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briefs

Principals going high-tech

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

EASTERN — Floyd County school principals will soon be using some new technology, in the form of wireless devices referred to as "pocket PCs."

The devices will be used by the principals to collect instructional data pertinent to their schools. The data will be collected as principals conduct walk-through observations of their school's classrooms.

Mike Hughes, a highly skilled educator assigned to Floyd County, informed the county's board of education about the manner in which the devices will be utilized at Wednesday evening's special meeting.

The devices are being acquired by the school system through a grant from the Bill Gates Foundation.

In other business, the board addressed the issue of two confirmed cases of viral meningitis at Osborne Elementary, receiving comments from Jennifer Martin, district school nurse, who said that "viral meningitis is not a reportable disease ... in that viral meningitis itself is not contagious."

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School called off for teacher protest

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

EASTERN — School's out — at least for a day, says the Floyd County Board of Education.

The board voted unanimously Wednesday evening to cancel school in the county for Monday, Sept. 27.

Susan Key, president of the Floyd County Education Association, appeared before the board with a formal request to allow schools to be closed Monday in order for county teachers to distribute flyers at local businesses and to man an information table at the Prestonsburg Wal-Mart to answer questions in regard to state employee health insurance.

According to information compiled by the education association, Kentucky teachers and other state employees pay up to nine times more, in some instances, than those in surrounding states. Figures also show that Kentucky state employees pay the highest health insurance premiums in the entire country.

Gov. Ernie Fletcher recently announced

plans to overhaul the state health insurance plan for next year. Under the plan, state employees, teachers and public school workers will pay more in deductibles and co-payments in 2005, up to \$604 monthly for family coverage.

The Kentucky Education Association

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The Floyd County Long-Term Recovery group gets together every Wednesday at the Prestonsburg campus of Big Sandy Community and Technical College.

Long-term recovery group ready to offer assistance

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — In the aftermath of the Memorial Day flood, there was much coverage of all of the groups that came to Floyd County and offered aid. Now many of those agencies are being pulled south to deal with the damages inflicted on the South by the recent spate of hurricane activity.

Despite their departure, help is still available. One nonprofit group has formed which looks to offer aid to those who lost homes and property in the flood but could not secure Small Business

Administration loans or Federal Emergency Management Agency grants.

The group has been quietly meeting at the Johnson Building of the Big Sandy Community and Technical College and is poised to offer help to the 38 families that have so far been identified as still needing aid.

The Floyd County Long-Term Recovery team has been busy holding weekly meetings to identify those in need and begin gathering resources and fundraising to help those who are still displaced from their homes. The group has been busy developing a list of families in

crisis, raising funds, organizing donations of labor and building materials and developing an organizational structure within its group to handle the multitasking necessary when coordinating community service.

They are in this for the long haul and intend to be on hand for future needs as well as catching up with those who are still reeling from the effects of seven floods that have struck Floyd County residents since 1998.

The group meets every Wednesday at room 153 in the

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Inmate dies at jail

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Robert Hopkins, 31, of McDowell, was found dead in a holding cell at the Floyd County Detention Center at 3 a.m. Thursday.

Hopkins had been brought in Wednesday afternoon after he was arrested for driving under the influence of a controlled substance in Martin. He reportedly told the arresting officer that he had taken several Lorcet tablets and was taken to Our Lady of the Mountain Hospital for a drug screen before going to the jail.

There were six other men in the cell and they com-

plained that Hopkins snored heavily until about 9 p.m. Apparently, he stopped snoring around that time and the other men fell asleep.

The prisoners were awakened at 3 a.m. when another man was brought in. Hopkins was sleeping on several mats, so they tried to wake him to give one of the mats to the new prisoner when they discovered he was unconscious.

Emergency workers arrived but could not revive him.

Jailer Roger Webb announced Thursday that the county coroner is performing an autopsy on Hopkins and the results should be available shortly.

Bellamy indicted for manslaughter

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Timothy J. Bellamy, 26, of Prestonsburg, was indicted Tuesday on five charges and was arrested Thursday.

The indictment alleges that on Aug. 16, 2003, Bellamy was driving under the influence when he got into a wreck that killed his passenger, Everett D. Vanderpool, and caused injuries to two people in another vehicle that contained Sheila McKinney and Kyle B. Hoover.

The charges include sec-

ond-degree manslaughter, for the death of Vanderpool; two counts of wanton endangerment, for hitting the vehicle containing Hoover and McKinney; one count of operating a vehicle under the influence; and one count of being a persistent felony offender.

The persistent felony offender charge was added because Bellamy was still on probation for a DUI that he had incurred in Indiana. He had been granted a few breaks in that case and was allowed to serve out his pro-

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Third 'Airport Day' ready to take off

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

DEBORD — Families looking for something special to do Saturday will get a real treat if they seek out the Big Sandy Regional Airport.

The third annual Airport Day starts there at 11 a.m. Saturday and runs until 6 p.m.

Plenty of vintage cars will be on display as well as airplanes, boats and motorcycles. There will also be a sleek Army Blackhawk helicopter on site, as well as a display by the

National Weather Service.

Admission is free for the event and patrons are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and make a day of it. Trophies will also be awarded for the best motorcycles and vintage cars on display. Concessions will be available on the field as well.

It's a unique day out and has had an impact on many visitors. Airport manager and pilot Greg Cox recalled a woman last year who signed up for a free flight at the tender age of 79. After the flight, she thanked him profusely, saying,

"Now I know what the world looks like from up there."

Returning families will notice a new addition to the airport. The "Cloud 9 Cafe" is the area's newest restaurant, offering homemade foods with a flying motif. The walls are adorned with painted clouds and stunning nature photography from area shutterbugs.

Adventurous patrons may wish to take advantage of special flying rates that will be available to allow

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Airport Day patrons can sign up Saturday for a ride in this Cherokee 6 Cessna, which seats four.

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Odds & Ends

■ **PITTSBURGH** — The state Supreme Court ruled that Pennsylvania's drunken driving law can't be enforced against people on horseback, a decision that inspired the dissenting justice to wax poetic.

The court ruled Wednesday in a case against two men in Mercer County in 2002. Riders Keith Travis, 41, and Richard Noel, 49, were charged with drunken driving along with a man driving a pickup who allegedly rear-ended the horse Travis was riding away from a bar on a dark country road.

All three men failed field sobriety tests, police said, but a judge threw out the charges against Noel and Travis after they argued that the word "vehicles" in the state's drunken-driving law doesn't apply to horses.

Prosecutors said the code specifically includes people riding animals. But the majority justices cited a similar case in Utah, where judges said such a statute is confusing and too vague about which regulations would apply to animals as well

as vehicles.

Justice Michael Eakin, who is fond of writing rhyming opinions, summed up the lone dissent with two stanzas mimicking the theme song of "Mister Ed" — a 1960s TV sitcom about a talking horse:

"A horse is a horse, of course, of course, but the Vehicle Code does not divorce its application from, perforce, a steed as my colleagues said. 'It's not vague, I'll say until I'm hoarse, and whether a car, a truck or horse this law applies with equal force, and I'd reverse instead."

■ **SALINAS, Calif.** — Business was so good at Roy's Drive-in that the landmark eatery ran out of food before it was time to shut down its griddles for good.

The crowd Tuesday night came for a last slice of nostalgia as the popular gathering spot for classic car enthusiasts served its final hamburgers after 50 years.

"It's really sad," said customer Georgia Sapiens, who waited nearly two hours for burger and fries. "It's sad that it came to this. Everybody is going to miss it."

Roger Patterson, who's worked at Roy's since 1964 and owned it since 1977, said he decided to close because he couldn't afford to fight a lawsuit by a disabled man who claims the drive-in does not provide adequate access for customers in wheelchairs.

Patterson timed the closing to coincide with the regular biweekly meeting of the Salinas Valley Hot Rodders, a car club that has been gathering at Roy's for the past 18 years. The parking lot wasn't large enough to hold the Chevrolets, Fords and Volkswagens that overflowed into nearby shopping center lots.

■ **SIMMESPORT, La.** — Call it the catch of the day — or a lifetime.

Seafood merchant Richard Durrett was fishing Tuesday morning on the Red River near his business, Simmesport Fish Co., when his catfish net dredged up a 6-foot, 135-pound bull shark.

"I've been fishing since I was 10 years old, and I've caught some strange fish, but nothing like this," the 35-year-old said Wednesday. "Things happen, but I wasn't ready for this."

Finding a shark in the Red River is unusual, Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries biologist Ricky Moses said Wednesday, but it has happened before. Moses, who specializes in inland and freshwater fish, said the LWF office in Opelousas has been asked to examine the shark. Bull sharks have been

known to swim into fresh water areas, he said.

Durrett said he has caught much smaller sharks — about 30 pounds and 2 inches long — in the past near the Morgan City area.

■ **SOUTH MILWAUKEE, Wis.** — A 3-year-old girl may have saved lives when she and her father walked into a jewelry store while an armed robbery was in progress.

"I think it's a good thing and a bad thing she came in," store employee Beth Barkow said. "You don't want a little girl to experience this, but if she hadn't come in, I don't know if we'd be alive."

Barkow was one of six people tied up in the back of the store during the Sept. 3 attempted heist by two robbers and an accomplice who acted as look-

out. Barkow said she was in a back room when the robbery began. She and two other employees were forced to lie on their stomachs, their hands bound with duct tape. Customers who entered the store were taken to the back room and tied up.

The robbers, meanwhile, went through cases of jewelry and threatened to shoot their captives.

After about half an hour, the girl and her father came in. The man was tied up while the girl sat beside her father.

The father said he was bound for about a minute before one robber said, "Come on, man. Not any kids. We can't do this."

The suspects fled, and were still being sought.

Senate debate set for next month

The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE — U.S. Sen. Jim Bunning and his Democratic challenger, Daniel Mongiardo, formally agreed Thursday to terms for a debate next month.

The hourlong debate is set for Oct. 11 at WKYT-TV studios in Lexington. Political reporter Bill Bryant will be the moderator.

The debate will be taped and shown on WKYT at a later time, probably that week, Bryant said. It also will air on WBKO-TV in

Bowling Green and WYMT-TV in Hazard, he said.

Mongiardo's campaign on Thursday formally accepted conditions set by Bunning's campaign. Those conditions include making footage of the debate off limits in campaign commercials.

The campaigns traded swipes while agreeing on the debate.

"Our opponent has been whining all year to debate Senator Bunning, and after we presented a fair debate proposal,

it was as if our opponent couldn't take our yes for an answer," said David Young, Bunning's campaign manager.

Bunning, a Republican, is running for a second term.

Mongiardo's campaign complained their opponents wouldn't budge on their conditions for the debate. For instance, Mongiardo campaign manager Kim Geveden said Bunning insisted that no audience be present, which Geveden said "shows a total disrespect for the

voters."

Mongiardo said he has accepted invitations for four other debates.

Bunning informed Kentucky Educational Television on Wednesday that he would not attend its statewide debate that was set for next month. Mongiardo will appear for an abbreviated 30-minute program on KET.

There was no word from the Bunning campaign about the other debates.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Sept. 24, the 268th day of 2004. There are 98 days left in the year. The Jewish Day of Atonement, Yom Kippur, begins at sunset.

Today's Highlight in History: On Sept. 24, 1789, Congress passed the First Judiciary Act, which provided for an Attorney General and a Supreme Court.

On this date:

■ In 1869, thousands of businessmen were ruined in a Wall Street panic after financiers Jay Gould and James Fisk attempted to corner the gold market.

■ In 1896, author F. Scott Fitzgerald was born in St. Paul, Minn.

■ In 1929, Lt. James H. Doolittle guided a Consolidated NY-2 Biplane over Mitchel Field in New York in the first all-instrument flight.

■ In 1934, Babe Ruth made his farewell appearance as a regular player with the New York Yankees in a game against the Boston Red Sox. (The Sox won, 5-0.)

■ In 1955, President Eisenhower suffered a heart attack while on vacation in Denver.

■ In 1957, the Brooklyn Dodgers played their last game at Ebbets Field, defeating the Pittsburgh Pirates 2-0.

■ In 1960, the USS Enterprise, the first nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, was launched at Newport News, Va.

■ In 1963, the U.S. Senate ratified a treaty with Britain and the Soviet Union limiting nuclear testing.

■ In 1964, the situation comedy "The Munsters" premiered on CBS television.

■ In 1996, the United States, represented by President Clinton, and the world's other major nuclear powers signed a treaty to end all testing and development of nuclear weapons.

Ten years ago: A firefight

erupted between U.S. Marines and a group of armed Haitians outside a police station in the northern coastal city of Cap-Haitien; 10 of the Haitians were killed.

Five years ago: Oregon teenager Kip Kinkel, who killed his parents and gunned down two classmates at school, abandoned an insanity defense and pleaded guilty to murder. (He was later sentenced to 112 years without parole.) A jury acquitted former Italian Premier Giulio Andreotti of the 1979 killing of a journalist.

One year ago: After four turbulent months, three special legislative sessions and two Democratic walkouts, both houses of the Republican-controlled Texas Legislature adopted redistricting plans favoring the GOP. The top candidates vying to replace California Gov. Gray Davis joined in a lively debate. Tony-winning playwright Herb Gardner died in New York at age 68.

Today's Birthdays: ABC sportscaster Jim McKay is 83. Actress Sheila MacRae is 80. Singer Barbara Allbut (The Angels) is 64. Singer Phyllis "Jiggs" Allbut (The Angels) is 62. Singer Gerry Marsden (Gerry and the Pacemakers) is 62. Actor Gordon Clapp ("NYPD Blue") is 56. Former Rep. Joseph Kennedy II (D-Mass.) is 52. Actor Kevin Sorbo is 46. Rhythm and blues singer Cedric Dent (Take 6) is 42. Actress-writer Nia Vardalos ("My Big Fat Greek Wedding") is 42. Country musician Marty Mitchell is 35. Actress Megan Ward is 35. Singer-musician Marty Cinton (No Mercy) is 33. Actor Kyle Sullivan ("Malcolm in the Middle") is 16.

Thought for Today: "The easiest way to get a reputation is go outside the fold, shout around for a few years as a violent atheist or a dangerous radical, and then crawl back to the shelter." — F. Scott Fitzgerald (1896-1940).

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Four to be dropped from vote fraud case

The Associated Press

PIKEVILLE — A motion filed by federal prosecutors seeks to drop charges against four of eight remaining defendants in a Pike County vote-fraud case scheduled for trial next month in London.

Two of the defendants not included in the motion filed Wednesday have asked U.S. District Judge Karen Caldwell to postpone an Oct. 4 trial date until next year. Their motion cites publicity generated by the recent conviction of Pikeville political fund-raiser Ross Harris and an employee in a separate but related trial.

The four campaign workers listed in the prosecutors' motion to drop all charges are Bobby Roy Justice, 54, of Pikeville; Jacky Darrell Smith, 51, of

Ransom; Taylor Slone of Phyllis; and David Dotson, 41, of Varney.

Slone's attorney, Benny Hicks of Lexington, said defendants named in the dismissal motion appeared to have a "lesser involvement" in the case.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Kenneth Taylor said Thursday a "combination of factors" led to the motion.

He cited the logistics of trying eight people, the strength of the evidence, "relative culpability" of the defendants and results of the previous trial, which he said sent a message.

"This is essentially a repeat of that trial," Taylor said. "For all those reasons we decided to winnow it down to the four defendants. It will make for a much more streamlined trial."

Testimony in the Harris trial

indicated that none of the four listed in the motion for dismissal attended a meeting in his Pikeville coal office where prosecutors say the vote-fraud conspiracy was hatched.

During 17 days of testimony, Harris was described as a political kingmaker who illegally funded two eastern Kentucky races in 2002, including an unsuccessful campaign by former state Sen. John Doug Hays, D-Pikeville, to unseat Pike District Judge Darrel Mullins.

Knott Judge-Executive Donnie Newsome, seeking leniency after being convicted of vote fraud himself, testified that Harris ordered his assistant, Loren Glenn Turner of Drift, to drop off \$20,000 in cash to him for a re-election bid.

Along with Harris, 57, and Turner, 50, both convicted in

London on mail fraud and vote-fraud conspiracy charges, a federal grand jury in Lexington also indicted Hays, 59, his wife, Brenda, 49; along with six campaign workers: Justice, Smith, Slone, Dotson, Thomas Lee Varney, 69, of McCarr and Jerry Joe Dotson, 47, of Freeburn.

David Dotson had been charged with seven counts of vote buying while Justice, Smith and Slone were named in one count of allegedly conspiring to commit mail fraud and vote fraud.

Richard E. Plymale of

Lexington, Smith's attorney, said he thought it was an appropriate motion.

Harris' attorney, Larry Mackey of Indianapolis, said he would ask an appellate court to review the trial. Meanwhile, Caldwell set a sentencing date for Harris and Turner six months after the trial: March 14 in Pikeville.

The four remaining defendants — Hays, his wife, Jerry Dotson and Varney, a key figure in the Harris trial — are current-

ly scheduled for trial next month.

John A. West of Covington, an attorney for Hays and his wife, filed a motion Monday to postpone the trial until after Jan. 1 because of the "massive and pervasive publicity" generated by the Harris trial, which ended Sept. 16.

Caldwell had earlier moved the trials to London after prosecutors argued that the government could not get a fair trial in Pikeville.

Dixon answers Reno's lawsuit

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG

Another counterclaim and response to the Reno's lawsuit against several former employees of the restaurant was filed on Sept. 20 by attorneys for Steve Dixon and two businesses, Momnana LLC and Steve-o's Bar and Grill.

