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briefs

Man charged after shooting

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

MARTIN — Gary Coburn, 50, of Wayland, was arrested Friday morning after he allegedly fired several shots at Steve Dalton, 22, also of Wayland.

The incident allegedly happened at approximately 6:30 a.m. on Route 122 at Garth. Dalton was taken to Our Lady of the Way Hospital, where he was housed and treated for a gunshot to the right thigh.

Coburn was arrested at his residence, charged with first-degree assault and taken to the Floyd County Detention Center.

The incident is being investigated by Kentucky State Police Det. Mickey Watson and is still ongoing.

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Dead inmate's arrest came after school call

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The death of Robert Hopkins early Thursday morning while he was lodged at the Floyd County Detention Center is in the hands of the County coroner now, but information about Hopkins continues to filter in.

According to information provided by

School Superintendent Dr. Paul Fanning, the arrest of Hopkins for driving under the influence of a controlled-substance came after school employees contacted police after noticing something odd about Hopkins when he came to the school with another adult to pick up a child.

Hopkins was observed by bus duty staff, who believed that there was something irregular about his behavior. They

contacted the principal, who in turn alerted the police.

Fanning commended the staff, saying, "These people were on their toes."

Martin police apprehended Hopkins on this tip and a drug screening was performed at Our Lady Of The Way Hospital.

Hopkins' body has been shipped to Frankfort for an autopsy and to determine the level of drugs in his system. Hopkins

admitted to police that he had taken two Lorcet tablets before he was screened in the late afternoon. The initial reports indicate that Hopkins expired around 10:30 p.m., but his death wasn't discovered until 3 a.m., when another inmate was brought in.

One thing officials will look for in the autopsy is whether the level of drugs in Hopkins' system changed between his initial screening and his time of death.



photo by Tom Doty

Clyde Bentley glared at the prosecutor as he listened to their recommendations for his case in circuit court Friday.

Bond set at \$20,000 for man accused of beating

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Clyde Bentley, 33, of Martin, appeared in circuit court Friday and was informed that an indictment had been handed down against him regarding a savage beating that was inflicted on his neighbor, Homer Music.

Bentley had been released from prison due to a seizure dis-

order that he had developed since being incarcerated. He had been in jail for a previous assault charge that netted him with a five-year sentence, with four years to be probated.

On Friday, his attorney argued that Bentley had many problems and should be issued a reasonable bond. Among the arguments were that he had health problems, a wife and a sick son, and that he was thus not a flight risk.

Judge John Caudill countered that Bentley had been in the same hospital as his son in Lexington but left the facility and came back home as soon as he was released. He also pointed out that Bentley was under instructions to report back to jail when he got out of the hospital and failed to do so.

A \$20,000 cash bond was issued and Bentley will most like-

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Man gets 90 days for elk killing

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Ronald J. Johnson, 20, of Dwale, was sentenced in district court Friday for his part in poaching an elk on Ivy Creek two weeks ago.

Johnson received a 90-day sentence as well as two fines. The act netted him a \$2,000 fine which can be transmuted to community service and \$7,500 in restitution, which is due to the court in 180 days.

Johnson also affirmed to the court that he would aid in the prosecution of three others allegedly involved in the incident. Those men, Billy Joe DeRossett, 20, Neal David Vanhoose, 26, and Monroe Jarvis, 26, have all pleaded not guilty to the charges, which accuse them of poaching the elk as well as spotlighting it, in order to stun it, and trespassing. They also allegedly removed

the animal's horns with a shotgun blast. That act proved to be their undoing and allowed Kentucky Fish and Wildlife officer Mark Wallace to get a positive match between the head of the animal and the remains of the antlers, which were retrieved from Dewey Lake.

Though Johnson was thanked for coming forward and telling the truth about the incident, he also received an admonition for his actions.

"Those elk were introduced to Kentucky after a backbreaking effort that carried great costs," said Judge Eric Hall.

Hall went on to say that Kentucky had been deprived of the future elk that the bull would have sired, as well as the loss to future gamesmen and nature aficionados.

Johnson was also ordered to respect private property and stripped of all hunting privileges for the next three years.

Judge rejects plea agreement after alleged drug incident

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Donnie Bentley, 30, of Dwale, was in circuit court Friday to be sentenced for a charge of evading police, but instead saw his

plea go out the window when Judge John Caudill told him that he wasn't going to accept the plea.

Caudill's logic was predicated on the fact that Bentley no

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With mine fatalities on rise, petitioners seek more money for enforcement

by MARTHA BRYSON HODEL
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — With West Virginia leading the nation in mining fatalities this year, a coalition of political activists and labor unions called Friday for increased funding of federal coal mine safety programs in petitions delivered to President Bush's state campaign offices.

