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briefs

Ashland man indicted for lying to get loan

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

ASHLAND — Terry Clay Dyer, also known as Terry Arnold Dyer, 25, of Ashland, was indicted by a federal grand jury in Ashland on charges that he allegedly misrepresented himself as a cattle owner in loan documents filed with the United States Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency.

The indictment accuses Dyer of falsely claiming that he had cattle to the tune of \$324,500.

If convicted he could face up to 30 years in jail as well as \$1 million in fines.

Dyer was corralled after an investigation by the USDA and the Office of the Inspector General. The indictment was presented to a grand jury in Ashland by Assistant U.S. Attorney John Patrick Grant.

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High: 86 • Low: 64

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Grand jury clears state trooper

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Floyd County grand jury charged with investigating the shooting death of Aaron Tackett during a routine traffic stop by Kentucky

State Police officer Kerry White has cleared White in the shooting.

The grand jury spent a year looking into the evidence of the July 1, 2003, killing and returned a "no true bill report" last Friday.

A lawsuit is still ongoing in the case and was brought against

White by Tackett's brother, Robert.

Tackett's son, Jason, was in the car the night of the shooting but fled the scene and could only state that his father had no gun. Police sought him out for over a week but could not find him. He

eventually contacted KSP through his attorney, Ned Pillersdorf.

State police Scott Hopkins stated at the time of the case that White "had to resort to lethal force to protect himself."

Jason Tackett was later arrest-

ed on charges of threatening after he allegedly called Post 9 in Pikeville and made threats that Trooper White was a dead man. The call was logged on Aug. 17, 2003, and was made to 911. The

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David School students Sunni Williams, a sophomore, and Roger Collins, a senior, were among other classmates who helped a hand to help clean up a foot of mud, rock and branches in the road at Schoolhouse Hollow after flash-flooding over the weekend.

4-year-old murder trial set to begin

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Dwayne Earl Bishop will finally go to trial Tuesday after four years of sitting in jail.

Bishop was first indicted in the brutal slaying of his wife, Carolyn Ann Bishop, on Oct. 26, 2000.

Bishop has always professed to want a speedy trial but has spent the last four years filing petitions to try and get rid of his lawyers which has dragged the process on for four years. He also has stated that there is a vast conspiracy to frame him and has accused everyone involved in the proceedings of colluding in that effort.

Bishop has had such a hard time getting along with his attorney, public advocate Harolyn Howard, that a co-counsel was appointed to assist in the case. That attorney, Robert P. Gainstine, had to be brought in from the public

defender's office in Morehead and has also petitioned the court to be released from the case but appears to be committed to it at this time.

So far the case has resulted in 46 motion hour appearances and 465 documents have been filed in the matter. Yesterday was the last scheduled court appearance for motions in the case.

Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Wayne Taylor noted that the trial should start on Tuesday.

"He [Bishop] does not want a continuance," Taylor said. "It would take an earthquake or other natural disaster at this point to put it off any longer."

Bishop's last motion hour appearance Thursday saw that Bishop shouted and cursed at Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner. Despite the outburst, the proceedings were wrapped up with the trial still set to begin Tuesday morning.

"It would take an earthquake or other natural disaster at this point to put it off any longer."

— Asst. Commonwealth's Attorney Wayne Taylor

Fake insurance cards popping up

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Keith Halbert, 33, of Wayland, was arrested in district court Friday when he allegedly tried to pass off a phony insurance card to the court.

Phony insurance cards are begin-

ning to pop up in the county and Assistant County Attorney Jimmy Marcum already has another case against Vonda Gayheart, of Martin, and is set to issue an arrest warrant against a third violator today.

"The card that Vonda used looked really good," Marcum said. "It actually used the number of an outdated

policy and would pass a cursory inspection. We had to contact the insuring agent for verification [California Casualty] and they affirmed that it was a fake."

Marcum is getting adept at spotting the cards, which have so far

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Prosecution seeking \$3,000 for trial costs

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Marcus Phillips, convicted of murdering his wife last Thursday by a Floyd County Jury, appears on the docket for today's motion hour in circuit court, but he won't be putting in an appearance.

The prosecution will be there in the form of Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Wayne Taylor, who will be petitioning the court to pay for witness expenses.

All trials generate costs and this one was no exception with witnesses having to be brought in from Florida, Indiana and Ohio.

"We are just asking for an order from the judge to pay these expenses incurred," Taylor said. "Phillips never even made bond and was in jail for over a year-and-a-half, so he has no income to help with the expenses."

The cost of the witness services comes in at a little over \$3,000 and will have to be picked up by the commonwealth.

Taylor mentioned that Phillips won't be back in court until his formal sentencing in October.

"We would like to see him take that opportunity to admit to what he's done," Taylor said. "The family would benefit from the closure. They have a candlelit

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Major construction is complete on the first section of University Drive to be widened to three lanes. The finished portion of road, which was blacktopped Tuesday and Wednesday, now gives motorists easy passage from U.S. 23 to Highland Plaza.

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Odds & Ends

■ **SALT LAKE CITY** — A judge says the lawsuit just didn't have teeth.

Third District Judge L.A. Dever dismissed a lawsuit brought by Tina Keeney, who claimed emotional distress after alleging a can of Campbell's chicken noodle soup she split with her 13-month-old son contained a human tooth.

"I just don't eat," said the 37-year-old West Jordan resident. "It has affected the way I shop, the way I fix food, things that I eat."

She says she's had "obsessive" eating issues since the July 9, 2002, incident.

"To the contrary, Ms. Keeney indicates that she is not sick and has not suffered diseases, ulcers or headaches as a result of the incident," Dever wrote in his Aug. 23 order granting summary judgment to Campbell Soup Co.

Keeney said her attorneys probably will appeal, and Campbell spokesman John Faulkner declined comment Wednesday because of that possibility.

Keeney claimed she found her son tapping something on his high chair while she was cleaning up after lunch. She found the hard, white object, and she called the company's

headquarters in Camden, N.J., to complain.

Campbell offered to cover the cost of the soup — plus a little extra, and sent her a \$10 check. The company also wanted her to mail in the tooth.

Keeney took it to a lawyer instead, and the lawsuit was filed in September 2003.

■ **HELENA, Mont.** — Even if you're puking, the potty is private, the Montana Supreme Court has ruled.

The high court says a police officer went too far when he walked in on a young woman while she was vomiting into the toilet during a loud house

party. The 6-1 decision Tuesday said the unconstitutional intrusion into the privy means evidence that Rebekah Smith had been drinking illegally — she was only 18 at the time — could not be used to prosecute her.

Merely hearing someone vomiting behind a closed door was not sufficient reason for Dillon Police Officer Don Guiberson to open the door, the court said.

The case arose from a complaint about a loud party at a Dillon apartment in October 2001. A party guest allowed officers to enter the apartment.

When Guiberson heard someone vomiting in the bathroom, he opened the bathroom door without knocking or asking permission and found Smith vomiting in the toilet.

She was convicted of underage drinking and given a deferred sentence. On appeal, she argued the search of the bathroom was unconstitutional and evidence obtained by the officer could not be used against her.

The Supreme Court agreed. Since the apartment owner never objected to the officers' presence, no one at the party could have expected privacy in the "common areas" of the apartment, the court said. But the same is not true for the

bathroom, it said.

■ **FOREST GROVE, Ore.** — An unwelcome guest recently crashed into Barbara Vreeland's home: the cremated remains of a Washington man.

The 46-year-old man died of natural causes in June. He wanted to be cremated and have his ashes scattered over Mountain View Memorial Gardens, a cemetery near Vreeland's home, Forest Grove police Capt. Aaron Ashbaugh said Tuesday.

Family members told police the bag of ashes slipped as they were circling the cemetery in a small plane they had hired for the day.

The 4-pound bag crashed

through Vreeland's roof and landed in the attic.

"It really rattled our place," said Vreeland, who was at her kitchen sink when the ashes hit the roof. "It wasn't a little bump — it shook the house."

Vreeland's roof is being fixed and the man's family is paying for the damage.

"I understand the man wanted to be with his (deceased) relatives," Vreeland said.

"I feel for those people. But I think some of their relative is still in our attic."

■ **ISTANBUL, Turkey** — Ilker Yilmaz has his eye on the prize and he's milking his tal-

(See **ODDS**, page six)

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Sept. 3, the 247th day of 2004. There are 119 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 3, 1783, the Treaty of Paris between the United States and Great Britain officially ended the Revolutionary War.

On this date:

■ In 1189, England's King Richard I (the Lion-Hearted) was crowned in Westminster.

■ In 1658, Oliver Cromwell, the Lord Protector of England, died.

■ In 1939, Britain and France declared war on Germany, two days after the Nazi invasion of Poland.

■ In 1943, the British Eighth Army invaded Italy during World War II, the same day Italy signed a secret armistice with the allies.

■ In 1967, Nguyen Van Thieu was elected president of South Vietnam under a new constitution.

■ In 1967, motorists in Sweden began driving on the right-hand side of the road, instead of the left.

■ In 1967, the original version of the television game show "What's My Line?," hosted by John Charles Daly, broadcast its final episode after more than 17 years on CBS.

■ In 1976, the unmanned U.S. spacecraft Viking 2 landed on Mars to take the first close-up, color photographs of the planet's surface.

■ In 1978, Pope John Paul I was installed as the 264th pontiff of the Roman Catholic Church.

■ In 1989, a Cubana de Aviacion jetliner crashed after takeoff in Havana, killing all

126 aboard and 26 people on the ground.

Ten years ago:

China and Russia proclaimed an end to any lingering hostilities, pledging they would no longer target nuclear missiles or use force against each other.

Five years ago: A French judge closed a two-year inquiry into the car crash that killed Princess Diana, dismissing all charges against nine photographers and a press motorcyclist, and concluding the accident was caused by an inebriated driver. NASA temporarily grounded its space shuttle fleet after inspections had uncovered damaged wires that could endanger a mission.

One year ago:

Paul Hill, a former minister who said he murdered an abortion doctor and his bodyguard to save the lives of unborn babies, was executed in Florida by injection, becoming the first person put to death in the United States for anti-abortion violence. President Bush signed legislation to begin free trade with Singapore and Chile.

Today's Birthdays:

Actress Helen Wagner ("As the World Turns") is 86. "Beetle Bailey" cartoonist Mort Walker is 81. Country singer Hank Thompson is 79. Actress Anne Jackson is 78. Time magazine contributing editor Hugh Sidey is 77. Country singer Tompall Glaser is 71. Actress Eileen Brennan is 69. Actress Pauline Collins is 64. Rock singer-musician Al Jardine (The Beach Boys) is 62. Actress Valerie Perrine is 61. Rock musician Donald Brewer (Grand Funk Railroad) is 56. Rock guitarist Steve Jones (The Sex Pistols) is 49. Rock singer-musician Todd Lewis is 39. Actor Costas

Mandylor is 39. Actor Charlie Sheen is 39. Singer Jennifer Paige is 31. Actor Nick Wechsler is 26.

Thought for Today:

"Any doctrine that will not bear investigation is not a fit tenant for the mind of an honest man." — Robert G. Ingersoll, American lawyer and politician (1833-1899).

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Corps of Engineers to appeal federal mining ruling

by LAWRENCE MESSINA
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, W.Va. — The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers filed notice Thursday that it will appeal a federal judge's recent ruling that targets the use of valley fills for disposal of mining waste.

The key defendant in a case brought by environmentalists, the corps will file its appeal with the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond, Va.

President Bush's senior environmental policy adviser announced the planned appeal ear-

lier in the day at the state Chamber of Commerce's annual meeting at The Greenbrier resort.

"The president is committed to reliable, affordable, domestically available energy. He's laid that backbone of that on coal," Jim Connaughton told a luncheon crowd.

Connaughton also predicted that all 55 West Virginia counties can satisfy looming air quality standards — as long as the state sticks with Bush's environmental policies.

U.S. District Judge Joseph R. Goodwin barred the corps in a

July 8 order from applying its streamlined permit process to mountaintop removal mining projects that would rely on valley fills.

Mountaintop removal is a high-efficiency surface mining technique designed to recover 100 percent of the coal. The rock and dirt above and between coal seams is blasted away, then disposed of in nearby streambeds to form valley fills. The mining method replaces mountains and valleys with a landscape more flat or gently rolling.

Goodwin expanded his ruling with an Aug. 13 order that directed the corps to suspend authorization

for all valley fills on which construction had not begun as of July 8. He declined to revisit that ruling earlier this week, denying requests from both intervening coal operators and the environmental group that filed the lawsuit.

In a statement that coincided with Connaughton's announcement, the U.S. Justice Department said Goodwin "erroneously invalidated a key tool in regulating mine projects."

"The decision, while limited to the southern part of West Virginia, will substantially curtail production of West Virginia coal that is

low in sulfur and, therefore, less polluting," the statement from Assistant Attorney General Thomas Sansonetti said.

Connaughton also decried the ruling during his remarks at The Greenbrier.

"It puts a halt to the work that West Virginia miners do for their communities and their families," Connaughton said.

The ruling has yet to cause any layoffs or mine shutdowns. But its critics say it delays pending projects that have sought permits for as long as two years.

Chamber President Steve Roberts said business leaders have expected an appeal of Goodwin's ruling.

"Clearly, it's a ruling that will have an impact on West Virginia.

There seem to have been enough questions about the actual language that is acceptable versus the language that isn't acceptable," Roberts said.

He said the state's business community is hopeful that "as a result of all the work done on this subject, a pass forward will be found that allows for production of coal and provides for a clean and protected environment."

As for air quality, Connaughton said the counties will meet tougher standards set to take effect within the next decade because Bush has focused on reducing emissions from power plants and diesel engines.

"Every county can meet these standards without putting the onus on your manufacturers," he said.

Jailed Knott judge-executive testifies in election fraud trial

by ROGER ALFORD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LONDON — Imprisoned Knott County Judge-Executive Donnie Newsome testified Thursday that he received \$25,000 in cash from two Eastern Kentucky businessmen who are on trial for election fraud.

Newsome, who is serving 26 months in federal prison after being convicted of election fraud last year, agreed to testify against Ross Harris of Pikeville and Glen Turner of Drift in exchange for a lighter sentence. Defense attorneys claim Newsome made up the story about illegal cash contributions in an effort to get leniency.

Prosecutors claim Harris is the kingpin in a scheme to buy votes from impoverished mountain residents. They allege that Harris illegally funneled money into Newsome's 2002 re-election campaign.

Newsome — dressed in white shoes, jeans and a red shirt — said he was given cash contributions on three occasions: One for \$5,000 from Harris; two for

\$8,000 and \$12,000 from a man he said he believed to be Turner.

"I used it in my campaign," Newsome said. "When I needed it, I would put it in my account."

Newsome said he received \$60,000 in cash donations for his re-election campaign that year and an additional \$14,000 in checks.

Newsome, who has continued to serve as judge-executive despite his conviction, said he didn't use any of the money to buy votes.

Newsome is expected to be called back to the witness stand when the trial resumes Friday morning in U.S. District Court in London. His brother, Bobby Newsome, also is scheduled to testify. Prosecutors said Bobby Newsome was present when Turner gave the judge-executive money.

Harris also is accused of funneling money into a Pike County campaign in an unsuccessful effort to defeat an incumbent judge, whom he blamed for a sex scandal involving one of his friends. The FBI alleged that Harris conspired to influence the

election by providing money for a scheme disguised as a "get out the vote" effort. That involved paying people to haul voters to the polls.

Defense attorneys say the only financial contribution Harris made to the John Doug Hays campaign for Pike County district judge was a legal donation of \$1,000.

A jury of 11 women and five men has been listening to testimony for 1 1/2 weeks.

The charges against Harris and Turner are the latest in a string of federal election fraud cases from the region. Hays and seven others are scheduled for trial in October.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Ken Taylor contends that Harris illegally funneled some \$40,000 into Hays' unsuccessful campaign after a sex scandal resulted in the resignation of Pike County Circuit Judge Charles Lowe Jr. Taylor said Harris and Lowe were close friends.

Lowe resigned last year rather than face possible removal by the Judicial Conduct Commission for a sexual relationship with a woman involved in an adoption and child custody dispute in his

courtroom.

Taylor said Harris was so angered by the scandal that he tried to lash out at the woman, Debbi Hylton-Mullins, and her husband, Pike County District Judge Darrel Mullins, who was seeking re-election at the time.

Hays was running against Mullins.

Costs

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vigil every year on May 16, but [they] would benefit from being able to have a grave site for honoring her memory."

When Phillips is formally sentenced he and his lawyer, Harolyn Howard, will have an opportunity to make statements in an attempt to mitigate his punishment. Phillips could actually use this occasion to agree to lead authorities to the remains. However, he made that promise to federal agents in Florida once already, but reneged on that offer when he got back to Kentucky.

Fakes

largely been employed by chronic offenders.

Halbert has been convicted of 17 charges in district court over the years and most of the charges have been related to driving offenses, with several charges of operating on a

revoked license in his checkered history. Alcohol has also played a factor in several of his arrests.

Halbert was charged on three past occasions with driving without insurance. Those charges were dismissed on three occasions but he was eventually

tried for that charge in September 2001 and was found guilty. He was fined \$500 and ordered to spend seven days in jail. Halbert failed to show up for that trial.

Trooper

criminal complaint against Jason Tackett was sworn out by KSP Sgt. Bobby Johnson.

The grand jury sifted through all manner of evidence in making its judgment. Video and audiotape from White's cruiser were key elements of the case as well as all records and reports

from the Coroner's office, state police records and witness statements.

The grand jury thanked Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner in their report for all of the evidence he gathered. They concluded their report by acknowledging the sensitivity of

the case.

"Throughout this investigation, the grand jury has been very mindful that the issues before us were very important to everyone involved," the report reads. "A man lost his life and that is not a matter to be taken lightly."

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Guest View

Editorial roundup

Rocky Mountain News, Denver, on making the right move on overtime rules:

Until recently, federal overtime rules had not been altered for more than half a century, which is another way of saying they were an outdated muddle: a source of confusion for employers, an inadequate safeguard for those they were meant to protect and an invitation for lawsuits that did not necessarily afford anyone justice.

Now, however, it ought to be much clearer who is and is not entitled to time-and-a-half pay for hours worked in excess of 40 a week. The Bush administration deserves credit for tackling a job that was extraordinarily complicated and sure to bring wrathful accusations from political opponents.

The attack has happened, of course — millions of workers, we are told, are facing dreadful exploitation. Hardly likely. The new rules actually extend eligibility for millions.

The rules do clarify that the law is not meant to apply to managers or professionals or people drawing extremely handsome salaries, and some are unhappy with the fact. It's true, too, that there are hundreds of pages of these rules and that the possibility of unintended consequences cannot be dismissed.

But the Department of Labor has promised to keep a close eye on developments and to aim for prompt redress of anything that goes wrong. While some problems here and there will surely occur, the fact remains that the law mainly makes federal overtime rules more rational and comprehensible. Surely that is the sort of thing Congress is supposed to do.

The Morning Call, Allentown, Pa., on the closing of the Athens Olympics:

The world held its breath when the 2004 Olympics opened in Athens. There were concerns about some venues not being ready on time, transportation systems and infrastructure breaking down, and even the threat of terrorist attacks. By the time of Sunday night's closing ceremonies, an interminable dose of Euro-pop music seemed to be the biggest problem.

The cloud of threatened violence persisted, but the Greeks and their allies kept athletes and spectators safe. ... It was expensive protection. ...

It looks like the Greeks will be left with a big bill for the 16 days of competition and pageantry. The 2004 games will cost about \$12 billion, or double the estimates. The people of Greece and tourists certainly didn't help in their non-buying of tickets to many events. ... Out of 5.3 million total tickets, only 3.56 million had been sold by Sunday.

The Greeks were proud that they were able to bring the games back to their birthplace. The 2008 games will move to

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Guest Column

Iran and World War IV

by DR. EARL TILFORD

The word "crusade" long ago became anathema to the politically correct. Nevertheless, America's most successful wars were crusades fought against demonstrably evil foes to right blatant wrongs. The American Civil War, World Wars I and II and the Cold War (World War III) truly were crusades. So is World War IV.

Most Americans remain blithely oblivious to the true nature of this war. Indeed, a sizeable number think the fighting in Iraq constitutes a war distinct from the global war with al Qaeda, affiliated terrorist groups and supportive regimes ... like Iran. The Michael Moores among the liberal elite believe the "War on Terror" is a case of America the behemoth bullying Arabs to get petroleum. More extreme nutcases blather about a Bush cabal making war to spread Christianity throughout the Islamic world.

The United States is at war globally against an enemy determined to destroy Western Civilization based on institutions grounded in Judeo-Christian concepts like human dignity and political,

economic and religious freedom. Victory demands a winning strategy. Clearly defined policy goals define and determine strategy. It is vital to know who we fight, why, and the strategic objectives.

In his 2002 State of the Union Address, President George W. Bush made Iran part of an Axis of Evil with North Korea and Saddam's Iraq. Former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright immediately dubbed Bush's remarks, "A big mistake." Europeans winced, congressional liberals blanched and the intellectual elite scoffed. Then, in July 2004, the U.S. Senate Select Committee on Intelligence confirmed Bush's earlier characterization of Iran. It seems President Bush knew the enemy all along.

Iran also knows its enemies: the United States (the Great Satan) and Israel (the Little Satan). A quarter-century ago, in November 1979, Iran went to war with the United States when the mullahs dispatched militant students to take over the U.S. Embassy in Tehran. In 1982, Iran established Hezbollah in Lebanon, which has since attacked Israel from camps along the border and with terrorists dispatched from the Palestinian West Bank. Additionally, Iranian Intelligence directs Hezbollah

cells in Europe, South America, Asia, Canada and the United States.

Under the alias "Islamic Jihad," Hezbollah bombed the U.S. Embassy in Beirut in April 1983 and, in October, sent a truck bomb into the Beirut U.S. Marine Barracks killing 220 Marines, 18 Navy and three U.S. Army personnel. The following April, Islamic-Jihad-cum-Hezbollah terrorists planted a bomb in a disco in Torrejon, Spain, killing 18 U.S. soldiers.

Shifting its attacks back to the Little Satan, over the next decade Hezbollah killed hundreds of Israelis. Today Hezbollah joins with Hamas and Yasir Arafat's al Fatah and the al Qaeda Martyr's Brigade to send suicide bombers into Israel while Hezbollah jihadists battle American and Coalition forces in Iraq.

Iran is a formidable enemy. In June the Iranian government of Ayatollah Ali Khamenei sponsored a conference in Tehran at which mullahs called for an "Army of Martyrs" — Islamic kamikazes — to attack U.S. interests around the world. The conference concluded with a Revolutionary Guard offi

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Letters

Proud of Ripkoski

I am the wife of Sgt. Maj. Glen T. Ripkoski, the Marine Corps instructor and head football coach at Betsy Layne High School. I just want to express that I am so very proud of my husband for so many reasons, the first being that he is a U.S. Marine.

Glen worked hard to achieve his status, which takes determination and heart. Many people do not know the high honor associated with his rank. There are an average of 75,000 Marines, but only 230 of them will succeed sergeant major. I don't know about the majority, but how many sergeant majors do you know? How many Marines do you know that have been awarded a Bronze Star and a Silver Star? Who do you know that worked at the White House guarding our presidents?

My husband puts his heart and soul in his work. He not only loves working with the young people at Betsy Layne, but he cares deeply about their educa-

tion and well-being. He is so proud to be a part of the Floyd County school system, and he is truly honored to have been chosen to teach what he knows best. He has such a positive effect on his students. I know this is true because I have talked with many of Betsy Layne's finest. They really do have the highest respect for him.