The countersuit and response was filed by two law firms which include William G. Francis, of Prestonsburg, and James S. Francis, a patent attorney with offices in Lexington.

The response pokes holes into the conspiracy theory brought forth from Reno's and denies those allegations on the grounds that there isn't sufficient information to proceed

with them. Insufficient information is also cited as a reason to drop allegations that trade secrets were lifted from Reno's, as well as allegations of interference with Reno's business practices, criminal conspiracy, breach of duty and the bill of damages.

In fact, Dixon's attorneys

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Group

Johnson building of BSCTC at Prestonsburg. Its membership includes Rose Meek, of Big Sandy Community Action Program; Mark D. Walz, pastor of First United Methodist Church in Prestonsburg; John Barker, Lee Harris and Andrew Dinsmore, of Project Recovery; Jim Caldwell, of the Floyd County Emergency Management Office; Patricia Goodman, of the Prestonsburg Rotary Club; and Eric Thomas, of the East Kentucky Science Center.

Thus far, the group has managed the difficult task of prioritizing aid and have settled on helping an Abbott Creek family first. The family lost their home and it needs to be rebuilt, which will probably cost \$4,000. The family has been homeless since Memorial Day and includes three children, with a fourth due in six weeks. The husband has a job but needs a home to work from. He would prefer to go back to work but has so far been trying to rebuild the home himself.

Team member Andrew Dinsmore sees the challenge

ahead and said, "We're building something out of nothing. That's okay, though, because there is an enormous amount of dedication in this group."

Dinsmore already has a commitment from LINKS to help coordinate construction efforts, as well as BSCTC, which has offered labor for the project. It only remains to get donations of materials, money and labor to

get the project started.

Businesses and private citizens interested in helping get the team started on the first of many projects should contact Rose Meek at 886-2929 to find out how they can help Floyd Countians displaced by flooding.

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Protest

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voted last weekend in favor of teachers and public school employees staging an indefinite strike in October if changes are not made to the plan.

In response, Fletcher has called a special session of the General Assembly to address the issue. The session is scheduled to begin Oct. 5.

Floyd County teachers will hold a community rally for support on Monday, at the Mountain Arts Center, at 1 p.m.

A rally will be held for classified employees on Monday, at 11 a.m., at the Hazard Convention Center.

Indicted

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bation while living home, in Floyd County, and was also being allowed to go to work, though he was on home incarceration at the time of the incident.

Bail was set at \$50,000 or 10 percent of property.

Bellamy has enlisted the legal services of Ned Pillersdorf and is scheduled for his first pretrial hearing on Jan. 14.

Bellamy is currently lodged at the Floyd County Detention Center.

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Viewpoint

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Guest View

Editorial roundup

Times Union, Albany, N.Y., on Iraq:

... President Bush has to start taking his own administration's intelligence reports more seriously. And so does the rest of the country — all those who favored invading Iraq last year and all those who opposed it.

What we get from the White House, however, is more like a sound bite sort of defense of a war that by any fair assessment is going badly. ...

Mr. Bush himself promised the U.N. General Assembly on Tuesday that freedom is coming to Iraq, even if securing it will mean more terrorist attacks there.

In other words, the Bush administration doesn't accept a nonpartisan and presumably informed examination of where the war is heading. ...

A sensible and worthwhile debate about Iraq would focus on providing the necessary troop strength to bring order to the Iraqi cities where the instability predicted by intelligence experts is visible on daily display, and where the possibility of civil war doesn't seem all that far-fetched. The same debate, of course, would have to include an honest discussion of the likely casualty toll of wresting control of places like Fallujah, Ramadi and Najaf. ...

The point of all of it should be to determine just what the end game is, or should be, in Iraq.

But that means a debate that involves more than a reiteration of how successful a war that's cost more than 1,000 American lives has really been. A debate under those restrictions is a one-sided affair, with no value to speak of.

Delaware County (Pa.) Daily Times, on CBS' apology and questionable documents:

So yesterday, 12 days after CBS News broadcast a report that claimed the president of the United States had shirked his duty in the Texas Air National Guard 35 years ago and offered up the documents that supposedly proved it, the network admitted it could no longer vouch for their authenticity.

CBS anchor Dan Rather, after spending almost two weeks defending the report that aired on "60 Minutes II," has now issued a statement that he "no longer has confidence in these documents" and that "if I knew then what I know now — I would not have gone ahead with the story as it was aired."

Yes, well, Dan Rather is about 10 days too late in owning up to what is the latest in a series of black eyes for the journalism profession. ...

Considering that the authenticity of the documents was challenged within hours of the original broadcast and with good reason, the responsible thing for CBS to do was to announce that it was reviewing the story and the authenticity of the papers. ...

Why the newsgatherers at CBS responsible for this story acted in such a rash and self-destructive way is best left to another investigation. But they have certainly given plenty of ammunition to conservative critics who claim that they let their "liberal bias" and desire to air a story injurious to a Republican president during an election year cloud their judgment. ...



Letters

DAV thanks donors

On Sept. 4, the Betsy Layne Chapter of the Disabled American Veterans held its annual fundraiser and results were terrific. This fundraiser is called forget-me-not fundraiser. We give out flowers for donations.

On behalf of all the members of our chapter, I would like to say thank you to all that gave. In doing so, you help us (our chapter) to continue our work for the Disabled American Veterans and their families.

We assist veterans in applying for veterans benefits and we follow through to be sure they get all that is coming to them at no cost to the veteran. We also do military funerals at no cost to the family.

We encourage all Disabled American Veterans to join the DAV in their area and get involved. We are making a difference in the lives of veterans and their families. If you need any information regarding claims, etc., feel free to contact me at (606) 478-1425 or (606) 478-5631.

The DAV Auxiliary is available to any ladies that haven't been in the service but would like to help make a difference.

Thanks to our friends at Gearheart Communications, Dr. Don and Shane. Of course, we are grateful to our own chapter members and ladies of our auxiliary.

Shular J. Hurd
Chapter Commander

Headed in the right direction

The Floyd County Board of Education "a failure"? I think not, Mr. McGuire!

Going on four decades, I have observed the Floyd County Board of Education. Many times, as a teacher, I addressed and brought student and teacher concerns to the board for possible solutions. During this period, I was aware of the blatant abuses and outright illegal activities previous board members, contractors, subcontractors, architects, Kentucky Department of Education and, yes, superintendents were a part of. It was obvious that student or teacher needs were not even in some board members' "top 10" lists. It was what can the "system" do for me or my "politically" connected friends.

From jobs to cost overruns on school construction projects, it was all a part of the game played by local business people and so-call district leaders.

I am now retired, but am substituting in the school system. In recent years, I have seen such dramatic changes among teachers and classified staff. Now everyone is working to ensure that our kids have the best possible education. There is a new attitude out there among all individuals within our system. We have a focus. We have a superintendent and board that know what we do matters. We are allowed to do our jobs, with needed assistance and guidance that was not present in past administrations. And if we fail to meet our obligations, Dr. Fanning and this board are willing to take action that will result in our either improving our method of instruction delivery, or we will be looking for another type of employment. Accountability is present in this system, and everyone knows it.

I am prohibited from engaging in the campaign for school board members. That makes me angry, because I hear of district employees, making huge salaries, who not only are actively involved in campaigns, but actually recruited candidates to run. Even a board member has been reported to have contacted a possible superintendent candidate, in case the election outcome goes his or her way. Why are state and local elected officials making calls and putting "pressure" on individuals to vote against our current board and indirectly wanting a change in the position of our superintendent? Could it be the location of the Prestonsburg/Clark site for the new school? Could be an attempt to control our school system from the county seat for the power? Makes you wonder!

The truth is, this current board and Dr. Paul Fanning have done more for kids than any board and superintendent in my memory. Dr. Fanning has provided the leadership and direction for our system. He has faced obstacles, but has been a steady leader willing to face and make tough decisions which have never been tackled in the past. He does what is right, no matter who it involves. He can take the heat and certainly wants the best for our kids.

His inspiration and high expectations for our teachers and staff are well known. This man has the children of Floyd County as his number-one priority. He has provided an environment that teachers understand we must strive to

continue to raise the standards so that our kids will obtain the best education possible. He and this board will settle for no less.

As I go to the polling place on Nov. 2, I cannot vote in any of the three races for school board member. Some of you will have this opportunity. I trust that you will think about who is supporting whom, and their reasons for that support. I will listen closely to the school board election results on that evening and hope that we will not return to the past. The old way was good for a few, but with our current board and Dr. Fanning's leadership, we are headed to a different place. We cannot go back. We owe it to our kids to make our system one that responds to the needs of all, not just the narrow interest of a few who have lived off the system for years. I hope you will think long and hard before you cast your vote. I have great faith in the people of Floyd County to make the right choice. It is in our hands.

Bud Reynolds
Martin

Bush jeopardizing Social Security

George Bush has a plan to dismantle Social Security by privatizing it, reducing the guaranteed benefit by 40 percent or more. His disastrous economic policies have created enormous new debts that put Social Security at risk.

Bush just passed the largest increase in Medicare premiums in the history, passing rising health care costs on to seniors. And his policies have put Medicare at risk. When Bush came into office, Medicare was projected to be solvent through 2029. Now it's expected to go bankrupt in 2019.

John Kerry will strengthen Social Security and Medicare. He'll start by growing our economy so that we're in a better position to pay for the costs of an aging population. He'll restore fiscal responsibility to make sure we can afford our commitments to the nation's seniors.

And John Kerry is committed to real bipartisan reform to save Social Security, not partisan commissions with predetermined agendas.

This November, we have a choice between four years of failed policies or a new direction for our country. I'm choosing John Kerry.

John Sexton
Willard

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At the Movies: 'First Daughter'

by **CHRISTY LEMIRE**
AP ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

It seemed impossible that anything could make "Chasing Liberty," a fluffy little romantic comedy starring Mandy Moore as the president's only child, look good. But something has — and it's called "First Daughter."

The movie is so sickly sweet, even by fairy-tale standards, it's likely to induce diabetic comas in everyone except the 12-year-old girls to whom it seems specifically geared. And even some of the cooler ones in that age group will roll their eyes and go, "What-ev-er!" — as well they should.

Katie Holmes, testing the limits of her seemingly boundless likability, stars as Samantha Mackenzie, the daughter of a president who is running for reelection. (He isn't specifically labeled as a Republican, but protesters complaining about his education and health care policies show up wherever he and the first family go.)

Where they go in the beginning of the movie is the fictional Redmond University (looking a lot like UCLA), where Samantha is entering as a freshman. But first, she and her dad (the not-quite presidential Michael Keaton) must sneak down to the kitchen at the same time in the middle of the night to



"First Daughter," a 20th Century Fox release, is rated PG for language, sexual situations and alcohol-related material. Running time: 100 minutes.

One-and-a-half stars out of four.

nibble from a slice of chocolate cake and indulge in some forced father-daughter banter — and, of course, a dance, because that's the kind of thing people do in a movie like this.

As in "Chasing Liberty," which came out in January, the first daughter of "First Daughter" is craving a little "me" time, away from the itineraries and itinerant Secret Service agents. Her sassy roommate, Mia (rhythm and blues singer Amerie), tries her best to lead Samantha astray. But her overprotective followers quickly embarrass the squeaky-clean Samantha at a squeaky-clean fraternity pool party. (Redmond is so faux, nobody ever gets drunk on cheap beer and yaks into a trash can next to the bed.)

It's enough to make you long for Holmes' romanticized

escapades at the fictional Worthington University on "Dawson's Creek," though watching her play Michael Douglas' creative writing student and house mate in the exceptional "Wonder Boys" is by far your best option.

Samantha thinks she may have finally found some fun with her generically cute dorm resident adviser, James (Marc Blucas), who helps her escape the paparazzi on a series of "Roman Holiday"-style get-aways. Not only does she get to enjoy a carnival, complete with cotton candy and a stuffed Hello Kitty doll, but she ends up in a rowboat, the sunshine brushing the pink parasol she holds while James casts a fishing rod. (These details, which inspired guffaws at a recent press screening, must be the source of the

comedy in this romantic comedy, albeit unintentionally.)

Director Forest Whitaker, known for his on-screen subtlety in such films as "Ghost Dog: The Way of the Samurai" and "Panic Room," hasn't had much luck applying that talent behind the camera, following this and "Hope Floats." Nearly every moment has a heavy-handed sense of whimsy, leading up to a series of false endings. The script was written by Kate Kondell ("Legally Blonde 2") and Jessica Bendinger ("Bring It On"), from a story by Bendinger and Jerry O'Connell (yes, that Jerry O'Connell, from "Stand By Me" and, more recently, "Kangaroo Jack").

But if we may return to the "Chasing Liberty" comparison for a moment, Holmes' knight in shining armor, like Moore's, isn't exactly who he seems. Could he be ... a Secret Service agent himself, deceiving the young woman he's protecting while trying not to fall for her? Even a 12-year-old could see that coming.

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Rental Central

by **TOM DOTY**
STAFF WRITER

Most distributors stepped out of the way this week as George Lucas finally released his original "Star Wars" trilogy on DVD. These are the Special Edition cuts of the original series that played theaters in the 1990s with a few differences. Lucas has gone back to these classics and digitally inserted some changes. Look for Hayden Christenson to be under the mask when Darth Vader bites it at the end of "Return of the Jedi" and expect Jabba the Hutt to sport a different look, too.

Once Ted Turner gets wind of this you can expect digital remodeling to change the way we see movies, folks. Not only will Turner colorize "Casablanca," he'll probably even give it a happy ending.

The "Star Wars" movies are available in wide screen and full screen formats. Each film is accompanied by a commentary track by Lucas and star Carrie Fisher, as well as others on each film, including director Irvin Kershner ("Empire Strikes Back") and writer Lawrence Kasdan.

The extras are heavy here, as expected, and include hours of documentary footage, with much of the material seeing light for the first time. The set also includes an advance look at the final "Star Wars" film ("Episode 3"), which is expected to hit theaters next summer.

Only one new studio release

came out to challenge Lucas and that was "Mean Girls." This is a decidedly dark take on high school popularity in the vein of "Heathers" and was written by Saturday Night Live cast member Tina Fey. Lindsay Lohan ("Freaky Friday") stars.

The real find of the week, though, is a set of films by the late John Cassavetes. Universally hailed as the father of independent film, Cassavetes usually worked with a bare bones script that his actors would use as a jumping off point to establish their characters. Here are five of his best films which feature an accent on characterization over plot line. The five films here represent some of the director's best work. Included are "Faces," "Shadows," "Killing of a Chinese Bookie," "A Woman Under the Influence" and "Opening Night."

Two of the films are restored to the director's original vision. The first is "Faces," which sports the original 17-minute opening sequence. The other film restored here is "Chinese Bookie" which sees its original running time of 135 minutes restored.

The collection also includes the documentary, "A Constant Forge," 2000, which examines the films of Cassavetes, whose minimalist style has influenced countless filmmakers, from Martin Scorsese to the aforementioned George Lucas.

The other challenger this week was "Tintorera: Tiger

Shark." This 25th anniversary edition has little in the way of special features, but does offer a decidedly gory take on the killer shark movie with lots of mayhem and very little plot to get in the way of the action. Though it won't take a bite out of the sales for the "Star Wars" trilogy, it will please killer shark fans and "Jaws" rip-off completists.

Rental Central mourns the passing of film auteur Russ Meyer this week. Myer always went his own way and his films still stand up as righteous satires. Meyer held the rights to all of his films except "Beyond the Valley of the Dolls" (co-written with film critic Roger Ebert) and recently released many of his films on DVD at extremely high prices, which will probably come down now. He was also well known for suing anyone who sold bootlegs of his films and once reported a fiend of mine to the FBI for doing just that. Seek out some of his adult comedies and you will be well entertained with his trademark use of biting humor and lightning quick editing.

Next week promises a change of pace with the release of "The Hunting of the President." Here the focus is on how the media shapes the news. There is also the DVD debut of "Lady Terminator." This film is such a blatant rip off of James Cameron's "The Terminator" and completely mimics entire portions of that landmark classic.

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Democrats 'looking forward' to special session

by JOE BIESK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — House Speaker Jody Richards reacted to Gov. Ernie Fletcher's call for a special session Wednesday, saying Democratic lawmakers would work to get teachers and state employees "the very best plan" they could.

While some lawmakers pledged bipartisanship for the session, which starts Oct. 5, it was uncertain what the General Assembly could do to improve health insurance benefits for teachers and state employees next year.

"We're looking forward to the challenge and we will do everything within our abilities to work with the governor and work with the Senate in a bipartisan way," Richards said at a news conference in the House chambers. "That has always been our mantra. That has always been our belief — that we should work in a cooperative spirit."

Richards, D-Bowling Green, said he hoped the special session would last no more than five days.

The governor announced Tuesday he would call the special session. The session will be limited to dealing with compensation, health insurance and retirement benefits for current and retired teachers and state employees, Fletcher said.

Fletcher administration officials said at an afternoon legislative hearing that the state had already signed contracts with insurance companies for next year. Those contracts are limited as to how they can be altered, said Fletcher's chief of staff, Daniel Groves.

Any attempt to rebid the contracts could result in a gap of insurance coverage for state employees, he said. Their new benefits are scheduled to take effect Jan. 1.

Still, the governor decided to call the special session to see if Democrats, who had criticized the plan, had a better idea, Groves said.

"What we've done is we've presented a plan," Groves told reporters. "They've criticized it but offered no alternatives. If they don't like the plan that's been presented, then what we are saying is, 'We are going to give you an opportunity to present the better plan.'"

But Senate Majority Leader Dan Kelly, R-Springfield, said he thought lawmakers could upgrade state employee benefits.