The United Mine Workers of America

and America Coming Together collected about 1,100 signatures on their petitions, which were taken to Republican campaign offices in Beckley and Charleston, said Ted Hapney, a spokesman for the UMWA in Charleston.

America Coming Together is a nationwide group trying to mobilize Democratic voters in West Virginia and other swing states.

As of Sept. 1, with three months

remaining in the year, West Virginia has experienced eight coal mining fatalities, more than any other state, compared with nine during all of 2003 and six in 2002, according to the federal Mine Safety and Health Administration.

Nationwide, there have been 17 coal mining fatalities in the first nine months of 2004. The nationwide total in 2003 was 30. West Virginia and Kentucky had the most fatalities with nine each. In 2002,

Kentucky also had nine fatalities, while West Virginia had six, and the nationwide total was 27.

The petitions circulated in West Virginia stated that the Bush administration has allowed funding for coal mine safety programs "at a static \$115 million ... despite the fact that deaths of coal mine workers increased from 2003 to 30 from

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Odds and Ends

■ LEADINGTON, Mo. — Ralph Heine figured his knee was shot. At age 86, he thought his balky joint was just a sign of old age.

Turns out he was carrying a souvenir from World War II for nearly six decades: A bullet to the knee.

During a recent medical exam of a problematic hip and knee, X-rays revealed a bullet that had eluded detection since Heine was shot by Nazi troops in early 1945.

Heine was serving with the 42nd Rainbow Division in the

Alsace region of France. He recalled his story during a weekend event in the eastern Missouri town Leadington to honor prisoners of war and those missing in action.

"I got shot in the shoulder, and when I went down they shot me again in the leg. I thought that bullet only grazed me," he said. "I didn't think it went in."

After being wounded, Heine was taken prisoner by German troops and spent several weeks in a hospital. He was transferred from one prisoner of war camp to another over four months, and

was in a stalag near Munich, Germany, when finally liberated by Allied troops.

■ DALTON, Ga. — Authorities say they've nailed The Mad Tacker.

Robert Holcomb had a sharp grudge against local police, and now he's accused of criminal damage for allegedly throwing nails on the roads in front of the police station and jail for more than six months.

Holcomb, dubbed The Mad Tacker by police, is blamed for flattening tires of at least seven

sheriff's patrol cars and seven personal vehicles of Whitfield County 911 Center employees.

"Sooner or later he got just about everybody coming and going," said sheriff's Maj. John Gibson.

Holcomb, 35, was arrested after an officer spotted him dumping nails on a street near the county jail.

The officer pulled over Holcomb's car. During a search, authorities found two boxes of galvanized roofing nails, one box of aluminum siding nails and a bowl containing roofing nails.

Holcomb was charged with first-degree criminal damage to property, damaging government

property, first-degree criminal trespass, littering and interference with government property. He was jailed Monday on \$35,000 bail.

■ MILFORD, Conn. — A man who mooned the judge will be spending an extra year in his prison jumpsuit.

Three months after dropping his pants in front of Superior Court Judge Patrick Carroll, Richard Brown was back in court Monday for a plea agreement on a robbery.

Brown's June 23 pants dropping cost him a year in prison. He got six months for contempt of court and an extra six months that the prosecutor added to the

sentence offered in a plea deal for robbery.

Brown's bottomless outburst began when Carroll told him to say "yes, sir" when addressing the court.

"Sir? Kiss my (expletive), sir!" Brown shouted, dropping the pants of his two-piece prison jumpsuit as he turned to expose his rear end to the bench.

According to terms of the plea agreement, Brown will be sentenced in December to 10 1/2 years in prison for holding up the Krauszer's market in West Haven, on Dec. 11, 2003.

Brown will begin serving that sentence when he finishes his six months for contempt for the mooning the judge.

MINISTER'S MOMENT

I can't stand Les

by JOHN A. BAKER
PASTOR, PRESTONSBURG
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

In the past 10 years or so, I've come to dislike a person I've never met. I know what the Bible says about loving our neighbor and all. It's just uncanny.

I have lived all across this fruited plain from New Mexico to Vermont, and yet I continual-

ly see evidence that this man exists, yet I have never met him. Whether you work in big business, teach in a school, or attend church faithfully, you've heard the name a million times. Each year for whatever reason, bosses and pastors are telling their faithful, "I'm sorry, but you're going to have to do more with Les." "I know you're doing the work of three people, but we have no choice, you'll be work-

ing with Les this week."

The burning question is, if no one has seen Les, how do we know this maniacal slave-driver exists?

For pastors, the proof becomes glaringly obvious at church clean-up day. I'm sure most feel as Jesus did when he healed the group of lepers and only one returned to say thank you. Christ then says, "I thought there were 10?"

Additional proof that Les belongs to your church is at nominating committee time. We sit around the table with our committee, (though you may have a church roster of 200 members), only 14 are willing and able to commit to do any service at all. Indeed, Les is a member in every church.