My husband's goal in his job is not only to teach Marine Corps, but to keep the pride level high. He teaches his students the importance of honesty, respect and loyalty to others and for themselves. He became JROTC instructor in 2001 and that same year the World Trade Center was attacked by terrorists, so he was called to assist in operations in Afghanistan. There is no sacrifice too big for my husband because he is so dedicated to his country, and 30 years in the Corps proves that.

The students at Betsy Layne are not the only individuals who love their sergeant major. So do the parents. They know their kids are in his best interest. The parents realize that he, along with

the rest of the faculty, possesses integrity and honesty, which are the ingredients for making Betsy Layne High even better than when he first started his work there.

I would like to congratulate BLHS on their big win, 52-0, against Jenkins. Wow, what a difference! Their victory was the result of a lot of time, effort and hard work. Also, the head coach has a wonderful staff helping him this year.

The team possesses talent that they didn't realize they had. Sergeant major has taught them to have confidence in themselves, that they are somebody; they are the Betsy Layne High School football team. The big win had an effect on the whole school and the morale is at an all-time high.

I could go on and on, I am sure, but I believe I have said enough. The point is, he is an honest man and is proud to be at Betsy Layne, teaching leadership and pride. He expects his students to strive to achieve respect and to wear the uni

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Jackson's new album taps traditional country theme: broken hearts

by JOHN GEROME
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — For an upbeat guy, Alan Jackson sure sings a lot of sad songs.

About half the 12 tracks on his new album "What I Do," set for release Tuesday, deal with lost love or loneliness.

"It just happened that way," said Jackson, who speaks in the same lazy drawl that he sings in. "It wasn't anything planned. Even some of the lighter songs are about that same subject. But that's always been my favorite kind of song anyway."

"What I Do" is Jackson's 14th album and follows the triple platinum "Greatest Hits Volume II" collection.

Long after most of his contemporaries have faded, he remains one of Nashville's biggest stars. He snagged a leading seven awards nominations last month from the Country Music Association, including one for Entertainer of the Year.

"Alan has a gift for capturing life in a song; he's done it time and again," said Gwen Foster, music director at radio station

KNIX in Phoenix. "He's not a fancy guy. He's not a dynamic or explosive entertainer by any means. The way he expresses himself through the songs is what grabs people."

The new album, on which Jackson wrote five of the 12 tracks, is often melancholy. He sings about a failing relationship in "You Don't Have to Paint Me a Picture," learning to love again in "There You Go," and the pain of losing a loved one in "Strong Enough."

They're not all sad. The first single, "Too Much of a Good Thing," is about a couple so happily in love that he sings, "I should be scared, it's so right." The song is already in the Top 10.

"It's a bit of a shadow of what my life is really like," said Jackson, who's been married to his wife, Denise, for almost 25 years.

"The Talkin' Song Repair Blues" is a hoot, with Jackson, who loves to tinker with car and boat engines, singing about a songwriter who turns the tables on his auto repairman.

After ticking off a litany of problems with the car, the

mechanic says he's a songwriter too and plays a tune "by the grease rack."

"Well, I gave him my most sorrowful look / And I said, 'This song's got a broken hook / I can order you a new one from Nashville but it won't be cheap / And I know you've been using a cut-rate thesaurus / 'Cause your adverbs have backed up into your chorus / Now your verse is runnin' on verbs that are way too weak.'"

Jackson is heartbroken, but still funny on "If French Fries Were Fat Free," singing in the chorus, "If french fries were fat free and you still loved me / What a wonderful world this would be."

"I originally had it 'If Krispy Kremes were fat free' but changed it to french fries because I thought it was more universal," he says. "My wife makes fun of me because I have a lot of songs with food. But I say write what you know, and I know about food, cars and broken hearts."

The album ends with the poignant "To Do What I Do," an inspiration for struggling musicians and one of Jackson's

favorites.

"Most singers who come to town go through that — playing in empty rooms and for people who don't pay any attention," he said. "You don't take it to heart, but that's the way it is, and then all of a sudden you're a big star and people don't realize or they forget what you really went through to get there."

Jackson, 45, went through quite a bit.

He grew up outside Atlanta in Newnan, Ga., and began playing in bars in his 20s. He specialized in singing traditional country songs by heroes Merle Haggard and George Jones, along with the hits of the day.

After moving to Nashville in 1985, he worked at the cable network TNN while developing his song-writing. His wife worked as a flight attendant to pay the bills and helped get his career going when she spotted country singer Glen Campbell at an airport and slipped him a demo tape. Their chance meeting led to Jackson writing songs for Campbell's music publishing company.

Arista signed him in 1989, and along with Garth Brooks and Clint Black he was part of a wave of new stars that reinvigorated country music.

He's remained a staunch traditionalist throughout his career — and his fans seem to love him for it. He's had 31 No. 1 singles, sold more than 40 million albums and won 16 Country Music Association awards.

He has a knack for hitting the right tone. In 1994 he sang "Gone Country" about carpet-baggers descending on Nashville when the format jumped in popularity. In 1998 he had "Little Man," about the economy squeezing out small businessmen. In 2002 his "Where Were You (When the World Stopped Turning)" expressed the shock of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks as well as any song.

Earlier this year, with the country in the midst of war, he had another big hit with the sentimental "Remember When," a ballad about an older couple reflecting on their lives.

"When it's all said and done, I think Alan will be remembered as one of the better songwriters in country music," said country newcomer Dierks Bentley.

"He's also one of the few artists out there who serve as a bridge," Bentley added. "He loves Hank Williams and Lefty Frizzell and Vern Gosdin and all of these guys, but many of his fans are in high school and don't know who Vern Gosdin is, or Johnny Cash or Hank Williams or George Jones. So Alan is an important bridge to those earlier artists."

Jackson figures he'll just keep doing what he's doing and the rest will take care of itself.

"What I Do" is the perfect title for this new album because that's just it. This is exactly the kind of music I wanted to make when I was starting out," he said. "Had it not worked out for me, I guess I'd still be doing it — except in some bar and nobody would know it."

Rental Central

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

The big release of the week was Mel Gibson's "The Passion of the Christ." The box office behemoth hit DVD this week in full screen and wide screen editions. Jim Caviezel ("The Thin Red Line") stars in this account of the last 12 hours in the life of Christ. It's a real endurance test with an emphasis on all of the tortures that were levied against Jesus at Calvary.

Audiences were polarized by this account which is best seen in the wide screen format.

The only competing new film released is the serial killer dud "Twisted." Ashley Judd gets saddled here with the thankless role of an alcohol imbibing homicide detective who also happens to have messed around with most of the victims in a series of murders she is assigned to, Murky lighting substitutes here for atmosphere and any film that wastes the talents of Samuel

L. Jackson should be avoided at all costs.

Several older works came out, with one trying hard to cash in on the success of Gibson's film. "Jesus Christ Superstar" debuted and is a faithful film version of the hit musical by Andrew Lloyd Webber and Jim Rice. Here, Christ is played by Ted Neeley (who won the Golden Turkey Award for the worst performance by an actor as the Savior). This rock opera rendition of Christ's last days does have some good numbers and two performances that stand out. Josh Mostel ("Son of Zero") is properly slimy as Herod and Yvonne Elliman (of Disco fame) is surprisingly good as Mary Magdalene.

"Star Trek Season One" (the original series) collects all 29 episodes from the first season about that ship with a five-year mission to explore new worlds. These shows were originally offered as two episode discs but here you get the whole first year of the show on eight DVDs.

A special edition two-disc set of David Cronenberg's "Videodrome" joined the home video ranks this week. James Woods stars as the programmer of a small cable station who is looking to punch up his program day with something real (this was 1983, way before reality TV was in vogue). He finds a pirate station that runs what appears to be live torture shows. He investigates the program and soon gets involved in a murder plot. The disc also includes a commentary track by Cronenberg and Woods, a documentary and a featurette on the gruesome special effects.

"Relentless" hit DVD this week. This serial killer flick from the 1980s features ex-Breakfast Club bad boy Judd Nelson as a deranged killer and is well directed by William Lustig (Maniac Cop). Flashbacks reveal a tortured childhood at the hands of a domineering father. In the present, the action centers on two cops trying to track down Nelson's serial killer character. This one preys on the urban dweller's fear of a killer who picks his victims at random from the phonebook. Good stuff here but the three sequels leave something to be desired.

Next week look for the big budget remake of "The Punisher." Thomas Jane and John Travolta star in this adaptation of the Marvel Comic book, which details one man's war against the mob.

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 Lisa Louise Maynard, 33, of Pikeville, to Clyde Combs Jr., 34, of Van Nuys, Calif.
 Teresa Angela Hamilton, 33, of Cerundy, Va., to Larry Shain Bostic, 30, of Pikeville.

Civil Suits Filed

Terry and Gladys Gibson vs. Billy Robinette and Grange Mutual Casualty Company; complaint.
 Jeffrey Hughes vs. Teresa Hughes; petition for child support and health care insurance.
 Debbie O'Brian vs. Elbert O'Brian; divorce.
 Donna Compton vs. Franklin Compton; divorce transferred from Pike County.
 Keene's Family Owned Homes Inc. vs. Bill and Maxine Adams; complaint.
 Sabrina Hall vs. Jenna Yates; petition for health care insurance.
 Kristen Williams vs. Billy Wagner; petition for health care insurance.

Teresa Blevins vs. Ronnie Blevins; petition for health care insurance.
 Tivis Hamilton vs. Jonathan Hamilton; petition for health care insurance.
 Great Seneca Financial Corporation vs. James Hall; complaint.
 Nationwide Insurance vs. American Family Mutual Insurance Company; complaint.
 Robert Curry vs. Vandyke, Inc. and Kentucky Employers' Mutual Insurance; complaint.
 Pamela Boling vs. Larry Hagans; complaint.
 Hallard Hall vs. Thomas Rose; complaint.
 Roy Compton vs. Lenuel Meade; complaint.
 Michelle Patton vs. Trinity Wells; complaint.

Charges Filed

Frank J. Conley, 32, Prestonsburg; public intoxication, disorderly conduct.
 Charles Halsey, 37, Prestonsburg; terroristic threatening.
 Bill M. Hankins, 25, Teabery; fourth-degree assault.
 Travis D. Arnett, 30, Hueysville; public intoxication, possession of a prescription drug, possession of drug para-

phernalia.
 Brittany Johnson, 18, Martin; harassment.
 Ronald Shepherd, Hippo, age unlisted; criminal mischief.
 Freedom J. Patton, 25, Dwale; theft by unlawful taking.
 Jimmy L. Brown, 50, Prestonsburg; fourth-degree assault.
 Phillip Butler, 25, Printer; operating a motor vehicle under the influence, possession of a controlled substance.
 Steve Castle, 42, Banner; possession of marijuana, operating a motor vehicle under the influence, operating on a suspended or revoked license, no insurance, expired registration.
 Fred Greer, 39, Banner; public intoxication.
 Jason Fields, 29, Warfield; fourth-degree assault.
 Steve D. Thacker, 28, Prestonsburg; fourth-degree assault.
 Priscilla Amburgey, 23, Prestonsburg; harassment.
 Shawn Amburgey, age unlisted, Prestonsburg; harassment.
 Isaac Terry, 24, Wheelwright; theft by unlawful taking, criminal mischief.
 Keith Halbert, 33, Martin;

criminal possession of a forged instrument.
 Shellie Mullins, 31, Bevinville; first-degree assault.

Inspections

Green's Dairy Bar, Betsy Layne, regular inspection. Violations noted: Proper hair restraints not in use, restroom door not self-closing, outside garbage dumpster not properly covered, light in food prep area not properly shielded, floor tile in disrepair. Score: 94.
 Double Kwik, Harold, regular inspection. Violations noted: Easy to spot thermometers not present in all refrigerator units, proper hair restraints not in use, wiping cloth use unrestricted, ceilings in back storage area in disrepair, wet mop stored on floor. Score: Food service 91, retail 98.
 Roadie's Around The Clock, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometers missing from some cooling units, hair restraints not in use in food prep area, trash stored next to dumpster, floor missing tile, personal items need to be stored away from food prep area. Score: 87.
 Dollar General #94, Wheelwright, regular inspection. Violations noted: Dog food stored on floor, restroom door not self-closing, several floor tiles missing. Score: 96.

Hall's Community Market, Bypro, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometers hard to find in refrigerator and freezer units, food items observed stored on floor, food contact surface in disrepair, wiping cloth use unrestricted, floors in disrepair, walls and ceilings in disrepair. Score: 91.
 Double Kwik, Minnie, regular inspection. Violations noted: Easy to spot thermometers not present in all refrigerator and freezer units, proper hair restraints not in use, no soap at hand wash sink in food prep area, facility open while renovating. Score: Food service 95, retail 99.

The Perfect Setting, McDowell, regular inspection. Violations noted: Easy to spot thermometers not present in all refrigerator and freezer units, proper hair restraints not in use, wiping cloth use not restricted. Score: 96.
 Wheelwright Senior Citizens Center, regular inspection. Violations noted: Refrigerator has no easy to spot thermometer, no hand towels at hand wash sink in food prep area, walls in storage room in disrepair. Score: 96.
 S & V Mobile Home Park, Minnie, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lots not properly numbered, debris built up on vacant lots. Score: 96.

Transfers

Russell Isaac to Elfrieda A. Isaac, property located at Wheelwright.
 Josephine Risner Ousley to Millie Jean Rose, property located at Middle Creek.
 James Robert Turner and Sheila Turner to Wayne A. Gilde and Rose M. Gilde, property located at Right Beaver.
 Ricky Hughes and Carla Hughes to Patrick Gerald Burke and Elizabeth Dianne Burke, property location undisclosed.
 Toni Collins to Bucky Collins, property location undisclosed.
 Charles Ray Tackett to Lori Teresa Tackett, property location undisclosed.
 Linda S. Goble and James Goble to Roy L. Duncan and Madonna Duncan, property location undisclosed.
 Larry Joe Osborne and Rita Osborne, Jack Ward and Linda Ward, Kenny Osborne and Betty Osborne to Nick Pugh and Betty K. Pugh, property located at Pin hook Creek.
 The Elk Horn Coal Corporation to Viola Crum, property location undisclosed.
 Gladys McKinney to Jan McKinney Chaffins, property located at Beaver Creek.
 The Estate of Paul A. Daniels to Bobby Osborne, property located at West Prestonsburg.
 Lacy Sammy Ray and Delores Ray to Delores Ray, property location undisclosed.

Obituaries

Delcie Napier Gayheart

Delcie Napier Gayheart, age 82, died Wednesday, September 1, 2004, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, in Martin.
 Born September 24, 1921, at Handshoe, she was the daughter of the late Alvin and Rhoda Moore Napier. She was a graduate of Garrett High School and she completed a business course at Mayo State Vocational School, as well as attending Pikeville College. She was employed in the family grocery, service station and dry-cleaning business for several years, and she also worked in the Floyd County Board of Education Head Start Program, though she was a homemaker for the better part of her life.

She was a member of the Maytown Methodist Church, the 4-H, the Homemakers Club and was active in activities in which her children participated. She was also active in the TOPS organization and a member of the Eastern Star, Martin Chapter, of which she served as a Worthy Matron and traveled extensively as a member.

She is survived by a son, Fletcher Gayheart Jr., of Eastern; two daughters, Ruby Pernot, of Centralia, Illinois, and Rhoda Lanman, of Louisville; a brother, Clarence Edward Napier, of Louisville; three grandchildren, Tara Pernot, of Temecula, California, Dane Pernot, of San Diego, California, and Jason Gayheart, of La Grange; one great-grandson, Jason Alexander Gayheart, of La Grange; one nephew, Eddie Napier; three nieces, Bridgett Hall, Linda Victor, and Sandra Nelson; and several great nephews and nieces.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Fletcher Gayheart; and two sisters, Ruby Richter and Bertha Mae Napier.

Funeral services will be conducted on Saturday, September 4, at 11 a.m. Pastor Roy Harlow, of the Graceway United Methodist Church, will officiate.

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

Visitation is at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that expressions of sympathy be made through donations to Graceway United Methodist Church, of Langley, or to the American Cancer Society.

Pallbearers: Jason Gayheart, Dan Pernot, Eddie Napier, Nicholas Hall, Michael Nelson, Terry Victor and William Lanman.

(Paid obituary)

Virginia Nelson

Virginia Nelson, age 78, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, August 30, 2004, at the home of her son, Orville Nelson Jr., in Winchester.
 Born May 27, 1926, in Belfry, she was the daughter of the late Roy Fairchild and Cora Spears Fairchild. She was a homemaker.
 In addition to her son, Orville Nelson Jr., of Winchester, she is survived by three grandchildren, Leslie Nicole, Michael Ryan, and Jessica Marie.

Mary Elizabeth Powers Breeding

Mary Elizabeth Powers Breeding, age 84, of Marion, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County, died Tuesday, August 31, 2004, at Marion General Hospital.

Born July 10, 1920, in Salyersville, she was the daughter of the late Lloyd and Joann Powers. She was a former employee of Wheelwright High School, and Pizza Villa and Brown's House Restaurant, and Whirlpool Corporation, all of Marion, Ohio.

She was the wife of the late Paul Breeding.

She is survived by a son, Ricky Lee (Debbie) Breeding, of Marion, Ohio; three daughters, Judy Ann (Jack) Bartley, of Melvin, Betty Rose (Rick) Ganson, of Marion, and Paula Lynn Travis, also of Marion, Ohio; 10 grandsons, Jack Bam Bartley, Keith Bartley, Donald Butch Ganson, Sean Ganson, Paul Breeding, David Breeding, Justin Travis, Gabriel Travis, Charlie Travis, and Christopher Breeding; and seven great-grandchildren, Shanna McKinney, Jessica Bartley, Loren Ganson, Haley Travis, Andrew James Travis, Jacob Travis, and Makayla Jones.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by two sons, Harold Lloyd Beanie Breeding, and Charles David Breeding; and one grandson, Jason Ganson.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, September 4, at 1 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin. Ellis Holbrook will officiate.

Burial will follow in Buckingham Cemetery, at Bevinville.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

brother, Walker Fairchild; and a half-sister, Etta Goble.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, September 3, 2004, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin. Bobby Joe Spencer and Tommy Nelson will officiate.

Burial will be in Highland Memorial Park, at Staffordsville, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

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Odds

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The Turkish construction worker on Wednesday poured milk into his hand, loudly snorted it up his nose and squirted it 9.223 feet out of his left eye in what he hopes will be recognized as a new world record.

"I'm happy and proud that I can get Turkey in the record book even if it's for milk squirting," said the 28-year-old. He says he's among only a handful of people around the world who can perform the feat because of an anomaly in his tear gland.

The Web site for Guinness

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Beijing, in a country whose history and tradition could not be more different from that of Greece.

Prime Minister Costas Caramanlis said on Sunday that he had followed in detail the many demands put on his relatively small nation to stage the Olympics ... His conclusion: His country was up to the challenges.

We agree. The athletes themselves delivered exciting performances in both winning medals and not winning medals, but Athens deserves to be proud of the hospitality and scenery that it provided.

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World Records says Mike Moraal of Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, set the existing record, of 8.745 feet in France in 2001. In an e-mail, Guinness said it had no official representative present and was waiting for documents from organizers of the event to prove the record.

"It is really good to hear that provisionally a new record may have been set," Sam Knights, a Guinness representative, said in an e-mail. "We welcome new record breakers and look forward to receiving the evidence ... and then we can verify this new record attempt."

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Hospice of Big Sandy and others who helped us to care for Mom in her own home;

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Report: Nearly half of Kentucky waterways have serious problems

The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE — Environmental officials said Tuesday that 47 percent of Kentucky rivers and streams are so polluted or altered that they are not considered safe for swimming or drinking, or they fail to support enough aquatic life.

That level is up from 35 percent in 2000, and 44 percent in 2002. Despite the worsening numbers, which are included in a report to the federal government, state officials warned against the public concluding that water quality is declining.

The increase is due to surveying more streams and improved methods, state officials said. And the report found that Kentucky lakes are in better shape. In all, the state assessment covers 9,822 miles of waterways — up from 9,597 miles two years ago. The EPA says Kentucky has 49,171 miles of waterways, although the state is not required to survey all waterways.

Of 107 lakes that were assessed, 37.3 percent were determined to be either partially or fully damaged. That compares to 40 percent of 123 lakes surveyed for the 2002 report.

However, the aquatic biologist who wrote the report said it's clear that the state continues to struggle with water quality, particularly sediment and bacteria.

"There's a huge challenge in the whole country, and Kentucky is not exempted from that," said Randy Payne, the state biologist with the Kentucky Division of Water.

Judy Petersen, director of the Kentucky Waterways Alliance, a statewide conservation organization, said the latest report suggests that more rivers and streams may be suffering now than a few years ago. She also questioned whether increased development across the state may be playing a role.

"Often, urban areas produce a lot of pollution," Petersen said.

Petersen blamed the state's lack of an EPA-approved standard designed to prevent waterways from getting worse. In 2002 the EPA, which oversees state enforcement of the Clean Water Act, was threatening to impose a standard after concluding that Kentucky was failing to protect up to two-thirds of its rivers, streams and lakes from worsening pollution.

The state's Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet has since responded by drafting a new anti-degradation standard that's working its way through legislative committees.

Scott Smith, director of regulatory affairs for the environmental cabinet, said the new standard would help improve water quality.

Tuesday's report is based on whether rivers, streams or lakes

can support their designated uses, such as swimming, aquatic life, fishing and providing drinking water. Activities that cause pollution or significantly

harm waterways by altering them include farming, housing development, mining and timber harvesting, Payne said.

Sewage overflows from

treatment plants and the direct discharge of raw sewage from homes into waterways also causes significant pollution in some waterways, he said.

But the single largest water-quality problem in Kentucky is sediment, which can destroy a stream by smothering aquatic life, Payne said.

USA Today, New York Daily News journalists travel Country Music Highway

The fourth group press tour of the year, a four-day editorial research trip to the Country Music Highway region, brought a group of 18 journalists into the area August 15-18.

Journalists included those writing for such varied publications as Good Housekeeping, Kentucky Living, Group Travel Leader, Elks Magazine, Shape, USA Today, Dallas Morning News, and the New York Daily News. The group toured many sites, including Butcher Holler, Mountain Home Place, and the Big Sandy Heritage Center. Writers had the opportunity

to engage in activities such as elk watching, sampling mountain country cooking, and pontoon rides. During the active four-day trip, journalists were able to enjoy a taste of life in Southern and Eastern Kentucky, and were delighted with the experience.

"This region has such a wealth of offerings for visitors, and we are confident that if we can only get the word out about these treasures, the tourists will come. The National Media Marketing program has been phenomenally successful, with past trips garnering write-ups in national publications

and newspapers across the country," said Sheila Seppi, Executive Director of SEKTDA. "This program ultimately benefits everyone in the region through increased tourism. Without the diligent help from our corridor volunteers though, none of this would be possible, so we extend a wholehearted thank-you to them."

"When these people who have traveled all over the world saw the natural beauty of our area at Breaks Interstate Park, their amazement was clear. It was great to see their reaction to the 'Grand Canyon of the East,'" said Lynn

Cunningham, a SEKTDA staff member who accompanied the press trip.

SEKTDA's mission is to promote, develop and expand the existing and potential tourism industry throughout Southern and Eastern Kentucky in an effort to contribute to the economic and cultural growth of the region. Funds for the Media Marketing program were made available through the efforts of Congressman Hal Rogers. For additional information please contact SEKTDA at 606-677-6099.

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form correctly. No one has to explain the fact that thousands of Marines have died defending their country wearing the same uniform as the JROTC students. No matter the political arena or

the dishonesty of any adversary, no one can take away his integrity, high achievements or his good reputation.