"There's no question that we can mitigate the increased costs," he said.

Richards said legislators first needed Fletcher to release documents surrounding the negotiations and ultimate agreement that led to the new 2005 health insurance benefits for teachers and state workers.

Fletcher recently announced an overhaul of the state health insurance plan for next year. Under the plan — which affects thousands of state employees, teachers and public school workers — most would be paying more in deductibles and co-payments starting next year.

Premiums differ on a sliding scale based on an employee's income. There are three different plans: essential, preferred and premium.

An employee making the average state government salary of just more than \$36,000 per year would pay \$521 each month for family coverage, with an \$800 deductible, with out-of-pocket expenses capped at \$4,000 under the "preferred" plan. A worker making more than \$76,000 per year would pay \$546 for the same coverage.

There are 171,000 state government and school district employees covered by the state's plan. With dependents, that number increases to

Obituaries

Malcom Wireman

Malcom Wireman, 88, of Waldo, husband of Ethel Hale Wireman, passed away, Thursday, September 23, 2004, at Paul B. Hall Medical Center, Paintsville.

Funeral services will be Sunday, September 26, at 1 p.m., at the Magoffin County Funeral Home, Salyersville.

Burial will be at the Wireman Family Cemetery, at Waldo.

Visitation is Friday, at the funeral home.

(Information, courtesy of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.)

(Paid obituary)

Melba Prater Risner

Melba Prater Risner, age 78, of David, widow of Jim Risner, passed away, Tuesday, September 21, 2004, in the Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

She was born August 2, 1926, in David, the daughter of the late Ark Prater and Margaret Hicks Prater. She was a homemaker and a member of the Cold Springs Regular Baptist Church.

Survivors include her three sons: Curtis (Sandra) Risner and James (Teresa) Risner, both of Prestonsburg, and Garry Risner of Galion, Ohio; five daughters: Sharon K. (Ralph) Damron and Kimberly (Adrian) Goble, both of Ivel, Betty (Gary) Olmstead and Geneva (Willie) Bates, both of Galion, Ohio, and Karen (Kenny) Howard of Gunlock; one brother, Valice Prater of Gunlock, 17 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by three brothers, and seven sisters.

Funeral services for Melba Prater will be conducted Friday, September 24, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, at Martin, with Clergymen Sterling Bolen, Bethel Bolen, and Wilson Stone officiating.

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

Visitation is at the funeral home, with church services were held Thursday evening at 7 p.m.

(Paid obituary)

Michala Michelle Walters

Michala Michelle Walters, 21, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, September 19, 2004, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Born February 24, 1983, in Prestonsburg, she was the daughter of John Walters of Chillicothe, Ohio and Jennifer Lynn Laferty Walters of Prestonsburg. She attended Prestonsburg High School and graduated Buckhorn Childrens Center in Perry County.

In addition to her parents, survivors include: her maternal grandfather, Epp Laferty of Prestonsburg; and her paternal grandmother, Lois Walters of Chillicothe, Ohio.

She was preceded in death by her maternal grandmother, Ruby Baisden Laferty, and her paternal grandfather, Marvin Walters.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, September 24, at 1 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg, with Reverend George Love officiating.

Burial will be in the Gethsemane Gardens, Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

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So now we go on day by day as God makes the path, until we see each other again.

You will always be missed, but never forgotten.

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The family of Nannie Hunter wishes to thank everyone who helped us during the death of our mother. We thank everyone who sent food, flowers, and for their prayers.
Special thanks to Rev. Bill Tackett and Rev. Roger Hicks and associates, for the comforting service.
Thank you to Highlands Regional Medical Center for their kindness shown to us, and to Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for all their support.
RUSSELL AND PHYLLIS HUNTER AND FAMILY

Card of Thanks

The family of Lafayette "Lay" Gayheart would like to express our deepest and most sincere appreciation for your comfort and concern during our time of tremendous grief and sorrow. Many thanks to Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Church of Christ Ministry, Floyd County Sheriff's Department, and a host of dear friends and relatives who helped our family honor and respect the life of such a fine and great man. We extend our gratitude to everyone who offered assistance in our time of need. Your kindness and prayers will never be forgotten.
THE FAMILY OF LAFAYETTE "LAY" GAYHEART

Card of Thanks

The family of Reda Reynolds would like to express our sincere appreciation for the kindness shown as during our time of grief. Thanks for the flowers, cards, phone calls, food, visits, other kindness, and especially the prayers that soothed the hurt and lifted our spirits in our time of need. Special thanks to Dr. Musgrave, Pikeville Medical Center, McDowell Home Health Nurses, Our Lady of the Way Hospital, and others, who cared for Reda during her illness.
Thanks also to Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their kind and professional service. Wings of Praise and The Shannon Family singers for their special songs, Pastor Randy Osborne and Renee Thomsbury for their comforting words, and Fred Mynhier for the escort to The Roberts Family Cemetery, and the pallbearers who served, Brad Layne, Thomas Jenkins, Charles Twiss, David Twiss, Steve Layne, Steve Jenkins, Willard Kinzer, Terry Akers, Brian Akers, Keith Williams, Robbie Williams, Darbin Flannery, and Jim Reynolds II. May God bless each of you in a special way!
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For the Record

Marriage Licenses

Jill Denise Manns, 25, to David Ryan Thacker, 30, both of Pikeville.

Freda Jean Akers, 54, of Ypsilanti, Mich., to Larry Gale Morgan, 54, of Cookeville, Tenn.

Charlamaine Eaton, 21, of Eaton Rapids, Mich., to Gregg Shepherd, 24, of Hazard.

Brenda Lee Burchett, 42, of Martin, to William Gregory Badger, 51, of Calhoun, S.C.

Ashley Nicole Akers, 24, to Gregory Lee Akers, 28, both of Pikeville.

Jessica Sue Mullins, 19, of Paintsville, to James Marcus Mullins, 24, of Martin.

Civil Suits Filed

Wayne Ratliff vs. Marion Kilburn, notice of eviction.

Virginia Wallace vs. Connie Williams, notice of eviction.

Discover Bank vs. Roger Hall, damages.

Cheryl Davis vs. John Bowditch, damages.

Capital One Bank vs. Crystal Halbert, damages.

Cavalry Portfolio services vs. Bennie Cowley, damages.

Credit Acceptance Corporation vs. Carolyn Case, damages.

Creative Credit Solutions vs. Connie Hall, damages.

Charges Filed

Glen Moore, 46, of Drift; fourth-degree assault.

Brian Little, 33, of Melvin; disorderly conduct.

Roger Cavins, 26, of Lowmansville; alcohol intoxication.

George Allen, 40, of Prestonsburg; alcohol intoxication.

Carla Perkins, 27, of Hippo; terroristic threatening.

Shannon Rogers, 25, of Prestonsburg; two counts of theft by unlawful deception.

Patricia Shepherd, 47, of Hippo; criminal trespassing.

David Craft, 38, of Prestonsburg; alcohol intoxication.

tion, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest.

Brian Napier Jr., 29, Hindman; theft by unlawful taking.

Richard Patrick Jr., 33, of Emmalena; theft by unlawful taking.

William John Hicks, 31, of Emmalena; public intoxication, controlled substance in nonprescription container, theft by unlawful taking.

Gary Tackett, 39, of Beaver; criminal trespassing, fourth-degree assault, third-degree sexual abuse.

Brian Samons, 33, of Prestonsburg; harassing communications.

Rhonda Chaffins, 37, of Martin; fourth-degree degree.

James Chaffins, 36, of Martin; fourth-degree assault.

Bennie Thompson, 39, of Weeksby; criminal trespassing.

Amanda Mills, 27, of Boons Camp; public intoxication.

Steven S. McKinney, 28, of Printer; fourth-degree assault.

Michael Puckett, 31, of Prestonsburg; theft by deception.

Randall Vicars, 48, of Melvin; harassment.

Traci Leighton Patrick, 33, of Prestonsburg; criminal mischief, harassment.

Jimmy Moore, 48, of McDowell; fourth-degree assault.

Randall Blackburn, 49, of Harold; fourth-degree assault.

Ginger Younce, 23, Iaeger, W.Va.; controlled substance not in prescription container.

Wade Meadows, 46, of Prestonsburg; terroristic threatening.

Jennifer Morrow, 30, of Langley; criminal trespassing.

Rocky Morrow, 43, of Langley; criminal trespassing.

Crystal Craft, 18, of Prestonsburg; disorderly conduct.

Rhonda Spears, 29, of Prestonsburg; harassment.

Freddie Hunter, 44, of Allen;

terroristic threatening.

Janet Miller, 41, of Langley; theft by deception.

Jonathan Pickett, 23, of Bowling Green; fourth-degree assault.

Larry Turner, 53, of Garrett; alcohol intoxication.

Thomi L. Hicks, 21, of Prestonsburg; possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia.

Matthew Aaron Bentley, 22, of Garrett; disorderly conduct.

Christa N. Hurst, 21, of Printer; public intoxication, possession of a controlled substance, controlled substance not in prescription container.

Randy Lynn Tackett, 34, of Wheelwright; receiving stolen property.

Stacie Lynn Johnson, 26, of Auxier; public intoxication, possession of a controlled substance, controlled substance not in prescription container.

Gary Lee Williams, 25, of Highland Heights; alcohol intoxication.

William R. Johnson, 33, of Auxier; first-degree assault.

James D. Carroll, 34, of Allen; identity theft.

Charles Halsey, 38, of Prestonsburg; theft by unlawful taking.

Rebecca Hall, 42, of McDowell; intent to defraud.

Walter Moore Jr., Grethel; theft by unlawful taking.

Michael Moore, 37, of Martin; false statements made for increase of benefit.

Inspections

Hi-Lite Pizza, McDowell, regular inspection. Violations

noted: Thermometers not present in some freezer and refrigerator units, restroom door not self-closing, all lights not operable in food prep area. Score: 96.

Roadies, Hi Hat, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometers not present in all refrigerator and freezer units, food contact surface in food prep area in bad repair, ceilings in bad repair. Score: 96.

Stop and Shop, McDowell, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometers not present in all refrigerator and freezer units, proper hair restraints not in use, shelf above three-compartment sink in bad repair, tops of equipment in food prep area in need of cleaning, restroom door not self closing, floor tile in bad repair, wall in food prep area in disrepair. Score: Food 92, Retail 97.

Wayland Fountain, Front Street, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometers not present in all refrigerator and freezer units, proper hair restraints not in use, single service items stored on floor, lights in food prep area not properly shielded. Score: 95.

Campbell's Grocery, Garrett, regular inspection. Violations noted: Easy-to-find thermometers not present in all refrigerator and freezer units, food items (onions) stored in contact with floor, proper hair restraints not in use, no towels at hand wash sink, floors in disrepair, cleaning items not properly stored. Score: Food 94, Retail 98.

Allen Double Kwik, U.S. 23, regular inspection. Violations noted: Sandwich display unit

has no conspicuous thermometer, proper hair restraints not in use, upright freezer door handle in disrepair, floor tiles in need of repair, mop observed stored on floor. Score: Food 94, Retail 98.

Hamilton Mobile Home Park, Hi Hat, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lots not properly numbered, driveways and walkways in disrepair, mobile home parking not in compliance, mobile home lot size not in compliance, insufficient number of garbage cans, several lots have an accumulation of debris. Score: 88.

Property Transfers

David Rice to Janelle Rice, property located at Prater Creek.

Hargis Hall and Douglas Macarthur Hall to Issac Combs and Mary Combs, property

located at Left Beaver.

Judy C. Skeens to Joe R. Skeens, property location undisclosed.

Rebecca Preston and Darrell Preston to Melissa S. Caudill, property location undisclosed.

Gregory D. Stumbo, Mary Karen Stumbo, and Gene "Rusty" Schifle to Jeff Thornton and Alisha Thornton, property located at Crestwood subdivision.

Henry M. Vanderpool and Diana Vanderpool to Kevin S. Henry and Rhonda K. Henry, property located at Left Beaver.

Forest Moore and Sarah Moore to Benny Combs, property located at Right Beaver.

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Dixon

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point out in their response that there were no trade secrets to steal from Reno's and that even if there were that no confidentiality agreement was signed or orally agreed to. The suit further points out that a menu for Steve O's has been published and is under copyright.

The response also addresses that the original suit contained the social security numbers of everyone involved and states that publishing those numbers constituted an invasion of privacy

that left Dixon vulnerable to identity fraud. The response further attacks allegations that Dixon tried to steal customers and employees due to the fact that his proposed restaurant doesn't, as of yet, exist.

The counterclaim alleges that Reno's was the only entity engaging in a conspiracy. It states that Reno's was out to destroy Steve-O's before it could open by bringing the civil action in the first place.

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Bentley charged with assault

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Clyde Bentley, 33, of Martin was indicted Tuesday on charges that he assaulted Homer Music on June 9.

The alleged beating was so violent that Music suffered a broken ankle and lost vision in his left eye.

Bentley has been ordered to appear in court Oct. 22 for arraignment on the charge, as well as a persistent felony offender charge. Bentley was on probation, after already serving one year in prison, for another assault when he allegedly attacked Music.

The case began in district court and a hearing that saw Music testify to being attacked by Bentley last June. Music tes-

tified that he spent the day doing some yard work with Bentley's father-in-law, Bob Prater. He said they had been drinking all day and were drunk by evening. That night Music found a neighbor named on the side of the road. The neighbor had been beaten badly and allegedly told Music that Bob Prater had done it.

Bentley allegedly saw Music bring the neighbor out of his car and allegedly threatened to beat him up later for helping the neighbor. Music took the neighbor back to his home and visited Prater later that night. He was drinking with Prater on his porch when Bentley arrived and, claims Music, announced that he was going to beat him up.

The attack was described by Music as quick and brutal. He was still seated when it began

and was on his back when it was over. Music testified that the beating stopped after he heard Prater say, "You've about beat him to death."

Music suffered a broken leg, crushed cheekbone and a broken finger in the alleged assault.

"I thought he was gonna kill me," Music said.

Bentley is free at the moment after being lodged in the Floyd County Detention Center for a short time. He appeared to develop a seizure disorder and was released for treatment at Highlands Regional Medical and later the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center in Lexington.

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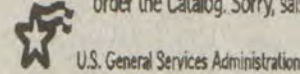


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Board

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Martin informed the board that preventative measures such as frequent handwashing and getting the proper amount of sleep and rest are important measures to take in order to prevent the spread of contagious diseases.

Kerry Fannin, director of instruction, was appointed to the

certified employee evaluations appeal panel, with South Floyd High School principal Henry Webb being appointed as alternate.

Board members Jeff Stumbo and Glenna Slone were appointed to serve on the school system's budget committee, with their names being drawn by lot.

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229,000.

The announced changes angered many teachers and state employees, and the Kentucky Education Association voted last weekend that it would go on strike late next month if, among other things, current health benefits weren't restored.

House Democrats originally had scheduled Wednesday's news conference to outline details of their own proposal on health insurance benefits. However, those plans changed after Fletcher called for the special session, said Rep. Harry Moberly, chairman of the House appropriations committee.

Instead of making drastic changes this year, the plan Democrats were prepared to unveil would have called for a continuation of this year's health insurance plan as a "stop-gap" measure, Moberly said. That would have given lawmakers time to come back and deal with the problem in February during the General Assembly's regularly scheduled session.

It would have cost the state \$25 million to \$30 million to extend the state health insurance plan as is through next year, Moberly said.

"We thought that was the

most critical thing to do ...," Moberly said. "But with the call of the special session, of course, we're no longer looking at stop-gap measures."

Meanwhile, more than 50 teachers and state employees gathered in front of a hotel in downtown Lexington, where the governor was scheduled to speak. Many held signs protesting the health care plan. Organizers said they had people from at least 10 counties there.

Betty Rhodes, a Lexington teacher, said she came because the plan would discourage teachers from staying in the field.

"This is going to kill all kinds of progress," Rhodes said. "All teachers of all ages and levels of experience are going to look for other employment."

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Late September sports notes

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

Cleaning out the notebook, otherwise known as "It's late September and I really should be back in school:"

While high school football and volleyball are dominating the landscape these days, I try to keep an eye on the daily changes of baseball's pennant races.

This hobby of mine was a little more fun in the first half of the season. That was a time when nobody else was pulling up the standings regularly, so nobody

really remembers that the Reds were in the thick of things in April, May and June.

Then, of course, the Reds pitchers became Reds pitchers again and things went so far south only the inept Pirates and Brewers are keeping them

out of the cellar. Things were going along nicely until the former Big Red Machine went to Oakland for three in early June.

They entered this series at 34-22, a fat 12 games over .500, but left it on their way out of the race. The A's put up 40 runs in three games and it has been over ever since.

As recently as July 20 the record was 50-44. But since then, the bombs have dropped regularly to the tune of 19 wins and 38 losses. That's losing two of every three times out.

As for the teams still in the hunt, the attention is being given to the AL East, but the real race is in the NL West.

After Wednesday's play, Los Angeles had seen its lead trimmed to only 11 game over San Francisco with a week and a half left. San Diego was only 4 1/2 back but has never been considered a serious candidate.

The rest of the NL is a foregone conclusion with Atlanta 9 games up and St. Louis 14 ahead of the Cubs, who could

(See BENTLEY, page two)

Osborne, Hall each closing in on 1,000 yards rushing

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT - It's safe to say South Floyd senior running back Joe Osborne has some wheels.

It's also safe to say that Osborne's teammate, fellow senior Wes Hall, also handles the duties of running back more than adequately. Hall has punished several opposing defenses.