The final proof that Les exists is found in the energy level of the pastor and the quality of his clothes. If the knees on his suit pants are worn, it's because he's been praying earnestly for Les and if his sermons seem as enthusiastic as an all-day seminar on the growth patterns of tree bark, Les definitely has been getting to him.

So the question that begs to be answered is, "How do we get rid of Les in our church?"

I suggest each person evaluate if they are truly satisfied with Les leading out in their church. If Les continues to have a strong presence in your church, plummeting attendance, stagnant programs and worn-out leaders will be the result.

Getting rid of Les begins with you. Remember, the service and volunteerism we do for the Lord in our churches is an outpouring of how much we love Him and how much we owe Him. We can never out-give or pay back God for His mercy and blessings.

How about it? Can we replace Les with Mr. More this week? I know your pastor would appreciate More then Les for a change. It can happen, and it starts with you!

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Sept. 26, the 270th day of 2004. There are 96 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Sept. 26, 1960, the first televised debate between presidential candidates John F. Kennedy and Richard M. Nixon took place in Chicago.

On this date:

■ In 1777, British troops occupied Philadelphia during the American Revolution.

■ In 1789, Thomas Jefferson was appointed America's first secretary of state.

■ In 1898, American composer George Gershwin was born in Brooklyn, N.Y.

■ In 1914, the Federal Trade Commission was established.

■ In 1950, United Nations troops recaptured the South Korean capital of Seoul from the North Koreans.

■ In 1952, philosopher George Santayana died in Rome at age 88.

■ In 1955, following word that President Eisenhower had suffered a heart attack, the New York Stock Exchange saw its worst price decline since 1929.

■ In 1957, the musical "West Side Story" opened on Broadway.

■ In 1986, William H. Rehnquist was sworn in as the 16th chief justice of the United States, while Antonin Scalia joined the Supreme Court as its 103rd member.

■ In 1991, four men and four women began a two-year stay inside a sealed-off structure in Oracle, Ariz., called "Biosphere Two." They emerged from the Biosphere on this date in 1993.

Ten years ago: Addressing the U.N. General Assembly, President Clinton announced he had lifted most U.S. sanctions against Haiti, and urged other nations to follow suit. Jury selection began in Los Angeles for the murder trial of O.J. Simpson. Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell declared health care reform dead for the session.

Five years ago: America won its first Ryder Cup since 1993 after trailing the European

team 10-6 going into the final round. To the anger of the Europeans, U.S. players, along with caddies, officials and wives, stormed the green to congratulate Justin Leonard for a 45-foot putt that all but won the tournament for the Americans.

One year ago: President Bush and Russian President Vladimir Putin opened a two-day summit at Camp David. The government issued a recall for Segway scooters, citing instances in which riders fell off when the batteries ran low. A magnitude eight quake rocked Japan's northern island of Hokkaido, injuring more than 750 people. British rock singer Robert Palmer died in Paris at age 54.

Today's Birthdays: Fitness expert Jack LaLanne is 90. Actor Philip Bosco is 74. Country singer David Frizzell is 63. Actor Kent McCord is 62. Television host Anne Robinson is 60. Singer Bryan Ferry is 59. Former Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Christie Whitman is 58. Singer Lynn Anderson is 57. Singer Olivia Newton-John is 56. Actress Mary Beth Hurt is 56. Actor James Keane is 52. Rock singer-musician Cesar Rosas (Los Lobos) is 50. Country singer Carlene Carter is 49. Actress Linda Hamilton is 48. Country singer Doug Supernaw is 44. Recording executive Andre Harrell is 44. Actress Melissa Sue Anderson is 42. Actor Patrick Bristow is 42. Rock musician Al Pitrelli (Megadeth) is 42. Singer Tracey Thorn (Everything But The Girl) is 42. Weather reporter Jillian Barberie is 38. Actor Jim Caviezel is 36. Singer Shawn Stockman (Boyz II Men) is 32. Jazz musician Nicholas Payton is 31. Actor Mark Famiglietti is 25. Singer-actress Christina Milian is 23. Tennis player Serena Williams is 23.

Thought for Today: "The world cares very little about what a man or woman knows; it is what the man or woman is able to do." — Booker T. Washington, American educator and author (1856-1915).

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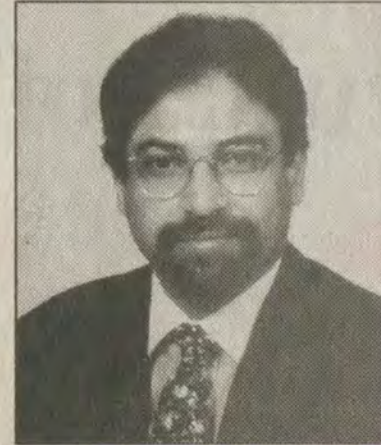
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Man convicted of murder in car crash that killed his girlfriend

The Associated Press

INEZ — A Martin County man who admitted he was driving while high on prescription pills was convicted of murder in the death of his girlfriend in a car crash last year.