Crystal Ripkoski
Salyersville

Guest

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cial declaring, "If Muslims create fear in the heathen world, this fear is sacred." The following Friday, calls went out from mosques across Iran urging volunteers for the Army of Martyrs. Jihad is a crusade by another name.

With the United Nations on Tehran's case, the only reasonable hope for preventing Iran from developing nuclear weapons rests with the Israeli Air Force. Absent an Israeli preemptive strike, when the mullahs get the bomb they will expand Iran's two-front war from attacks on Israel and on coalition forces in Iraq. They will intimidate and then destabilize moderate and pro-Western Arab regimes, especially those which host American bases. Meanwhile, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei will make good his promise "to harm America around the world" by unleashing Iran's Army of Martyrs.

Regime change in Iraq is a key to this strategic paradigm. If the United States hangs tough to consummate President Bush's visionary strategy for Iraqi democratization, the mullahs in Iran will come under increasing pressure.

Despite Iran's terrorism and ongoing war with Israel and the

United States, Ayatollah Khamenei's dictatorship is failing. His regime violates human rights massively, the economy is in shambles, drug use and street crime are rampant. Families and interests close to the regime enrich themselves while others suffer.

The mullahs know President Bush will stand firm and that if a democratic regime takes hold in Iraq they could be in trouble from internal elements yearning for democratic reform. That is why, at Iran's behest, Hezbollah will increase its attacks in Iraq, ratcheting up the body count prior to the November elections. Terrorist attacks against Israel will continue in hopes of prompting those Israeli counterattacks sure to bring U.N. condemnations and elicit whining from squishy American liberal groups quick to condemn Israel but reluctant to speak out against Iranian and Palestinian terrorism.

Political correctness notwithstanding, World War IV is a crusade we must win.

Dr. Earl H. Tilford is a professor of history at Grove City College and he is a fellow with The Foundation for the Defense of Democracies.



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PRIDE honors Floyd County's Allison

SOMERSET — Richard Thomas, executive director of Eastern Kentucky PRIDE, announced this week that Clark Allison was selected as the PRIDE Volunteer of the Month for September. Thomas presented a plaque to Allison at Prestonsburg Elementary School.

"We appreciate Clark's commitment to volunteering with Prestonsburg Elementary's environmental education program," said Thomas. "Investing time and attention in the students makes a difference in their lives. And by passing on his concern for the environment, he is contributing to a better future for his community."

Allison has contributed many hours of labor to help create and maintain Prestonsburg Elementary School's outdoor classroom facilities. He oversaw construction of the wetland and worked with students to develop the butterfly garden. He constructed the garden area and

helps teachers and students plant the garden each spring.

Allison also makes presentations about environmental issues to the school's PRIDE Club. He draws from his expertise as the coordinator of the Big Sandy Resource Conservation and Development District.

"His interest and devotion to our school have made him a valuable asset to our PRIDE program," said Debra Holland, the Prestonsburg Elementary teacher who nominated Allison for PRIDE Volunteer of the Month. Since 1998, Prestonsburg Elementary has received \$19,850 through the PRIDE Environmental Education Grant program.

TECO Coal provides corporate sponsorship of the Volunteer of the Month Program. Each month, one volunteer from PRIDE's 38-county service area is recognized for his or her hard work and dedication to the PRIDE program. WYMT-TV in Hazard features the recip-

ient on the air throughout the month.

"Volunteers are the backbone of PRIDE," said Congressman Hal Rogers, who co-founded PRIDE. "We wouldn't be where we are without our volunteers. They have dedicated more than 300,000 hours for the program since 1997. We want to thank TECO Coal for helping PRIDE give these generous people the recognition they deserve."

PRIDE serves 38 counties in southern and eastern Kentucky. Rogers started PRIDE in 1997 with the late General James Bickford, the former Kentucky Secretary for Natural Resources and Environmental Protection. 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. PRIDE is funded by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.



Members of Prestonsburg Elementary School's PRIDE Club congratulate Clark Allison for being named the PRIDE Volunteer of the Month. Front row, left to right, are Hannah Hackworth, Leanna Goble, Phyllis Allison (teacher), Clark Allison, Charlie Joseph, Ashton Sizemore, Sara Shepherd. Back rows, left to right, are Hayley Stone, Kristany Setser, Phillip Whitten, Rheagan Willis, Natasha Burchett, Emily Hammonds, Austin Newsome, Stephen Goble, Elizabeth Collins.

KEA plans 'day of protest' over insurance, funding

by CHARLES WOLFE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Kentucky's statewide teacher union is planning a "day of protest" over health insurance costs and school funding in general.

Its president said there also is some sentiment for a teacher strike, though Kentucky has a no-strike law for public employees.

"There are members out there who want to do something drastic," Frances Steenbergen, president of the Kentucky Education Association, said Thursday. "I'm not ruling anything out," she said.

Gov. Ernie Fletcher's administration is proposing to scale back health insurance plans for school and state government employees and retirees. For most, "out-of-pocket" medical expenses would increase by hundreds of dollars per year, according to an analysis by the

General Assembly's chief staff economist.

Fletcher said last week that the alternative was to endure a 39 percent increase in state health insurance costs, "which is not sustainable."

The KEA, with 29,000 members, has a formal "legislative action plan" posted on its Web site. The plan includes this item: "A statewide day of protest at a date to be determined for local and district associations to have meetings, rallies, vigils, wakes, funeral processions or other actions to protest health insurance cuts and the lack of adequate school funding."

Steenbergen, of Glasgow, said the protest was not intended to be a day out of class. But she said the KEA's governing board periodically reviews the plan, and that could be changed. The board is to meet again Sept. 17 at KEA headquarters in Frankfort.

The union's last mass demonstration was on Feb. 12,

2003, when thousands marched on the Capitol to demand more funding for schools. School districts dismissed classes, opting to make up the day later.

Steenbergen said there was an attempt at a meeting of the union's policy-making Delegate Assembly in February to authorize a strike. A motion to that effect was defeated but might be renewed, she said.

"Our board members are individuals. A board member could say, 'I move we go on strike,'" she said. "We would have to talk to our legal department. That's not a move we would want to make."

Wilhoit proposing tryout of online testing

by CHARLES WOLFE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Education Commissioner Gene Wilhoit wants to move toward "online testing" of students to satisfy a growing demand of teachers — nearly instantaneous results, allowing for quick adjustments in the classroom.

"We can't do it as long as we assess the way we've been assessing — with paper and pencil testing," Wilhoit told a legislative subcommittee Wednesday.

Kentucky currently administers annual assessments in the spring. Tests are packaged and shipped to a contractor in Indianapolis for grading, which takes months. Results do not reach school districts until October, by which time students are well into the next grade.

That affords no opportunity to counsel struggling students, adjust curriculum or make a meaningful difference in a teacher's ongoing professional

training, Wilhoit said.

Wilhoit has proposed a pilot project for computer-based testing in selected schools. Gov. Ernie Fletcher has included the concept in his long-range education goals.

It is but one of many changes that may be in the offing for the school testing program known as CATS — Commonwealth Accountability Testing System.

Wilhoit, testifying to the General Assembly's permanent subcommittee on education assessment and accountability, said Kentucky is unique among the states in requiring assessments in all subject areas instead of a select few, principally reading and math.

He also said that might not be practical in all areas, such as arts education. Students cannot be made to react to artistry with a paper and pencil test, and educators believe the critical element for learning about the arts is participation and performance, Wilhoit said.

A subcommittee member, Republican Sen. Dan Kelly of Springfield, questioned whether Wilhoit was suggesting a new test to assess arts education and further asked whether it would be worth the effort and expense.

Model arts programs abound and could be emulated by anyone, said Kelly, the Senate majority leader. "Somehow we've got this idea that we have to test everything for accountability," he said.

Wilhoit did not disagree. He said it may be enough, for accountability purposes, for schools simply to show that they have implemented a sound arts program.

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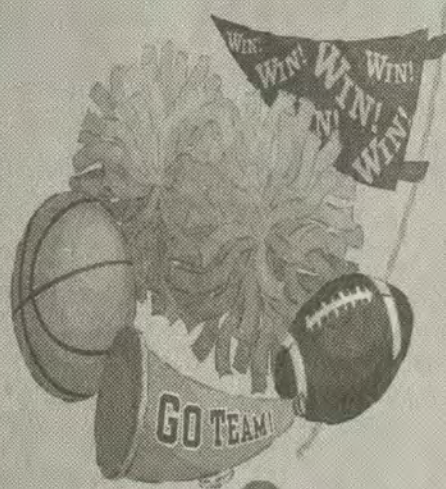
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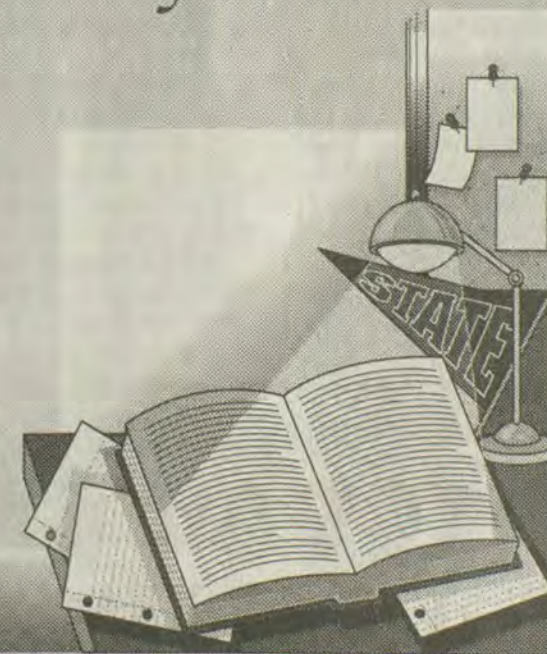
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MATHIAS HUGHES FAMILY REUNION

For descendants of Mathias Hughes be held September 5, at Delmer Holbrook's home. Please bring covered dish. Starts at 10 a.m. More information, call Dearl Holbrook, 606-886-8481.

MUD CREEK SRS. FUNDRAISER

Friday, Oct. 1, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Mud Creek Senior Citizens Center. Yard sale and bake sale. Hot dogs, chicken and dumplings, beans, cornbread and more. Community may participate. Call 587-2507 for more information.

APPLE BABY CONTEST

In conjunction with the Kentucky Apple Festival, Paintsville. Contest to be held on Sunday, Sept. 26. Boys and girls age 1 thru 23 months. Apply by Sept. 23, at Big Sandy Drug, Main Street.

CHURCH FUNDRAISER

The Third Ave. Freewill Baptist Church will hold a yard sale fundraiser on Sept. 4, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

'DAY IN THE PARK'

Will be held at Auxier Park, on Saturday, Sept. 11, beginning at 6 p.m. Country, gospel, and oldies music, karaoke contest, food and prizes. Proceeds to benefit Auxier Lifetime Learning Center. Call 886-0709 for more information.

GRANDPARENTS WEEK-END

To be held at Jenny Wiley Park, Sept. 10-11. Outdoor recreation activities, crafts, folk dancing and more. Geared toward fun for grandparents and their grandchildren. Call 886-2711 to learn more.

REYNOLDS FAMILY REUNION

The family of Joseph and Frances Henson Reynolds will host a family reunion for descendants of Hamilton and Malinda Justice Reynolds, Sunday, September 12, 2004, beginning at 10:00 a.m., at the Pines Building of Jenny Wiley State Park. Please call Dolores Smith at 606-886-0544, for more information and what to bring, if you plan to attend.

DWALE HOMECOMING

On September 3 and 4th, there will be a Dwale homecoming at the Dwale shelter. Everything free.

WORD PROCESSING CLASSES

Word processing classes, beginning September 14, 2004, at the Auxier Lifetime Learning Center. For more information, call 886-0709.

BLEVINS FAMILY REUNION

To be held Sept. 4, at 3 p.m., at old Porty Blevins property, at Tram. All family of George and Martha Howell Blevins welcome to attend. Please bring covered dish. Games will be played. For more info., call Sally Jones at 478-4084.

WELLS FAMILY REUNION

For descendants of Richard Wells, and wife,

Susannah Hutchison Wells. To be held at Johnson Central High School, Saturday, Sept. 4 (3 p.m.) and Sunday, Sept. 5 (10 a.m.). Refreshments at 5 p.m. on Saturday; Potluck dinner at 1 p.m. on Sunday. Call Bobby Wells at 886-2101, or Delores Booth at 789-5171, or Pat Womack at 473-7192 for more info.

COLLINS FAMILY REUNION

For descendants of Rhesa Collins family. To be held Sunday, Sept. 19, at 10 a.m., at Jenny Wiley Park, Shelter #2. All Collins & Spears cousins urged to attend. Please bring food to share and photos and family history information. Also, if you wish, bring gift item for auction. Call Kim Howard at 789-3922, or Wanda Collins at 928-1054, or Pat Womack at 473-7192 for more info.

COMPTON FAMILY REUNION

To be held Sunday, Sept. 19, at Archer Park. Please bring a covered dish. All family members and friends welcome.

'BLUEGRASS FOR EDUCATION'

Charlie Sizemore Concert featuring 5 Miles from Nowhere, Saturday, Oct. 9, at 7 p.m., Mt. Arts Center. Proceeds to benefit Big Sandy Comm. & Tech. College.

JUBILEE CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sept. 5 - 11 a.m. Sunday service, Mike Manuel, guest minister.

Sept. 4 & 5 - No evening services to be held due to Labor Day Weekend family activities at Jubilee Church.

WAYLAND HOMECOMING

Sept. 3 & 4, registration beginning Friday, 2 p.m., at Wayland Community Center. For more info., call 358-9471. Also, the Martin heirs will have a booth with such items for sale as heirloom throws and family history books (family trees). Proceeds from the sales will go to pay legal fees and expenses.

BENEFIT GOLF SCRAMBLE

To be hosted by the Community United Methodist Church, Prestonsburg. Proceeds to go toward the construction of a new church fellowship hall. Event to be held Sept. 18, beginning at 8 a.m., at Stumbo Park, Beaver Valley Golf Course. Prizes for 1st and 2nd place. For more info., call Bill Branham at 226-3117 or 886-9087; John Burke at 886-2636; Pastor Steve Pescosolido at 226-2067 or 886-8087; or, the Allen Park Clubhouse at 874-2837. Free food and soft drinks to be served.

GOLF SCRAMBLE

Proceeds to go to Wesley Christian School, Allen. Hosted by Christ United Methodist Church. Event to be held Sept. 11, at Stumbo Park, Beaver Valley Golf Course, beginning at 9 a.m. First place prize, \$1,000. Other monetary and assorted prizes, also. More info. about entry fee or other, call: Frankie Francis, 358-9417; Lowell Marcum, 874-2917; Ricie Derossett, 874-9514; Dr. Ken Lemaster, 874-2344; Allen Park Clubhouse, 874-2837. Free food and soft drinks.

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37TH ANNUAL HUNTER FAMILY REUNION

To be held Saturday, September 4, at the Martin Senior Citizens Building. Potluck dinner to be served at 12 p.m., please bring covered dish to share. Drinks and table service to be provided. For more information, call 886-8737 or 285-3649

MARTIN HOMEMAKER MEETING

A Homemaker Organizational Meeting will be held on Thursday, Sept. 9, at the Martin Church of Christ, at 6 p.m. Please call the Floyd County Extension Office at 886-2668 for more information.

LITTLE MUD COMM. CENTER

*Sept. 4 - School class reunion for all Spruce Pine Elementary students and teachers, in conjunction with formal dedication ceremony for Little Mud Comm. Ctr. Bldg., 5-10 p.m. For more info., contact Lois at 478-2479 or Lynette at P.O. Box 330, Betsy Layne, KY 41605. Please contact if you have names, addresses, or old photos of school, students, or teachers.

MHS CLASS OF '74

The McDowell High School Class of 1974 will hold their 30-year class reunion on September 3 and September 4, (Labor Day weekend), at McDowell Elementary School cafeteria and gymnasium. Call 377-0899, 377-6022 or 785-9121 for more information.

PARSONS FAMILY REUNION

For the descendants of Isaac and Louisa Parsons, will be held Sept. 5, at the Isaac Parsons Cemetery, located on Parsons Branch, off Rt. 979, in Floyd County, from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. Bring covered dish for meal to be served at 1 p.m. More info., call E.J. Parsons at 865-426-7585.

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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For more information about these activities and class fees, call 886-0709.

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.

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■ Alzheimer's Association Care-giver Support Group - Meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the First Presbyterian Church (near Jerry's Restaurant), at 7 p.m. For more info., call Dana Caudill at 886-0265.

■ Alzheimer's Association, Eastern KY Regional Office - 24-hour Helpline, call 1-800-272-3900 for emotional sup-

port, 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.

■ US TOO! Prostate Cancer Survivors Support Group - For all men with prostate cancer and their families. Next meeting, Thursday, Sept. 16, at 6 p.m., at Ramada Inn, in Paintsville. Meeting will begin with dinner, followed by presentation. This month's focus will be on "Humor as a Healing Agent."

■ 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

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

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

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


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Court honors attorney for helping poor

PAINTSVILLE — Attorney Paul Deaton, the current vice president of the Johnson County Bar Association, a past assistant Martin County attorney and a past commonwealth's attorney, was presented with a certificate of appreciation by Johnson County Family Court Judge Nick Frazier for his participation in the Volunteer Lawyers For Appalachian Kentucky (VLAK) Pro Bono program.



Johnson County Family Court Judge Nick Frazier presented a certificate to Paintsville attorney Paul Deaton, honoring him for donating his services to low-income clients.

VLAK is a division of Appalachian Research and Defense Fund of Kentucky, commonly known as Appalred, which provides legal services to the financially disadvantaged in 37 Eastern Kentucky counties. VLAK does not provide direct legal representation, but through private attorneys willing to donate their time to help low-income clients.

Will Snyder, director of VLAK, said that although the Kentucky Bar Association asks each attorney to donate 50 hours each year, Deaton was recognized for donating 107 hours during 2003, more than twice that of any other attorney.

Larry York, executive director of Appalred, explained that without private attorney participation in the pro bono program, many of Eastern Kentucky's low-income

residents would be without legal assistance. York said that the demand for legal assistance is greater than the legal staff of Appalred can provide, especially with the budget cuts from Frankfort, and that without the help from private attorneys such as Deaton, many Eastern Kentucky residents would be effectively locked out of the justice system.

Judge Frazier also praised Deaton for his volunteer services to the poor, and said that it would be helpful to the court if more Johnson, Martin and Lawrence County attorneys would follow his example.

John Rosenburg, founder and director emeritus of Appalred also congratulated and praised Deaton for his contribution to the pro bono program.



The results are in

Our readers just love The Floyd County Times' newly redesigned website. Here are just a few of the comments we have received in the last week:

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Mullins-Dawson Family Reunion, Summer 2004



Herman and Mildred Mullins are shown with their five children. Front row L-R, Mary Jenkins, Mildred, Herman, and Diana Adams. Back row L-R, Gary, Terry, and Mike Mullins.



First row, Mildred Dawson Mullins and Herman Mullins; second row, Danny Dawson, Alice Fay Dawson Ratliff, Olive Rose Dawson Neeley; third row, Carlos Dawson and David Dawson.



Mildred and Herman Mullins with nine of their 13 grandchildren.



Mildred and Herman Mullins with 10 of their 12 great-grandchildren, some being held by their parents.

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Basketball landscape could be changing

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

The long awaited realignment of high school athletics in Kentucky was finally released yesterday, and it delivered just exactly what everyone expected.

Controversy.

The state has been abuzz since a copy was leaked on the Internet Monday, with it slowly coming to a boil until "The Daily Independent" hit the streets in Ashland two days later, with longtime sports editor Mark Maynard the first to go public with it.



Rick Bentley

It's important to emphasize that this is just a proposal. It is not written in stone and will, in all likelihood, not

be put into play exactly as is. All of this could change and it could – although it's highly unlikely – be totally scrapped by the member schools.

The sad part of all this is the timing of it. I'm not the only member of the media decrying this coming just as football season is off to a bountiful start. Where we should be talking about Prestonsburg hosting Bell County, Belfry traveling to Lawrence or if there's a better way to find opponents for Johnson County's Big Sandy Bowl, we're forced to put it on the back burner and turn our attention to the cash cow of Bluegrass sports.

It's too bad it couldn't have been released six weeks ago when all that would have been interrupted was those all-important summer league games.

It's also unfortunate that nearly everyone in my position is looking at this purely from a basketball perspective, and most of that is boys' hoops. Honestly, the one team most upset about this whole situation could be the Belfry softball team.

(See BENTLEY, page two)

Brown, James Madison set to open season

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HARRISONBURG, Va. – Paintsville High School graduate Ryan Brown and the rest of the James Madison University football team will open the 2004 season Saturday with a 6 p.m. home contest against Lock Haven.

The game will be the first of 11 regular-season contests for the Dukes. Lock Haven will be making its second 2004 appearance. The Eagles defeated Cheyney 35-19 Saturday (Aug. 28) in Pennsylvania Conference play.

Brown, who has already played along



Ryan Brown

(See BROWN, page five)

Burns, Boyd named team captains

Quarterback Shane Boyd and defensive end Vincent "Sweet Pea" Burns have been elected team captains for the 2004 University of Kentucky football season.

Boyd is a senior from Lexington, and Burns is a senior from Lake Park, Ga. There will be two additional game captains each week. The game captains for the season opener at Louisville are senior defensive end Ellery Moore and senior offensive guard Jason Rollins.

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KHSAA releases official realignment proposal

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON – The existing 58th District/Floyd County Conference could soon be a thing of the past. The Kentucky High School Athletic Association Board of Control, after a two year study, has approved a draft alignment to be sent out to member schools. The proposed alignment would be adopted beginning with the 2005-06 season. The draft alignment has been sent to member schools and was released by the KHSAA yesterday. Schools will be invited to provide input as directed with input received to be presented to the Board at its next meeting.

During the process, the Board has sought to deal with issues such as eliminating three-team districts, eliminating six team districts, consolidation and future consolidation, the number of

schools in the Ninth Region as well as the number of schools in the Sixth and Seventh regions.

Under the proposed realignment, Floyd County schools Prestonsburg and Betsy Layne would each move out of the 58th District and into the 59th District. The 58th District would then consist of Allen Central, South Floyd, Piarist, Cordia and Knott County Central. Cordia and Knott County Central would each move from the 14th Region into the 15th Region.

The proposed basketball realignment follows.
Region, District (2B, 2G)
Region 1, District 1 (4B, 4G) – Carlisle County, Fulton City, Fulton County, Hickman County. Region 1, District 2 (5B, 5G) – Community Christian (Paducah), Heath, Lone

(See KHSAA, page two)



Under a proposed realignment, Prestonsburg and Betsy Layne would leave the 58th District and enter the 59th District.



photo by Jamie Howell

Betsy Layne will return to the gridiron tonight, playing on the road at Phelps. The Bobcats will be looking for their second straight win.

Action Petroleum Bowl highlights slate of area games

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG – Week Three of the high school football season offers plenty of excitement for area coaches, players and fans. In Floyd County, fans who make their way out to Prestonsburg High School tonight can see two games as part of the first annual Action Petroleum Bowl. The first game of the Action Petroleum Bowl will feature host Prestonsburg (0-1) against visiting Bell County (2-0). Bell County is fresh off a win over crosstown rival Middlesboro. Kickoff

for the Bell County-Prestonsburg game is 6 p.m.

The second game of the Action Petroleum Bowl was Green Bay Packer Tim Couch's high school alma mater, Leslie County, matched up against Sheldon Clark and first-year head coach Shawn Hager. Both Leslie County and Sheldon Clark will enter play tonight with 1-1 marks.