Osborne, who made a name for himself last season, enjoying a very successful first campaign with the Raiders, has already rushed over 100 times. In five games, Osborne has rushed 109 times for 820 yards and six touchdowns. Osborne is second on the team in scoring with 40 points. He ranks second behind Hall, who has scored 48 points in five games while rushing 83 times for 692 yards.

As a team, South Floyd has rushed for 1,711 yards.

A versatile back, Osborne, on various occasions, has also went out of the Raider backfield and caught passes. So can Hall. Both backs are closing in on 1,000 yards rushing.

"It's unbelievable that we have two backs who are closing in on 1,000 yards rushing," said South Floyd Coach Donny Daniels. "Both Joe and Wes work extremely hard. Both are leaders for our football team."

One or even both players could pass the 1,000 yards rushing mark tonight. Osborne needs 180 yards while Hall needs just over 300.

"It's a credit to our guys up front, our offensive linemen," Daniels admitted. "This is one of the better offensive lines that we've had up here."

South Floyd stumbled its last time

(See RAIDERS, page two)

Golf regional sites set

Boys' & girls' regional golf tournament sites and managers have been posted on the KHSAA website. Regional tournaments are scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 25 through Tuesday Sept. 28. The Leachman Buick/GMC - KHSAA State Golf Championships are scheduled for the following week in Bowling Green. The girls' tournament will be Oct. 5-6 at the Bowling Green Country Club. The boys' tournament will be Oct. 7-8 at the Indian Hills Country Club. State Championship Round 1 tee times will be posted on the Association website on Friday, Oct. 1.

Prestonsburg set to host Sheldon Clark

Homecoming festivities to be held tonight

by JAMIE HOWELL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

PRESTONSBURG - After losing to Sheldon Clark last season, the Prestonsburg Blackcats have had an entire year to stew over the outcome of last season's game. Coach Shawn Hager will bring his group of Cardinals into Blackcat Stadium to tangle with a hungry bunch of Blackcats

tonight with kickoff at Josh Francis Field set for 7:30 p.m. Hager is in his first season as head coach of the Cardinals.

Prestonsburg was scheduled to hold homecoming festivities last week, but with the torrential rains the activities were rescheduled for tonight.

Sheldon Clark enters the game with an overall record of 1-3 while Prestonsburg brings a 3-1

record into the contest.

After opening the season with a 14-0 loss in the Pike County Bowl, Prestonsburg has since reeled off consecutive wins over three 3A schools in Bell County, Lawrence County and Ashland.

Prestonsburg has found

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photo by Jamie Howell
A three-game winning streak began for P'burg Sept. 3 with a 27-24 win over Bell County.

Herrick wins title in playoff; Bishop wins in girls play

P'burg boys, Betsy Layne girls capture team crowns

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR



photos by Steve LeMaster
Brooks Herrick captured the conference/district golf championship Wednesday evening when he beat South Floyd freshman Colby Hayes in a playoff.

ALLEN - The annual Lowell Hall Memorial Golf Tournament for the Floyd County Conference/58th District was held Tuesday and Wednesday at Beaver Valley Golf Course. The tournament, hosted by Betsy Layne High School and its golf program, coached by Kenneth Bradley, concluded Wednesday. Bradley extended special thanks to several parties.

"We'd like to send out special thanks to Collins Trophies for donating the runner-up trophies and plaques; Pepsi for donating drinks for the players; Papa John's for delivering the pizza and a very special thanks to the staff at Beaver Valley Golf Course, especially course manager Clyde Woods," said Bradley. "Also, a major thanks goes out to all coaches and players that participated in the tournament."

In a stellar finish, Prestonsburg High golfer Brooks Herrick topped South Floyd freshman Colby Hayes in a playoff to win the boys' division. Both golfers shot 69 in the regulation 18 hole tournament. Participating players

(See GOLF, page two)



Steve Blackburn

Blackburn wins Atlantic Region Championship

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - The city of Prestonsburg is now home to a NASCAR champion. Steve Blackburn has won the 2004 NASCAR Dodge Weekly Series Atlantic Region championship. This past season, Blackburn competed in the Late Model Stock Car Division at Lonesome Pine International Raceway in Coeburn, Va., a racing facility where he recorded 14 wins and 19 top-five finishes in 19 starts.

The Late Model driver received a rather nice phone call earlier in the week.

"We officially found out about the championship Wednesday evening," said Blackburn. "NASCAR called and told us that we had won the championship - can't believe we did it, but we did."

Blackburn's successful record helped him to achieve the highest ranking in the NASCAR Competition Performance Index (CPI). The CPI measures wins, top-five finishes and other factors to determine NASCAR's regional championship standings.

For his efforts, Blackburn will be presented with nearly \$45,000 in post-season prize money at the NASCAR Dodge Weekly Series awards banquet, scheduled to be held Oct. 30 in Nashville.

The racing bug bit Blackburn a while back. Actually, he raced motorcycles for quite some time before getting behind the wheel of a race car. But he's adjusted well to piloting the race machines of the four-wheel variety.

"I'd always been a big fan of NASCAR," said Blackburn. "In 1998, towards the end of the year, my brother and I went and watched one race at Lonesome Pine, and said 'we

(See BLACKBURN, page four)



The Prestonsburg boys' golf team took first-place honors.

U10 Supersonics pull away, beat YMCA 2 team

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Floyd County U10 Supersonics soccer squad traveled to Pikeville for its opening match of the fall season on Saturday, Sept. 11. The opening match pitted the Floyd County team against the Pike County YMCA 2 team. The game resulted in a 5-2 win for the Supersonics. The game started slowly for the

Supersonics with the YMCA team grabbing a 1-0 lead with an early goal. Attacking with two forwards, the Supersonics leveled the score at 1-1 on a great combination play from Kathryn Sanders and Cameron Love. Love took the ball up the left side of the field, drawing the defenders to him and then slipped a pass to Sanders who fired it past the YMCA



photo by Steve LeMaster
The Betsy Layne High School girls' football team finished ahead of Allen Central Wednesday, capturing a conference/district title.

(See SOCCER, page three)

Going from small town to starting lineup doesn't faze Miller

by MURRAY EVANS
ASSOCIATED PRESS



Aaron Miller

LEXINGTON — Aaron Miller doesn't talk much, so sometimes Kentucky coaches wonder what he's thinking.

"If you can get him to talk, you might find out," offensive coordinator Ron Hudson said.

They have fewer questions about the playing ability of the 6-foot-6, 295-pound true freshman, whom his teammates have dubbed "The Silent Storm." Two games into Miller's college career, the left tackle from tiny Grayson in eastern Kentucky jumped into the Wildcats' starting lineup during a 51-32 win over Indiana last Saturday.

"I just try to keep my mouth shut and work a little bit," Miller said this week, surrounded by several media members after a Kentucky practice

— something that is uncommon for even the most popular of offensive linemen.

Kentucky coaches had planned to redshirt Miller, who in February wasn't even the team's most heralded offensive line recruit. But during the practices following a 28-0 season-opening loss to Louisville — a game in which the offensive line was soundly beaten — coach Rich Brooks said it became apparent that the Wildcats needed Miller to play right away.

"It just became very, very clear that this was one of our more gifted offensive linemen," Brooks said. "Even though he wasn't physically up to SEC standards, he is still going to have to play his way through it."

Miller made his share of mistakes against Indiana. His holding penalty in the third quarter wiped out a good gain and set up a hit on the next play that resulted in a fumble by quarterback Shane Boyd and a 4-yard fumble return for a touchdown by Indiana's Victor Adeyanju. During another drive, he jumped before a snap deep in

Indiana territory. The Wildcats eventually scored a touchdown anyway.

Despite the errors, Brooks praised Miller's effort.

"You have to go in and look at the film and watch him on every play to understand the magnitude of what this young man accomplished," Brooks said. "Yes, he made some mistakes. But for him to come in and not get rattled and play with the poise that he did and block as well as he did was impressive."

"He did miss four or five assignments, but when he missed his assignments, he was doing something full speed. When that happens, you can overcome some of those assignment errors."

As teammate and fellow lineman Matt Huff put it, Miller "came out there, came off the ball and took it to the defense."

Brooks said Miller's footwork — a key to success on the offensive line — is advanced for a freshman.

"I've always been pretty athletic for my size," Miller said. "I've always played other sports, and

that probably carries over to the football field, just being able to maneuver."

Miller, who attended East Carter High School, is thought to be only the second player in that school's history — and the first since 1979 — to sign a Division I-A scholarship. He had no grandiose expectations upon arriving at Kentucky.

"I just came into it thinking, I'm just going to come out and do as well as I can. If they want to play me, that's fine. If they want to redshirt me, that's fine, too," Miller said.

Miller said having practiced against Kentucky's defense helped him adjust to the speed of the game against Indiana. He realizes it will be somewhat different on Saturday, when the Wildcats visit No. 16 Florida in one of the nation's rowdiest stadiums.

"It's supposed to be pretty loud, and that will be my first experience on the road, in front of a hostile crowd," he said. "It might take me a couple of plays to settle in. But it's just football, I guess. I'm not real nervous at all."

Bentley

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still make the playoffs because they're only 11 game behind the Giants in the Wild Card.

For those interested, if there were still only two divisions and no Wild Card — remember those days? — Atlanta would lead LA by 2 games in the West while the Cards would still be 14 up.

In the AL, the Yankees are 95 wins into the season and led Boston by 3 games after Wednesday's action. Remember when some were claiming Tampa could challenge for the post season? They're 30 behind the Pinstrippers now.

Oakland, meanwhile, is two ahead of Anaheim and three up on Texas out West. These three need to win their division, because Oakland would be four back of Boston in the Wild Card race at this point.

And of all people the first team to clinch in the Junior Circuit was Minnesota, a surprising team with 88 wins — One fewer than the Braves, two more than the Dodgers.

The buzz in Pike County surrounds the annual renewal of the Pikeville/Belfry series. The teams will meet for the 43rd time on the gridiron tonight. Belfry holds a 21-18-3 margin in the series thanks to three straight wins.

Some amazing numbers on this series follows: In the 42

meetings between the teams, the average score is Belfry 17.02, Pikeville 15.11. Very close.

But the winning team averages 24.72 while the loser scores 9.23, for an average margin of victory of 15.49.

Translation: We blow each other out equally.

In the last 10 years it's been much of the same. Belfry's margin is 21.7 to 18.5, but the scores of the winning and losing teams tells a much different story: 28.3 to 11.9, for an average margin of 16.4.

Am I the only one seeing the similarities in this year's Prestonsburg Blackcats and last year's Belfry Pirates?

Think about it: Belfry was shut out in the 2003 Pike County Bowl and then reeled off seven in a row. Included in that stretch was wins over Lawrence County, Sheldon Clark and Magoffin County.

Prestonsburg was blanked in this year's Pike County Bowl, and since has ripped off four straight, including an impressive win over Lawrence. The next two foes for the Cats? Sheldon Clark and Magoffin.

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success with the power-I formation of late as the Blackcats have piled up some impressive rushing stats led by Joe Blackburn, who has amassed over 400 yard on the ground in the past two weeks alone.

Brenton Hamilton has given Coach John DeRossett the luxury of a bruising type runner at the fullback slot. Prestonsburg has seen steady improvement from the offensive line

from week to week, and the Blackcat defense has started to mature into an aggressive unit.

After a 3-1 non district schedule, Prestonsburg is set to begin the six game district schedule tonight. Sheldon Clark has been forced to replace 19 of 22 starters from last years squad. Junior Timmy Goble is expected to start at quarterback for the Cardinals.

Golf

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played nine holes Monday and the final nine Wednesday.

The Betsy Layne girls' golf team defeated the Allen Central girls to capture the conference/district championship. Betsy Layne beat Allen Central 493-539. Individually, Betsy Layne's Tiffany Bishop took top honors with a score of 104. The Betsy Layne duo of Candice Meade and Jordan Collins shared runner-up as each shot 125. In a playoff, Meade defeated Collins to take full control

of second-place. Only Betsy Layne and Allen Central fielded girls' golf teams. Order of finish for the girls participants follows. Tiffany Bishop, 104; Candice Meade, 125; Jordan Collins, 125; Kourtney Osborne (Allen Central), 127; Alanna Cline (Allen Central), 127; Rachael Hunt, 139; Rachael Cooley (Allen Central), 140, and Andrea Derossett (Allen Central), 145.

The Prestonsburg boys' golf team took top honors, finishing with a score of 307.

Betsy Layne, with a score of 332, finished runner-up. South Floyd took third with a score of 408 and Allen Central finished with a score of 462.

Order of finish for the boys' participants follow. Brooks Herrick, 69 (won tournament in playoff); Colby Hayes, 69; Sean Leslie (Prestonsburg), 70; Brandon Thacker (Betsy Layne), 78; Cody Click (Betsy Layne), 81; Michael Stephens (Prestonsburg), 83; Derek Case (Betsy Layne), 85; Andrew

Shepherd (Prestonsburg), 85; Bill Collins (Betsy Layne), 88; Austin May (Prestonsburg), 91; Dane Sizemore (Prestonsburg), 96; Waylon Nelson (Betsy Layne), 101; Ethan Conley (Allen Central), 109; Brandon Tackett (South Floyd), 110; Scott King (South Floyd), 110; Clinton Turner (Allen Central), 112; Jonathan Jones (Allen Central), 118; Scott Allen (South Floyd), 119; Dustin Collins (Betsy Layne), 122; Josh Martin (Allen Central), 123.



T South Floyd's boys' golf team finished third in the conference/district tournament.



The Betsy Layne boys' golf team finished conference/district runner-up.



Teammates Tiffany Bishop and Candice Meade finished first and second, respectively, in the Floyd County Conference/58th District Golf Tournament.



South Floyd High freshman Colby Hayes finished second in the Floyd County Conference/58th District Golf Tournament.

H.S. FOOTBALL GAMES ON TAP

Tonight's games

- Knott County Central at Allen Central, 7:30 p.m.
- Pulaski County at Breathitt County, 7:30 p.m.
- Harlan at Cumberland, 7:30 p.m.
- Fleming County at East Carter, 7:30 p.m.
- Lewis County at Estill County, 7:30 p.m.
- Betsy Layne at Eminence, 7:30 p.m.
- Williamsburg at Evarts, 7:30 p.m.
- South Floyd at Fleming-Neon, 7:30 p.m.
- Ashland Blazer at Ironton, Ohio, 7:30 p.m.
- South Laurel at Johnson Central, 7:30 p.m.
- Whitesburg at Middlesboro, 7:30 p.m.
- George Rogers Clark at Montgomery County, 7:30 p.m.
- West Carter at Morgan County, 7:30 p.m.
- Phelps at Paintsville, 7:30 p.m.
- Magoffin County at Pike County Central, 7:30 p.m.
- Belfry at Pikeville, 7:30 p.m.
- Thomas Walker, Va. at Pineville, 7:30 p.m.
- Russell at Powell County, 7:30 p.m.
- Sheldon Clark at Prestonsburg, 7:30 p.m.
- Berea at Raceland, 7:30 p.m.
- East Ridge at Shelby Valley, 7:30 p.m.
- Lynn Camp at Somerset, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday's game

- Jenkins at Letcher, 2 p.m.



Members of the Allen Central High School golf team are pictured with Coach Doug DeRossett.

UK responds to former assistant coach's lawsuit

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — The University of Kentucky says a lawsuit filed last week by a former assistant football coach is an attempt by the coach to "justify his own wrongdoing."

UK said in a statement Wednesday that the federal lawsuit filed by Claude Bassett is without merit. Bassett was a central figure in the UK football program's National Collegiate Athletic Association 2001 probation for recruiting violations. He sued the UK Athletic Association last week for \$50 million.

Bassett claims that the school, the NCAA and the Southeastern Conference violated anti-trust laws after they banned

him from coaching college football for eight years.

Bassett also said the claims against him were based on fraudulent information and his due-process rights were violated.

UK said in its statement that it would "vigorously defend" itself in court.

"Mr. Bassett resigned from his employment with the University of Kentucky upon confrontation by UK officials regarding his misappropriation of a check written to the university," the statement said. "His lawsuit attempts to justify his own wrongdoing."

The NCAA issued a similar statement Monday, saying Bassett's claims most likely will be dismissed.

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

Burton out for season; Williams to play against Florida

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Kentucky wide receiver Keenan Burton will miss the rest of the football season because of a hairline fracture in his wrist, coach Rich Brooks said.

Burton, a sophomore from Louisville, injured his wrist during an Aug. 31 practice. Brooks said last week that Burton planned to continue playing, but on his weekly radio show Monday, Brooks said doctors had advised Burton that his wrist needed surgery. The surgery was scheduled for Thursday, Brooks said.

Burton was the Wildcats' second-leading returning receiver from last season, having made 20 catches for 221 yards and two touchdowns. The team's leading returning receiver, Tommy Cook, suffered a knee injury during spring prac-

tice and also is out for the season.

Burton played in Kentucky's season opener against Louisville, catching two passes for 13 yards in a 28-0 loss. He played only as a kickoff returner in a 51-32 win over Indiana. Brooks said that the school will apply to the NCAA for a medical hardship for Burton, so that he can have the season of eligibility restored.

"I'm disappointed for Keenan and for the team," Brooks said. "It's a tough loss for us. We were fortunate that we had some receivers make big plays against Indiana. They will have to continue to step up their play because Keenan was one of our top receivers coming into the season."

Brooks also said that linebacker Dustin Williams, the team's second-leading tackler last season, will see extensive action this Saturday against Florida. Williams, a junior from Channahon, Ill., pulled a hamstring during the preseason and missed the Louisville game. He played briefly against Indiana, making one tackle for minus-3 yards.



photo by Jamie Howell

Host Adams scored early and often Monday in a 34-0 win over visiting Betsy Layne.