Joe Allen Evans Jr. was convicted Thursday in the death of Amanda Dawn Maynard, who was ejected from the car that Evans was driving.

The jury recommended a sentence of 20 years in prison — the minimum for murder. Circuit Judge Daniel Sparks set sentencing for Oct. 22.

Sparks gave the jury options of convicting Evans, 30, of murder, second-degree manslaughter or reckless homicide.

Maynard, 21, was killed June 29, 2003, after she and Evans left a party in Johnson County in a

co-owned by Maynard and her father.

Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Tony Skeans said during closing arguments that Evans showed "gross indifference" to Maynard's life the night of the crash.

"He left her laying in the middle of the four-lane highway like a Big Mac wrapper somebody had thrown out the window," Skeans said. "Then he continued on."

Evans testified that he put his girlfriend in the back seat of the car because she had passed out.

Evans said he took five Soma pills and five Xanax pills on the way home from the party because he thought he could make it safely back to Inez "before they hit me."

Soma is a muscle relaxant, and Xanax is a tranquilizer.

But an unsuccessful attempt to fix a flat tire at a coal-mine guardhouse delayed his trip home long enough for the drugs to take effect, Evans said. Evans said he drove home on an exposed tire rim.

Evans' case was chronicled last year in a series published in

The Courier-Journal of Louisville. The articles found that felony cases in the state's court system, including hundreds in Johnson, Martin and Lawrence counties, languished for years without being acted on.

Evans was arrested in 1998 on charges of driving under the influence in Lawrence and Martin counties, his fifth and sixth DUI arrests in four years, but the cases were not presented to grand juries for possible indictments until last year, court records show.

Fatalities

27 in 2002."

"Every budget submitted by the Bush Administration from 2001-2004 proposed reductions or streamlining both the ... Occupational Safety and Health Administration and ... Mine Safety and Health Administration programs," petition said.

The petition called on Bush to "Protect West Virginia. Make our coal miners' health and safety your top priority."

Mary Diamond, a spokes-

woman for the Republican National Committee, called the petitions "another political stunt by America Coming Together."

The number of injuries and fatalities in state coal mines has fallen since 2000, she said.

"President Bush has always said he wants a strong, viable coal industry where coal miners can work in safe environments," Diamond said.

America Coming Together spokesman Andrew Poag replied: "It's outrageous that

President Bush's campaign would write off an attempt to bring attention to mineworker safety as a political stunt."

White House spokesman Taylor Gross said late Friday that the Bush administration's funding the federal Mine Safety and Health Administration has increased annually and will go to \$276 million for the budget that begins Oct. 1. The number of coal-related fatalities is at its lowest level since records started being kept in 1910, he said.

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Beating

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ly spend the rest of the time in jail until his charges are dealt with. He is scheduled back for a pretrial hearing on Jan. 14.

The beating that Music suffered left him with loss of vision in one eye, a broken ankle and a crushed cheekbone. Music noted in a District Court hearing that "I thought he [Bentley] was going to kill me."

Since he was on probation when the alleged incident occurred, he is looking at substantial jail time. If convicted, he will violated the terms of his probation and have to serve out the remaining four years of his previous sentence. Any sentence he would receive would also most likely run consecutive with the previous sentence. He will also face a persistent felony offender charge, which could double any sentence he would receive on the current charge.

Revocation proceedings have been continued until after the latest action is concluded.

Plea

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longer deserved the sentence based on a recent incident that saw Bentley show up at the Justice Center to pay a fine while under the influence of drugs.

Bentley was taken to the judge's office where Judge Caudill observed that Bentley was under the influence. Remarking on that encounter Caudill noted, "He was not just under the influence, he was heavily under the influence. He couldn't stand appropriately or even recognize who he was talking to."

Caudill went on to announce, "I am not going to accept a plea. If he wants a trial, he can have one."

Public advocate Jim Adkins conferred with Bentley and asked the judge for some time to review the case before conferring with Bentley. Caudill granted that request.

Bentley has been getting into trouble with the law for 11 years and has been granted more than a few breaks. He was once granted a motion for shock probation, which is extremely rare in Floyd County. But it wasn't long Bentley found himself in trouble with the law again.

Bentley, before the most recent charges, had been found guilty of theft by unlawful taking, criminal trespassing, wanton endangerment, two counts of driving under the influence, resisting arrest, assault, receiving stolen property and burglary.

The latest case involved Bentley allegedly running a Floyd County constable off the road. A pursuit ensued and Bentley escaped except his bad luck was just beginning as a casual observer bumped into the constable a day later and remarked, "I saw you chasing Donnie Bentley the other day."