Leslie County beat Hazard over the weekend in the Pride of the Mountains Gridiron Classic. The victory over Hazard was the first win of the season for the

(See BOWL, page two)

Cumberland to visit Pikeville

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE – The Cumberland College football team opened its season in dramatic fashion this past Saturday with a 33-29 win over Presbyterian College. Down 29-26 in the final period with only 16 seconds left on the clock, the Patriots faced a third-and-16 from the Presbyterian 25. As senior quarterback, Bo Bartik (Billings, Mont.) went back to pass, he found tight-end Quincy McNair (Cochran, Ga.), who made a diving catch at the three-yard line. That play set up Bartik's dive into the end zone with 10 seconds left to put the Patriots

on top of the Blue Hose 32-29. Freshman kicker Mark Gotcher nailed an extra point kick to make the final score 33-29. Gotcher is a Lexington native.

"It was a huge win," said Patriot Coach Chuck King. "The last drive happened in a hurry. I didn't play a play, but those guys went out and played them all. I'm proud of them all."

Senior Frank Shope (Harlan) led the defensive side of the ball for the Patriots as he accumulated nine tackles with one sack and one fumble recovery.

(See PIKEVILLE, page five)

South Floyd handles Paintsville

TIMES STAFF REPORT

HI HAT – The South Floyd High volleyball team defended its homecourt Tuesday night, turning away visiting Paintsville in straight games. The host Lady Raiders allowed less than 10 points in both games, winning 2-0 (25-7, 25-8).

Several South Floyd players played a key role in Tuesday's win. Leslie Holbrook was 2-of-2 on serves with assist, 1 dig and 2 saves. Katie Cook was a perfect 11-of-11 on serve with 6 aces, dig and 1 save.

Megan Castle was 3-of-5 on serve with 1 ace.

Candice Hall was the most successful on serve for host South Floyd. Hall was 16-of-16 on serve with 9 aces, 2 assists and 1 dig. Sabrina Reid had 2 kills, was 5-of-5 on serve, came through with 2

(See SOUTH FLOYD, page two)

Allen Central tops P'burg, 2-0

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG – In high school volleyball play earlier in the week Tuesday, Allen Central improved to 4-0 on the season with a much-needed win over district/conference rival Prestonsburg. Allen Central prevailed winning 2-0 (25-16, 25-15).

The Rebels were strong in every aspect in a match that was mostly decided by serves. Allen Central aced the Blackcats 14 times with Brittany Hodges landing five and Amanda Mills serving three.

The Allen Central attack game was consistent with Yumekia Hunter and Brandi Meade slamming three each and Courtney Martin skidding one past the Prestonsburg defense. The Rebels had an attack average of .333. However, the Allen Central kill percentage was .000 with seven kills and seven errors.

Mills once again led the team in

(See ALLEN CENTRAL, page two)



photo by Steve LeMaster
Blackcat students and faculty members showed their school spirit Wednesday during Pajamas Day, held as part of Spirit Week.

Prestonsburg High holds Spirit Week

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG – Prestonsburg High School held Spirit Week this week as the first home football game of the season is scheduled for tonight. The game will match the host Blackcats up against the visiting Bell County Bobcats. The game will be the first contest of the Action Petroleum Bowl, a two-game event. The Blackcats are scheduled to take on Bell County in a 6 p.m. game.

Spirit Week began at Prestonsburg High Monday with Cowboy Day. Twins Day was observed Tuesday. On Wednesday, Pajamas Day was held, allowing many members of the Prestonsburg High student body and

faculty to dress down. Thursday was Inside-Out Day. Today, the Blackcat student body may resemble an army as War Day is being observed. With War Day, students can don army clothing and sport school colors.

Both students and faculty members joined in on the Spirit Week activities.

As the school year progresses, Prestonsburg High plans to have various times, people and events in history portrayed and spotlighted, such as inventors and the Civil War.

The school is also hoping that local businesses will get involved in the events by decorating windows. Community involvement continues to be a driving force behind many school activities and functions.

Bowl

Eagles. Sheldon Clark opened the season with a win over Bourbon County, but stumbled last week, falling to Grundy, Va. Leslie County, with Quinton Morgan under center, once again goes to the air with efficiency. Sheldon Clark, in its first two games of the season, has shown more of a running attack.

Having a week off has allowed many Prestonsburg players to a lot of time for injuries suffered in the pre-season and the season-opener against Pikeville to heal.

Prestonsburg senior Trevor Compton, after going out of the season-opener against Pikeville less than two weeks ago, has been cleared and will play against Bell County.

Joe Blackburn, who went into the Pike County Bowl game

against Pikeville still nursing an ankle injury, is healed and it should show tonight when he hits Josh Francis Field.

Bell County is led by Mr. Football candidate Shawn Robbins, a talented running back.

Here's a look at some of the other area matchups:

Magoffin County (0-2) at Allen Central (1-1): The Hornets and Rebels hooked up in a close game last season with the host Hornets holding on for the win. Magoffin County started the current season 0-2, dropping games to Knott County Central and Powell County. Allen Central beat Betsy Layne in its season-opener before falling hard last week to Class A, District 8 rival Paintsville. Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m.

Breathitt County (2-0) at Pike

County Central (2-0): It's time for annual Honey Bowl and Breathitt County is a team rolling. Set to play host to Pike Central, Breathitt County already has wins over Bardstown and Ryle. Led by senior quarterback Justin Hundley, the Breathitt County offense has scored a combined 71 points in two games. The Bobcat defense has given up just six points so far.

Pike Central struggled with injuries earlier in the week and may be without some key players when the game kicks off tonight. Kickoff for the annual Honey Bowl is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

Lawrence County (0-2) at Belfry (0-1): In a rivalry game that normally is a close contest, Lawrence County, still winless, looks to be overmatched against a Belfry team that features the lethal one-two running back punch of David Jones and Doug Howard. Kickoff for the Lawrence County-Belfry contest is 7:30 p.m.

Jenkins (0-2) at Paintsville (2-

0): Perfect to start the season, Paintsville will host its first game of the season tonight when struggling Jenkins visits. The Cavaliers fell to 0-2 one week ago, falling to Grundy, Va. Paintsville, led by sophomore quarterback Daniel Pugh, put up 72 points last week against Allen Central. Kickoff for the Jenkins-Paintsville game is 7:30 p.m.

Greenup County (1-1) at Johnson Central (2-0): Head coach Jim Matney will look to guide Johnson Central to its third win of the season tonight when Greenup County and fellow head coach T.J. Maynard visit. The Musketeers beat East Carter in Week One and hung tough with Russell last Friday in the second week, before the Red Devils pulled out a 24-16 win. Johnson Central has based, much of its offensive attack around a talented group of backs led by quarterback Sean Music.

East Ridge (1-1) at South

Floyd (1-1) When East Ridge and South Floyd got together during the 2003 season, host East Ridge jumped out to a quick lead, but just couldn't hold on. Now, one year later, the Raiders will host the Warriors. Both teams, after beginning the 2004 campaign with wins, are coming off of losses. East Ridge lost Saturday night, falling to visiting Haysi, Va. South Floyd fell to a visiting Pike County Central.

A familiar player expected to return tonight for the Raiders is junior Ryan Johnson, expected to play following being cleared after being sidelined by an injury.

Kickoff for the East Ridge-South Floyd affair is 7:30 p.m.

Betsy Layne (1-1) at Phelps (0-2): Coming off a 52-0 win over Jenkins, Betsy Layne will hit the road tonight, traveling to Pike County to take on Phelps. Following a loss to East Ridge in the first week of the season in the Pike County Bowl, Phelps,

coached by Bill McKinney, had an extra week last week to prepare for the Bobcats. Kickoff for the Betsy Layne-Phelps game is also set for 7:30 p.m.

Allen Central

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assists with four and Brittany Hodge dished up two. The Rebels' defense was a little shaky, committing 13 errors in 58 attempts for 78 percent. Alesia Hall and Brandi Meade each stopped 12 Prestonsburg point attempts from hitting the floor.

It was a much-needed win for the Rebels, putting Colonel Larry Maynard, the team's head coach, seven victories shy of 100 career wins. Allen Central was back in action on the road last night at Knott County Central. Results were unavailable at press time.

South Floyd

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aces and added 2 digs.

Kayla Hall was 3-of-3 on serve and had 2 aces and 2 digs.

Tab Tackett had 1 kill, 1 save and 1 block. Pam Walker was 6-of-6 on serve with 4 aces.

South Floyd, which improved to 4-1 on the season following the win over Paintsville, was back in action last night, playing on the road at

Prestonsburg. Results were unavailable at press time.

Later in the month, on Saturday, Sept. 18, South Floyd will host the South Floyd Volleyball Classic. Teams scheduled to participate in addition to the host squad include Buckhorn, Shelby Valley, Fleming-Neon, Cordia and Prestonsburg.

KHSAA

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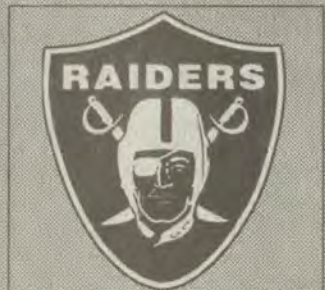
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(4B, 4G) - Jackson County, North Laurel, Rockcastle County, South Laurel, Region 13, District 50 (4B, 4G) - Corbin, Lynn Camp, Whitley County, Williamsburg, Region 13, District 51 (4B, 4G) - Barbourville, Bell County, Knox Central, Middlesboro, Region 13, District 52 (6B, 6G) - Cumberland*, Evarts*, Cawood, Harlan, Pineville, Red Bird, Region 14, District 53 (4B, 4G) - Buckhorn, Clay County, Leslie County, Oneida Baptist Institute, Region 14, District 54 (4B, 4G) - Lee County, Owsley County, Powell County, Wolfe County, Region 14, District 55 (4B, 4G) - Breathitt County, Jackson City, Perry County Central, Riverside Christian, Region 14, District 56 (4B, 4G) - Hazard, Jenkins, June Buchanan, Letcher County Central, Region 15, District 57 (4B, 4G) - Johnson Central, Magoffin County, Paintsville, Sheldon Clark, Region 15, District 58 (5B, 5G) - Allen Central, Cordia, Knott County Central, Piarist, South Floyd, Region 15, District 59 (4B, 4G) - Betsy Layne, East Ridge, Prestonsburg, Shelby Valley, Region 15, District 60 (4B, 4G) - Belfry, Phelps, Pike County Central, Pikeville, Region 16, District 61 (4B, 4G) - Bath County, Menifee County, Morgan County, Rowan County, Region 16, District 62 (4B, 4G) - East Carter, Elliott County, Lewis County, West Carter, Region 16, District 63 (4B, 4G) - Fairview, Greenup County, Raceland, Russell, Region 16, District 64 (4B, 4G) - Ashland Blazer, Boyd County, Lawrence County, Rose Hill Christian.

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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Candice Hall, South Floyd Volleyball



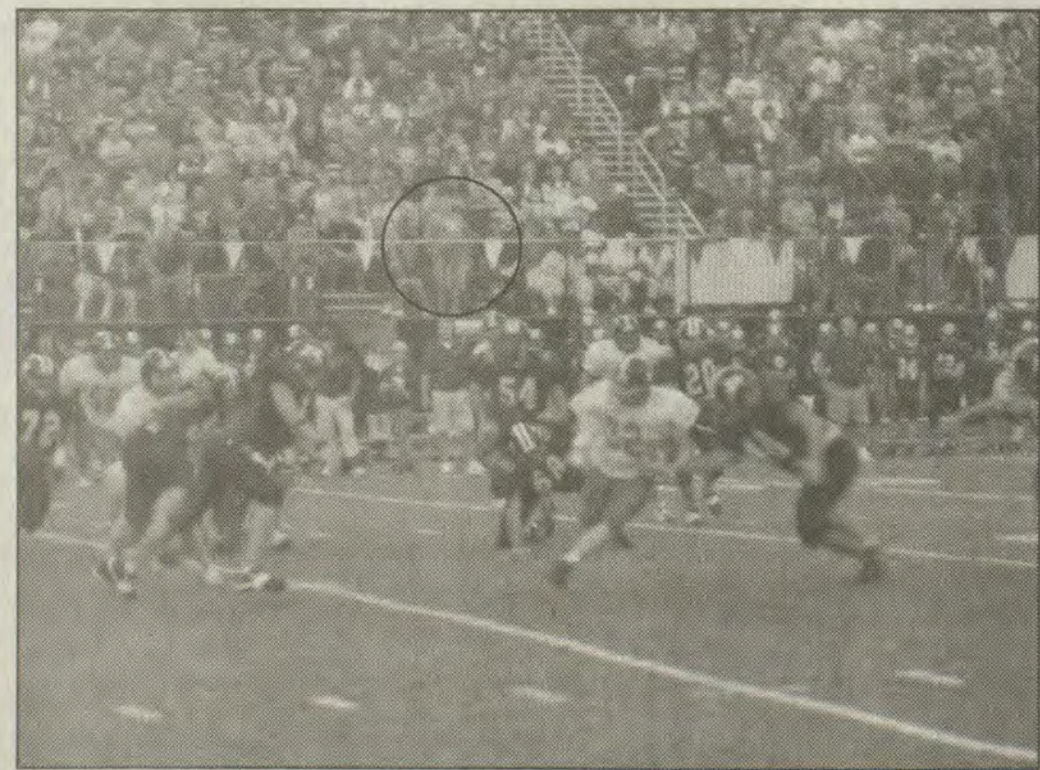
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The last couple of years they were able to sit back and watch the goings on in the other Pike County district, where either East Ridge, Pikeville or Shelby Valley - their main source of competition for a state-tournament slot - wouldn't make the regional tournament.

Each of Kentucky's three mountain regions will get two new members. Both Laurels will slide down from the 12th to the 13th Region, filling vacancies made when Clay County and Oneida Baptist were bumped to the 14th. Also, Cordia and Knott County Central will leave their longtime rivals behind and play in the 15th under this proposal.

Clearly these six schools and those of their ilk are the ones with the most to complain about, and early word is most are less than thrilled. Some early questions for me center on Cordia and KCC coming to the 15th. I understand that this keeps both schools in the Knott County School System under the same umbrella, but when you consider this making it possible (albeit unlikely) for Knott and June Buchanan, two schools literally within walking distance of each other, to play in the same state tournament, it raises an eyebrow at least.

We've also long been told that Lawrence County would

welcome a move back to the 15th Region, yet under this proposal they stay put in the 16th.

And it's interesting that all this movement is taking place and the biggest mess in the mountains - Powell County, in decidedly central Kentucky, being in the 14th Region - isn't fixed.

Closing the focus to our 15th Region, three teams would change districts, with Betsy Layne and Prestonsburg leaving the 58th for the 59th and Pikeville being added to the 60th.

I'm not sure I'd want to make that commute from South Floyd to Cordia (Yahoo lists it at a smooth 96 minute drive) and the one from Mouthcard to Prestonsburg could be summed up simply: The schools are too far apart to be in the same district.

Those in the 57th can sit back and relax, being one of only three mountain districts unchanged (the 50th and 56th are the others). Those in Floyd County must try to decide how to keep the Floyd County Conference in tact with two of its members out of the district now.

Other than the six mountain teams changing regions, 10 others would switch districts. The proposal splits inter-county

rivals Hazard and Perry Central, two schools that invariably seem to draw each other in the boys' basketball tournament each year.

And that brings us to another rumored byproduct of this: Word has it that the draw may go the way of the jump ball once this proposal gets approved and applied, with the KHSAA purportedly requiring all 64 districts to use the seeding format.

Any proposal like this was sure to draw more questions than answers, and this one will be no different. No doubt you've already heard rumblings from Lexington about adding Scott County to its 11th Region, and I'm sure there are many others.

One thing is certain: With all the consolidation that has hit our mountains during recent years, it was obvious the shakeup here would be widespread.

It'll be interesting to see how many of the powers that be will be in favor. I'm going to guess there isn't a single person affected by this who totally approves, even those who served on the committee.

Now we review, sit back and wait. This is sure to keep sports-talk shows busy for a while, and give folks like me something to write about.

But as for us, let's talk it over at the football game, shall we?

Even under new system, Kenseth a model of consistency

by JENNA FRYER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Matt Kenseth used consistency to win his first NASCAR championship. His strategy was so boring, the sanctioning body changed the rules to prevent a repeat.

Kenseth, though, didn't change his style.

Now, in the ultimate revenge, Kenseth sits smack in the middle of the current points standings and well within striking distance of a second Nextel Cup championship.

"That would be cool," Kenseth said. "That's what our goal has been all year ... to come back and try to win the championship under this new format."

The race for the championship lacked drama last year as Kenseth, using a cautious and steady style, had a series-high 25 top 10 finishes in 36 races. Although he won just one race, he practically locked up the title in July.

Sure, other drivers were mathematically within reach of Kenseth, but with just two DNF's all season and a knack for finishing somewhere around fifth place every week, he basically ran away with the title.

Because the stretch run of the season meant very little in terms of crowning a champion, NASCAR radically overhauled the points system it had used since 1975.

Under the new formula,

NASCAR will take the top 10 drivers and reset their point totals after 26 races. The eligible drivers will be separated from first through 10th in five-point increments and compete for the title in a 10-race playoff format.

NASCAR denied Kenseth's boring title run was the reason for the change. He believes otherwise.

"NASCAR said they didn't change it because of us, but they did," he said. "It's more of a compliment than anything. We did that good and the team did such a good job of being consistent and not dropping out."

"We just didn't make a lot of mistakes last year, and it's hard to do it all season long."

With just two races to go before the field is reset, Kenseth is in fifth place in the standings. If the playoffs began tomorrow, he'd be 20 points behind leader Jeff Gordon.

No one is sure what the correct strategy will be to win a title under the new format. Some drivers will be aggressive, going all out to try to win all 10 races. Others will just try to stay out of trouble, fearful that one accident, one broken part, will instantly ruin their chance at a title.

Jack Roush, Kenseth's car owner, is pretty sure his driver will do the same thing he's always done.

"He doesn't practice real hard, he doesn't run real hard early in the race except to get track position, and then he

hangs around the front until it's time to go," Roush said. "When it is time to go, he goes and tries to close the deal."

Kenseth believes that is how the championship will be won this year.

"I think the guy who wins this thing is going to be the guy who can run fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh every week and doesn't have any DNF's," Kenseth said. "I don't think it's going to be the guy who wins two or three races and drops out of two or three races."

"It's still going to be the guy who is most consistent."

It's not exactly what NASCAR had in mind when it overhauled the system.

Then again, it's not exactly the way Kenseth wants to win titles, either.

He much prefers the old system, when the points leader is hunted by the other 42 teams in the garage. Being mentally strong and able to hold off the challenge week in and week out was an important part of earning a championship.

"I'm a traditionalist, I liked the points the way they were before," he said. "It used to be you had pressure all year from Daytona to Atlanta. Now, there is pressure to get into the top 10. Then, it's only the top 10 who have the pressure."

Still, it's hard to believe Kenseth and his No. 17 team didn't start the season feeling just a little heat to turn things up a notch. After winning just one race all of last season, they opened this year by winning two of the first three events.

Kenseth later added a victory in the annual all-star race.

But it's been a series of top 10 finishes since then, and Kenseth wants to ride them right into the playoffs.

"No matter what, you don't want to go into the last few races without any momentum," Kenseth said. "So more than thinking about making the top 10 these last two races, we're thinking about running good and trying to get to Victory Lane and carry some momentum into the last 10."

Mother Nature wins on Fan Appreciation Night: Night of races rescheduled for Sept. 4

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ROYALTON — Over 70 cars and a hillside full of race fans graced the Half Mountain Speedway facility this past Saturday night as the Magoffin County track presented its First Annual Fan Appreciation Night, an event that included several prizes. Unfortunately, rain moved in just before the Super Late Model \$3,000 to win feature hit the track and the event was rained out. The event has been rescheduled for Saturday, Sept. 4.

Below is the list of events for Saturday, Sept. 4.

Super Late Models: Feature is locked in no new cars will be allowed to enter \$3,000 to win

30-lap race.

Limited Late Model: Make-up feature from fogged out event (Double points race — this feature is locked in how it was on Aug. 21). Make-up rainout feature (Locked in from heat races from Aug. 28; no new cars will be allowed to join the race).

Modified: Make-up feature from fogged out features from Aug. 21. Event (Double points race, this feature is locked in how it was on Aug. 21). Make-up rainout feature (Locked in from heat races from Aug. 28, no new cars will be allowed to join).

Bombers: Make-up fogged out bomber feature from Aug. 21 (Double points race, No New Cars will be allowed to enter).

Bomber will be running heats which were set by their pill draw as they entered the track on Aug. 28. New cars will be allowed to tag the tail of the heat races to set the feature of the rain out event from Aug. 28.

Mod Four-Cylinders: Make-up fogged out Mod Four-Cylinder feature from Aug. 21 (Double points race, no new cars will be allowed to enter). Mod Four-Cylinders will be running heats which were set by their pill draw as they entered the track on Aug. 28. New cars will be allowed tag the tail of the heat races to set the feature of the rainout event from Aug. 28.

Stock Four-Cylinder: Make-up fogged out Stock Four-Cylinder feature from Aug. 21

(Double points race, no new cars will be allowed to enter). Stock Four-Cylinders will be running heats which were set by their pill draw as they entered the track on Aug. 28. New cars will be allowed to tag the tail of the heat races to set the feature of the rainout event from Aug. 28.

There will be no qualifying Saturday, nor heat races in the Super Late Model, Limited Late Model or Modified classes. All these feature races are set and locked in. Only the Bombers and Four-Cylinders will be running heat races. All divisions except the Super Late Model division will be running double features.

Lonesome Pine hosting Q95FM 275, Legends Challenge

by JESSICA BARNETT
LONESOME PINE
TRACK WRITER

COEBURN, Va. — The first-ever Lonesome Legends Challenge at The Pine will be held Saturday Sept. 18. Lonesome Pine Raceway, 600 Racing, and INEX Inc. invite all Legends competitors and fans to come out and take part in the event.

This will be a regional event,

in which Legends drivers will be competing for spots in the Annual National year-end event. Drivers competing in the "Lonesome Legends Challenge" will travel from a six-state surrounding area to compete for 50 fast laps.

The total purse for the event will be a record \$5,000. A total of \$1,000 will be awarded to the winner. B Mains and C Mains will also be running at this event.

Anyone interested in racing Legends cars should contact Ron Humble by calling 423-968-9292.

Lonesome Pine Raceway is set to wrap up another success-

ful season of racing that includes the NASCAR Dodge Weekly Racing Series. On Saturday night, Lonesome Pine will host the Q95FM 275. The race will be the last of the sea-

son for the Morgan-McClure Late Model Stock class. The show will also include Honda of Prestonsburg Limited Sportsman, Miner's Exchange Bank Grand Stocks, Freedom

Ford Modified Fours, Community Trust Bank Pure Fours, McDowell Professional Pharmacy Legends and Pro Challenge.

NASCAR Preseason Thunder 2005 test schedule released

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — A preseason rite that revs up both engines and excitement, January's NASCAR Preseason Thunder at Daytona International Speedway marks the beginning of on-track preparation for new seasons in all three national series.

The 2005 NASCAR Preseason Thunder test schedule will kick off with the NASCAR Nextel Cup Series, which, along with its usual newsworthiness, also will enjoy the distinction of being the first event housed at the Speedway's newly renovated infield and garages.

Leading off next season's edition of NASCAR Preseason Thunder will be the NASCAR Nextel Cup Series teams that finished in odd-number positions in the final 2004 car owner point standings. They will begin testing Tuesday, Jan. 11 and conclude Thursday, Jan. 13. The rain date is Friday, Jan. 14.

All NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series teams will test Saturday, Jan. 15 and Sunday, Jan. 16. The rain date is Monday, Jan. 17.

All NASCAR Nextel Cup Series teams that finished in even-number positions in the final 2004 car owner point standings will be on track Tuesday, Jan. 18 through Thursday, Jan. 20. The rain date

is Friday, Jan. 21.

All NASCAR Busch Series teams will be on track Saturday, Jan. 22 through Monday, Jan. 24. The rain date is Tuesday, Jan. 25.

Fans, too, have their chance to participate in NASCAR Preseason Thunder. The Speedway's Oldfield Tower grandstands, located just outside Daytona USA, will open free of charge to fans to watch the NASCAR preseason action. Also, four Fan Fests — whose proceeds will benefit the Speedway and NASCAR-designated charities — are scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 12, Saturday, Jan. 15, Wednesday, Jan. 19 and Saturday, Jan. 22.

Adding to the 2005 NASCAR Preseason Thunder anticipation will be the Speedway's new multi-million dollar infield renovation, which includes new garages for the NASCAR Nextel Cup Series and NASCAR Busch Series, a new Victory Lane and a new Fan Zone.

"We are thrilled to unveil our new infield project at NASCAR's Preseason Thunder Fan Fest," Daytona International Speedway President Robin Braig said. "Being able to experience the excitement of this unique event in our unique infield atmosphere will make for a memorable time for fans and competitors alike."

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ALLEN — Brandon Kinzer Motorsports is set to return to the scene of a huge win captured earlier in the 2004 race season. On Sunday, the No. 18 Kinzer

Drilling, Barry Wright Racecars, Ranger Contracting, Eastco Supply Dodge Intrepid will return to action at Cherokee Speedway in Gaffney, S.C., racing in the Fourth Annual Skyler Trull Memorial, the track's

biggest race of the year. The race, part of the Dixie Super Series, will pay \$10,000 to the winner. The race will pay \$400 to start. Over \$2,500 has been collected for lap leaders.

The driver's meeting for

Sunday's Cherokee Speedway/Dixie Super Series race is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., with racing slated to follow shortly after at 7 p.m. Admission for the Dixie Super Series race is \$20 for the stands and \$25 for the pits.

The race is sponsored by Cherokee Speedway Fans, City Chevrolet, Beaver Bail Bonds, Colonial Fish Camp, The Racing Journal, Dave's Auto Salvage and Speed Zone Racing Equipment.

Earlier in the current race season, back on Thursday, July 8, Brandon Kinzer drove to a first-place finish at the South Carolina track, taking top honors in the Third Annual Independence Shootout.

"We're looking forward to returning to Cherokee Speedway," said Kinzer. "This will be our first race there since we won there back in July."

Brandon Kinzer Motorsports spent last weekend close to home, racing at Half Mountain Speedway in Royalton. But Mother Nature didn't fully cooperate. The race show, which was to include a \$3,000 to win Super Late Model feature, was rained out.

For up to date news and information on the Brandon Kinzer Motorsports race team, go online to www.brandonkinzer.com

NASCAR: Auto racing glance

Site: Fontana, Calif.
Schedule: Friday, qualifying (Speed Channel, 6 p.m.); Sunday, race (NBC, 7 p.m.)
Track: California Speedway (d-shaped oval, 2 miles, 14 degrees banking in turns).

Race distance: 500 miles, 250 laps.

Last race: Dale Earnhardt Jr. completed the weekend sweep at Bristol Motor Speedway by winning the Sharpie 500. Almost completely healed from burns he suffered last month in a non-NASCAR wreck, Earnhardt led 295 of the 500 laps for his first Nextel Cup win at the track.

Last year: Inaugural race. Fast facts: Ryan Newman finished second at Bristol and jumped three spots to 10th in the standings, the cutoff posi-

tion to become eligible for NASCAR's 10-race championship chase. ... Jeff Gordon won the Auto Club 500 at Fontana on May 2. ... Jimmie Johnson ended a streak of three straight DNF's with a third-place showing at Bristol. ... Rusty Wallace announced on Monday that he will retire after the 2005 season.

Next race: Chevy Rock and Roll 400, Sept. 11, Richmond, Va.

On the Net: <http://www.nascar.com>

NASCAR BUSCH Target House 300 Site: Fontana, Calif. Schedule: Friday, qualifying (Speed Channel, 4 p.m.); Saturday, race (NBC, 3 p.m.)
Track: California Speedway (d-shaped oval, 2 miles, 14 degrees banking in

turns). Race distance: 300 miles, 150 laps.

Last race: Dale Earnhardt Jr. beat Matt Kenseth in the first green-white finish in series history to win the Food City 250 at Bristol Motor Speedway. Earnhardt started from the pole and led a race-high 125 laps, but a series-high 13 cautions extended the event by six laps.

Last year: Inaugural race. Fast facts: Earnhardt has two wins in four Busch starts this season. ... Greg Biffle won the Stater Bros. 300 at California Speedway on May 1. ... The series has never competed in the state of California twice in one season. ... No polesitter has won at California Speedway.

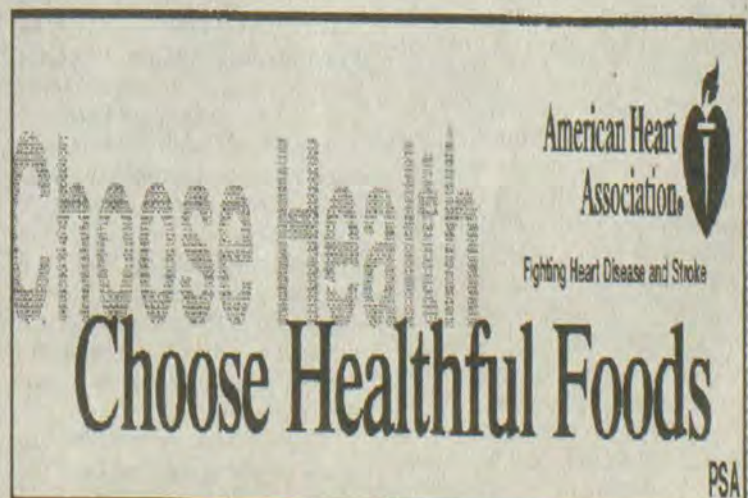
Next race: Emerson 250, Sept. 10, Richmond, Va.
On the Net: <http://www.nascar.com>
— The Associated Press

NASCAR Nextel Cup Driver Standings

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| 1. Jeff Gordon, 3,380 | 11. Kasey Kahne, 2,892 |
| 2. Jimmie Johnson, 3,356 | 12. Mark Martin, 2,883 |
| 3. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 3,305 | (tie) Jeremy Mayfield, 2,883 |
| 4. Tony Stewart, 3,195 | 14. Dale Jarrett, 2,873 |
| 5. Matt Kenseth, 3,156 | (tie) Jamie McMurray, 2,873 |
| 6. Kurt Busch, 3,051 | 16. Casey Mears, 2,628 |
| 7. Elliott Sadler, 2,864 | 17. Michael Waltrip, 2,575 |
| 8. Kevin Harvick, 2,923 | 18. Greg Biffle, 2,552 |
| 9. Bobby Labonte, 2,919 | 19. Sterling Marlin, 2,546 |
| 10. Ryan Newman, 2,918 | 20. Jeff Burton, 2,529 |



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Shelton ready to be featured running back

by MALCOLM C. KNOX
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Eric Shelton is running out of time to put together the breakout season he's always dreamed of having.

Hardly used at Florida State and hampered by a neck injury last year, Shelton has two seasons left to fulfill the daunting expectations that have followed him since he was a standout at Bryan Station High School.

He's confident that this will

be his year. He's the featured back in a deep, talented backfield that also includes Lionel Gates, Michael Bush and Kolby Smith.

"That's anybody's dream, to be the top running back," he said. "I think this year will be really good, no doubt."

The Cardinals open the season against Kentucky on Sunday. Shelton ran for 151 yards against the Wildcats last year, still his best college performance. The Cardinals ran for

240 yards in an easy 40-24 victory.

Shelton expects Kentucky to throw a better defensive scheme at Louisville's backs this time.

"It's going to be real tough because I know they're aiming for me," he said.

If so, that's fine with offensive coordinator Paul Petrino. Even with All-Conference USA quarterback Stefan Lefors, the Cards will attack with the run again this season.

"I think the best thing we did

last year is run the football," Petrino said. "Once you can run the football, that takes pressure off the O-line protecting and it takes the pressure off the quarterback."

Gates led the team in rushing with 817 yards and 11 touchdowns last season. Bush, who played quarterback in high school, lined up at quarterback, receiver and running back last season but will focus on running the ball this season. He may also get some time at defensive back.

Smith was a fullback exclusively last season but should see more carries this year.

All four have been taking turns at fullback and tailback at practice.

"They are probably the hardest working group on the field," said Louisville coach Bobby Petrino. "They are not only working hard, but they're working on blocking for each other."

As hungry as Shelton is to shine by himself, he has no problem leaving the glory to his fellow backs.

"I take a lot of pride in that," he said. "It feels good when you knock a guy down and see somebody running for the touchdown."

Of course, he'd rather be running. Last year, he rushed for 790 yards and 10 touchdowns in 2003 before suffering a scary neck injury against TCU. He was sidelined for the last three games of the regular season.

Still, Shelton realizes it was his most productive year in college.

"I was on my way to being a 1,000-yard rusher," Shelton said. "I had been sitting on the shelf for two years, so it felt pretty good."

In 2001, Shelton was fourth on the depth chart for the Seminoles and carried the ball only 29 times. He transferred to Louisville and sat out in 2002 as required by NCAA rules.

"I didn't get what I wanted when I was down South," Shelton said. "I basically felt like I collected dust."

This offseason, Shelton focused on becoming a more complete back — and inching closer to that breakout season.

"I worked on a lot of rusty points in my game and polished stuff. Everybody knows I can run," he said. "I feel good about this year."

Eagles to open season against Coastal Carolina

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

MOREHEAD — The Morehead State University Football Eagles, two-time defending Pioneer Football League South Division Champions, open the 2004 season against Coastal Carolina at 7 p.m. EDT Saturday at Jayne Stadium in Morehead.

The Eagles finished 8-3 last season, losing at Valparaiso in the PFL Championship Game. Among their wins were a 31-6 win at Coastal Carolina on Sept. 13, 2003. In that game, MSU quarterback David Caudill threw two touchdown passes to Eli Parkes and Tyler Slone scored two rushing touchdowns. Caudill hit 19 of 33 passes for 184 yards.

Coastal's Aundres Perkins rushed for 85 yards and scored the Chanticleers' only touchdown. CCU finished their inaugural season of college football with a 6-5 record. The school, located just outside of Myrtle Beach in Conway, S.C., plays in the Big South Conference and offers scholarships in football.

MSU lost Caudill and several other key performers, but returns 15 starters. The defense, led by All-Americans Charlie Byrd (Sr., defensive back) and Craig Unger (Sr., linebacker) will be asked to carry the load early while the offense gets used to a new quarterback.

Expected to get the starting nod for MSU at quarterback is junior college transfer Marty Dorcich. A native of Campbell,

Calif., he spent one season as a red-shirt at the University of Washington before playing two seasons at two different junior colleges. He joined the MSU squad in January and participated in spring practice.

Head Coach Matt Ballard became MSU's all-time winningest football coach last season. He has led the Eagles to a 17-6 record and the two divisional championships the past two seasons.

Saturday's MSU opener to include Fun Zone, fireworks

A special Fun Zone and post-game fireworks will be a part of the Saturday evening activities when Morehead State opens its 2004 football season against Coastal Carolina.

This Saturday, and at every regular season home football game in 2004, a Fun Zone, sponsored by Varsity Eagle Bookstore and Varsity Eagle Grafix, will be available for fans attending MSU football games. The Fun Zone will be located on the Sadler Tennis Courts, just north of the MSU Wellness Center and across from Jayne Stadium.

The Fun Zone will include a variety of inflatable games, including an obstacle course, a jumper and a slide. Members of the MSU cheerleading squad will be on hand to provide face painting.

Following the game, the Morehead Tourism Commission, in conjunction with the MSU Athletic

Department, will sponsor a fireworks display.

Game Information
Parking lots open at 4 p.m., three hours before kickoff.
The Jayne Stadium ticket

booth will open at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday

Tickets are \$10 for reserved seats, \$8 for general admission and children 12 and under are admitted free.

Burns a leader on the field ... and in fashion?

by MURRAY EVANS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Fortunately for the Kentucky Wildcats, Vincent "Sweet Pea" Burns dresses in blue and white on the football field, where he's a dominant presence at defensive end.

Off the field, well, who wants to argue about fashion with a 6-2, 268-pound man who likes to wear pink?

"I've heard if you look good, you play good," Burns said. "That's what I try to do."

During Southeastern Conference media days in July, Burns wore a mauve shirt with a mauve-and-pink tie, a white suit and a pair of pink alligator shoes. It was a daring outfit — one that since has drawn some good-natured ribbing from Burns' teammates and coaches.

"He thinks he's a big pretty man," said cornerback Earven Flowers. "He thinks he's cool."

Whatever they think about Burns' fashion tastes, they certainly hope that the defensive lineman is dressed in his uniform Sunday, when the Wildcats

visit archival Louisville in the season opener for both teams.

Burns underwent arthroscopic knee surgery Aug. 19 and his status for the game remains in flux. Kentucky coach Rich Brooks said Monday that Burns likely will be limited to 15 to 20 plays.

How important is Burns to Kentucky's defense? Simply put, Burns is the Wildcats' best player and "one of the best players in the country at his position," Brooks said.

Last season, Burns received second-team All-SEC honors after recording 72 tackles, including 18 for loss. The senior from Lake Park, Ga., has been mentioned on almost every pre-season All-SEC team after choosing to return to Kentucky following his stellar junior season instead of taking a chance in the NFL draft.

Burns' road from Georgia to Kentucky wasn't direct. After being lightly recruited out of high school, Burns signed with NCAA Division I-AA Northern Arizona. He played well for the Lumberjacks in 2000, recording

11 tackles for loss as a freshman, but wanted to be closer to home so he could spend more time with his daughter, who now is 4.

Kentucky's offensive coordinator at the time, Brent Pease, had recruited Burns to Northern Arizona, so Burns became a Wildcat.

When Brooks became Kentucky's coach prior to the 2003 season, he said it didn't take long for him to appreciate Burns.

"He is a guy that I have been in love with since I first put him on film and watched him, before I ever got him on a practice field, because he plays from snap to whistle," Brooks said. "He played so hard on every down that he was exhausted last year and almost ran out of gas."

Maintaining that level of intensity — which extends to the film room — is something in which Burns takes pride.

"I don't want to give that offensive lineman from the other team the chance to say, 'I just ran over that d-lineman from Kentucky.' I want him to

remember who he faced that game," Burns said. "I want to make his life a living hell out there."

Defensive coordinator Mike Archer, who coached in the NFL for seven years, has no doubt that Burns can play in that league, even if he is a bit undersized to be an NFL lineman. Archer said Burns made the right decision to stay for his senior season because his draft stock could rise significantly.

"Size doesn't mean everything," Archer said. "It's the heart that counts. ..." The guy loves the game of football. He respects the game for what it is and he has a passion. He loves to practice and loves the camaraderie of his teammates. He's a leader."

If he reaches the NFL, Sweet Pea — so dubbed by his mother and grandmother when he was a baby — can buy as many fashionable outfits as he'd like.

"If you look like anybody," he said, "you might play like anybody."

Bearcats QB gets one more shot at Ohio State

by TERRY KINNEY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Quarterback Gino Guidugli doesn't want the defining moment of his college career to be a near-miss against Ohio State.

He and the Cincinnati Bearcats nearly upset eventual national champion Ohio State in 2002. They take on the No. 9 Buckeyes again Saturday at Ohio Stadium.

"There's not really any feeling of unfinished business," said Guidugli, who had two probable touchdown passes dropped in the endzone in the closing seconds of the 23-19 loss two years ago. "It's the first game of the season and we want to look good out there the first game and come away with a win."

"I think we're confident, as long as we play our game and eliminate mental mistakes and turnovers, I think we have a shot to win any game we play this season."

Guidugli, a senior, already holds most of Cincinnati's passing records — most attempts (1,214), completions (670), yards (8,820), touchdowns (52) and total offense (8,938).

What he'd like now is to go out a winner in Cincinnati's last season in Conference USA, before joining the Big East. A win Saturday could overshadow the rest of the season.

"It would be a big win for the people of Cincinnati if we go up there and beat Ohio State," Guidugli said. "But we've got to look at it as just another game on our schedule; it's a new offense we're breaking in, a new defensive scheme."

Things are different at Cincinnati because Mark Dantonio succeeded Rick Minter as coach in December,

after the Bearcats finished the season at 5-7.

The last time Dantonio saw Guidugli play against Ohio State, Dantonio was defensive coordinator for the Buckeyes.

"He was very poised, made good decisions in that game, showed toughness, had the ability to read very well and know where to go with the ball," Dantonio said. "Since coming here, he's continued to impress me as a person in terms of his toughness, in terms of his football intellect."

"He works at football very hard. He studies the game. He's very intelligent. We're very fortunate to have him back."

Guidugli (pronounced guh-DOO'-lee) was a high school star at Fort Thomas Highlands in a northern Kentucky suburb of Cincinnati. He threw for 54 touchdowns as a senior, leading his team to a record third straight Kentucky Class AAA championship, and expected to play at the University of Kentucky.

But just before signing day, Kentucky coach Hal Mumme resigned amid allegations of NCAA violations in his program, and Guidugli cast his lot with the lower-profile Bearcats.

"I have no regrets about my college career," Guidugli said. "I got an opportunity to play as a freshman. I'm grateful to coach Minter for giving me that opportunity."

"Cards are going to lay

where they fall; there's not much you can do about it. I just go out there and try to play every game the best I can. Whatever happens is going to happen."

Cincinnati, a 15 1/2-point underdog, has 27 seniors who would like nothing more than to beat Ohio State.

"There's lots of story lines on this game," Guidugli said. "We have a bunch of Ohio boys who want to play Ohio

State — who wanted to play for Ohio State growing up — about 50 story lines this year."

And, of course, there's the Dantonio angle. He went from one of the nation's premier programs to one fighting to justify Division I-A status. He knows how emotional the last Cincinnati-Ohio State game was for the Bearcats.

"It had to be a very, very tough loss for the players," he said. "I think that has sat with

the players for a couple of years; that's not a bad thing. It will be a tremendous challenge for us."

Just how will Dantonio approach his first game as a head coach, against the team he helped to a national championship?

"I'll be excited, but we need to keep our composure," Dantonio said. "I'm not a big rah, rah guy."

Developer proposes building with luxury suites near Rupp Arena

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Kentucky basketball fans with big bank accounts could soon have a place across the street from

Rupp Arena to host game-day celebrations.

Atlanta-based development company Gameday Centers LLC wants to build a 15-story building near the arena that includes 500-square-foot luxury suites that will sell for about \$145,000, said the company's president, Gary B. Spillers. The three-bedroom penthouse suite would cost about \$800,000.

The building would include retail stores on the first floor, a sports-themed restaurant on the

second floor and a three-story, underground parking garage. Wealthy sports fans and horse industry insiders who often visit Lexington are part of his target audience, Spillers said.

Spillers said such developments have been successful in other Southeastern Conference cities, including Athens, Ga.; Knoxville, Tenn.; Tallahassee, Fla.; and Auburn, Ala.

The building would sit on a 1.3-acre lot across the street from the arena in which

Kentucky plays its home basketball games. The lot is zoned for such a building but sits in a historic district, so before construction can begin, the company must receive approval from the Urban County Board of Architectural Review.

A historic home on the site would be preserved, Spillers said.

Jack Ballard, who is president of the Historic South Hill Neighborhood and also of the architectural firm that currently owns the lot, said residents of the neighborhood generally support the project. But some, including Dan Rowland, are concerned about the height of the proposed building.

"The scale doesn't seem to be compatible with two- and three-story historic residences in the neighborhood," Rowland said.

Rupp Arena sits next to a 16-story hotel, which would also be across the street from the proposed building.

Information from: Lexington Herald-Leader, <http://www.kentucky.com>

JV: Prestonsburg 28, Lexington Christian 16

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — The Prestonsburg High School junior varsity football team traveled to Lexington Saturday and left town with a 28-16 win over host Lexington Christian. Host Lexington Christian scored first and led 8-0 before Prestonsburg battled back and tied the game. Carman Maines scored on a 15-yard touchdown run and Lincoln Slone added a two-point conversion to dead-lock the game.

Slone scored another touchdown on the ground and put the

Blackcats ahead 14-8.

Prestonsburg added another touchdown before the half that was countered by a Lexington Christian score. The Blackcats led 22-14 at the break.

Prestonsburg's Brandon Holbrook intercepted a pass and returned it for a touchdown in the fourth quarter to make the final score.

Prestonsburg traveled to Belfry Monday and took on the Pirate junior varsity. Belfry prevailed, winning 12-6. The two schools met for a freshman game last night. Results were unavailable at press time.

Pro wrestling returning to Martin

MARTIN — Professional wrestling is set to return to the City of Martin. The Martin Community Center will host a professional wrestling card Friday night. The card, which is set for an 8 p.m. bell time, will be headlined by NWA TNA star Abyss, will feature several

matches, including a main event. In the main event, Koko Warrior will do battle with Abyss. The two tangled in a match back in July.

Tickets for Friday night's wrestling are available at Martin City Hall.

Cleveland hands Yankees worst loss ever

by RONALD BLUM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — The hits and runs kept coming, spinning by on the scoreboard as fast as symbols on a slot machine.

It wasn't just a rout, it was an epic defeat, the most one-sided in the 101-year history of the New York Yankees. Cleveland's 22-0 victory Tuesday night matched the biggest post-1900 shutout margin in the major leagues, Pittsburgh's win at the Chicago Cubs on Sept. 16, 1975.

"There's a certain element of embarrassment, no question," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "It's hard to handle. It's something you have to bounce back from."

New York's \$180 million collection of All-Stars led the AL East by 10 1/2 games on the morning of Aug. 16 and was expected to romp to its seventh straight division title. Now the Yankees are just 3 1/2 games ahead of Boston for the first time since the morning of June 19. The Red Sox beat Anaheim 10-7 on Tuesday night for their 19th win in 23 games.

Omar Vizquel had six hits to tie the American League record for a nine-inning game, and Javier Vazquez (13-8) was knocked out after 1 1/3 innings, matching the shortest outing of his major league career.

Cleveland set a record for runs by an opponent in a Yankees' home game, finishing two shy of the most ever against the proud franchise, winner of a record 26 World Series titles.

After watching his original hometown team make the Yankees resemble hapless Little Leaguers, New York owner George Steinbrenner refused to answer questions as he departed the ballpark. On Wednesday, he issued a statement.

"Sure, we got punished badly last night, but winners never quit and quitters never win," Steinbrenner said. "New Yorkers never quit, and we reflect the spirit of New York."

Cleveland, which had lost eight straight games at Yankee Stadium since June 2001, scored three runs in each of the first three innings, then added six in the fifth. Jody Gerut and Victor Martinez hit three-run homers off Estaban Loaiza in the ninth.

"It's one game," the Yankees' Alex Rodriguez said. "If we win 22-0, we're not going to get credit for three victories."

New York had never lost by more than 18 runs, falling 24-6 at Cleveland on July 29, 1928, and 19-1 at home against Detroit on June 17, 1925.