Adams rolls past Betsy Layne

Early scores pave way to Blackcat victory

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG — Adams Middle School improved to 5-0 on the season with a 34-0 win over Betsy Layne on Monday evening at Prestonsburg High School. Adams jumped out in front early on a touchdown run from Seth Setser and added another on a 30 yard pass from Michael Burchett to Austin Gearheart as the Blackcats took an early 14-0 lead.

Betsy Layne was unable to muster any offense and Adams tacked on another first half score on the strength of a 40-yard touchdown

gallop from Allen Craynon.

Austin McKinney scored his second touchdown in as many games on a 95-yard fumble return. Robin Carpenter and Seth Setser anchored an Adams defense that has yet to give up any points in the Floyd County Conference.

Adams was in action last night at Allen Central. Results were unavailable at press time. Allen Central entertained Adams with both teams bringing 5-0 records into the game with the winner being declared regular season county champ. A full recap of Thursday's game will appear in Sunday's edition.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Sabrina Reid,
South Floyd
High School



David Slone,
Allen Central
High School

Soccer

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goalkeeper. Love added a goal towards the end of the first half to stake the Supersonics to a 2-1 half-time lead. In the second half the Supersonics pulled away with three more goals by Cameron Love. The YMCA gave a game effort, but could only muster one additional goal for the 5-2 final.

The Supersonics saw excellent defensive work from Allison Sanders and David Sanders. Summer Ousley, Sid Dey, Sanjana Dey and James Sanders helped to control the midfield area, keeping the ball in the YMCA half of the field. James Sanders played a strong first half in goal and Sid Dey followed with an equally strong relief effort in goal in the second half. The Supersonics saw their second game washed out on Saturday, Sept. 18, but eye returning to the pitch Saturday, Sept. 25 against YMCA 1 at the YMCA in Pikeville at 9 a.m.

Holt, Begley are game captains this week

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — University of Kentucky wide receiver Glenn Holt and kicker Taylor Begley are this week's game captains, joining permanent captains Shane Boyd and Sweet Pea Burns for the coin toss at Florida.

Game captains are selected based on the previous week's game. In Kentucky's win over Indiana, Holt caught six passes for 53 yards and one touchdown, had two rushing attempts for 30 yards, and was credited by the coaching staff for excellent blocking. Begley made all three field goal attempts, tying his career high, and made all six extra points. He totaled 15 points, second-most ever in one game by a

Wildcat kicker.

Research indicates that the versatile talents of quarterback Shane Boyd have helped him accomplish a unique feat in Kentucky football history.

Last Saturday in the win over Indiana, Boyd became the first Wildcat to rush for 100 yards and throw for 200 yards in the same game. Boyd ran 17 times for 130 yards and two touchdowns while completing 21 of 30 passes for 205 yards and two touchdowns versus the Hoosiers.

Boyd accomplished another first last season in the Ohio game when he became the first Wildcat to score a touchdown by rushing, receiving, and passing in the same game.

Former Kentucky basketball star honored at alma mater

by MURRAY EVANS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — The University of Kentucky board of trustees honored former UK basketball standout Tayshaun Prince on Tuesday, approving a resolution of congratulations for a player who helped the Detroit Pistons win this year's NBA title.

Prince attended the first part of the meeting, during which outgoing board chairman Steven Reed read the resolution. In previous board meetings, Reed has praised Prince and the way the player has represented the university since his graduation in 2002 with a degree in sociology.

"Prince has conducted himself with utmost dignity and class in dealing with the public and with the media, bringing great credit to his par-

ents and to his coaches and other support staff at the University of Kentucky," the resolution reads in part.

"Prince is an outstanding example of the positive role that intercollegiate athletics can play at UK and at other higher education institutions."

"It always feels good to be back at UK," Prince said, adding that his time at the university was "the best four years of my life."

The 6-9 Prince played for Kentucky from 1998 through 2002. He was the 2001 Southeastern Conference player of the year and ranks eighth on the school's career scoring list with 1,775 points.

The Pistons chose Prince in the first round of the 2002 NBA Draft. The starting forward averaged 10.3 points and 4.8 rebounds last season for Detroit, which beat the Los Angeles Lakers in the NBA championship series.

Correction:

An article in Wednesday's edition reported that Adams won two of three games played Monday against host Allen Central Middle. Allen Central Middle actually won two of the three games.

Raiders

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out, falling to Class A, Region Four power Pikeville. Tonight, the Raiders will take to the road, traveling to play Fleming-Neon. Kickoff for the South Floyd-Fleming-Neon game is set for 7:30 p.m.



SPORTS FAN OF THE WEEK



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Earnhardt on top after first round of Chase

by JENNA FRYER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Dale Earnhardt Jr. is back on top of the points standings for the first time in three months. How long he can stay there remains to be seen.

NASCAR's most popular driver moved into a tie with Kurt Busch for the series lead in NASCAR's new championship format. His four victories to Busch's three give Earnhardt the edge in a tiebreaker, but it doesn't really matter.

Under this system, the standings can flip in a single race and Earnhardt could easily be in 10th following Sunday's race in Dover, Del.

"It's kind of nice to be leading the points again, even though I'd prefer to be up there by myself," Earnhardt said. "To lead the points this early in the Chase probably doesn't mean that much, because we still have a long way to go. But it sure beats being anywhere else in the standings."

The first round of NASCAR's 10-driver, 10-race playoffs didn't produce any major shakeups in the standings after the first round.

Busch was the big mover, vaulting seven spots to the top after winning at New Hampshire International Speedway.

Three drivers saw their championship hopes hindered: Tony Stewart and Jeremy Mayfield — casualties in a wreck intentionally caused by Robby Gordon — and Ryan Newman, who was done in

by a blown engine.

Stewart plummeted four spots to eighth, 124 points behind the leaders. Newman is ninth, and Mayfield 10th.

"I don't think any of us are going to get mulligans," Stewart said. "That's probably going to take us out of the championship."

Headed into Dover, there are seven viable championship contenders. Trailing the leaders are: Jeff Gordon, Matt Kenseth, Jimmie Johnson, Elliott Sadler, Mark Martin, then Stewart, Newman and Mayfield.

But bad luck striking three contenders in one event has created jitters among some of the other candidates.

"It's survival, anything can happen," Johnson said. "You've got guys out there and everybody has their own agenda and everybody is trying hard. It's just no fun when somebody that isn't in the points battle makes a mistake and takes everybody out, but that's the risk you take."

Although Earnhardt stayed out of trouble at New Hampshire, he saw on several occasions how quickly the car next to him can make one slight move that could instantly take him out of the hunt.

"The people I was around raced me with maybe a minimal amount of more respect than I normally get," Earnhardt said. "Some guys aren't going to change. You could paint these walls black, and there are some guys that wouldn't know the difference. But some of the guys out there know what's going on. They know who is in the Chase, and I think they give you respect for that, I guess. Some guys don't."

The result was a perceived increased intensity, Earnhardt said. But he admits he's been a little on edge since his Aug. 28 win at Bristol, which snapped a six-week slump for him.

After opening the season with a Daytona 500 victory, Earnhardt added two more wins by early May that put him on top of the points standings. But he lost the lead by June, and burns he suffered when he crashed while practicing for a non-NASCAR race harmed the No. 8 Chevrolet team.

Earnhardt needed a relief driver in consecutive races because the pain from his burns was so intense, and his team struggled to create setups he was comfortable with.

By the start of August, his season was in severe jeopardy. He was locked into a spot in the championship chase, but didn't consider himself a legitimate contender.

His win at Bristol changed that.

"It started to grow right at the Bristol win. When my legs weren't feeling too good, I really didn't want to be in the race car. That worried me," he said. "But we got through the summer and went back to Bristol and won that race. We had such a good weekend winning the Busch race and the Cup race, it was instantly a huge jump in confidence."

"We're in a streak where we're going to finish this season out pretty spectacularly, and hopefully with the championship. I really feel like we can win it."

Competing teammates still work together in title chase

by MIKE HARRIS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

In an age of multicar teams dominating NASCAR's Nextel Cup series, it isn't surprising that half the field for the new 10-man, 10-race championship playoff features two sets of teammates.

Kurt Busch, Matt Kenseth and Mark Martin drive for Roush Racing, while Jeff Gordon and Jimmie Johnson are with Hendrick Motorsports.

There would seem to be a delicate balance when teammates compete against each other on the racetrack, particularly when it's for a title. How much information do you share? How much help do you offer on or off the track?

According to the drivers involved, there's no problem at all.

"We're going to work together six days out of the week and we're going to race on the seventh," said Busch after he and Kenseth finished 1-2 last Sunday in Round One of the playoff at New Hampshire International Speedway. "I definitely think teammates will help."

"We've got three cars in the final chase for the Cup and I think we've done an excellent job as a team balancing the different characters and the different ways of creating a setup for each driver."

Until the last 10 years or so, it would have been virtually unthinkable for teams and drivers to share information. Racing was a fraternity filled with secrets and with competitors trying to get a leg up on everyone else.

"We never shared nothing if we could help it," said longtime stock car king Richard Petty, who won seven championships and 200 races in a career that ended in 1992. "It was hard enough to stay ahead of the competition for even a little while without telling somebody else what you were doing."

"And nobody really wanted teammates much." Now, just about everybody has at least one teammate, and it's considered a plus by most.

"There aren't a lot of secrets anymore, anyway," said Chad Knaus, crew chief for Johnson. "The teams all work too close together in the garage, and we stay at the same hotels and eat in the same restaurants and people move from team to team. Information gets around."

Still, how much do you share with your teammate when you're trying to beat them?

"We share all our information at Roush," said

Kenseth, whose Cup teammates also include Greg Biffle and rookie Carl Edwards. "We've done that the last few years since, as a company, we had a terrible year in 2001."

Four-time series champion Gordon and Johnson, who has only been in Cup races for three years, have not faced the struggles the Roush drivers did, but they are equally free with their information sharing.

"Our teams work the way they work and this is really the only way we know to go about it," said Gordon, whose Cup teammates also include Terry Labonte and rookie Brian Vickers.

"During the week, the guys in the shop sometimes don't even know whose car they are working on," Gordon added. "When we get to the racetrack, it's an open-book policy of information. We know what every Hendrick car has underneath it."

"When we're on the racetrack, we're competitors. We want one of us to win this championship. But, as far as sharing information as to what the cars are doing, I don't think that's ever going to change because I'm going to help him to confirm what I'm doing and vice versa. It helps both of us out and helps both of our cars go faster."

Going into Round Two of the title showdown, Sunday at Dover, Del., Busch is in a first-place tie with Dale Earnhardt Jr., just ahead of Gordon, Kenseth and Johnson. Behind them are Elliott Sadler, Martin, Tony Stewart, Ryan Newman and Jeremy Mayfield.

Each of them has at least one teammate, though none of the others are involved in the championship. And teammates aren't always a big help.

At New Hampshire, Earnhardt was upset with DEI teammate Michael Waltrip for racing Junior hard late in the race when Earnhardt, who finished third, was trying to catch Kenseth.

"I was upset by it," Earnhardt said. "I'm sure Michael didn't mean anything by it. I'm sure he was just trying to race and do what you do. I needed a little help there and I expected to get a little and I didn't get any."

When that situation was mentioned to team owner Jack Roush, he replied that he hopes there will be nothing like that going on among his drivers, whom he expects to race each other — and everyone else — hard and clean.

"There's no expectation that anybody wins or that anybody would pull over for anybody else," Roush said. "I just hope that none of the guys take one another out."

Jeremy Mayfield.

Team owner Childress apologized to the fans, media, the teams involved and Cingular Wireless, the sponsor of Gordon's No. 31 Chevrolet, for the situation that occurred during the Sylvania 300.

Gordon was angered 17 laps into Sunday's race when Greg Biffle caused him to spin. After radioing to his crew that he would retaliate, he

made good on the threat by intentionally wrecking Biffle later in the race.

WELCOME, N.C. — Ron Hornaday will be looking for a new ride at the end of the 2004 Busch Series season.

Richard Childress Racing said that Hornaday, a two-time NASCAR Craftsman Truck series champion, will not be re-signed for 2005.

OUT FOR NOW: Robby Gordon placed on probation

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WELCOME, N.C. — Robby Gordon has been placed on probation by Richard Childress Racing for the remainder of the 2004 NASCAR Nextel Cup season after admitting he intentionally caused an accident last Sunday at New Hampshire that involved championship contenders Tony Stewart and

Gordon was angered 17 laps into Sunday's race when Greg Biffle caused him to spin. After radioing to his crew that he would retaliate, he

Clark among Louisville tennis players honored

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE — Four University of Louisville men's tennis players — Jeremy Clark, Jakob Gustafsson, Mark Kennedy and Matt Mayer — earned Intercollegiate Tennis Association Scholar-Athlete honors for the 2003-04 season. In order to earn ITA Scholar-Athlete status a player must be a varsity letter winner, have a grade point average of at least 3.50 (on a 4.0 scale) for the current academic year and have been enrolled at their present school for at least two semesters.

Clark, a junior biology major from Stanville, teamed with Mayer for a 20-6 record in the 2004 season. As

Louisville's top doubles team, the duo appeared as high as No. 18 in the ITA rankings. Clark was second on the team with a 25-11 overall singles record. He was 17-6 in dual matches, playing mostly at No. 6. Clark entered the Louisville men's tennis program following a brilliant prep career at the Prestonsburg High School.

"I teach my players that part of being a successful person is not only excelling on the tennis court, but in the classroom as well," said U of L head coach Rex Ecarma. "We set high standards for our players, athletically, academically and socially. Jeremy Clark, Jakob Gustafsson, Mark Kennedy and Matt Mayer are the embodiment of what U of L wants its student-athletes to be."

NASCAR AUTO RACING GLANCE

NASCAR NEXTEL CUP

MBNA America 400
Site: Dover, Del.
Schedule: Friday, qualifying (TNT, 2:30 p.m.); Sunday, race (TNT, 1 p.m.)
Track: Dover Downs International Speedway (oval, 1 mile, 24 degrees banking in turns)
Race distance: 400 miles, 400 laps

Last race: Kurt Busch began the 10-race championship showdown by winning the Sylvania 300 at Loudon, N.H. Busch swept both 2004 events at New Hampshire and moved into a tie with Dale Earnhardt Jr. for the points lead.

Last year: Ryan Newman overcame a flat tire that cost him two laps, then gambled on fuel and completed a sweep of the races at Dover with a win at the MBNA America 400.

Fast facts: Jamie McMurray has five straight top-10 finishes and 16 this season. ... Tony Stewart and Jeremy Mayfield were both knocked out of last week's race following an accident caused by Robby Gordon. Stewart dropped from fourth to eighth in the standings and Mayfield fell to 10th. ... Mark Martin won the MBNA America 400 at Dover on June 6. Jimmie Johnson swept both races at

the track in 2002 before Newman did it last year. Next race: EA Sports 500, Oct. 3, Talladega, Ala.

NASCAR BUSCH

Stacker 200
Site: Dover, Del.
Schedule: Friday, qualifying (Speed Channel, 1 p.m.); Saturday, race (TNT, 1 p.m.)
Track: Dover Downs International Speedway (oval, 1 mile, 24 degrees banking in turns)
Race distance: 200 miles, 200 laps

Last race: Robby Gordon went from third to first in a three-car battle with 15 laps to go and held to win the Emerson 250 at Richmond, Va. on Sept. 10.

Last year: Teenager Brian Vickers took the lead in the Busch standings after winning the Stacker 200.

Fast facts: Martin Truex Jr. leads Kyle Busch by 105 points in the standings after finishing third at Richmond. ... Ron Hornaday Jr. has competed in a series-record 65 straight races dating to 2002. ... Mike McLaughlin competed in his first Busch race in almost two years at Richmond and finished 12th. Next Race: Mr. Goodcents 300, Oct. 9, Kansas City, Kan.

NASCAR Craftsman Trucks

Las Vegas 250
Schedule: Saturday, qualifying, 6:30 p.m., race (Speed Channel, 10 p.m.)
Track: Las Vegas Motor Speedway (tri-oval 1.5 miles, 12 degrees banking in turns)
Race distance: 219 miles, 146 laps

Last race: Travis Kvapil had just enough gas to win the Sylvania 200 race at Loudon, N.H. Kvapil was several truck lengths ahead of Jack Sprague with two laps remaining when the race was ended by the 10th caution and darkness.

Last year: Brendan Gaughan picked up his fifth victory of 2003 by winning the Las Vegas 350, becoming the ninth driver in series history to win at least that many in a season.

Fast facts: Kvapil has three top-five finishes in as many starts at Las Vegas. ... Sprague won this race in 1999 and 2000. ... Gaughan's win last year gave Dodge the manufacturer championship.

Next race: American Racing Wheels 200, Oct. 2, Fontana, Calif.

On the Net: <http://www.nascar.com>
— The Associated Press

O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series readies for doubleheader

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — The race for the 2004 O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series presented by Arizona Sport Shirts Championship resumes with special events this tonight and Saturday night. Tonight, the series heads back to the Barren County Speedway in Glasgow for a \$3000 to win race. On Saturday night, the Bluegrass 50, paying \$5000 to win, will be held at the Bluegrass Speedway in Bardstown. Both shows will have a complete show for the O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCars with Racing Optics Time Trials, Crown Spray Power Heat Races, O'Reilly Auto Parts B-Mains and the Lucas Oil A-Main.