Police were sent to get Bentley, who answered the door in black clothing with shoe polish on his face. He offered no excuse for his appearance and was arrested without incident.

He was out on bond when he showed up at the clerk's office, last week, in an alleged drug-induced state.

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Guest view

Cheating the children

Kentucky school districts that have canceled classes for one day so their teachers can go protest the state's plan to cut employee health insurance benefits are cheating their customers — the students and parents of the districts.

The Boone County School Board voted to close that district's schools as did Covington. ... Parents in these districts should be staging their own protests against the school officials.

We have said in previous editorials that the state should rethink cutting these benefits. We also have said that a strike by the teachers is the wrong way to protest the issue because it only punishes the students and their families — the very people the teachers need as allies. But the actions of these school districts in canceling classes to accommodate a work stoppage defy all understanding. Imagine any other business shutting the doors on customers so employees can have time off to protest. If school district officials sympathize with the teachers, they should lobby the governor and the General Assembly rather than become complicit in cheating children out of a day's education.

To control costs, Gov. Ernie Fletcher announced a few weeks ago that all Kentucky state workers, including 98,000 school employees, would be hit with an average 7 percent increase in monthly insurance premiums next year. Most would also pay higher deductibles and co-pays.

In protest, the Kentucky Education Association called for a statewide walkout of teachers this coming Monday. The districts that canceled Monday classes obviously did so to avoid having to confront their teachers. But what kind of a lesson is that for the students? A far better solution would be to encourage teachers to follow the example set by their colleagues in Walton-Verona. There, teachers decided not to walk out en masse but to send a delegation to a teacher rally Monday.

The Kentucky General Assembly, which was unwilling to compromise on a state budget this year, bears much of the responsibility for this mess. Fletcher has been running the government on a temporary spending plan, but a recent court decision has limited him to spending only as much as previously authorized by the legislature.

Fletcher has called the legislature back for an emergency session, on Oct. 5, to deal with compensation, health insurance and retirement benefits for the teachers. Some compromise is needed. Kentucky can ill afford to lose good teachers and prospective teachers to neighboring states, which generally offer higher pay and better benefits.

But the teachers owe it to their students to stay in the schools while the legislators work it out. The districts owe it to the taxpayers to insist that the teachers show up for work.

— The Kentucky Enquirer, Fort Mitchell



Rich Lowry Column

The candidate of change?

Get ready to meet the candidate of change — he's George W. Bush. Counterintuitive? Yes. Impossible? No. If Washington politicians sometimes pull off the feat of running against Washington, there is no reason an incumbent president can't run on providing a new direction for the country.

Top Bush campaign officials and Republican strategists think John Kerry has left Bush a huge strategic opening with his biography-obsessed convention and his cautious acceptance speech in Boston. Kerry so far has failed to tap into the widespread sentiment for change in the country. Bush is prepared to fill the breach, portraying himself as the forward-looking, substantive candidate pushing for change.

"The president is providing a new direction," says a Bush campaign official. "He's making unbelievable reforms to how Washington works. He realizes

the federal government is not currently equipped to deal with the new challenges of the 21st century." Says another Bush campaign official: "He's an agent of change, and he's been a strong advocate of conservative reform across the board."

This isn't just marketing. Bush campaign officials point to his first-term updating of anti-terror laws, his new foreign-policy doctrine, his reform of the military, his creation of a department of homeland security, his tax cuts, his steps toward modernizing Medicare and his education reform. His second-term agenda will include consolidating all those moves, while also reforming intelligence, moving toward a market-based health care system, modernizing Social Security and pushing tort reform.

Polls show voters think the country is on the wrong track and needs a new direction. That is always a trouble sign for an incumbent, but Bush might be able to make some of that sentiment work in his favor. "Just because you think the

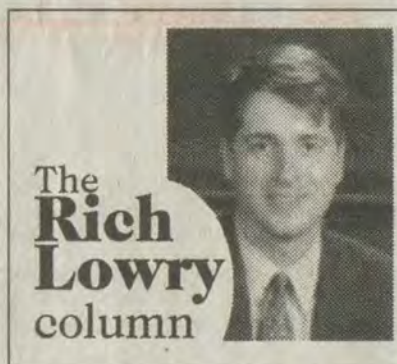
country is headed on the wrong track doesn't necessarily mean that you disagree with Bush," says one Republican strategist.

Successful challengers like Ronald Reagan in 1980 and Bill Clinton in 1992 have been characterized by their bold, clear agendas. Why didn't Kerry highlight one at his convention? "They were waiting for the other guy to collapse," says a Bush campaign official. "We're not in the position that Reagan and Clinton were in when they won their re-elections, even if we're very close. But we are not anywhere near the position Carter or Bush were in when they lost."