"They've got to come out here with a different attitude," Posada said of his teammates. "We can't worry about the Red Sox. We've got to worry about us, what we can do here."

Cleveland had season highs for runs and hits (22) and set a team record for largest shutout victory. Jake Westbrook (12-6) improved to 6-1 in his last nine starts, allowing five hits in seven innings. Jeremy Guthrie finished with hitless relief, extending the scoreless streak by Cleveland pitchers to 21 innings.

Vazquez, his head bowed and wiping sweat off his face as he

walked off to boos, gave up six runs. The Indians scored seven off Tanyon Sturtze and three against C.J. Nitkowski.

"I thought I had good stuff today coming into the game," said Vazquez, 2-4 in eight starts following New York losses.

His stuff was good for Cleveland, which moved back over .500 at 67-66 and remained seven games behind AL Central-leading Minnesota. By the fifth, every Indians batter had scored and the top eight in the order all had RBIs.

"Our goal is to make a final run at this thing," Indians manager Eric Wedge said.

Travis Hafner hit a three-run triple in the first, Coco Crisp homered and drove in three runs, and Vizquel and Martinez had four RBIs each. Vizquel had a chance for a seventh hit, but flied out in the ninth.

"Every at-bat, you try to do what fits the situation," he said. "I just happened to put the ball in play every time."

New York, booed early and often by the crowd of 51,777, has lost five straight home games for the first time since May 2003. Its season is beginning to resemble 1978 in

reverse. The Yankees dropped to fourth place and trailed the Red Sox by 14 games after play on July 19 that year, then rebounded to win the AL East in a one-game playoff.

The largest lead held by a team that failed to finish first was 11 games by the 1995 California Angels, according to Elias.

"Your job is to be negative, is to look at the dark side," Torre told reporters. "In this clubhouse, we don't do that."

Rodriguez predicted a turnaround Wednesday night, when Orlando Hernandez (5-0) faces

Cleveland's C.C. Sabathia (10-8).

"We're going to have a great September," Rodriguez said, "starting tomorrow."

Notes: Cleveland has won consecutive shutouts for the first time since April 14-15, 1991, in Boston. ... Jorge Orta had been the last Cleveland player with six hits in a nine-inning game, on June 15, 1980, against Minnesota. ... Vazquez also lasted 1 1/3 innings on April 14, 1998, for Montreal against Milwaukee.

Major League Baseball: Astros 9, Reds 3

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Lance Berkman hit a tiebreaking home run in the fifth inning and Jeff Kent capped a five-run seventh with a grand slam as the Houston Astros extended their season-best winning streak to six games with a 9-3 victory Wednesday over the Cincinnati Reds.

In sweeping the three-game series against the Reds, the Astros hit 10 home runs and scored 28 runs. Houston has won 14 of its last 17 games.

Roy Oswalt (16-9) improved to 10-0 in 14 career games against Cincinnati. He left after six innings with sore ribs, allowing three runs and six hits, walking three and striking out four.

Paul Wilson (9-5), who came

off the disabled list earlier in the day, failed in his eighth attempt to earn his 10th win. He allowed four runs and six hits in five innings.

With two out in the fifth, Berkman hit his fourth homer of the series and 25th of the season to break a 3-all tie.

Houston put the game away with a five-run seventh that included Kent's 11th career

grand slam — and 20th homer of the season.

The Reds fell to a season-worst eight games under .500.

Cincinnati opened the scoring when Ryan Freel singled to center and moved to second as Carlos Beltran bobbled the ball for an error. Juan Castro sacrificed Freel to third, and Sean Casey drove him in with a sacrifice fly.

Houston took a 3-1 lead in the second on sacrifice flies by Eric Bruntlett and Craig Biggio, and an RBI single by Oswalt. The Reds tied it in the third on Freel's leadoff home run and Darren Bragg's two-out, broken-bat RBI single to right.

Notes: The Reds activated INF Brandon Larson from the disabled list. Larson had been sidelined since July 19 with a strained left hamstring. ... Freel's homer was his first in a span of 373 at bats since April 18. ... Biggio's sacrifice fly was his first of the season in 577 plate appearances. ... The Astros last swept a three-game series in Cincinnati on July 24-26, 2000. They swept a four-game series on July 17-20 of last season.

Reds to retire Sparky Anderson's uniform number

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — The Cincinnati Reds will retire the uniform number of former manager Sparky Anderson, who led the Big Red Machine to a record of 863-586 and two World Series championships in nine seasons.

A ceremony will be held in May to retire Anderson's jersey No. 10, chief operating officer John Allen said Thursday.

Anderson, 70, managed the Reds from 1970 through 1978. The Reds won 108 regular season games in 1975 and 102 in 1976 and were World Series

champs both years.

Anderson also managed the Detroit Tigers from 1979 through 1995, winning the World Series in 1984, and retired with a combined record of 2,194-1,834 over 26 years. He is the only manager to win a

World Series in both major leagues.

In 2000, Anderson was inducted into the Reds Hall of Fame and the National Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, N.Y.

Anderson's jersey number

will be the eighth retired by the Reds, joining Fred Hutchinson's No. 1, Johnny Bench's No. 5, Joe Morgan's No. 8, Ted Kluszewski's No. 18, Frank Robinson's No. 20, Tony Perez' No. 24 and Jackie Robinson's No. 42.

UK, UofL fans compete in blood drive

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Some University of Louisville and University of Kentucky fans shed their own blood in the name of school spirit.

A total of 318 fans donated a pint of blood each Wednesday to the American Red Cross in the annual Louisville vs. Kentucky Blood Challenge.

"UofL better win," said Rosemary Bennett, 22, of Middletown, a UofL student. "They're going to win (the blood drive) just like they're going to win" Sunday's football game.

By the end of the event, donors at sites around the state had given 1,305 pints on behalf of UofL since the challenge started Aug. 10.

That put UofL 172 pints ahead of UK, said Michael Young, communications manager for the River Valley Region of the American Red Cross Blood Services.

The upcoming football game united fans and alumni in supporting the blood drive, Young said.

Donors, from high school students to senior citizens, sported either red or blue stickers with their favorite school's

logo.

Sean Chism, 28, of eastern Jefferson County, sported a UK sticker because of his father's preference. "I'm apathetic," he said. "I don't care who wins. It's just a good excuse to donate."

The blood drive was held before Labor Day because donations tend to decline during long weekends, Young said. The UofL-UK challenge will end Friday.

Information from: The Courier-Journal, <http://www.courier-journal.com>



Magoffin County High School golfer Chase Carpenter fired a shot last weekend in the Prestonsburg Invitational Tournament.

CORRECTION:

DeSales won the Prestonsburg Invitational Tournament held over the weekend at StoneCrest Golf Course. An incorrect headline in this past Wednesday's edition read that Trinity won the tournament.

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Pikeville

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Senior cornerback Dustin Huffaker (Sevierville, Tenn.), also, had a huge game for the Patriots. With two interceptions in the game, Huffaker tied the Cumberland College career interception record of sixteen picks. He also added six tackles and one fumble recovery. Bartik led the Patriots through the air as he went eight for ten for 75 yards.

Now, Cumberland, ranked No. 24 in the nation, will pay visit to Mid-South Conference rival Pikeville College. The Patriots and Bears will hook up Saturday in what will be a season-opener for host Pikeville, coached by Jerry Mynatt, and the first MSC game of the 2004 season for both squads.

Kickoff for the Cumberland-Pikeville game is set for 7 p.m.

Brown

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the James Madison offensive and defensive lines, is making the switch from offensive line to defensive line.

In 2003, as a true freshman, Brown appeared in eight games and was in the DT rotation after first playing at Villanova. He had 20 tackles (12 primary) and had a sack at Maine. The former Paintsville Tiger took part in stops for losses at William & Mary and New Hampshire. He had a season-high six stops (four primary) at New Hampshire, four at Villanova and three (all primary) against Rhode Island.

Brown, who also played baseball in high school, was a four-year starter at Paintsville,

which won a regional title and was district runner-up three times during his career. He was all-area and honorable mention all-state as a senior and is the school's career sacks leader. Brown was all-district, all-area and honorable mention all-state as a junior and second team all-district as a sophomore. In high school, he played on both the offensive and defensive lines.

This season's game will be the third time JMU will have started a football season against Lock Haven. The Dukes defeated the Eagles in 1993 and 2000 with both games taking place at JMU's Bridgeforth Stadium/Zane Showker Field.

H.S. FOOTBALL GAMES ON TAP

Tonight's games: Allen Central-Magoffin County, 7:30 p.m.; Ashland Blazer-Russell, 7:30 p.m.; Bath County-Morgan County, 7:30 p.m.; Breathitt County-Pike County Central, 7:30 p.m. (Honey Bowl); Cawood-Knox Central, 7:30 p.m.; Corbin-South Laurel, 7:30 p.m.; Everts-Harlan, 7:30 p.m. (Alumni Bowl); Fairview-Coal Grove, Ohio, 7:30 p.m.; Grundy, Va.-Shelby Valley, 7:30 p.m. (Grundy Bowl); Hazard-Fleming-Neon, 7:30 p.m.; Johnson Central-Greenup County, 7:30 p.m.; Lafayette-Boyd County, 7:30 p.m.; Lawrence County-Belfry, 7:30 p.m.; Leslie County-Sheldon Clark, 8:30 p.m. (At Prestonsburg, Action Express Bowl); Letcher-Berea, 7:30 p.m.; McCreary

Central-Williamsburg, 7:30 p.m.; Middlesboro-Pineville, 7:30 p.m.; Nicholas County-Estill County, 7:30 p.m.; Paintsville-Jenkins, 7:30 p.m.; Perry County Central-North Laurel, 7:30 p.m.; Phelps-Betsy Layne, 7:30 p.m.; Prestonsburg-Bell County, 6 p.m. (Action Express Bowl); Pulaski County-Casey County, 7:30 p.m.; Pulaski Southwestern-East Jessamine, 7:30 p.m.; Raceland-Lewis County, 7:30 p.m.; Rockcastle County-Pikeville, 8 p.m. (Renfro Valley Jamboree Bowl); Rowan County-Spencer County, 7:30 p.m.; Russell County-Somerset, 7 p.m.; South Floyd-East Ridge, 7:30 p.m.; Twin Valley, Va.-Whitesburg, 6:30 p.m. (Grundy Bowl).

Note: Home teams listed first.

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

TEMECULA, Calif. — Hank Parker, one of America's best known outdoor television hosts, and management of The Outdoor Channel (TOC) are pleased to announce that Hank Parker's Outdoor Magazine will join TOC's exciting lineup of authoritative and entertaining fishing shows starting in January 2005. TOC will be the exclusive home for Parker's very popular show.

The show will air on Sundays at 5:30 PM and at 9:30 PM (both Eastern Time Zone) on Monday nights in the Monday Night Fishing block. A third time slot will be announced.

"I'm excited about Hank Parker's Outdoor Magazine moving to The Outdoor Channel. This provides association with our program and a network that appeals to all sportsmen, which makes it a nice fit," Parker said about the move to TOC, which now reaches over 26 million avid outdoorsmen and -women each week.

Wade Sherman, TOC Senior Vice President for Programming said, "Hank Parker is one of the most recognizable and respected professional bass fishermen in the

world. His television program has been a staple in the outdoor genre for many years and we are delighted to add Hank Parker's Outdoor Magazine to our prestigious Monday Night Fishing lineup. Hank will be joining other TOC lineup stars like Mark Sosin, Jimmy Houston and Billy and Bobby Murray. I am confident our fishing fans will find Hank's show to be another indicator of TOC's commitment to delivering the strongest fishing programming available in today's marketplace."

Hank Parker's Outdoor Magazine television series premiered in 1985 and has maintained as its goal, both then and now, to produce an outdoor program not only showcasing his knowledge of the outdoors in general and fishing in specific, but also to highlight the family and promote an enjoyable outdoor experience. A goal, by all accounts, Parker has more than met.

Hank's fishing career began in 1978 when he competed on both the B.A.S.S. tournament trail and the National Bass Association (NBA) circuit. In his first year of competition, Hank won the NBA Angler of the Year Award and kicked off a very successful career on the B.A.S.S. tournament trail.

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THROUGH MY EYES

"Aging and men"

I just celebrated another birthday, begrudgingly, I might add. It wasn't that I wasn't "happy" to grow another year older (I mean, it sure beats the alternative), it's just that I'm not the "whoop it up" fanfare type.

So, as I spent the day searching my face for more sags, droops and wrinkles (more from stress, by the way, than age), certain members of my family were up to no good "trying" to plan a little surprise party for me. Turns out they were the



Kathy Prater
Lifestyles editor

ones who got surprised when I didn't show up. Hey - I didn't know, for goodness sakes!

Anyway, the important part is that all turned out well - I arrived late but full of good intentions and apologies and I walked away with quite a treasure of booty!

So, I'll say it one more time - THANK YOU, FAMILY! For loving me so much!

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I can't stand it any longer. I received the cutest email about a month ago now that I've been

(See EYES, page eight)

Frogs and other toads

Something's missing in Auxier.



Pam Shingler
contributing writer

I sensed something was different, but I couldn't quite figure it out.

My neighbors, who spend a lot of time, as I do, on the porch, pointed out

that the frogs are gone. The stream on the other side of our narrow street and parallel to the railroad tracks is - or has been - a frog metropolis. As soon as the weather warms just slightly in early spring, they announce their presence. Their voices blend, like a huge choir, making the famed Mormon Tabernacle Choir appear puny.

But, my neighbors are right. There's no sound these days.

My neighbors have a theory that makes sense to me. About a

(See POSTSCRIPT, page eight)

Robert Kennedy returns to Floyd County

On September 10, "RFK in EKY" brings Robert Kennedy back to Floyd County with a styling party at the courthouse, Kennedy's speech at the Floyd County Fiscal Court, and a discussion with author and historian

Loyal Jones on the "War on Poverty's Appalachian Legacy."

RFK in EKY: the Robert F. Kennedy Performance Project begins in Lexington on September 8, 2004, when Peter Edelman, former Kennedy

aide, former Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, and current law professor at Georgetown University, speaks at the UK Student Center. Edelman's conversation with the public draws from his book,

"Searching for America's Heart: RFK and the Renewal of Hope."

Edelman's appearance is sponsored by the UK Appalachian Studies Center,

(See KENNEDY, page seven)



Rebital Reynolds, front row, left, Director of the Prestonsburg Elementary School Family Resource Center, poses for a photo with children who attended the PES Summer Camp program this past June 21-July 16.

PES Summer Camp full of fun and sun!

Submitted

Kids attending the Prestonsburg Elementary Summer Camp program this past June 21-July 16, enjoyed a summer chocked full of activity as they spent their days swimming, playing games and even learning how to bake bread!

Special visitors were a staple of the program with folks like Brandi Lowe, of the Floyd County Extension Office, and Cheryl Younce, Randi Jarrell, and Jane Bond, of the Floyd County Health Department, stopping by frequently to teach basics of good nutrition and the importance of daily exercise to the kids.

Lowe taught the children how to measure ingredients and knead dough to make home-baked bread from scratch, while Younce offered presentations on good nutritional dietary habits.

Bond, who visited daily, began each morning with the "verb of the

day" as students learned the meanings of such words as volley, dodge, jump and such, along with the physical movements associated with each word. Games of volleyball, dodgeball and jump-roping were played each day, helping everyone keep fit and healthy all summer long. Students were also encouraged to keep journals of their daily activities, both at the center camp and at home.

Jarrell presented a program on bicycle safety to the students, stressing the importance of wearing bicycle helmets. Each summer camper received a free bike helmet, sponsored by the Floyd County Health Department.

For information on how your child may participate in the PES Summer Camp program, or for information on similar programs in other parts of the county, you may call the PES Family Resource Center, at 886-7088; your child's local school; or, the Floyd County Board of Education office.



Budding Olympians! Kids attending the PES Summer Camp program enjoyed days filled with summertime activities. Here, they prepare for an active day of swimming at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park Pool.

PROMOTING MENTAL HEALTH

Things to ponder: Motivation

By Dr. Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

Even though each person is in charge of his feelings and behaviors, there are some behaviors that are repeated over and over, while they are still not desired. It is as if a switch was on, but could not be touched to make changes. In contrast, it is possible to adjust behaviors, if they become wanted. There have been discussions about the factors that influence human behavior, such as activities within the environment, emo-

tional connections, values and goals of life, expectations, and needs and level of motivation. The influence of genes or "human nature" and the learning of behaviors have also been discussed. Hopefully, by this time, you are more aware of your behaviors and evaluated which ones you want to keep and which ones you would like to change. The big question becomes, "How to get yourself motivated?"

It is well known that changing behaviors involves both knowing how (learning

and wanting to (motivation). A frequently used example is the hungry rat in the laboratory being willing to work hard to discover how to get food. It learns how and vigorously keeps doing the same behaviors and eats until it is stuffed, then it stops. After the initial learning, whether or not the rat eats again is determined by it being hungry. Guess what! We humans are the same, in that we must learn how to grow and develop new behaviors. How far we get in life or how much we accomplish

might be influenced more by our motivation, than learning. So often, our not reaching life's goals is thought to reflect our not wanting the goals enough to give them the required time and effort. For instance, we know how to lose weight, when we want to weigh less. Isn't strange how we sometimes con ourselves into believing we can reach our goal in some easy way. "Oh, one



Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

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School Happenings

ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

■ Sept. 15 - AMS Youth Services Center Advisory Council meeting, 4 p.m. Everyone invited.

■ Sept. 16 - Parent Support Group meeting, 11 a.m. This will be an organizational meeting for "Connecting With Parents." Facilitator Lola Ratliff. Refreshments will be provided.

■ The Youth Services Center is currently accepting donations of equipment that could be used in our Recreation Room. If you have something you would like to donate, contact the center.

■ The AMS Youth Services Center is currently working with the Floyd County Extension Office on a special reading program to be offered to students and their parents. Survey and registration forms will be sent home soon. For more information, contact the center.

■ If you would be interested in volunteering at AMS, contact the Youth Services Center to schedule a time for Volunteer Orientation.

■ The AMS Youth Services

Center is open all year to assist students and families in need. Please drop by or call the center at 886-1297 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 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 goal of the center is to meet the needs of all children and families who reside in the community or neighborhood being served by our school. 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 H. Akers, Coordinator; Charlotte Rogers, Program Assistant; and Debra Hayes, Center Nurse.

CLARK ELEMENTARY

■ September - The "FIT"(Fitness is Terrific) Club will begin holding meetings in the month of September. Club is for 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders, and will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays immediately after

school.

■ 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

■ Sept. 9 - Election for school Red, White & Blue Festival representatives, 9 a.m. Info. and permission slips have been sent home.

■ Sept. 10 - Grandparents Day, 1 p.m.

■ Sept. 13 - Parent meeting, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Topic: "Connecting with Kids." Refreshments and goody bags for all that attend.

■ Sept. 16 - SBDM meeting, 5 p.m.

■ Sept. 21 - PTO organiza-

tional meeting, 6 p.m.

■ Sept. 22 - School pictures.

■ Sept. 27 - Open House, 5 p.m.

■ Sept. 27 - Floyd County Board of Education meeting, 6:30 p.m.

■ Floyd County Health Dept. is at the school each Tuesday. Services include 6th grade school entry physical; kindergarten, Head Start and well-child physicals (age birth to 18 years); T.B. skin test; T.D. boosters; and WIC services. Please call 358-9878 for appointment if you are in need of any of these services.

■ The J.A. Duff Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the tan metal building at the rear of the school. Contact persons are Judy Handshoe, coordinator, and Ruby Bailey, project clerk.

MAY VALLEY ELEMENTARY

■ Parent Lending Library is available to parents for video check-outs. A variety of topics are available.

■ Floyd County Health Dept.

nurse at school every Wednesday. Services include Head Start physicals, kindergarten physicals, 6th grade physicals, well-child physicals, immunizations, TB skin test, WIC program, blood pressure checks, and more. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 for an appointment.

MCDOWELL ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

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

PRESTONSBURG ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ Sept. 7 - The "FIT" (Fitness is Terrific) Club will have their first meeting immedi-

(See SCHOOL, page eight)

Kennedy

and is the first event in the RFK in EKY Project, a four day event reenacting and commemorating Robert Kennedy's 1968 tour of southeastern Kentucky.

RFK in EKY will re-enact the entirety of RFK's two day tour through eastern Kentucky on September 9 and 10, 2004. Using an all local cast, the Project will re-create all aspects of Kennedy's visit, including roadside stops, walking tours of neighborhoods and mining sites, school visits, speeches, and official hearings held at Vortex and Fleming-Neon for the Senate Subcommittee on Employment, Manpower and Poverty. Using these historical events as a mirror for the present day, the Project and its

partners will link the issues raised in 1968, by Kennedy and the people of southeastern Kentucky, to today's concerns through a series of community forums and public events.

On September 9, RFK in EKY starts in Campton with a pancake breakfast and styling party, then goes to the Vortex Community Church to reenact the Senate Subcommittee on Employment, Manpower and Poverty hearing, moves on to visit the one-room school house in Barwick, then comes to Hazard for a tour of Liberty Street and interview with Bill Gorman, a contentious strip mine visit near Yellow Creek, ending the day at Alice Lloyd College in Pippa Passes, where Kennedy will speak to the stu-

dent body. Dee Davis, of the Center for Rural Strategies, will join Peter Edelman at Alice Lloyd to discuss the issues Kennedy raised and their relevance for Appalachia today. Following the discussion, Appalshop filmmaker Herb E. Smith will screen "Thoughts in the Presence of Fear," his new film based on a recent essay by Wendall Berry.

RFK in EKY begins in Whitesburg on September 10, with a pancake breakfast and styling party at Appalshop, and the recreation of Kennedy's speech on the Letcher County Courthouse steps. The performance then moves to the Fleming-Neon High School for the Senate Subcommittee Hearing, and to the Fleming

Head Start, where Kennedy will read to the children. The reenactment of Kennedy's tour will finish the day in Prestonsburg, with the speech at the fiscal court and discussion with Loyd Jones.

On September 11, the project will display memorabilia from its extensive archive at Neon Days in Neon, and hold public discussions on Head Start, the "maximum feasible participation of the poor" programs, and the ways that art can help communities address issues and ideas.

Attendance at all events is free and open to the public. People are encouraged to attend the reenactment of Kennedy's 1968 visit in period clothes and hairstyles. Styling parties will

be held in Campton, Whitesburg, and Prestonsburg to get the audience into the look and feel of the period.

RFK in EKY is looking for volunteers to help with all areas of production. People are needed to help with site preparations, local logistics, crowd scenes, and transportation. The project is also looking for families willing to host visiting audience members for the event. RFK in EKY is also looking for local people interested in writing about the project to join its journalist contingent, recreating the thirty carloads of reporters who followed Kennedy through the mountains.

For more information, please visit the project's website at

www.appalshop.org/kennedy. To participate, attend, or volunteer, contact Project Coordinator Nell Fields or Volunteer Coordinator Ginny Norris at rfkineky@appalshop.org or telephone 606-633-0108.

As they did in the election-year of 1968, eastern Kentuckians today are looking for sustainable economic development, educational and vocational advancement, and ways to stem the out-migration of the region's young people. RFK in EKY, like Kennedy himself, looks to focus attention on the expertise and leadership already in place in eastern Kentucky, and on the hopes and ideas of its people.

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Births/Birthdays

It's a Girl!

Delilah Kay Adkins was born July 19, 2004 to proud parents, Jenna and Calvin Adkins, of Canton, Michigan. She weighed 8 lbs., 4 oz., and was 21 inches long. Delilah Kay is the granddaughter of Regina and Dan Reynolds, of Ypsilanti, Michigan. She is the great-granddaughter of Amy and Ted Conley, of Blue River. Delilah is proudly welcomed and much loved by her family.



