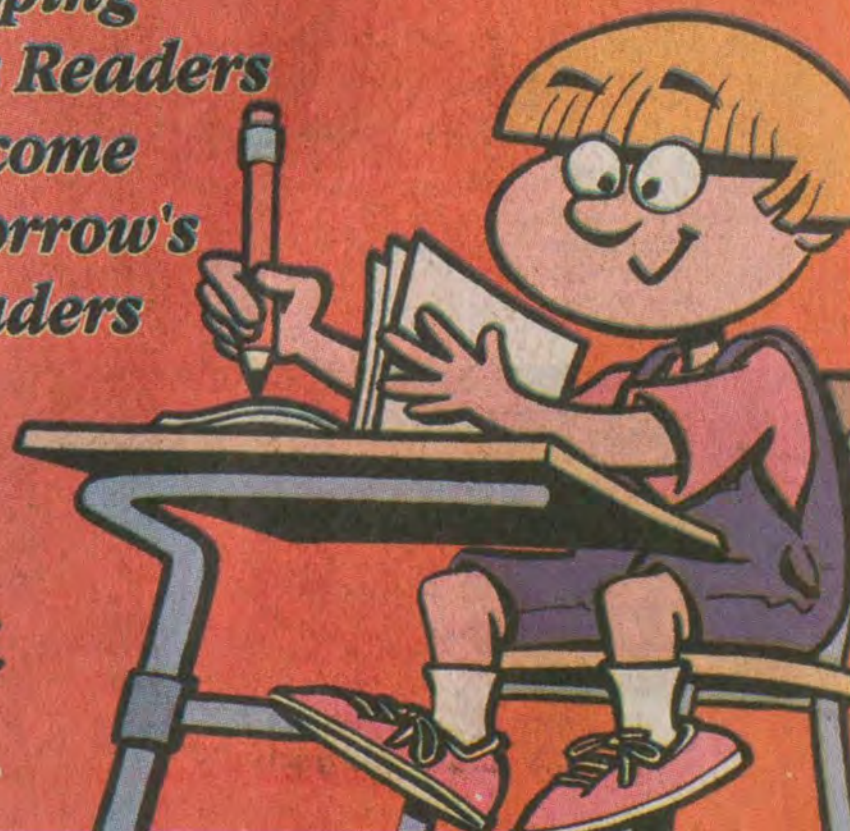
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The twilight zone

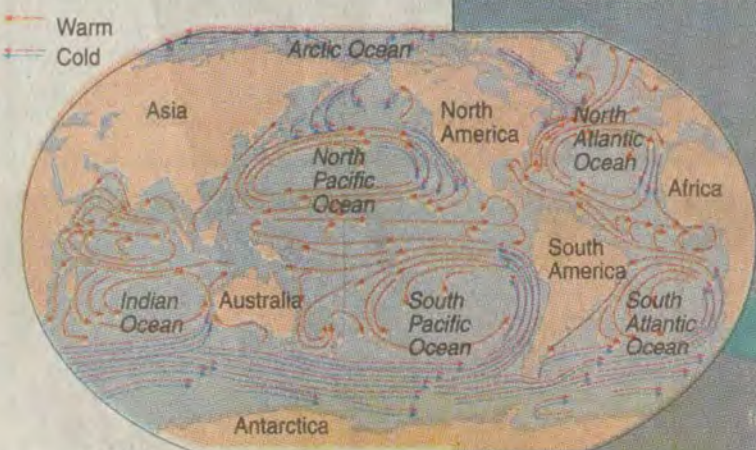
The mesopelagic zone is also called the twilight or midwater zone. It extends from 656 feet to 3,281 feet (220 m to 1,000 m). Here, the light becomes fainter and the water colder.

Water temperature

The temperature of the ocean varies depending on currents and water depth. Warm surface water generally reaches depths of about 500 feet (150 m), and twice that in some tropical waters. In deeper water, the temperature drops quickly. Below the warmer surface waters is a band of colder water called the thermocline. The depth of the thermocline layer varies from 1,000 feet (300 m) to 3,000 feet (910 m). Below that layer the water cools more slowly.

Currents

Currents are the result of two main forces: surface wind and the difference in temperature and salt content of the water. Wind circulation produces the major ocean currents, great streams that travel in general circular patterns. The wind is also responsible for upwelling, when coastal waters are blown offshore and are replaced with colder water. Thermohaline circulation happens when colder, saltier water sinks, resulting in vertical currents that flow from the surface to the bottom and eventually to the surface again in a never-ending cycle.