However you look at it, Bush is indeed vulnerable. Pundits who, in light of that, say he must appeal to undecided voters and not his base are missing something important.

"Most independents are not motivated by ideology, but by issues," says a Bush campaign official. "The issues they care about are the war on terror and the economy. Those happen to be the issues our base cares about too. So we can appeal to both." That means the winning formula should be talking substance, and change. The status quo? If anyone wants to defend it, it will have to be John Kerry.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.



The Rich Lowry column

— beyond the beltway

Some sage advice for John Kerry

by DONALD KAUL

Let's face it, fellow liberals; Commander Kerry's Swift Boat isn't looking too swift these days. It's riding lower in the water even as he rides lower in the polls.

The shore is lined with people shouting advice to him: "Be tougher. Be more positive. Defend yourself faster. Don't defend, attack. Don't talk about so many issues. Broaden your agenda."

Good advice all, but easier to give than to follow.

So I thought I'd try my hand at it. I figure if he uses it and it works, I might get a job in the new administration; something that comes with a big office and not many duties will do. Here are just a few things I would tell John Kerry if I had his ear:

Do not use the word "nuance." Don't use it in a campaign, in private conversation or in your sleep. Your Secretary of State can use the word. So can your ambassador to the United Nations. In an emergency, your press secretary can use it (although I wouldn't recommend it). You cannot.

People running for president do not say "nuance" unless, of course, they're running for president of France.

In the first place, a good number of the people you're trying to get to vote for you don't know what it means.

In the second place, it not only sounds

like a French word, it is a French word and, for better or for worse, France is not the favorite country of the American people right now. (Hey, I'm like you, I love the place. Great food, beautiful cities and towns, stylish women. What's not to like? But you've got my vote already, you know? You might try reaching out to those with less sophisticated palates.)

Stop saying that you'll fight a more sensitive war against terrorism. It's OK to be more sensitive but you don't want to talk about it. It sounds like you want to get Osama bin Laden on a couch and have him tell you his life story. I know, that's not what you mean but it leaves you open to that kind of misinterpretation (and, as we know, if the Republicans didn't have misinterpretation, they wouldn't have any interpretation at all).

You're not teaching English Lit 101, John. You're running for president. Act like it. Talk about fighting "a smarter" war on terrorism. Smart is good; smart plays in Peoria.

Never say you would still vote to authorize the president to attack Iraq even if you knew then what you know now. Never, ever.

Don't tell me you didn't really say that. It sounded as though you said it and that's good enough for the Electoral College.

When you said whatever it was you said, you could hear the air begin to escape the Kerry balloon. You picked a hell of a time to be nuanced on an issue. All those Dean and Kucinich voters who were stirred by the passion of their can-

didates suddenly became aware that you really weren't one of them and they sagged. George Bush spends a lot of time cultivating his base, have you noticed that? You should try it sometime.

What is it with you Massachusetts politicians anyway? You, Dukakis, you run for president like you were taking your SATs.

The dirty little secret of politics is that American voters like C-student candidates. That's what most of them were when they were in school and they're comfortable with candidates who sound like they were too. Eisenhower, Reagan, both Bushes, they were all thought to be intellectually inferior to their opponents by the liberal establishment.

But they won, John, they won. You might think about that.

And, lastly, I would think about ditching that focus group you've been using. Where is it, Cambridge? It's not working.

(I have a confession to make. I came up with this memo six weeks ago but I forgot to mail it. Sorry. I hope it's not too late.)

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Regional Obituaries

FLOYD COUNTY

■ Jennie Dorlisse Baker, 81, of Lackey, died Saturday, September 18, in Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 22, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Dennie Ray (Dutchie) Crace, 60, of Dwale, died Monday, September 20, at St. Joseph Hospital, in Lexington. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, September 23, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Patty Lynn Combs Curry, 39, of Martin, died Tuesday, September 7, at Pikeville Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Robert Curry. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, September 11, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Troy Fields, 65, of Newtown, West Virginia, a native of Martin, died Wednesday, September 22, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Carolyn Sue Fields.