It will be the third appearance of the season at Barren County for the BoB Series with Greg Johnson of Burgin, and Tyrel Todd of Eubank, taking wins earlier this season. At Bardstown it will be the final tune-up before next month's Dirt Track World Championship Race which will pay \$60,000 to win for the Late Models. Track time will be a valuable asset this Saturday at Bardstown as the series heads to the David and Anita Ferrell promoted facility for third time in 2004. Don O'Neal of Martinsville, Ind., and Tim Tungate of Campbellsville, have won in O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass competition at Bluegrass so far this season.

Gates will open on Friday at Barren County at 2 p.m. with

drivers meeting at 6:15 p.m. followed by hot laps and time trials. Barren County Speedway is on Central Daylight Time. For more information please visit their website at www.barrencountyspeedway.com or call the track at 270/678-1100.

At Bluegrass Speedway on Saturday, pit gates will open at 3 p.m. with spectator gates opening at 5 p.m. For more information on the racing activities at Bluegrass Speedway go to www.bluegrass-speedway.com or call the track phone at 502/349-1241.

With three races remaining in 2004 race schedule Aaron Hatten of Mt. Sterling leads the O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series points in front of Tyrel Todd, Johnny Wheeler of

Blackburn

need to do this." Blackburn finished seventh in the track point standings during his first year of competition. In 2002, he finished third and one year later, in 2003, finished fourth.

The 2004 season was a remarkable season for the Prestonsburg racer. Blackburn is the second Lonesome Pine driver to win a NASCAR regional championship since 2002 when Wade Day claimed a championship.

Now, many are wondering what lies ahead for one of the nation's

newest NASCAR champions. Could Steve Blackburn soon be mentioned in the same breath as some of NASCAR's top drivers? Earnhardt, Gordon, Stewart, Blackburn?

"We have been talking to some various people about a ride for next season," Blackburn admitted. "We've talked to a couple of guys about an ARCA ride and we've talked to someone about running in the truck series, but right now, everything is just in the talking stages. But we

Continued from p1 definitely want to continue racing."

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THROUGH MY EYES

An odyssey

Webster's New World Dictionary provides five definitions of the word "hero." The first speaks of "men of great strength and courage, favored by the gods and in part descended from them." Guess we're talking Odysseus and Hercules here.

Another definition provides: "Any man admired for his courage, nobility or exploits, esp. in war." We've all most likely got a hero of this sort somewhere on the family tree.

Third definition down we get: "Any man admired for his qualities or achievements and regarded as an ideal or model." Now we're into much broader territory.

We also glanced over the definitions (two to the "hero's" five) of the word "heroine." Has nothing to do with drugs, for that you drop the "e," but lots to do, again, with courage, nobility and achievements - female gender.

Why all this focus on heroes? Well, maybe because I attended a

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POSTSCRIPT

A dirty word?

At a recent gathering in Prestonsburg, I overheard this conversation among a young woman, her father and her maternal grandmother.

Young woman: When did liberal become a bad word?

Father: It's not a bad word to me. I consider myself a liberal.

Grandmother: There's nothing wrong with being a liberal.

Young woman: I know that, but so many people act like you're just awful if they think you're liberal.

Now, mind you, this was a gathering of folks who looked solidly middle class. Among the 200 or so, there were no scraggly hairs, no unkempt beards, no unwashed clothes, no bare feet.

These were ordinary people who have ordinary jobs, who care

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Tips for wise use of indoor pest controls

by RAY TACKETT
 FLOYD COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE

It is wise to be cautious in any attempt at indoor pest control, especially when using aerosol bug bombs (total-release foggers) to control insect infestations in your home and other buildings.

Aerosol propellants used in foggers

typically are flammable. You could cause a fire or explosion by using an excessive number of foggers and placing these so large amounts of propellant have contact with an ignition source. Combustible sources can include a flame, pilot light, or a spark from an electrical appliance that cycles on and off such as a refrigerator or air conditioner.

The Environmental Protection Agency recommends that an active fogger be placed at least six feet or further from all ignition sources. To reduce the likelihood of an accident, do not use any more foggers than is necessary. One six ounce or eight ounce fogger generally is sufficient for an average size home; smaller sized foggers are available for apartments and other

smaller units. Do not use foggers in small, enclosed places, such as closets, cabinets, or under counters or tables.

Using no more than one ounce of product per 1,000 cubic feet of living area will significantly reduce the chance of fire yet still be effective. To calculate the volume of a living area, multiply the

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Kathy Prater
 Lifestyles editor



Left: Beautiful, bright chrysanthemums flank the coveted sign appearing near the home's front entranceway.

Inset: "Miss Margaret," as she is affectionately known around town, is pleased that her home was chosen to receive the "Garden of the Month" award.

photos by
 Kathy J. Prater



Yard of the Month

by KATHY J. PRATER
 FEATURES EDITOR



The home of Mrs. Margaret D. Collins, located on North Central Avenue, in Prestonsburg, has been chosen to receive the "Garden of the Month Award," for the month of August, by the Prestonsburg Woman's Club.

Known by many and loved by all, "Miss Margaret" Collins, of Prestonsburg, is pleased as punch to know that her home's landscape design has been recognized by the Prestonsburg Woman's Club.

"It's really beautiful, isn't it," she asked as I snapped a few photos on a misty morning a week or so ago. Miss Margaret, who has made it a habit to "winter" in Florida for the past several years, shared that this year, she just might stay put. "I just haven't made up my mind quite yet," she said.

Regardless, the landscape design of her home will likely stay beautiful all winter long, what with creek stone accents and rustic log borders that should be just as attractive surrounded by snow as they now are sur-

rounded by calla lilies, chrysanthemums and ornamental shrubs and plantings.

The area, once well maintained by her son, the late Billy Ray Collins, had become more than a bit unkempt in recent years, but thanks to the talents of Dwayne Moore, of Prestonsburg, all has been replanted, redesigned and redone - including the wooden steps and railings leading up to the home.

Margaret, who now proudly boasts that she is 93 years old (and looking fine!), actually maintains two homes on her Central Avenue property. One, the home she raised her family in, and the second, the home of her late son, which she recently moved into. "I just decided that I'd come live over here," she said. "I've had everything redecorated and I'm just happy as a clam - everything on one level, and no stairs to bother with," she said.

THINGS TO PONDER

Road rage

by DR. MABLE ROWE LINEBERGER,
 Ph.D.

While a friend and I were discussing anger and its ramifications, she began describing how she was "just so tired" of other drivers not following the rules, such as going to the wrong lane on a four-lane road after making a left turn. Furthermore, my friend's emotional reaction increased during her explaining various safety hazards created by drivers. In the meanwhile, the discussion quickly moved to a focus on

"road rage." What is your pet peeve about those "horrible drivers that do not know what to do" and get in your way at the wrong time? How do you deal with aggravations when you are behind the wheel of a car? Can you keep your cool when you need to make unwanted decisions, based on the careless driving of other people?

According to statistics, incidents of violent driving or road rage have grown significantly over the past decade. The American Automobile Association reported that these driving episodes have increased by 7 percent per year since 1990. These extreme incidents killed 200 and injured 12,000. Estimates were that about half of all traffic accidents in Australia might be due to road rage. Results for some 2.8 million British company car dri-

vers were that: about 83 percent have been victims of some form of road rage during their work day; about 21 percent reported being run off the road; and 18 percent described being physically threatened by another driver.

As with most situations, several possible reasons have been suggested for the rise in road rage. The recession and social and economic frustrations have been thought to attribute to the turmoil. A British car club viewed the cause of the anger that ignites rage incidents as having to do with bad driving. A conclusion from a study of 1,800 U.S. drivers in 1996 were that the road rage incidents were usually stimulated in the average driver by simply discourteous "trigger points," such as loud music, over-use of the horn, tailgating, and changing

lanes without signaling. However, the actual causes might be traced back to all forms of stress, perhaps problems at work or difficulties with a girlfriend, with the result reflecting an over all accumulation of stresses in one's life. It was also suggested that the "beast" is brought out in some drivers because of the anonymity of the road. "You're not really confronted with the person. You're less likely to empathize because you're not dealing with a person with two eyes and a heart." Another possible outcome was that the hostility present in road rage episodes might carry over into the workplace and into the home, leading to marital, family, and health problems created by the accumulated stress of hours of



Mable Rowe Lineberger,
 Ph.D.

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Mountain Arts Center's school matinee series for 2004-05

(MAC Shows Sponsored By Dr. Lee Boyd, Pediatric Dentistry and Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg)
Please schedule school shows at 1-888-622-2787 or 886-2623.

"Snow White" By Theatre IV
Sponsored by Dr. Lee Boyd, Pediatric Dentistry & Highland's Regional Medical Center

Tuesday, October 12 - 9:30 am and 12 Noon
Grades K-5

This musical adaptation of the classic Grimm's fairy tale features a script with lovable characters portrayed by an ensemble of live actors and wonderful puppets. Tickets for this show will be: \$4 students or teachers

"Boston Tea Party" By Mainstage

Sponsored by Dr. Lee Boyd, Pediatric Dentistry & Highland's Regional Medical Center

Thursday, October 21 - 9:30 am and 12 Noon
Grades 2-12

A recreation of the American Revolution presented in an educational, musical manner. Students will receive a clear concept of the sequence of events. Tickets for this show will be: \$4 students or teachers

"Lewis & Clark" Presented By GMT Productions

(Please Note: The Lewis & Clark Date/Time change since first announced.)

Sponsored by Dr. Lee Boyd, Pediatric Dentistry & Highland's Regional Medical Center

Celebrate The 200th Year Anniversary of Lewis & Clark! Two Days of Shows - Monday, November 1 - 10 am & 12 noon

This NEW GMT musical is an amazing adventure of discovery as members of the Expedition face the challenges of uncharted territories. The production, along with its extraordinary musical score, is set in the period. An unparalleled, American, heroic adventure! This show is suitable for audiences of all ages. Designed to build young audiences' character and teach the values of integrity, honor, persistence, impartiality, generosity, respect of others and self, while entertaining audiences of all ages. Lewis had the vision! Clark had the heart! Jefferson had the power to make the dream happen! Explore a continent never seen before. A world Premiere Musical of gigantic proportions!

Exceptional Americans: Sacajawea, the Indian woman who won all hearts; York, the slave; Cruzat, the fiddle-playing guide; and a corps of young Americans determined to be the first to claim a new land for their country! Tickets for this show will be: \$4 students or teachers

Also, Lewis & Clark traveling history exhibit in the art gallery. There will be a Lewis & Clark Exhibit, on loan from the Kentucky History Center in Frankfort, in the Mountain Arts Center's Gallery during the month of November. Tours can be arranged on days when there's no school show scheduled. Please call for details.

"The Legend Of Sleepy Hollow" By Theatre IV

Sponsored by Dr. Lee Boyd, Pediatric Dentistry & Highland's Regional Medical Center

Friday, November 12 - 9:30 am and 12 Noon
Grades K-5

Washington Irving's masterpiece tells of the new schoolmaster Ichabod Crane, his sweetheart Katrina, and the devilishly handsome Brom Bones. This clever adaptation is loaded with hearty audience participation, is more funny than scary, and comes complete with the Headless Horseman! Tickets for this show will be: \$4. students or teachers

"A Christmas Story" Presented By Jenny Willey Theatre and the Mountain Arts Center

Sponsored by East Ky. Cardiology Services

Tuesday & Thursday, November 16 & 18 - 9:30 am and 12 Noon

In 1940s Indiana, Ralphie dreams of the ideal Christmas gift, a genuine Red Ryder 200-Shot Carbine Action Air Rifle. But when gruff dad and doting mom quote the usual saying, "You'll shoot your eye out!" his dreams of BB Gun Bliss quickly fade away. Meanwhile The Old Man just got a Major Award, a leg lamp, and Mom is making sure The Old Man doesn't come near her turkey and Ralphie's friend gets his tongue stuck to a flag pole after a triple-dog-dare. Christmas is drawing nearer and Ralphie visits Santa at the local department store in hopes of asking him for his dream gift. Will he receive it? Come find out this November! Tickets for this show will be: \$6 students, \$8 teachers

(There will also be evening performances to "A Christmas Story," please call the ticket office for information)

"Nutcracker" By Dance Etc. & Mountain Arts Center

Sponsored by Dr. Lee Boyd, Pediatric Dentistry & Highland's Regional Medical Center

School Matinee On Wednesday & Thursday, December 1 & 2 - 9:30 am and 12 Noon
Grades K-12

This is a the classic story in ballet of a little girl and her favorite new toy, the nutcracker. Tickets for this show will be: \$4 students or teachers

"The Jungle Book" By Theatre IV

Sponsored by Dr. Lee Boyd, Pediatric Dentistry & Highland's Regional Medical Center

Friday, March 4 - 9:30 am and 12 Noon
Grades K-5

Re-creation of Rudyard Kipling's classic adventure novel tells the story of a boy who is raised by wolves after a tiger attacks and kills his father. He lives happily in the jungle, but with a very palpable understanding of how different he is from the animals around him. Tickets for this show will be: \$4 students or teachers

"Midsummer Night's Dream" By GMT Productions

Sponsored by Dr. Lee Boyd, Pediatric Dentistry & Highland's Regional Medical Center

Tuesday & Wednesday, March 8 & 9 - 9:30 am and 12 Noon
Grades 7-12

Designed to build young audiences' character and teach the values of integrity, honor, persistence, impartiality, generosity, respect of others and self, while entertaining audiences of all ages.

Tickets for this show will be: \$4 students or teachers

"The Odyssey" By Tales & Scales

Sponsored by Dr. Lee Boyd, Pediatric Dentistry & Highland's Regional Medical Center

Thursday, March 17 - 9:30 am and 12 Noon
Grades K-5

Prepare to be enchanted and enthralled by this unique adaptation of the classic tale, seen from the perspective of Odysseus' son, Telemachus. As Odysseus encounters the one-eyed Cyclops, matches wits with sly Charybdis, young Telemachus must defend hearth and throne from attack. As he overcomes obstacles in the search for his father, children will see how

each of us learns to confront life's challenges and find our own place in the world. Tickets for this show will be: \$4 students or teachers

Please follow the instructions below to reserve shows for classes.

1. Before calling, please make sure you have the following information available:

a. Which show you'll be attending.

b. Date and time of that show.

c. Number of students and number of adults. (Please count any assistants or aides. You will be responsible for the number of seats you order, so please be accurate. We must be notified 2 weeks prior to each show for a change in quantity, based on availability.)

d. Do you have anyone with special needs?

e. Schedule the show with Shelly Crisp or Loretta Blair.

2. You may pay by Purchase Order, Credit Card, Check or Cash.

a. Please have Purchase Order # if paying by P.O.

b. There will be a table in the lobby where teachers will check in prior to show.

3. CALL TOLL FREE 1(888) 622-2787 OR LOCALLY 886-2623 TO RESERVE SEATS.

4. School Show Tickets are \$4-\$8 for students/teachers, depending on the show scheduled, (plus one free ticket with each 20 purchased). Seats will be assigned AFTER confirmation is received from teachers or as special needs are requested.

TICKETS: Tickets are not issued for School Time Theatre performances. Instead, your reservation will reserve a specific number of seats in the theater.

Who may attend "Series for Young People"

All the shows in the "Series For Young People" are presented for the education and enrichment of school aged children throughout the region. In order to allow as many students as possible to attend performances, the number of teachers and other adults attending performances must be limited to the number necessary to transport and chaperone students. For this same reason, we ask that you do not encourage parents to attend student matinee performances with their children.

Increasing reservations

Additional reservations are based on availability. If any group should exceed the number of seats it has reserved without notifying us in advance, we can-

not guarantee that the entire group will be seated.

Cancellations

Please notify the Mountain Arts Center Box Office IN WRITING NO LATER THAN TWO WEEKS BEFORE THE SCHEDULED PERFORMANCE. After that date, schools are responsible for 100% of the reservation value. If your school system is closed due to inclement weather or extenuating circumstances, we will refund the ticket cost for the performance. We will not refund for any other reason. In fairness to others who may want to attend, THIS POLICY WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED. You will not be billed for any performance cancelled by the Mountain Arts Center.

Accommodating disabilities

The Mountain Arts Center is fully handicapped accessible. When you make your reservations, tell us the number of people in your group who require special services and the services requested.

Arriving by bus

Plan to arrive at the theater at least 20 minutes prior to the start of the show. Remain on your

bus until a volunteer usher escorts you into the theater. We have developed this policy to ensure the safety of students, and to help us seat a large number of students in a timely manner.

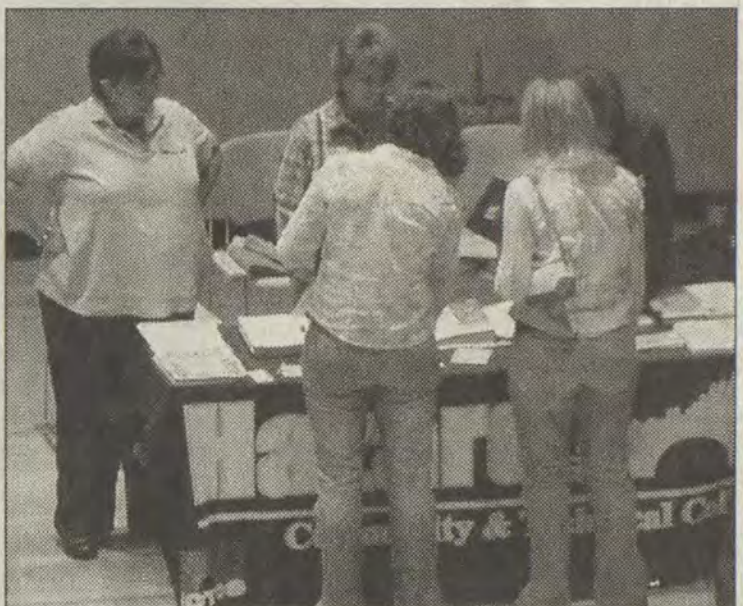
Arriving by car

Please park as directed by the attendant. Cars and trucks will not be permitted in the space designated to school buses. School Buses will have the right-of-way on our parking lot at all times...NO EXCEPTIONS.