90th Birthday

Alice Goble Baldrige, of Warco, observed her 90th birthday on Thursday, September 2. She is currently a patient at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, in Martin.



Weddings

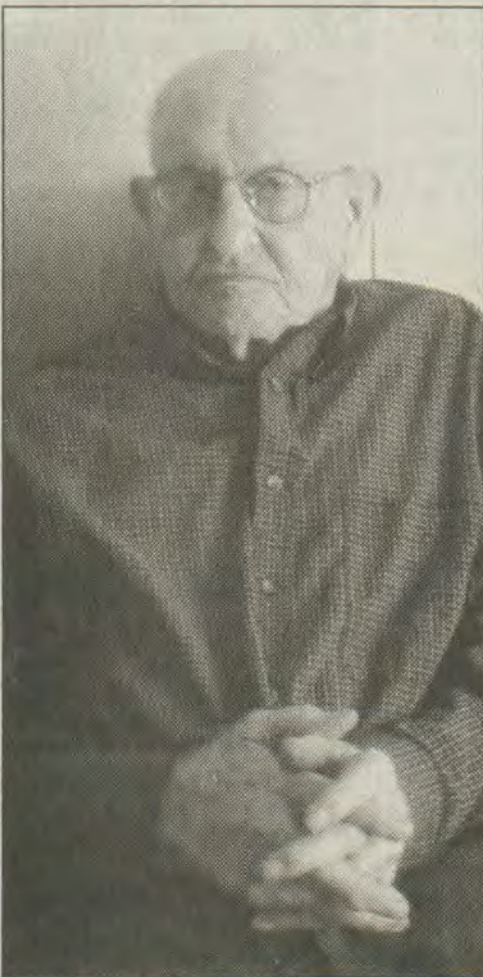
Maynard-Combs

Lisa Anderson Maynard, of Pikeville, and Clyde Combs Jr., of Martin, are pleased to announce their forthcoming marriage. The outdoor ceremony will take place on Saturday, September 25, 2004, at half past three o'clock in the afternoon, at the residence they shall share in marriage, which is located at 643B Route 122, in Martin (across from CLM Tobacco). Lisa is the daughter of Sharon Blair Anderson, of Wheelwright, and Rube Anderson, of Kite. She is a graduate of Wheelwright High School and Morehead State University. She is employed by the Department of Workers' Claims as a paralegal. Clyde is the son Naomi Dingus Combs, of Martin, and the late Clyde Combs. He is a graduate of McDowell High School and the University of Louisville School of Law. He is employed as an attorney with the law firm of Earl Martin McGuire, PSC, in Prestonsburg. The gracious custom of an open wedding will be observed.



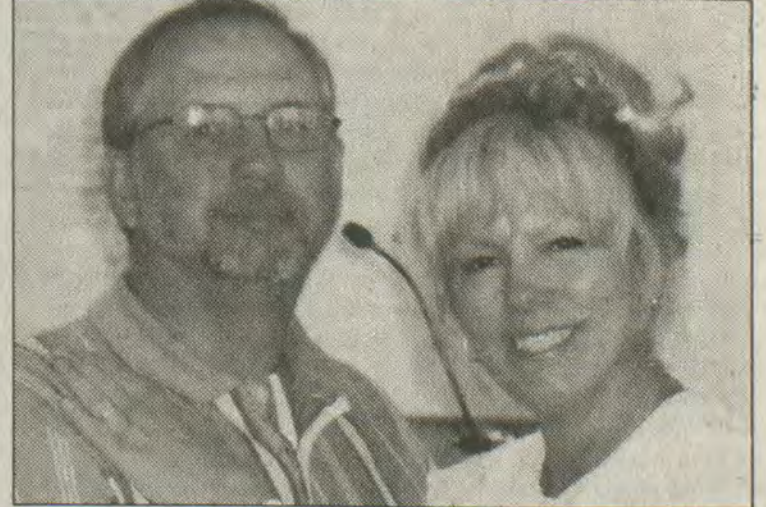
Happy 98th birthday, Elmone!

Elmone Slone celebrated his 98th birthday on August 31, at the Prestonsburg Health Care Center, where he has been a part of the center's family for seven years. Elmone enjoyed a birthday party with cake and ice cream with his family and friends. Elmone shares that he has had a wonderful life and is happy to be a part of the health center's family.



Happy 91st, Margaret!

Margaret Conley, of Garrett, celebrated her 91st birthday on August 13, 2004, at her home, with family and friends. Everyone had a wonderful time and Margaret received many thoughtful gifts and well wishes for the coming years.



Hatfield-Neeley

Philip Daniel Neeley, of Prestonsburg, and Darla Kim Hatfield, of McAndrews, are pleased to announce their union in holy matrimony that took place at Fitzpatrick Baptist Church, on August 14, 2004, officiated by Pastor Tommy Reed. Philip is the son of Helen Hill Neeley and Homer D. Neeley, of Prestonsburg. He is employed as a supervisor for Frasure Creek Mining, of Floyd County. Kim is the daughter of the late Barbara J. Lunsford and Darl L. Miller, formerly of Lancaster, Ohio. She is employed as a teacher in Mingo County, West Virginia. The couple reside on Abbott Creek, in Prestonsburg.



Family Medicine

By Martha A. Simpson, D.O., M.B.A.



Shoulder-first contact is safest way to play football

Q: Our son has begun football practice at his high school, and I am worried about serious injury. One of the players in our son's league had a serious neck injury last year. They thought he was going to be paralyzed, but luckily he had no permanent injury.

A: With football season on the horizon, many football fans are anxiously awaiting that first kickoff of the season. It's an exciting time as young men prepare for head-to-head combat on the gridiron. In many ways high school football can be a very good thing. It teaches our youth a valuable lesson about team-

work, exercise and sportsmanship. I also find it encouraging that last year there were only two fatalities in high school football nationwide — the lowest in ten years. We need to work hard to make sure this trend continues, because without the proper precautions, football can still be a dangerous sport. I urge you to make sure that your son receives information on the proper ways to avoid injuries to himself and to the other players.

The most dangerous football injuries involve the head and neck. The most important thing to do to prevent these injuries is to make sure your son's coaching staff teaches players not to "spear." This means "head-down" con-

tact with another player — often by the tackler on a ball carrier. Make sure your son's league enforces the rule against spearing. Though widely misunderstood, the anti-spearing rule is to protect the spearing player from paralysis. It's not meant primarily to protect the person being speared. A spearing penalty should result in an automatic ejection from the game.

In one study, about three-quarters of the players with head and neck injuries were defensive backs who made a spearing tackle in the open field. The player lowered his head at the last second and made contact with the top of his helmet. That puts enormous pressure on the cervical spine. Initiating contact with the shoulder while keeping the head up is the safest way to play football.

It's essential that your son's team has a plan for what to do if a spine

injury occurs during a game or during practice. Under no circumstances should somebody with a cervical spine injury be moved until he can be safely transported to the hospital. The neck should be immobilized, and the player's helmet should not be removed until the player is at the hospital.

Other injuries that are common among football players include facial injuries and heatstroke. Fortunately, the number of facial injuries has fallen since face masks and mouth guards have become required. Heatstroke deaths have decreased as well since the 1970s. In those days, some coaches believed that withholding water would make players tougher. Now, we know that's foolish thinking and that coaches should allow players to have as much water as they need and should give them periodic rest breaks.

For more information on football

injury prevention, you can log on to the Web site of National Federation of State High School Associations, at www.nfhs.org, and then click on "Sports Medicine."

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Ponder

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Little piece of candy tonight won't make that much difference in my weight."

Setting effective goals is of significant value in your wanting to improve yourself and/or change behaviors. Motivation is trying to reach your goals. Although a critical step is to set high goals, it is not unusual for goals to be so high for the individual than she is unwilling to do the necessary work to be successful. A frequently heard, prime example is the high school student that wants to go to college, but she never does any homework and waits until the last minute to study for a major test. There is the music buff that wants to be a star performer but does not like to practice his guitar. There are also the folks that want and try to do better, but lack the motivation to follow through. Some researchers found that only half of the people, in a self-help program to overcome their fears, completed the work, while those finishing got good results. The same was found for toilet training of children. Even though it is not a sure thing, the wide differences in motivation among people are thought to relate to having clear and precise goals and certain attitudes.

Your life goals give you a push, such as "I want to help people." Before starting high school, I was bound and determined to do whatever was necessary to be accepted into nursing school. Then, after 20 years of being a RN, I had the same determination to go to college, starting completely at the bottom, to obtain my Ph.D. (Don't know what I would have done, if I had truly known what it would take to complete it all.) Anyway, it has been found that people who reach many or most of their life goals are usually calmer, happier, healthier, and less stressed or emotional. Wanting to be close to and good to others is usually related to better emotional health. In contrast, there are certain life goals that are thought to harm one's mental health, such as "I want to have the power to control or impress people."

There are other types of goals that are considered to have a significant impact on motivation and behaviors. One is "mastery goals" where the focus is on improving your skills. Typically, these types of goals result in feeling good about trying hard and there is an increased effort when an obstacle is encountered. An example would be the alcoholic who quits drinking and does what is necessary to help herself for her own sake and to benefit herself as a person. "Performance goals" is another type and has to do with wanting to beat others, such as being the best student in a graduating class. The negative side of these goals is that they often result in avoiding tough challenges, giving up when starting to lose, feeling more anxious, and having a less gain in self-esteem than with mastery goals.

If you really want self-improvement, both short-term and long-term goals are needed. It makes sense that, if your long-term goals contribute to your most important values and your philosophy of life, you will most likely be more motivated. It is also not shocking that good goals

are fairly hard, because they take you beyond your usual, but they are achievable by taking one small step at a time. Whenever possible your goals need to be described in very specific behaviors, such as "I'll do 3 more sit ups and 3 more push ups this week than I did last week." Also positive objectives are often more motivating than negative ones, "I want to be less sore after exercising." By all means, the more you want something and you are not being made to do, the more appealing the goal for change will be. Again, folks with mastery goals are aware that their success depends upon their skills, so that they become more self-directed, work harder, achieve a higher level of performance, and get more enjoyment out of the activity. In contrast, performance-oriented individuals are more apt to strive for attention and view beating others as a "life or death" matter.

As expected, there are various aspects of psychological motivation. Even though the need for basic essentials — air, water, food, and etc — is always present, your social-psychological needs are the ones that dominate most of your lives. These are things like attention, companionship, support, love, social image or status, material things, power, and so forth. Psychological or cognitive factors, plus your goals, have a significant impact upon your motivation and attitudes, such as self-confidence in your ability to make the necessary changes you would like to make. Again, if you see yourself as able and in control of your life, you are more likely to take control in a sincere and responsible fashion. The other side of the coin is that a person having an excessive motivation level, perhaps being so self-demanding, self-critical, and anxious, can contribute to increased emotional distress.

In regard to mental self-help, your motivation is more prone to be effective if the focus is on important tasks. It is thought that many folks spend a lot of time doing things that seem urgent at the moment but are really not important, as related to their major mission in life. This creates misguided motivation. One researcher concluded that clarifying the major purpose of your life, developing relationships that support being more effective, planning and preparing for valued upcoming tasks, reading, exercising, and such, aided in increasing the chances of obtaining your goals. In addition, challenging-but achievable goals are themselves motivating, while easy-to-reach ones are boring and/or demeaning, with impossible goals being frustrating. Remember that you are most motivated when you feel capable, responsible, self-directed, respected, and hopeful.

Some quotes for thought: Edison — "genius is 1 percent inspiration and 99 percent perspiration;" and Atkinson — "achievement is 50 percent ability and 50 percent drive." Don't forget that motivation gets you started and habit keeps you going. Good luck on being the most successful you can be for the rest of your life!

Eyes

putting off sharing because, well, I just don't want to hurt anyone's feelings or incite anyone's rage. But, I've looked over it again this morning and I think most of you will agree that it's pretty funny. And, if any of you men out there can find a similar little offering taking a few stabs at us womenfolk, I'll be glad (?) to run that one, too! Promise (fingers crossed)!

ADVICE ON SHARING THE WORLD WITH MEN

School

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ately after school, in the cafeteria. "FIT" Club promotes nutrition, self-esteem, health education, and physical activity. The club will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the months of September and October, from 3-3:45 p.m. The club is open to all 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students. "FIT" is sponsored by the Family Resource Center and the Floyd County Health Department.

Sept. 10 - PTA school fund-raiser deadline will end at noon. All forms and money must be turned in at this time.

Sept. 13 - SBDM meeting, 5:30 p.m., in school auditorium.

Sept. 16 - Parent Support Group meeting, 1 p.m., in the FRC office. Topic: "Connect! with Parents" video series.

Sept. 21 - Open House! 5:30-7:30 p.m. Meet your child's teacher, then enjoy your favorite ice cream sundae. Sponsored by Prestonsburg Elementary and the Family Resource Center.

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

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

Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center or its programs.

PRESTONSBURG HIGH SCHOOL

NOTICE - PHS is now holding their regular SBDM Council meetings on the first Tuesday of each month.

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

Sept. 15 - "Connecting with Parents" meeting, 11 a.m. All parents/guardians welcome

1. Don't imagine you can change a man - unless he's in diapers.

2. What do you do if your boyfriend walks out on you? Shut the door.

3. Never let your man's mind wander - it's too little to be out alone.

4. Go for the younger man. You might as well, they never mature, anyway.

5. Women don't make fools out of men - most of them are the "do-it-yourself" types.

6. If you want a committed man, look in a mental hospital.

7. The best way to get a man to do something is to insinuate that he's too old for it.

8. If he asks what sort of books you're interested in, tell him checkbooks.

9. Remember - a sense of humor does not mean that you tell him jokes, it means that you laugh at his.

10. The children of Israel wandered in the desert for 40 years, proving that, even in Biblical times, men wouldn't ask for directions.

11. Love is blind - but marriage is a real eye-opener.

12. And, finally - if they put one man on the moon, then they should be able to put the rest of them up there, too!

Bye, y'all! See ya next week!

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month ago, railroad ties, drenched in creosote, were dumped, in preparation for repairing the tracks.

The ties are strewn haphazardly along the bank of the stream. Parts of more than half of them are in the stream, where the frogs once made their joyful noises.

Are there environmental scientists out there who can make this connection? Would the creosote on the ties kill or endanger the frogs?

We miss the frogs.

Bright, clean, leakproof schools are wonderful to behold. They invite children to learn, with their modernly equipped classrooms and growing libraries.

They have shiny new restrooms where toilets flush and where, if the students are lucky, there is an adequate supply of toilet paper.

Whether new or renovated, structurally sound and attractive schools are good.

So, why is it that I cringe whenever talks of a new school start up?

Maybe, it's because I've seen too many cost overruns, too many suspicious sites and outrageous sums spent on site preparation, too many solicitous and duplicitous explanations and too many rumors of who's getting what off the project.

Time and again, I ask, "How can anyone with any moral fiber at all misuse the public trust and the public's money?"

I never can give myself a good answer.

Here's a scenario to think about: A South Korean gymnast gets the gold medal at the Olympics, but afterward the judges say they miscalculated. Actually, officials say, an American gymnast outscored the South Korean, but the young man refuses to give up the gold

medal and accept the silver.

Most Americans would be outraged, threatening to stop participating in the next Olympics, demanding justice.

If you followed the Olympics, you'll recognize the scenario, but the players are reversed.

It seems to me that fair is fair, no matter what the nationality. This situation simply adds to the long list of reasons we are not universally loved.

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: carolcac@tiusa.net. We'll be waiting to hear from you!

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Floyd County Devotional Page

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New Bethel Assembly of God, Burning Fork Rd., Salyersville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Arthur (Sam) Smith, Minister.
Prizee Assembly, 1 mile S. of Prestonsburg, Intersection of Rt. 80 and U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; J.M. Sloce, Minister.

BAPTIST

Allen First Baptist, Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arnold Turner, Minister.
Auxier Freewill Baptist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.
Benedict Baptist, Stick Rock Branch, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gordon Fitch, Minister.
Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tracy Patton, Minister.
Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbot Creek Road, Bonanza; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.
Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Com Fork; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roger Music, Minister.
Calvary Southern Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Doug Lewis, Minister.
Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Paul D. Coleman, Minister.
Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Lafferty, Minister.
Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.;
Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m. Jim Fields, Minister.
Endicott Freewill Baptist, Buffalo; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Smith, Pastor.
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First Baptist, Garrett; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.
First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard, Minister.
First Baptist, 54 S. Front St. (Irene Cole Memorial); Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dr. Floyd Potos, minister.
Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 1063 Big Branch, P.O. Box 410, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Tommy Reed.
Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
Grethel Baptist, State Rt. 3379, (Branchman's Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

"LET'S GO HUNTING!" IN TODAY'S LANGUAGE THAT PHRASE BRINGS TO MIND A PLEASANT DAY IN THE FIELDS WITH A GOOD DOG, THE TAKING OF A PHEASANT OR TWO—FINE SPORT! NOT SO, IN BIBLICAL TIMES! TOO OFTEN IT WAS A CALL TO THE UNPLEASANT DUTY OF RIDDING THE COUNTRYSIDE OF SOME BEAST OF PREY—USUALLY THE FEROCIOUS LION! THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE CONTAIN MANY REFERENCES TO THE LION AND, ALTHOUGH HARDLY A ONE CAN BE FOUND TODAY IN WHAT IS TERMED THE BIBLE LANDS, THE AREA ABUNDED WITH THEM IN THOSE TIMES.

ANCIENT WRITINGS, PAINTINGS, AND SCULPTURE, HAVE REVEALED MANY RECORDS OF LION HUNTS. THE PLENTITUDE OF YOUNG KIDS, LAMBS, ELDERLY PEOPLE, AND SMALL CHILDREN ALL EASY PREY, ATTRACTED THESE BEASTS AND, WHEN THEIR DEPREDACTIONS BECAME TOO NUMEROUS, A LION HUNT WAS ORGANIZED TO WIPE THEM OUT, OR AT LEAST DRIVE THEM OUT OF THE AREA.

THIS DUTY USUALLY FELL TO ROYALTY AND THE UPPER CLASSES BECAUSE THEY HAD HORSES AND CHARIOTS AND PLENTY OF SOLDIERS OR SERVANTS WHO WERE EXPERT WITH BOW AND ARROW. ALTHOUGH HORSE RACING HAS BEEN CALLED "THE SPORT OF KINGS," YOU MAY BE SURE THAT LION HUNTING EARNED THIS TITLE LONG BEFORE—EXCEPT, UNFORTUNATELY AT TIMES, IT WAS FAR FROM WHAT WE TODAY WOULD CALL SPORT!

NEXT WEEK: "TO MARKET WE GO!"

SAVE THIS FOR YOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL SCRAP-BOOK

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Katy Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbott; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Price, Minister.
Lackey Freewill Baptist, Lackey; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins, Minister.
Lancor Baptist Church, 71 Cooley St., Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m., Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Bobby Carpenter
Liberty Baptist, Denver; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Merle Little, Minister.
Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon Worship Service, Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Thursday, 7 p.m.
Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, Estill; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Red) Morris, Minister.
Martin Freewill Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; John L. Blair, Minister.
Maytown First Baptist, Main St., Maytown; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Bob Varney, Minister.
McDowell First Baptist, McDowell; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Gene Bracken, Minister.
Middle Creek Baptist, Blue River; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Eugene Cook, Minister.
Lighthouse Baptist, 2194 KY Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Crisp, Minister. home phone 285-3385
Pleasant Home Baptist, Water Gap Road, Lancor; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark Tackett, Pastor.
Prater Creek Baptist, Banner; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; J.B. Hall, Pastor. Phone: (606) 874-3222.
Prestonsburg Community College Baptist Student Union, J 102; Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; French B. Harmon, Director; Ella C. Goble, President; 874-9468/478-2978.
Rock Fork Freewill Baptist; Garrett Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Cramer, Minister.
Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Garrett; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Earl Stone, Minister, Jerry Manns, Assistant Minister.
Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Hueysville; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; 4th Sunday, Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Chester Lucas.
Sammy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist, Dana; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Robert Shane Powers.
Stephens Branch Missionary Baptist, Stephens Branch; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.
The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 (north of Layne Brothers); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.
Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist, Cliff Road; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Youth Service, 5:00 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; No Service the 1st Sunday of each month; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jody Spencer, Minister.
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CATHOLIC
St. Martha, Water Gap; Mass: Sunday, 11:15 a.m.; Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday; Father Robert Damron, pastor.

CHRISTIAN
First Christian, 560 North Arnold Avenue; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Jim Sherman, Minister.
Garrett Community Christian, Route 550, Garrett; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Donnie Hadworth, Minister.
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CHURCH OF CHRIST
Betsy Layne Church of Christ, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy J. Spears, Minister.
Church of Christ, South Lake Drive; Worship Service, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Benny Blankenship, Minister.
Harold Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Harmon, Minister.
Highland Church of Christ, Rt. 23, Hager Hill; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Hueysville Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chester Varney, Minister.
Lower Toler Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lonie Meade, Minister.
Mare Creek Church of Christ, Stanville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
Martin Church of Christ, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Gary Mitchell, Minister.

Upper Toler Church of Christ, 3.5 miles up Toler Creek on right; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy Dale Bush, Minister.
Weeksby Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Mike Hall, Minister.

CHURCH OF GOD
Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judith Caudill, Minister.
Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Crum, Minister.
First Church of God; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steven V. Williams, Pastor.
Garrett Church of God, Garrett; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Bragg, Minister.
Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Prater, Jr., Minister.
Little Paint First Church of God, 671 Little Paint Road, East Point; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Charles Heister Jr., Minister.
The Church of God of Prophecy, Hi Hat; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Don Fraley, Jr., Minister.

EPISCOPAL
St. James Episcopal; Sunday Service, 9:45 a.m.; Holy Eucharist 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Study Group 6:00p.m., Holy Eucharist & Healing 7:30 p.m. Father Johnnie E. Ross, Rector.

LUTHERAN
Our Savior Lutheran, Sipp Bayes Room Carriage House Motel, Paintsville; Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; WKLW (600 am) 12:05 p.m.; Roland Bentrup, Minister.

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Auxier United Methodist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Doug Lawson, Minister.
Betsy Layne United Methodist, next to B.L. Gymnasium; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Blackburn, Minister.
Christ United Methodist, Allen; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lemaster, Minister.
Community United Methodist, 141 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Neesley St.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steve Pescosolido, Minister.
Elliott's Chapel Free Methodist, Rt. 979, Beaver; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Philip T. Smith, Minister.
Emma United Methodist, Emma; Sunday Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Jack Howard, Minister.
First United Methodist, 256 South Amold Avenue; 9 a.m. Contemporary Service; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. UMY'S Service; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark D. Walz, Pastor.
Horn Chapel Methodist, Auxier Road, Auxier; Sunday Morning Service, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m., Mid-week Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday Evening Service held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.
Martin Methodist; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.
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Vogle Day United Methodist Church, Harold; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wed. Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Dennis C. Love, Pastor.
Drift Pentecostal, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, Saturday/Sunday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Shannon, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Buster Hayton, Minister.
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Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Campton; Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Cider, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Sanlan, Minister; David Pike, Associate Minister.
Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcolm Stone, Minister.
Parkway First Calvary Pentecostal, Floyd and Magoffin County Line; ; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Mike D. Caldwell, Minister, 297-6262.
Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Saturday, 7 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Minister.

PRESBYTERIAN
Drift Presbyterian, Route 1101, Drift; Worship Service, 11 a.m.
First Presbyterian, North Lake Drive; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; George C. Love, Minister.