■ Faye Hall, 83, of Harold, died Saturday, September 11, at Heritage Hall Nursing Home, Grundy, Virginia. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, September 14, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Virgil Hall, 80, of Kite, died Thursday, September 23, at the Hazard Nursing Home, at Hazard. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, September 26, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Kenneth (Sammy) Hall, 56, of Beaver, died Friday, September 24, at Rt. 542 in Salyersville. He is survived by his wife, Deborah Hamilton Hall. Funeral services were conducted Monday, September 27, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Carolyn Rae Hicks of Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, September 21, as a result of colon cancer. She is survived by her husband, Steven Hicks. A memorial service was held Wednesday, September 22, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

■ Robert Keith Hopkins, 31, of McDowell, died Thursday, September 23, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, September 26, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Philip Marty Johnson, 27, of Nicholasville, formerly of Wheelwright, died Saturday, September 11, in Melbourne, Florida. Funeral services were conducted Friday, September 17, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Verlie Johnson, 80, of Harold, died Wednesday, September 22, at the Riverview Health Care in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, September 25, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Justin Ronald Little, 16, of Brenton, Arkansas, formerly of Floyd County, died in an auto accident on Tuesday, September 8, at Jacksonville, Arkansas. Funeral services were conducted Monday, September 13, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Willard Scott, 79, of Garrett, died Monday, September 20, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Isabella Fugate Scott. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, September 23, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

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■ Carol Fraley Webb, 79, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, September 19, in Riverview Health Care Center, Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 22, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Albert Whitaker, 90, of East Point, died Wednesday, September 15, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Betty Griffith Whitaker. Services were held Saturday, September 18, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

KNOTT COUNTY

■ Norma Gibson Breeding, 69, of Pinetop, died Wednesday, September 8, at Calhoun, Georgia. She is survived by her husband, James Breeding. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, September 12, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Daphne Lane Champion, 45, of Leburn, died Monday, September 6, at Appalachian Regional Medical Center, Hazard. He is survived by her husband, Kenneth Champion. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, September 9, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

■ Alta Mae Crager, 78, of Hindman died Wednesday, September 8, at the Kindred Hospital, Louisville. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, September 12, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services Chapel.

■ Charles William Gibson, 47, of Raven, died Sunday, September 19, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, in Martin. He is survived by his wife, Crevia Thomsberry Gibson. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 22, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ McKinley Messer, 86, of Hindman, died Monday, September 6, at Appalachian Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Lucy Mae Messer. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, September 8, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

■ Franklin Neil Stanfield, 27, of Mulberry, Florida, formerly of Knott County, died Tuesday, September 7, in an auto accident, in Lakeland, Florida. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, September 12, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

JOHNSON COUNTY

■ Gladys Marie Holbrook Castle, 76, of Hager Hill, died Thursday, September 9. She is survived by her husband, Herbert Castle Jr. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, September 12, under the direction of Childers Funeral Home.

■ Mary M. "Midge" Coffey, 65, of Franklin, Ohio, a native of Paintsville, died Thursday, September 2, at Sycamore Hospital. She is survived by her husband, William R. Coffey. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 8, under the direction of Dalton Funeral Home.

■ Jeff Daniels Jr., 87, of Salyersville, a native of Paintsville, died Monday, September 13, at Paul B. Hall Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 15, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ David Phillip Estep, 66, of Tucson, Arizona, a Johnson County native, died Sunday,

August 22. He is survived by his wife, Rita Rich Estep. Funeral services were conducted at Cold Springs Church. Burial was in the Sheridan Estep Cemetery.

■ William G. "Bill" Hitchcock, 72, of Wittensville, died Tuesday, September 14, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Vivian Preston Hitchcock. Funeral services were conducted Friday, September 17, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ James Denver McKenzie, 79, of Volga, died Tuesday, September 14, at Paul B. Hall Medical Center, in Paintsville. Funeral services were conducted Friday, September 17, under the direction of Jones-Preston Chapel.

■ Delbert Music, 73, of

Boons Camp, a Johnson County native, died Monday, September 20, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, September 23, under the direction of Phelps & Son Funeral Home.

■ Walter L. Picklesimer, 94, a Paintsville native and a retired electronic engineer for the federal government, died Thursday at

Oakwood Garden of DeLand. He is survived by his wife, Audra Picklesimer.

LAWRENCE COUNTY

■ Allen Boyd, 41, of Louisa, died Monday, September 13, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 15, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

MARTIN COUNTY

■ Leona Preece, 80, of Tomahawk, died Wednesday, September 15, at U.K. Medical Center, Lexington. She is survived by her husband, Alex Preece Jr. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, September 18, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

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THE FAMILY OF CAROL F. WEBB
(Carol Jean, Brenda, Donna, Barb)

Marguerite Weber Art Gallery hosts new exhibit

PIKEVILLE — With mountains and buildings serving as inspiration, the city of Pikeville can be an artist's dream. During her recent sabbatical from Pikeville College, art Professor Pat Kowalok turned her works on paper into an eye-catching array of one-of-a-kind portrayals of our charming, Appalachian town.

Kowalok's works will be on display in Pikeville College's Weber Art Gallery through mid-October. The exhibit includes two large drawings done in graphite, white watercolor and white pastel on pink canson paper. One drawing is a cityscape of Pikeville and the other is a landscape of the mountaintop behind Summit Engineering downtown. Both are large and horizontal and suggest to the audience that they could be walking around in either environment. Borders on each drawing are a reference to Far Eastern paintings where an artist would sometimes include a flat, patterned border around a painting.