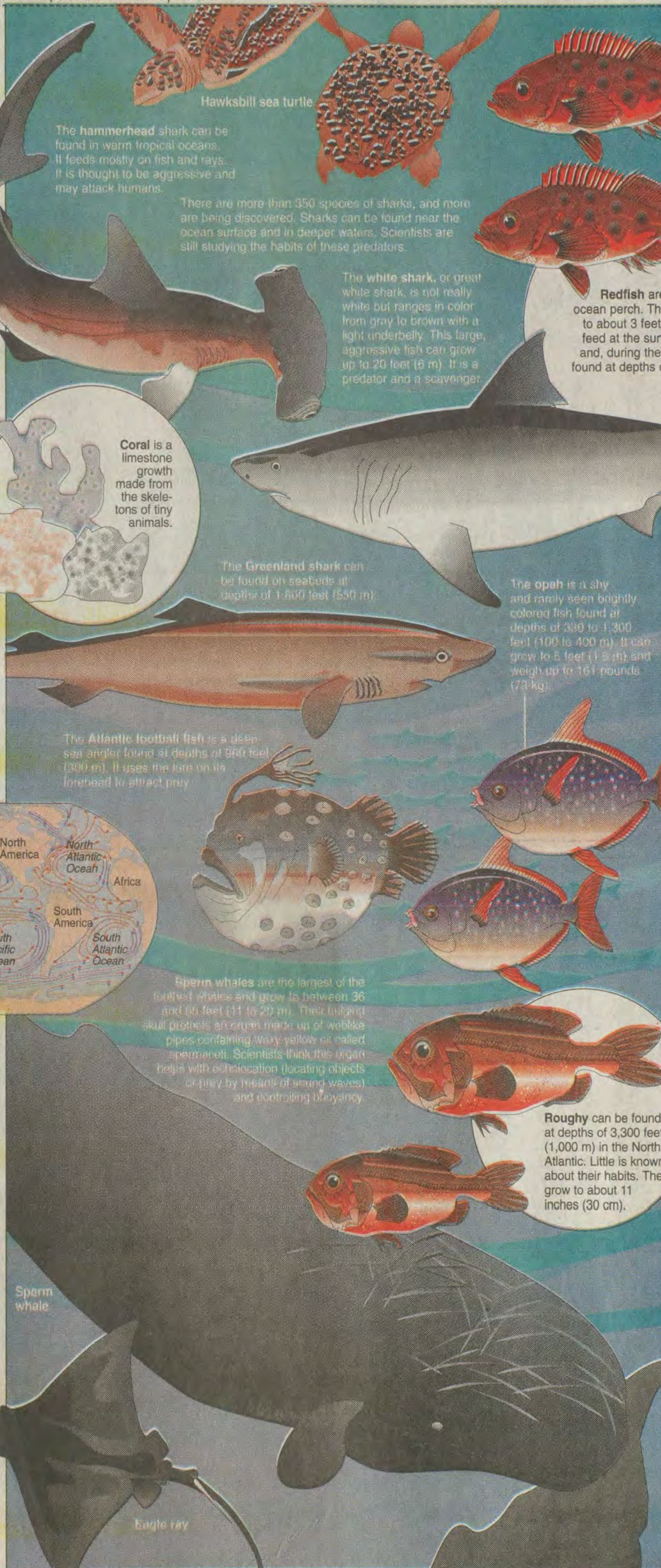
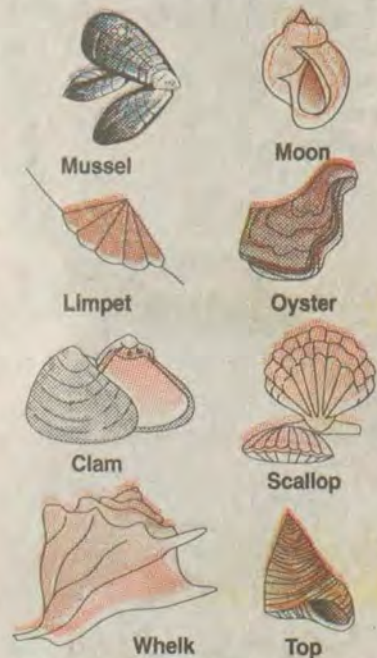


Shells & shellfish

Shellfish are part of a group of soft-bodied animals called mollusks. Limpets and snails are univalves (protected by a single shell). Clams and mussels are bivalves. They have two hinged shells covering their body.