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Spurlock Bible (Baptist), 6227 Spurlock Creek Rd., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dan Heintzleman, Minister.
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For Sale asking \$18,000 trailer & land 2 miles up Mare Creek partially furniture call 606-478-1410

1 OR 2 HOUSES FOR SALE on Route 979 Ligon call 606-377-6849

For Sale by owner immediate occupancy 3 bed room, 2 bath, Eagle Trace Sub Division at Harold, Ky call 859-227-4688

For Sale a newly remodeled 3 bed room brick home located at Creek side in Prestonsburg. This is a very nice home with a nice lot. For more information please call 606-886-8286 or 606-886-8186

For Sale 3 bed room brick, 2 bath fenced yard, new A / C , car port reduced 68,000, 2 minutes from High lands call 606-884-7212

House for Sale on North Arnold Ave. 3-4 bed room land contract call 606-889-0507

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550-Land & Lots

Commercial Property Lot for sale 100 x 123 call 606-886-1714

570-Mobile Homes

For Sale 4 mobile Homes located at Minnie Trailer Court call 606-226-2266

Mobile Home for sale would make a good office or storage 12x 65 asking 1,500 call 606-874-2421

For Sale Mobile Home 1998, 16x 80 3 bed room 2 bath includes land, lots of extras asking 45,000 serious calls only call 606-672-7783

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610-Apartments

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For rent 2 bed room Apt. newly remodeled call 606-886-8366

Apt. for lease with central heat and air, appliances included and new carpet through out home city water and sewer available on Sept. 1 ,04 call 606-874-9300 after 6pm 606-874-9897

Furnished 1 bed Apt. 5 miles from Martin, on route 1210 Utilities already turned on \$370, plus electric, - \$120.00 deposit call 606-285-3641 anytime...

For Rent 2 bed room town house Apt. Stove, Refrigerator W /D hook-up, \$450.00 a month plus utilities. \$250.00 deposit 1 year lease. No Pets, call 606-237-4758

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
 A public hearing will be held on September 16, 2004 at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, at the office of the Kentucky Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, KY for the purpose of cross-examination of witnesses in An Examination of the Application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Kentucky Power Company from November 1, 2003 through April 30, 2004.
 Errol K. Wagner
 Director of Regulatory Services
 Kentucky Power Company

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For Sale 1993 Red Jeep Grand Cherokee asking \$2,500 call 606-452-4687

640-Land & Lots

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Trailer lot for rent on old U.S. 23 between Prestonsburg and Paintsville call 606-886-9007 or 889 9747

650-Mobile Homes

For rent 3 bed room Double wide living room, Kitchen, 2 full baths, all electric located in Prestonsburg call 606-889-9158 or 606-886-6186

For sale small 2 bed room trailer, and land asking \$13,000 2 miles up Mare Creek, partially furnished call 606-478-1410

Trailer for rent 14 x 65 and trailer large lot located at the left fork of Abbott call 606-886-9479 or 606-889-6560

Mobile home for rent call 606-874-9790

For Rent 3 bed room mobile home call 606-886-8366

For rent 2 bed room mobile home minutes from Prestonsburg has central heat and air \$350 per month \$200.00 Deposit call 606-874-9488

For Rent 2 bed room trailer on Cliff Road call 606-886-3047

For Rent nice 2 bed room trailer and 2 bed room House for rent near Prestonsburg call 606-874-4478

For Rent 2 bed room NO PETS located at Dana 250.00 per month and 150.00 deposit call 606-478-9397

For Rent small furnished Mobile home suitable for couples or 1 person just off mountain Park way on the old 114 and will be available Sept.1 call 606-886-8724

670-Com. Property

Property for sale at Emma call 606-874-2421

For Lease Retail or office space in Prestonsburg, Ky. call 606-886-8366

For Lease Commercial Property 14,000 Square feet, 2 baths on Francis Court beside Court house in Prestonsburg, \$500.00 per month plus utilities call 606-886-6362

Office building for rent or lease 1,200 square feet has 6 offices with central heat and air all carpeted, kitchen, bath and appliances, call 606-874-9300 or 606 874-9897 after 6pm

For Sale or Lease Large Building Great for offices spaces call 606-478-5403

SERVICES

750-Mob. Home Movers

Help wanted some one with experience and references to level a single wide mobile home at Betsy Layne call 606-478-4629

NOTICES

812 - Free

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

815-Lost & Found

\$ 100 REWARD \$ for the return of a 6 month old Pygmy billy goat stolen from the mouth of Dry Creek on Saw Mill Road He stands 22 inches tall weights 35 lbs has 3 inch horns tan in color with black markings on head and legs and a black strip down his back please call 606-447-2879 ask for Porkey Hall

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5422 in accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co, Inc., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for a permit for an underground coal mining operation, located 1.0 mile north of Dana, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 18.27 surface acres, and will underlie 398.87 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 417.14 acres. The proposed operation is approximately 0.2 mile southeast from Johnson Fork Road's junction with Cecil Branch Road, and located within Johnson Fork. The latitude is 37°33'57". The longitude is 82°41'13". The proposed operation is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Randy Hayes et al. The operation will underlie land owned by Randy Hayes et al., Green Kidd, Green Kidd et al., B. Rickman, Will Amey Heirs, Wilford & Ruth Boyd, Kate Cade Heirs, Lodestar Energy, Inc., George and Myrtle Lackey et al., Nora Louise Watkins, Paul Justice, Industrial Fuels and Minerals Co., and Sidney Justice. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

LEGAL NOTICE

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 65 an 424 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, the Floyd County Conservation District Board of Supervisors does hereby give the public notice that the financial records of the District Board of Supervisors does hereby give the public notice that the financial records of the District may be examined by the general public at our office located at 18 Mayo Branch Brandykeg, Prestonsburg, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday September 13, 2004 through Friday, September 17, 2004. The Floyd County Conservation District Board of Supervisors meets the third Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. in the District office. Jim Carter II, 243 S. Arnold Ave.

Prestonsburg, KY. Chairman Ruby Akers, Box 185 Drift, KY. 41619 Vice - Chairman Floyd B. Allen, P.O. Box 185 Eastern, KY. 41622 Treasurer Bert Layne, Box 196 Eastern, KY. 41622 Secretary Daniel Branson, P.O. Box 418, Allen, Ky. 41601 Member

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE PERMIT NO. 836-0289

Increment Nos. 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, & 18 in accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Motts Branch Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 2765, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, has applied for Phase 1 bond release on permit number 836-0289, Increment Nos. 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18, which was last issued on 1/09/2001. The application covers an area of approximately 620.31 acres, located 1.38 miles southwest of Hueysville, in Floyd County. The permit area is approximately 0.60 mile southwest from State Route 7's junction with Salyer Branch Road on Salltick Creek, and 0.13 mile southeast of Coolwater Creek's confluence with Salltick Creek. The latitude is 37°29'16". The longitude is 82°51'46". The bond now in effect for Increment No. 1 is a certificate of deposit and bond pool type bond in the amount of \$31,500. Approximately 60 percent of the original bond amount of \$31,500 is included in the application for release. The bond now in effect for Increment No. 2 is a certificate of deposit and bond pool type bond in the amount of \$45,300. Approximately 60 percent of the original bond amount of \$45,300 is included in the application for release. Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, and seeding to achieve the approved post mining land use, which was completed for Increment No. 2 in April 2002; Increment No. 7 in July 2002; Increment No. 8 in June 2003; Increment No. 9 and 10 in October 2002; Increment Nos. 11, 12, and 16 in March 2004; Increment Nos. 14, 15, & 17 in February 2004; and Increment No. 18 in March 2003. Results thus far achieved are: area is stable and vegetation has been established. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by October 8, 2004. A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for October 11, 2004, at 1:00 p.m., at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by October 8, 2004.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-0285, MAJOR REVISION NO. 1

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Henson Branch Coal, Inc., 512 KY Route 680, McDowell, Kentucky 41647, has

Increment No. 12 is a certificate of deposit and bond pool type bond in the amount of \$ 1 0 4 , 9 0 0 . Approximately 60 percent of the original bond amount of \$104,900 is included in the application for release. The bond now in effect for Increment No. 14 is a certificate of deposit and bond pool type bond in the amount of \$ 1 1 7 , 2 0 0 . Approximately 60 percent of the original bond amount of \$117,200 is included in the application for release. The bond now in effect for Increment No. 15 is a certificate of deposit and bond pool type bond in the amount of \$ 1 0 2 , 2 0 0 . Approximately 60 percent of the original bond amount of \$102,200 is included in the application for release. The bond now in effect for Increment No. 16 is a certificate of deposit and bond pool type bond in the amount of \$ 1 4 6 , 6 0 0 . Approximately 60 percent of the original bond amount of \$146,600 is included in the application for release. The bond now in effect for Increment No. 17 is a certificate of deposit and bond pool type bond in the amount of \$82,500. Approximately 60 percent of the original bond amount of \$82,500 is included in the application for release. The bond now in effect for Increment No. 18 is a certificate of deposit and bond pool type bond in the amount of \$79,500. Approximately 60 percent of the original bond amount of \$79,500 is included in the application for release. Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, and seeding to achieve the approved post mining land use, which was completed for Increment No. 2 in April 2002; Increment No. 7 in July 2002; Increment No. 8 in June 2003; Increment No. 9 and 10 in October 2002; Increment Nos. 11, 12, and 16 in March 2004; Increment Nos. 14, 15, & 17 in February 2004; and Increment No. 18 in March 2003. Results thus far achieved are: area is stable and vegetation has been established. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by October 8, 2004. A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for October 11, 2004, at 1:00 p.m., at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by October 8, 2004.

REQUEST FOR BIDS FOR VEHICLE

Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Inc. is now accepting bids for the 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, September 10th, 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: Full-Size Pickup Heavy Duty Work Truck Long Wheel Base Four Wheel Drive V 6 / V 8 Automatic/Standard Transmission (Standard Preferred) Standard Option Package Regular Cab, Wide Fleetside Bed 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 non-responsive. BSACAP, Inc., reserves the right to

applied for a major revision to an existing surface and auger mining and reclamation operation, located 0.25 mile east of Drift, in Floyd County. The major revision will add 0 acres of surface disturbance, and will underlie an additional 0 acres, making a total area of 8.51 acres within the revised permit boundary. The proposed major revision area is approximately 0.25 mile east from KY 122's junction with Frozen Creek Road, and located 0.60 mile south of Jump Station. The latitude is 37°28'57". The longitude is 82°45'05". The proposed major revision is located on the Wayland/McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be affected by the major revision is owned by Denzil Hall. The major revision proposes a post-mining land use change to pastureland for 5.42 acres. The major revision application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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permit the bidder to withdraw nonconforming terms and conditions from its bid response prior to a determination by BSACAP, Inc., of non-responsiveness. 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.

CE NO. 04-002, AS AMENDED


AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO PUBLIC NUISANCES IN FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY, AS AMENDED WHEREAS, AS, Floyd County, Kentucky, by and through its Fiscal Court, has an obligation to protect its citizens from certain conditions which constitute a public nuisance; and WHEREAS, certain conditions presently exist within the jurisdictional boundaries of Floyd County, which can only be characterized as public nuisances; and WHEREAS, these conditions constitute potential dangers to the public health, welfare and safety of the citizens of Floyd County; and WHEREAS, the following language is applicable to Public Nuisances in Floyd County, Kentucky and can be used, pursuant to KRS 381.770, as the controlling authority for the County regarding this matter. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY OF FLOYD, COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, AS FOLLOWS: PUBLIC NUISANCES Section No FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY Certain conditions declared a public nuisance Common law and statutory nuisances Abatement procedure Lien on property; costs in enforcing lien; precedence of lien; personal liability of property owner Statutory authority; effective date CERTAIN CONDITIONS DECLARED A NUISANCE It shall be unlawful for the owner, occupant, or person having control or management of any land within an unincorporated area of the County to permit a public nuisance to develop on such land. The following conditions are declared to be public nuisances: Dangerous and dilapidated buildings. Any abandoned building, house, or structure so out of repair and dilapidated that it will, if the condition is allowed to continue, endanger the life, limb, or property of, or cause damage, harm, or injury to persons using the roads or public ways of the County, by reason of the collapse of the building, house, or structure or by the falling of parts or objects therefrom, or will constitute a fire hazard liable to catch on fire or communicate fire, or which, due to a lack of adequate maintenance or to neglect, will endanger the public health, welfare, or safety of owners or

occupants of property in the vicinity. Accumulation of rubbish and junk. An accumulation on any premises of filth, refuse, trash, garbage, junk, or other waste material which endangers the public health, welfare, or safety, or materially interferes with the peaceful enjoyment by owners or occupants of adjacent property because of the danger that it will catch on or communicate fire, attract and propagate vermin, rodents, or insects, or blow rubbish into any street, sidewalk, or property of another. Storage of explosive or combustible material. The storage of combustible or explosive material which creates a safety hazard to persons or property in the vicinity. Open wells, pools and similar areas. The maintenance of any open, uncovered, or insecurely covered well, cistern, cellar, pool, pit, excavation, or vault situated upon private premises in any open or unfenced lot or place. COMMON LAW AND STATUTORY NUISANCES In addition to those conditions declared in this Ordinance to be public nuisances, those acts and conditions which the common law, statutes, and regulations of the Commonwealth of Kentucky identify as public nuisances may be treated as such by this County. 00.03 ABATEMENT PROCEDURE(A) It shall be the duty of the Code Enforcement Officer to serve or cause to be served a notice upon the owner and occupant of any premises on which any nuisance exists in violation of the provisions of this Ordinance. The notice shall identify the particular condition in question and demand the abatement of the nuisance within five (5) days unless the nuisance constitutes an immediate danger to the health and well-being of the community. If an immediate danger is present, the nuisance shall be abated within twenty-four (24) hours of notice or within such reasonable time thereafter as the Code Enforcement officer may order. Notice shall be served by hand-delivery or by certified mail, return receipt requested, but if the whereabouts of the person or entity is unknown and cannot be ascertained in the exercise of reasonable diligence, the Code Enforcement Officer shall make an affidavit to that effect, and the service of notice may be made by publication in a newspaper of general circulation for two (2) consecutive issues. A copy of the notice shall also be posted in a conspicuous place on the premises affected by the notice.(B) If the person or entity so served does not abate the nuisance within five (5) days, the County may proceed to abate the nuisance, keeping an account of the reasonable value of labor and materials used in remedying the situation, and these costs shall be charged to and paid by the owner of the premises in question; provided, however, in cases involving any unfit or unsafe structure, the right to a hearing shall be

afforded the property owner before any demolition of the structure may occur. The Code Enforcement Officer shall provide notice to the property owner of the date, time, and place at which the property owner will have an opportunity to be heard before the Fiscal Court regarding the unfit or unsafe structure in question. (C) All costs incurred by the County for nuisance abatement shall constitute a lien upon the premises. Whenever a bill for these costs remains unpaid more than sixty (60) days after it has been rendered and delivered to the property owner, the Code Enforcement Officer shall file with the County Clerk a statement and affidavit of lien claims. The statement and affidavit of lien claims shall contain a legal description of the premises, the costs incurred, the date the nuisance was abated, and a notice that the County claims a lien for this amount. The affidavit of the Code Enforcement Officer shall constitute prima facie evidence of the amount of the lien and the regularity of the proceedings pursuant to KRS 381.770 and this Ordinance. The lien shall be notice to all persons from the time of the recording and shall bear interest at 8 % per annum thereafter until paid. Notice of the lien claim shall also be mailed to the owner of the premises if the address is known. 00.04 LIEN ON PROPERTY; COSTS IN ENFORCING LIEN; PRECEDENCE OF LIEN; PERSONAL LIABILITY OF PROPERTY OWNER(A) Upon receipt of the statement and affidavit of lien claims set forth in Section 00.03 of this Ordinance, the County Clerk shall: Add the amount of the lien to which reference is made in KRS 381.770 and Section 00.03 of this Ordinance to the County's tax bill for real estate. Retain the statement and affidavit of lien claims in his records. Upon the owner's payment of the lien and all costs, the County Clerk shall release the lien. (B) The lien created pursuant to this Ordinance shall take precedence over all other subsequent liens, except federal, state, county, and school district taxes, and may be enforced by judicial proceed-


ings. (C) In addition to the remedies prescribed in this Ordinance or any other remedy authorized by law, the owner of property upon which a lien has been attached pursuant to this Ordinance shall be personally liable for the amount of the lien, including all interest and other charges, and the County may bring a civil action against the owner and shall have the same remedies as provided for the recovery of a debt owed. If so directed by Fiscal Court, the County Attorney is authorized and shall institute the necessary proceedings in the name of the County, in any court having jurisdiction over the matter, against any property for which the costs for nuisance abatement remain unpaid. 00.05 STATUTORY AUTHORITY; EFFECTIVE DATE The statutory authority for this Ordinance is set forth in KRS 381.770 and KRS 67.083 now in effect and as from time to time amended. This Ordinance, Floyd County Ordinance No. 04-002, as amended, shall become effective upon its Second Reading, adoption and passage, as required by law. Motion by: Gerald Derossett Seconded by: Alan Williams INTRODUCED, SECONDED, AND GIVEN FIRST READING AND APPROVAL at a duly convened meeting of the Floyd County Fiscal Court held on this the 18th day of June, 2004. PAUL H. THOMPSON, FLOYD COUNTY JUDGE / EXECUTIVE Motion by: Paul H. Thompson Seconded by: Gerald Derossett For Against Abstain Gerald Derossett Jackie Owens Alan Williams Paul H. Thompson Larry Stumbo GIVEN SECOND READING AND ADOPTED, as amended, at a duly convened meeting of the Floyd County Fiscal Court held on this the 27th day of August, 2004. PAUL H. THOMPSON, FLOYD COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE ATTEST: CHRIS WAUGH, FLOYD COUNTY CLERK BY: PEGGY COMPTON, D.C.

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BOND ORDINANCE 5-2004

Ordinance of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, authorizing and providing for the issuance and sale of \$890,000 principal amount of City of Prestonsburg water, sewer and natural gas system revenue bonds, Series 2004, consisting of \$740,000 of Series A Bonds and \$150,000 of Series B Bonds for the purpose of financing the cost (not otherwise provided) of the construction of extensions, additions, and improvements to the existing combined and consolidated water, sewer and natural gas system of said city; setting forth terms and conditions upon which said bonds may be issued and outstanding; providing for the collection, segregation and distribution of the revenues of said combined and consolidated water, sewer and natural gas system; and providing for an advertised, public, competitive sale of said bonds. WHEREAS, the combined and consolidated water, sewer and natural gas system (the "System") of the City of Prestonsburg (the "City") is owned and operated by said City pursuant to Chapters 58 and 82 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes (the "Act"), and WHEREAS, the City presently has outstanding certain Prior Bonds (as hereinafter defined), which Prior Bonds are payable from and secured by a pledge of the revenues derived from the operation of the System, and WHEREAS, all of the Prior Bonds presently

outstanding are current as to payment of both principal and interest, and for the security of which a certain Sinking Fund and certain reserves are being maintained in the manner and by the means prescribed in the Prior Bond Ordinance (as hereinafter defined) of the City, authorizing the Prior Bonds, and WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of the City at this time to authorize and provide for the issuance of revenue bonds in the principal amount of \$890,000 (the "Current Bonds"), for the purpose of financing the cost (not otherwise provided) of the construction of extensions, additions and improvements to the System of the City, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by Kenivrons, Inc., and to prescribe the covenants of the City, the rights of Bond owners and the details of the issuance and sale of the proposed Current Bonds, and WHEREAS, the City desires and intends that the Current Bonds be issued so as to rank on a parity basis with the Prior Second Lien Bonds, subject to the vested rights and priorities in favor of the owners of the outstanding KIA Loans, and WHEREAS, the Prior Second Lien Bonds were issued to and are now held by the Rural Development of the Department of Agriculture of the United States of America (the "RD"), and WHEREAS, the RD, as the Owner of the Prior Second Lien Bonds, has consented to the issuance by the City of the

Current Bonds, and WHEREAS, the proceeds of the Current Bonds will be supplemented by Grant Proceeds (as hereinafter defined) in the amount of approximately \$740,000, to provide the total cost of such construction. Now, therefore, be it ordained by the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, as follows: Full copy on file. First Reading: 8/9/04 Second Reading: 8/23/04

NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS OF PRESTONSBURG CITY'S UTILITIES COMMISSION SEPTEMBER 2, 2004

Effective immediately, and with the approval of the Division of Water, Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission is Cancelling the boil water advisory that was voluntarily issued on August 30, 2004 due to a water line break for its customers in the Prestonsburg Area from the Pr-Fitness Center to the Honda Cycle Shop. The boil water advisory was issued as a precautionary measure. The water line has been repaired and water samples taken in the area of the line break have been analyzed by a certified lab results indicate that the water supply was not compromised and is safe for customers to use Issued by: Donald R. Compton Chief Water Plant Operator

Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission
PUBLIC NOTICE PURSUANT TO 405 KAR 8:010, SECTION 16(5), the following is a summary of permitting decisions made by the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Division of Permits with respect to applications to conduct surface coal mining and reclamation operations in Floyd County. PARSONS BRANCH DEVELOPMENT 836-0302 ISSUED 040707 FRASURE CREEK MINING LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY 836-0303 ISSUED 040712 NFC MINING INCORPORATED 836-8043 ISSUED 040716

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE PURSUANT TO PERMIT NO. 836-8008 PHASE III

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Blue Cat Sand Co., Inc., 310 Hicks Branch, David, Ky. 41616 intends to apply for a Phase III bond release on permit number 836-8008, which was last issued January 25, 2000. The application covers and area of approximately 2.29 acres located 0.25 miles east of Lancer, in Floyd County, Ky. The permit area is approximately 0.25 mile east of the intersection of Kentucky

Rt. 3 and 1428, and located on the south bank of the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River.

The bond now in effect for the permit is \$2,500.00, of which 100% of this amount is included in the application for Phase III release.

Reclamation work performed includes: grading, seeding, and mulching, and successful establishment of the post-mining land use, which was completed, Spring, 2001. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by October 22, 2004.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for October 25, 2004, at 9: a.m., at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by October 25, 2004.



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NOTICE

Francis Water Company has filed an application with the Public Service Commission to increase its rates for water services. The proposed effective date of the change is October, 2004.

	Current	Proposed	% Increase
5/8 x 3/4 Inch Meter			
First 1,000 Gallons	\$9.00 Minimum Bill	\$16.33 Minimum Bill	81.4%
Next 4,000 Gallons	2.50 Per 1,000 Gallons	9.14 Per 1,000 Gallons	265.6%
Next 10,000 Gallons	2.00 Per 1,000 Gallons	6.65 Per 1,000 Gallons	232.5%
Over 15,000 Gallons	1.50 Per 1,000 Gallons	5.40 Per 1,000 Gallons	260.0%
2 Inch Meter			
First 60,000 Gallons	\$106.50 Minimum Bill	\$362.39 Minimum Bill	240.3%
Over 60,000 Gallons	1.50 Per 1,000 Gallons	5.40 Per 1,000 Gallons	260.0%
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Meter Connection/Tap-on Charge			
5/8 Inch Meter	312.00	612.00	100%
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Returned Check Charge	10.00	25.00	150%

The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by the Francis Water Company. However, the Public Service Commission may order rates to be charged that are higher or lower than the rates proposed in this notice.

Any corporation, association, body politic, or person may request leave to intervene, by motion within thirty (30) days after notice of the proposed rate change is given. A motion to intervene shall be in writing, shall be submitted to the Executive Director, Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, KY 40602, and shall set forth the grounds for the motion, including the status and interest of the party movant. Copies of the application may be obtained at no charge from the Company office. Upon request from an intervenor, the Company shall furnish to the intervenor a copy of the application and supporting documents.

Francis Water Company

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