KERA Connection

All programs are chosen with two goals in mind - education and quality. Many are based on familiar children's literature or historic characters, emphasize positive values, or introduce students to unfamiliar art forms. In addition to the arts, attending live theatre has been shown to fulfill or enhance many of the goals of the average school curriculum. Note: KERA CONNECTION and Thematic information are provided for each performance.

Show times and dates may change. Please ask when reservations are made if there has been a change



Hazard Community & Technical College hosted Post High School Educational Opportunity Day which attracted more than 400 students to learn about future careers and colleges. Schools participating were: Buckhorn, Cordia, Hazard, Jackson City, June Buchanan, Knott County Central, Owsley County, and Riverside Christian Academy. Those represented at the career day were: Alice Lloyd College, Berea College, Campbellsville University, Cumberland College, Eastern Ky University along with EKV Career and EKV Nursing, Georgetown College, Kentucky State University, KHEAA, Lindsey Wilson College, Midway College, Morehead State University, Northern Kentucky University, Pikeville College, Sullivan College in Lexington, Sullivan University in Louisville, Spencerian College, Transylvania University, Union College, United Parcel Service, University of Kentucky, Western Kentucky University, University Center of the Mountains, University of Virginia at Wise, U.S. Air Force, U.S. Army, U.S. Army Reserves, U.S. Army National Guard, U.S. Marines, U.S. Navy, Hallie Bowling, who organized the event, said the day was a great benefit for high school seniors because all the representatives were together in one place, so they could ask questions and get information for their future. The event has been held annually since the early 1990s.

School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services 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

Sept. 22 - Picture Day.

Sept. 22 - Red, White & Blue school election.

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 Betsy Layne Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center is located in the 500 building of the campus. The goal of the FRYSC is to meet the needs of all children and their families who reside in the community or neighborhood by the school in which the center is located. September calendar activities include presentations in collaboration with the Floyd County Health Department, Quality Kids, Parent Volunteer Meetings (VIP) with Lola Ratliff from the Floyd County Board of Education and our school nurse, Debra Hayes. For further information, please contact the center at 478-5550 or 478-9751, ext. 310.

Brian H. Akers, Center Coordinator; Charlotte Rogers, Program Assistant II; Debra Hayes, School 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. 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

FIT (Fitness is Terrific) Club will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the months of September and October, from 3:00 to 3:45 p.m. Club promotes good nutrition, self-esteem, health education, and physical activity and is open to all 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students. "FIT" is sponsored by the Family Resource Center and the Floyd County Health Department.

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.

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

Monthly Advisory Council meetings will be held the first Wednesday of each month, at 4 p.m. Call for more info.

Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

Resource Center hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Parents and commu-

nity members are welcome to visit. For questions, call 587-2233 - ask for Tristan Parsons, Center Coordinator, or Anita Tackett, Assistant.

W.D. Osborne "Rainbow Junction" Family Resource Center

Oct. 14 - Ronald McDonald presentation for grades Pre-K thru 3rd.

Oct. 18 - 20 - Classroom presentations on "Our Environment."

Oct. 22 - Garry Boothe assembly program, "Attitude is Everything."

Oct. 25-29 - Red Ribbon Week.

"Lost & Found" is located in the FRC. If items not picked up within 2 weeks, they become the property of the resource center.

Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center is located in the W. D. Osborne Elementary School. Hours of operation - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or later by appointment. Call 452-4553 and ask for Cissy or Karen. Parents/community members free to visit any time.

Wesley Christian School

Wesley Christian Daycare and Infant/Toddler Care now accepting infants and toddlers up to 2 years and Preschool age 2-4. Daycare hours: 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

For additional information, call 874-8328. Summer office hours: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Floyd County Adult Ed Class Schedule

For information about Adult Education class schedules, contact the David School at 886-8374. All classes and materials free of charge.



Family Medicine

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



Weight-loss surgery for severely obese, 'at-risk' patients only

What is the difference between the two different types of weight-loss surgery that I've heard about — gastric bypass and lap-band surgery? What are the benefits of each? Is one better than the other?

You've correctly identified two common surgical procedures for weight loss. The first surgery of this type was developed in the 1950s, and since then a number of procedures have been used with varying degrees of success and risk.

Gastric bypass surgery usually means the surgeon has performed a

"Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass," or RGB. The most common weight-loss surgery in the United States, it combines a Roux-en-Y procedure with some form of "stomach reduction." The Roux-en-Y technique — developed by a French surgeon, Dr. Phillibert Roux, in the 19th century — involves rerouting the small intestine so that food empties into it instead of the stomach.

A complete RGB involves several steps. First, a small stomach pouch is created to restrict food intake. This can be done either by stapling or vertical banding. Next, a section of the small intestine is attached to the pouch to allow food to bypass the lower stomach

and the first two segments of the small intestine (duodenum and jejunum). The end result is a reduction in both the amount of food a person is able to eat and the percent of calories and nutrients the body absorbs. RGB can be done both by opening the abdomen or using a less-invasive laparoscopic approach.

The lap-band surgery is short for laparoscopic banding. In this surgery, a scope is used to enter the abdominal cavity. A restrictive band is placed high on the stomach. This limits the amount of food that can be eaten. The lap-band is also adjustable by the patient. The band has an inner surface that can be inflated and deflated using saline. This procedure is relatively new to the United States, but has been used in Europe, Asia and Australia for several years, with good results. For some reason, weight loss results so far have not been as impressive in the United States as in other parts of the world.

Both of these surgeries have risks and benefits. Surgeons usually explain these to prospective patients before any surgical procedure is agreed upon. The recommendation as to which is best depends on the patient's medical history, current health status and other factors unique to the individual. Please keep in mind, however, that weight loss surgery is not for everyone. Most physicians will only perform the surgery on people who are severely obese, with at least one other risk factor, like diabetes.

It should be pointed out that there is a group in the United States, the National Association to Advance Fat Acceptance (NAAFA), that feels all gastrointestinal weight loss surgeries should be discontinued as they are hazardous, and in many cases, ineffective in the long-term.

The decision to have weight loss surgery should be undertaken with a

medical team that carefully lays out all of the risks, benefits and possible complications of this major procedure. They should also help you to develop realistic expectations for your life after surgery and weight loss. Many people think being thinner will solve all of their problems. It does not.

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Postscript

about their families, their communities and their country. Most of them go to church regularly, belong to civic organizations, and pay their taxes.

So why is it that this three-generational family senses that the atmosphere in this country for several years now has steadily devalued them and their opinions?

Those of us who dare to call ourselves politically liberal have been left with puzzled looks as what I believe is a minority has built walls to seal out all but a small elite who think what they dictate to be correct thoughts, who believe what they dictate to be correct beliefs, who act what they dictate to be correctly.

This segment of the population has tried mightily to convince us that we are unpatriotic if we dare criticize the actions of our national leaders. We have to wonder, would they have thought an Iraqi who criticized Saddam Hussein to be unpatriotic to his country? Or would

they consider a citizen of Nazi Germany to have been unpatriotic if he criticized Hitler?

This segment of the population that says the word liberal as if tasting sour persimmons has tried to convince us that unless we adhere to their narrow, exclusive, angry definition of God, then we are God-less. We have to wonder if their Bible omits all references to love. Do they view the Golden Rule as secondary to the Ten Commandments?

This segment of the population has sought — and has been largely successful — to deprive us of rights we took for granted, to use our tax dollars to pay for their projects, to feed us lies and subterfuge, and to erect barriers in a divide-and-conquer strategy.

This segment of the population has looked down their collective noses at all who disagree with them, they've unscrupulously invoked God's name for unholy causes, and they've used innuendo and sneers to make the word liberal sound dirty.

Sadly, in some respects, we have allowed it to happen. We didn't realize just how zealous this group of archconservatives was. We believed moderation would prevail.

Meanwhile, those who could be described as moderates appear afraid to try to strike a balance. They, too, fear they will be labeled as left of center. Rather, they choose to be silent, scared of losing further ground.

It's way past time for people who consider themselves liberals and moderates to reassert themselves and to stop allowing themselves to be cowed by the ideologues of the far right, who have pretty much elbowed out all who are not their own standard-issue.

We must broadcast the need for government and society to represent many voices, to look out for people before corporations, to include the poor and middle class along with the rich, to make sure our own house is in order before we set out to reorder others' houses.

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Lack of choice for auto repair impact vehicle safety, AAA says

LEXINGTON — Backed by a new study released today on Capitol Hill, AAA reiterated that consumers continue to face a lack of choice in automotive repair, a situation that can directly impact motorist safety.

"Technology has made the cars we drive smarter so they can actually tell the driver of an impending problem with the vehicle — before you break-down and have to call AAA," said Lilla S. Mason, AAA Blue Grass/Kentucky spokesperson. "But what if your preferred service technician tells you he doesn't have the equipment to repair your car? Unfortunately, it's a scenario that continues across the country today."

Some American and import auto makers currently prevent consumers from using the diagnostic information generated by their vehicles to have them serviced at a repair facility of their choosing.

In many cases, the diagnostic information is accessible only at auto manufacturer-branded dealerships, preventing choice and convenience in auto repair.

At a House Commerce

Subcommittee hearing today, AAA continued to press Congress to pass H.R. 2735, the "Motor Vehicle Owners Right to Repair Act." The legislation requires that all service and repair information be made available to qualified, independent service technicians.

"When critical safety systems or other components fail, consumers may be stranded many miles from a dealership, or left to wait until the only dealership in town opens up. Not only does this represent an unnecessary inconvenience, it can also put the safety of motorists at risk," added Mason.

Consumers who have previously had negative experiences at a particular dealership — including overcharging, work not performed on time, unauthorized repairs or repairs not properly performed — may not have the recourse of taking their vehicle to get a second opinion.

A new study released by the Tarrance Group indicates that 59 percent of independent repair technicians surveyed had problems in obtaining accurate and timely repair information and

tools from some automobile manufacturers. Seventythree percent of these shops experienced this problem on a monthly basis.

"AAA believes when you drive off the lot with your car, you, the consumer, should own more than just the vehicle; you should own all the information generated by your vehicle, including that which is used to diagnose and repair it," said Mason.

Other groups that joined AAA in supporting the Right to Repair bill today included the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB), the Coalition for Auto Repair Equality (CARE), and the Automotive Aftermarket Industry Association (AAIA).

As North America's largest motoring and leisure travel organization, AAA provides its more than 47 million members with travel, insurance, financial and automobile-related services. Since its founding in 1902, AAA has been a leader and advocate for the safety and security of travelers.

Ponder

commuting in a smoldering state of rage.

A researcher (Deffenbacher) at the Colorado State University concluded that about one in four drivers experienced repeated bouts of anger that often led to actions like yelling, gesturing with a finger, gunning the engine, speeding, and cutting off the other car. Some individuals have labeled these types of driving behaviors as the "Mad Max" syndrome.

Some of these raging maniacs do not perceive their anger as a problem, so they are unlikely to seek help

or try to defuse a situation before it boils over into violence. Even though road rage shootings are

typically rare, Deffenbacher felt there is a lot of anger on the highways. It is estimated that there were thousands, perhaps millions, of angry drivers that are rational until they get behind the wheel of a car. In one of his research projects, subjects were divided into three groups: (1) very angry drivers who knew they had a problem; (2) equally angry drivers who believed they did not have a problem; and (3) low anger drivers. Results showed: subjects with low anger still felt hostile at times, but the rate was about half that of angry drivers; both high anger groups reported more than twice the number of angry episodes, about three times as many aggressive actions, and about two-thirds as many more risky behaviors as the low anger group; no difference was revealed between the amount of anger felt by men and women, but men were more likely to take aggressive and risky actions; and the high anger group that did not think they had a problem were most likely to take risks on the road — speeding or driving while drunk. Another researcher (William Mueller, Ph.D.) found that individuals displaying road rage have been angry for many years and their anger does not necessarily become a problem when they get behind the wheel of a car.

Whether or not you have been accused of being a "RAGER" of the road, you can benefit from stopping to think about your driving behaviors. Examples are: (1) If you are driving in traffic in the fast lane and the person in front of you is driving the speed limit, do you: a. slow down because you realize you are speeding; b. slow down, turn on your signals and move into the other lane, and eventually move back into the fast lane; c. tailgate the idiot; d. turn on your high beams and honk your horn and tailgate; or e. zip into the slow lane, then zip into the fast lane while giving the finger and then slow down in front of the jerk; (2) You are in a parking lot looking for a parking space. You spot an empty place but there is a woman standing in the middle of the space obviously saving the space for her husband who is nowhere to be seen. Do you: a. move on and look for another place; b. give her a dirty look and then move on; c. swear at her telling her to "move her fat (self)"; d. act like you are going to drive into her; or e. drive into the spot just missing her by an inch; and (3) You are stopped at a traffic light and the light has just turned green. The person in front of you is chatting on a cell phone. Do you: a. wait calmly, realizing that it will only be a second or two; b. wait a second, put on your signals and move into another lane; c. honk your horn and yell out your window "Pay Attention Idiot"; d. zoom up quickly behind the person, honking madly; or e. zoom up behind, serve beside the person, ranting and raving then in the middle of the intersection slow down in front of the person and then zoom off.

Several tips are offered for your avoiding the Mad Max syndrome of road rage. Don't take traffic problems personally. Avoid eye contact with an aggressive driver. Don't make obscene gestures (that makes you a player and causes things to escalate). Don't tailgate. Use

your horn sparingly (the polite honk can be misinterpreted). Don't block the passing lane (some drivers think you're doing something to them when you do this). Don't block the right hand turn lane. When driving, don't put yourself in a stress bind by constantly trying to beat the clock — enjoy the journey. Create a relaxing and comfortable environment in your car, by playing relaxing music that has a beat slower than your heart beat. When you behave cooperatively, you get repaid in kind.

If anger, hostility, and aggressiveness disturb your day and ruin your personal life, seek professional psychological services. Several psychological techniques are usually helpful, such as learning relaxation techniques, learning in cope effectively with stress, and gaining insight into attitudes and behaviors. Happy motoring!

Pest

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height, width and length of each room, and add the room volumes together. For example, an eight-foot by 10-foot by 10 foot room has a volume of 800 cubic feet.

Foggers have limited effectiveness because the insecticide only kills exposed pests that are directly hit with insecticidal particles. These particles are not distributed into protected areas such as under furniture, in wall spaces, and beneath insulation in the attic. Some people mistakenly believe that fogger fumigation will kill most if not all pests in the home or building. However, this device should be part of a comprehensive plan to thwart persistent pests.

Sources: Mike Potter and Lee Townsend

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

Eyes

board of education meeting earlier in the week and maybe because the word seems to pop up a lot in later conversations surrounding said meetings. As in, "You're trying to make a 'hero' out of Mickey McGuire." Ah, yes, folks, I've been accused more than once.

So, when Glenna Slone, board member, noted toward the end of Wednesday's meeting that folks of late have been prone to regarding her as a "hero," my ears pricked up. Again, the word "hero" used in context of a member of our education board.

I'm struggling to understand. I don't, and surely you don't, see these folks as heroes in any way, shape or form...or do you? When I think of persons of whom I regard as being heroes — men and women alike — I am more than a little overcome with awe. So, if this could be the case with our board members — that we are in awe of them — then maybe we are getting close to seeing one of the problems associated with moving forward with education in this county.

Our board of education members are not heroes. They are hard working, caring individuals who are committed, at least we hope, to providing the tools and funding to better educate our children and prepare them for the future, but certainly not heroes.

Ms. Slone commented at this week's meeting that some were touting her as a hero because she spoke up for the Floyd

County families who would have a tough time paying for their children's lunches if prices were raised. She said that she was "not a hero" and requested that Dr. Fanning report publicly that other members of the board, as well, were concerned about Floyd County families in regard to this issue.

Now, in my mind, I sorta regard Ms. Slone as being a heroine, in a sense, when she speaks up — anytime, on any issue — for the children and families that she represents. As in the many times she has fought to have the board recognize that schools in her district needed more bathrooms and when she supported saving the Allen Central High School swimming pool. That's courageous, and noble, to support the needs and desires of her district.

So, why is it anything less when Mr. McGuire does the same for his district?

McGuire not only has been staunchly supportive of the needs and desires of those in his district, but he has also shown great concern for the welfare of other children, in districts other than his own.

But, instead of getting the general feeling that McGuire is regarded as a team player by his fellow board members, I get the feeling — and it isn't a new one — that he is more regarded as the "odd man out" in most cases.

He must, surely, feel this himself. But, if he does, he doesn't show it. He, rather, continues to work for what he feels

are the best interests of Floyd County children. At least, that's the way I see it. Sorta "heroic," at least in my eyes, to keep on keepin' on even when you know you're gonna have to fight a little harder and be a little tougher just in order to get your point across.

So, all is not always fair, this we know. But one thing we do know — as the children of Duff Elementary and Allen Middle School reminded us on Wednesday — "it's about kids," not heroes.



The volunteers of the Troubadour Concert Series will present Grammy-winning singer and songwriter Shawn Colvin for a special, intimate acoustic concert at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 28, at the Singletary Center for the Arts (Rose and Euclid) in Lexington. Tickets on sale at the Singletary box office. Call 859-257-4929.