Quiz

Can you tell the univalves from the bivalves in the mollusks below?



Hawksbill sea turtle

The hammerhead shark can be found in warm tropical oceans. It feeds mostly on fish and rays. It is thought to be aggressive and may attack humans.

There are more than 350 species of sharks, and more are being discovered. Sharks can be found near the ocean surface and in deeper waters. Scientists are still studying the habits of these predators.

The **white shark**, or great white shark, is not really white but ranges in color from gray to brown with a light underbelly. This large, aggressive fish can grow up to 20 feet (6 m). It is a predator and a scavenger.

Redfish are also called ocean perch. They can grow to about 3 feet (1 m). They feed at the surface at night and, during the day, can be found at depths of 1,300 feet (400 m).

The **Greenland shark** can be found on seabeds at depths of 1,600 feet (500 m).

The **Atlantic football fish** is a deep-sea angler found at depths of 900 feet (300 m). It uses the lure on its forehead to attract prey.

Sperm whales are the largest of the toothed whales and grow to between 36 and 66 feet (11 to 20 m). Their bulging skull protrudes an organ made up of weblike pipes containing waxy yellow oil called spermaceti. Scientists think this organ helps with echolocation (locating objects or prey by means of sound waves) and controlling buoyancy.

Roughy can be found at depths of 3,300 feet (1,000 m) in the North Atlantic. Little is known about their habits. They grow to about 11 inches (30 cm).

Sperm whale

Eagle ray

Studying the deep

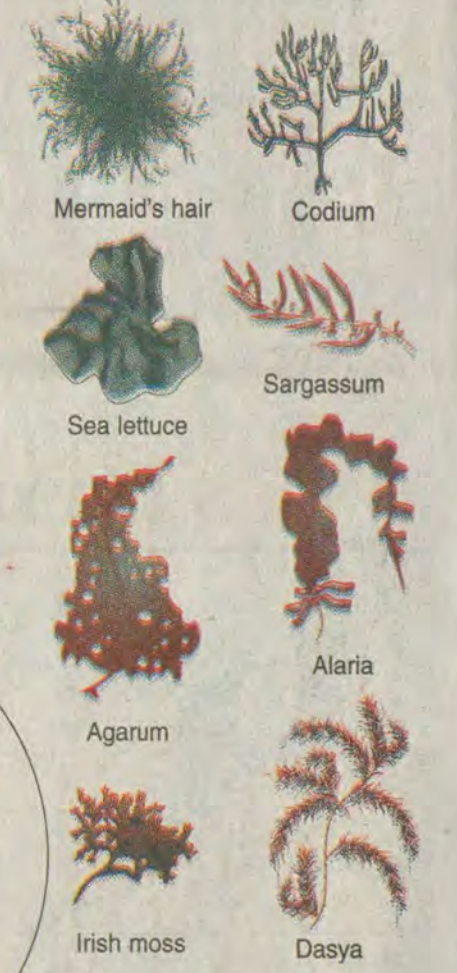
Scientists who study oceans are called oceanographers. They examine the seas and look at how oceans move and affect climate. Oceanographers also examine life in the oceans and study the sea floor. They use computers, satellites and underwater submersibles to help collect information.

People who study fish are called ichthyologists (pronounced IHK-thee-AHL-uh-jihsts). Ichthyologists divide fish into two main groups: jawed and jawless. Most fish have jaws; only lampreys and hagfish do not.

Sharks are related to chimaeras (ratfish) and rays. These fish have a skeleton of cartilage instead of bone.

Marine algae

Large marine algae, called seaweed, help purify the air and water through photosynthesis. Here are some algae that can be found on wharfs and rocky beaches:



Pressing and drying seaweed

You can observe the structure of seaweed or kelp by floating it in a pan of water. Later, you can dry the seaweed by hanging it over a railing or laundry line, or on heavy paper. Here's what to do:

1. Float specimen in a pan of seawater.
2. Slide heavy paper underneath the seaweed and use the paper to slowly lift the weed.
3. Place cheesecloth over the seaweed to dry it. Once dry, remove the cheesecloth, mount the specimen on another piece of paper and label it.

LEARN ALL ABOUT OCEANS — PART THREE IN THE NEXT INSTALLMENT OF WORLD OF WONDER

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