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ASSEMBLY OF GOD

First Assembly of God, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Lorie Vannucci, Minister.
 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.
 Praise 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. Stoe, Minister.

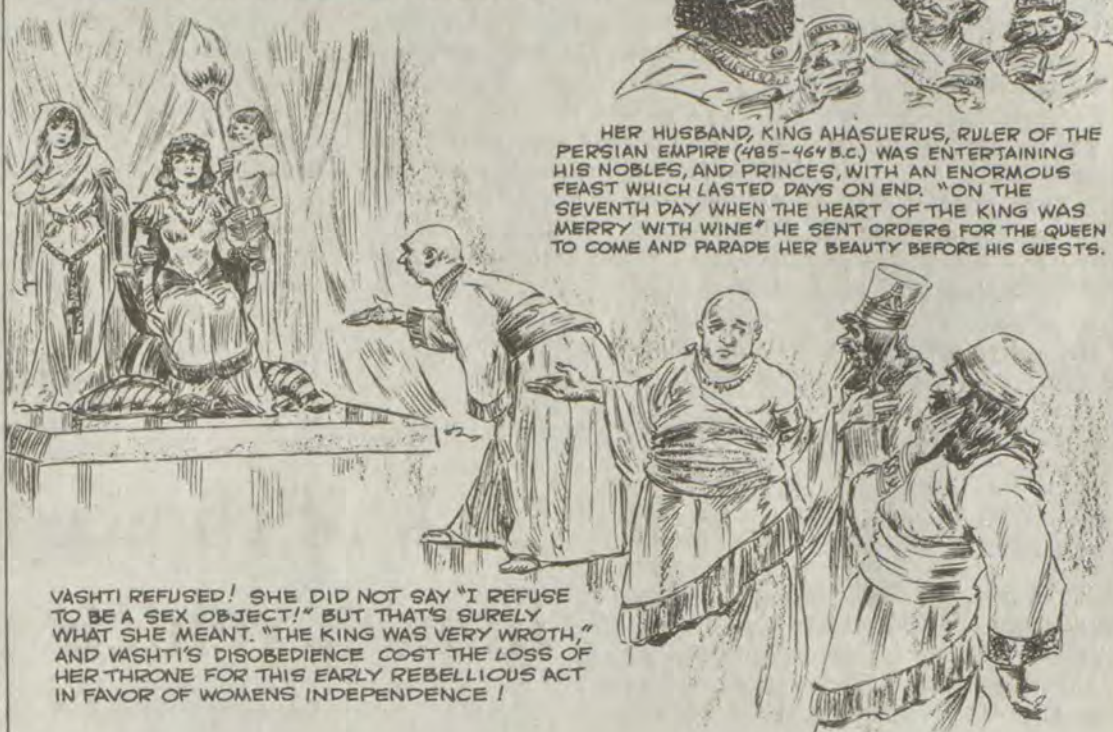
BAPTIST

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.
 Auler Freewill Baptist, Auler; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spenoer, Pastor.
 Benedict Baptist, Slick 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.
 Big Sandy Community and Technical College Baptist Student Union, J 102; Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; Vera Joiner, 886-3863, ext. 67267.
 Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbott Creek Road, Bonanza; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.
 Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Corn 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.
 Daniele Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.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.
 Endicot Freewill Baptist, Buffalo; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Smith, Pastor.
 Faith Bible Church, an Independent Baptist Church, located on 1428, between Allen & Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer, 6 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Stuart E. Swanberg.
 Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Ept. on Rt. 1428; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Buddy Jones, Minister.
 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 Price, 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, 6:30 p.m.

Facts About The BIBLE BY JOHN LEHTI

SHE WAS FAIR TO BEHOLD!
(ESTHER 1:10ff)

HER NAME WAS VASHTI. VASHTI NEVER HEARD OF MALE CHAUVINISM, BUT SHE SUFFERED IT. VASHTI NEVER HEARD OF WOMENS LIB, BUT SHE WAS ITS SISTER!



HER HUSBAND, KING AHASUERUS, RULER OF THE PERSIAN EMPIRE (485-465 B.C.) WAS ENTERTAINING HIS NOBLES, AND PRINCES, WITH AN ENORMOUS FEAST WHICH LASTED DAYS ON END. "ON THE SEVENTH DAY WHEN THE HEART OF THE KING WAS MERRY WITH WINE" HE SENT ORDERS FOR THE QUEEN TO COME AND PARADE HER BEAUTY BEFORE HIS GUESTS.

VASHTI REFUSED! SHE DID NOT SAY "I REFUSE TO BE A SEX OBJECT!" BUT THAT'S SURELY WHAT SHE MEANT. "THE KING WAS VERY WRATH," AND VASHTI'S DISOBEDIENCE COST THE LOSS OF HER THRONE FOR THIS EARLY REBELLIOUS ACT IN FAVOR OF WOMENS INDEPENDENCE!

SAVE THIS FOR YOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL SCRAPBOOK

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Grethel Baptist, State Rt. 3379, (Branham's Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
 Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; David Garrett, Minister.
 Jacks Creek Baptist, Bevinsville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jeff Barrett, Minister.
 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.
 Lancoer Baptist Church; 71 Cooley St., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m., Evening Woshp, 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Bobby Carpenter
 Liberty Baptist, Denver; Sunday Service, 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, Lancoer; 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.
 Rock Fork Freewill Baptist; Garrett Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Crager, 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 Spenoer, Minister.
 Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist; Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water Gap; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m., Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.
 United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Hueysville; Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.
 Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright Junction; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Louis Ferrari, Minister.

CATHOLIC

St. Martha, Water Gap; Mass: Sunday, 11:15 a.m.; Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday; Father Robert Dameron, 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 Hackworth, Minister.
 Victory Christian Ministries, 1428 E.; Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Sharm Williams, Minister.

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; Sunday School, 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.
 Weaksbury 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.; Randy 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 Heater 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 Beyes Room Carriage House Motel, Paintsville; Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; WKLW (800 am) 12:05 p.m.; Roland Bentrup, Minister.

METHODIST

Auler United Methodist, Auler; 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 Lamaster, Minister.
 Community United Methodist, 141 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Neeley 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 Arnold Avenue; 9 a.m. Contemporary Service; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. UMYS Service; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark D. Walz, Pastor.
 Horn Chapel Methodist, Auler Road, Auler; 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.
 Maytown United Methodist, Langley; Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.
 Salisbury United Methodist, Priner; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby G. Lawson, Minister.
 Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Brad Tackett, Minister.
 Wheelwright United Methodist, Wheelwright; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Isaac, Minister.
 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.

Free Pentecostal Church of God, Weaksbury; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; John "Jay" Patton, Minister.
 Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Campton; Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Order, Minister.
 Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Serlian, 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; ; Sunday Service, 6:30 p.m.; Mike D. Caldwell, Minister, 297-6262.
 Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin; Sunday School, 10 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.
 SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
 Seventh-Day Adventist, 5 miles West on Mountain Parkway; Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; Gary Sheph Minister.

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; Relief Society/Preschool/Primary, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Sacrament/Mtg., 11:20 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m. Church Meeting House address, Hwy. 80, Martin, KY 41649; Meeting House telephone number: 285-3133; Ken Carriere, Bishop.

OTHER

Pastor Atha Johnson welcomes everyone to attend services at the CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY TRAM KENTUCKY, Sunday school 10 a.m., Worship service 11 a.m.
 Drift Independent, Drift; Sunday, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.
 Dwaile House of Prayer, Dwaile; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday, 6 p.m.; William Jarell, Minister.
 Grace Fellowship Prestonsburg (next to old flea market), Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Bill Stukenberg, Pastor 889-0905.
 Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shepherd, Minister.
 Faith Revelation Ministry, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Equipment; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Randy Hagans, Minister.
 Faith Worship Center, US 460, Paintsville; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frye, Minister.
 Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lavonne Lafferty, Minister.
 Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hall St.; Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.
 Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship Service, 7 p.m., Saturday/Sunday.
 Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Martin; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; John W. Patton, Minister.
 Spurlock Bible (Baptist), 6227 Spurlock Creek Rd., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dan Heintzelman, Minister.
 Town Branch Church; Sunday School 10 a.m. except for first Sunday in each month; Worship Service, Sun. morning 10:00 a.m.; Evening 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; No Sunday night services on first Sunday of each month. Tom Nelson, Minister.
 The Father House, Big Branch, Abbott Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wright, Minister.
 The Tabernacle, Rt. 321 (Old Plantation Hotel), Christian Educator, 10:00; Sunday Morning, 11:00; Sunday Evening, 7:00; Wednesday, 7:00; Pastors, Paul and Ramona Aiken.
 Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright, Monday-Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.
 Zion Deliverance, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Prayer Line: 358-2001; Jeff Kinslow, Pastor
 Taylor Chapel Community Church, formerly the old Price Food Service building, located 1 quarter mile above Worldwide Equipment, Rt. 1428. Sun. Bible Study, 10 a.m.; Sun. Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Sun. Evening, 6:30 p.m. Kenny Vanderpool, Pastor.
 International Pentecostal Holiness Church, 10974 N. Main St., Martin; Rev. Ellis J. Stevens, Senior Pastor.
 Rising Sun Ministries, 78 Court Street, Allen, Ky.; Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Pastor: D.P. Curry.
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330-For Sale

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510-Comm. Property

Property for sale at Emma call 606-874-2421

For Rent: Beauty shop equipped with 3 stations, and tanning bed. located 1 mile south of Martin on Route. 122. or would consider remodeling for office space Call 606-285-4826 or 606-285-9112.

530-Homes

For Sale by owner 3 bed room, 2 bath at Eagle trace Sub-division, located in Harold, KY. asking 89,000 call 859-227-4688

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550-Land & Lots

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Registration at 9 till 10:30am run starts at 11:00am Meet at Wal-Mart Super Center, Pikeville, Ky All Bikers Welcome

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640-Land & Lots

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For Rent newly constructed Mobile Home Lots on Reynolds Hill, in new Allen, City water, sewage, underground utility lines and lighted concrete drive ways, First and Last Month rent and reference required call 606-874-2212

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 1995 Fleetwood Stone Ridge 24 x 52, 3 bed room 2 bath with 2 new decks, all kitchen appliances included, central heat and air, in excellent condition asking 19,500 call 606-886-3437 leave message.

670-Comm Property

For Rent: Beauty shop equipped with 3 stations, and tanning bed. located 1 mile south of Martin on Route. 122, or would consider remodeling for office space Call 606-285-4826 or 606-285-9112.

Office building (30x70) for rent on 2 acre lot located at Daniels Creek 300 feet off US 23, building consists of 2 office spaces-two baths-1 garage 30x40-3 room apartment. Fenced lot with hook up for mobile home, call 606-0478-9614 after 6pm

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For Sale or Lease Large Building Great for offices spaces call 606-478-5403

NOTICES

605-Announcements

ALC' APPALACHIA DAY HOME COMING

Alice Lloyd College will hold its annual Appalachia Day Homecoming celebration on the campus in Pippa Passes, Knott County, on Saturday, October 9th. The celebration includes exhibits of Appalachian Arts & Crafts, Traditional Mountain Music, Special Alumni Events, the Traditional Soup Bean Supper, and an Appalachians Authors Books signing. The June Buchanan School Theatre Department will present Murder (Country Style, an audience participation murder mystery. Registration and events begins at 9:00am. For more information please call 606-368-6055 or 368-6044

812 - Free

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890-Legal

NOTICE OF INTENT TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 636-5032, RENEWAL #4

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Hall & Jones Coal Company, General Delivery, Route 122, Bevinville, KY 41606, has filed for a permit for an underground coal mining operation located 2.5 miles south of McDowell in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 0.93 surface acres and will underlie 382.00 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 382.93 acres. The proposed operation is approximately 0.5 mile east from KY 1929's junction with Ned Fork Road and located 0.01 mile southwest of Ned Fork. The latitude is 37 degrees 25 minutes 28 seconds. The longitude is 82 degrees 41 minutes 52 seconds. The proposed operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Andy Mitchell. The operation will underlie land owned by Andy Mitchell, Della Vance, James Jones, Richard Moore, Ira Lee Jones, Charles Page, Levi Blankenship, Carl Bentley, Orville Moore, Hazard Hamilton, Barzell Brown, Sam Hamilton, Arizona Martin, and Jeff Henson. The application covers an

area of approximately 20.14 acres located 2.2 mile south of Lackey in Knott and Floyd Counties. The permit area is approximately 0.6 mile southwest from Ky. Route 550 is junction with Triplett Branch Road and located on Triplett Branch of Jones Fork. The latitude is 37° 26'37". The longitude is 82° 50'05". The bond now in effect is a certificate of deposit and a bond pool type in the amount of \$93,900.00. Approximately sixty (60) percent of the original bond amount in the amount of \$93,900.00 is included in the application for release. Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, and seeding to achieve the approval post mining land use which was completed in May 2004. Results thus far achieved are: area is stable and the post mining land use has been established. Written comments, objections, and requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, 2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, KY 40601-4321.

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In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that J.C. & P. Coal Corporation, General Delivery, Route 122, Bevinville, KY 41606, has filed for renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining operation located 2.2 miles east of East McDowell in Floyd county. The proposed operation will disturb 1.08 surface acres and will underlie 582.30 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 583.38 acres. The proposed operation is approximately 0.1 mile south from KY 1929's junction with Ned Fork Road and located 0.1 mile south of Fransure Creek. The latitude is 37 degrees 25 minutes 20 seconds. The longitude is 82 degrees 42 minutes 24 seconds. The proposed operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Della Vance. The operation will underlie land owned by Della Vance, Wade Frasure, Rex Frasure, Boone Frasure, Hazard collins, Helen Gayheart, Otis Frazier, Wade Frazier, Eugene Frazier, Edd Mosley, Mike Kinney, Ray Hall, Bobby Holson, Moses Frazier, Jeff Henson, Sam Hamilton, Barrell Brown, Opal Moore, Orville Hamilton, Orbin Moore, Carl Bentley, Levi Blankenship, Charles Page, Ira Lee Jones, Kilhard Moore, and James Jones. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of Ned Fork Road. The operation will not involve the relocation of the public road. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1410. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, 2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, KY 40601-4321.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for November 1, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. at the Department for Service 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 29, 2004.

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ORDINANCE NO. 6-2004

An Ordinance of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, relating to a tax levy on real and tangible personal property and franchises, all for the general operating expense purposes of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky. WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, in order to maintain a progressive and stable tax base for the city, finds it necessary to adopt the following Ordinance in order to provide funds for the general operative expense purposes of the City; Now, therefore be it hereby ordained by the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, as follows: Section 1: The County assessment of property situated in the City of Prestonsburg, both real and personal, is hereby adopted. Section 2: For the purpose of providing funds for the general operating expenses of the City of Prestonsburg for the fiscal year from July 1, 2004, to June 30, 2005, and for each year thereafter, until this Ordinance is amended or enacted, the following taxes are levied. (A) Upon all real estate within the City of Prestonsburg, not specifically exempted from taxation, situated within the City of Prestonsburg of \$2169 per One Hundred Dollar (assessed value. (B) A tax upon all tangible personal property and franchises not specifically exempted from taxation, a tax of 0.3722 per One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) of assessed value. Section 3: A discount of two percent (2%) of the total amount of the tax bill is hereby allowed upon all tax bills paid prior to November 30th of each year. Section 4: A penalty of six percent (6%) of the total amount of the tax bills that are not paid on or prior to the thirty-first (31st) day of December of each year shall be imposed and collected. Section 5: The City Clerk is hereby designated and

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
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authorized to collect the tax imposed here-in. Section 6: This Ordinance is passed pursuant to, in compliance with, and by virtue of the authority of the following constitutional and statutory provisions, to-wit: Kentucky Constitution Sections 157, 170 and 181; Kentucky Revised Statutes 92.160, 92.170, 92.330, 18.280, 132.010, 132.027, 132.385, 136.270, 136.280 and 142.020. Section 7: Any word, phrase, section, or sub-section of this Ordinance declared by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, shall not affect the remainder of this Ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect. Section 8: All ordinances, or any parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby expressly repealed to the extent of such conflict. Section 9: This Ordinance shall become effective upon adoption and publication as required by law. Adopted, this the 21st day of September, 2004. Jerry Fannin, Mayor Attest: Peggy Bailey, City Clerk 1st Reading: 9/20/04 2nd Reading: 9/21/0

836-5411, OPERATOR CHANGE
In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Richardson Fuel, Inc., 14305 Old US Route 23, Catlettsburg, KY 41129, intends to revise permit number 836-5411 to change the operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is Solid Rock Construction, Inc., 6169 KY Route 1428, Allen, KY 41601. The new operator will be M.R.I. Mining, Inc., 18639 Route 122, Hi Hat, KY 41636. The operation is located 1.7 miles South of McDowell, Floyd County, the operation is approximately 0.2 mile east of KY Route 122's junction with Spewing Camp Branch Road and located 0 feet North of Spewing Camp Branch. The operation is located on the

McDowell U.S.G.S. minute quadrangle map at Latitude 37°25'54" and Longitude 82°43'40". The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or request for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, US 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601. This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

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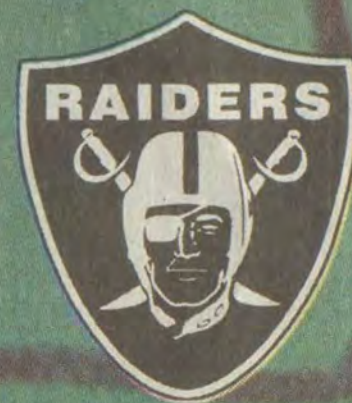
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