The drawings have been manipulated to meet some personal aesthetic concerns, according to Kowalok, who was intrigued by the visual balancing act between the illusion of three dimensions in the center and the flatter, two-dimensional quality of the border.

"I remember thinking about sound waves when I was drawing the landscape and I wanted the waves of the horizon to play off the marble veins being depicted in the key pattern of the border," said Kowalok. "The

city drawing obviously has no cars or people. I was interested in the geometry of the architecture and trying to establish a tension between the buildings and border by setting up similarities and differences between the flat and the architecture."

"In both the large and small pieces there are places which obviously seem incomplete — at the very least there are areas that are not as polished as other areas of the work. That is deliberate," said Kowalok. "Making marks on paper is a pretty magical experience for me — by manipulating what is basically dirt on paper, I've created the illusion of a tree, a house and a mountainside. By leaving evidence of the mark making, I acknowledge both the process and the image as real."

The exhibit also features smaller watercolor pieces depicting scenes around Pikeville. They are small and intended to pull the viewer closer, a la Alice in Wonderland falling through the rabbit hole.

"The large white margins around the watercolor act as a kind of keyhole that the viewer looks by and through," said Kowalok. "Again, I'm excited by the geometry I've seen in these particular views. I think of the American painter Edward Hopper when doing these paintings."

Kowalok, who has been teaching at the College since 1988, said taking a sabbatical last semester made the exhibit possible.

"Normal life is often times a blur, the very rhythm is rapid



fire. The sabbatical allowed me long, slow sweeps of time to build up layers, consider and reconsider and adjust marks and compositions," said Kowalok. "It also allowed time for imagining and variations of imagining. The sabbatical was a great gift."

Hours of operation for the Weber Gallery are Monday 9 to 9:50 a.m., 11 a.m. to 12:50 p.m., and 3 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Wednesday 9 to 9:50 a.m. and 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Thursday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 to 5 p.m.; and Friday from 9 to 10 a.m., 11 a.m. to 12:50 p.m.

and 3 to 5 p.m. Additional times can be arranged by contacting Pat Kowalok at 218-5758 or Janice Ford at 218-5759.

The next gallery show will feature the work of Carolyn Whitman, a former Pikeville College professor who currently teaches in North Carolina. Her show debuts in mid-October, throughout November, and will feature mixed media painting. Whitman has also been invited to conduct a workshop demonstrating her painting process and techniques.



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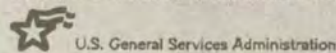


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Prestonsburg gets revenge over Sheldon Clark

Blackcats score early, ride momentum to win

by JAMIE HOWELL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — After losing a game last season in which they felt they should have won, the Prestonsburg Blackcats were more than ready to host Sheldon

Clark on Friday evening. The Blackcats entered the game riding

a three-game win streak after back-to-back-to-back wins over Bell County, Lawrence County and Ashland. Sheldon Clark entered the game off losses to Grundy Va. and Leslie County. On Friday night, he Blackcats defended their home field, winning 42-14.

Sheldon Clark took the opening kickoff and picked up four

first downs before the Blackcat defense held the Cardinals on fourth-and-12 from the Prestonsburg 20-yard line.

Prestonsburg took over from their own 10 yard line and it took only two plays for Trevor Compton to find John Mark Stephens with a 90-yard touchdown pass. Seth Moore tacked on the PAT kick and Prestonsburg led 7-0 with 1:14 left

in the first quarter.

Sheldon Clark fumbled the ball away on its own 28-yard line on the next series and Prestonsburg took a 14-0 lead on a 15-yard touchdown run from Compton with :17 left in the first period.

Sheldon Clark trailed 14-0 after one quarter of play.

After the Cardinal offense failed to move the ball,

(See P'BURG, page two)



Prestonsburg tackle Darrick Williams (56) tight end Jesse Chaffin (19) and running back Brenton Hamilton (30) helped a productive Blackcat offense roll up 42 points.

photo by Jamie Howell



Rebel running back Charles Robinson (45) was contained very little in Allen Central's latest victory.

photos by Steve LeMaster

Allen Central racks up fourth win

Rebels roll over Knott Central, 28-6

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN — Days before Friday night's home game against visiting Knott County Central, Allen Central head coach Jeremy Hall knew it would be a battle when the neighboring Patriots, a Class 3A team, headed north to take on the Rebels in a non-district game. Hall, prior to Friday night's game against the Patriots, gave Knott Central high praise, saying, "they are a good football team and we expect a tough ballgame." Well, Allen Central got a challenge Friday night but stepped up and met it head on. Visiting Knott Central scored the first touchdown of the game on a pass play with 8:29 remaining in the opening quarter. The Patriots came up dry on the two-point conversion try and offensively, were never heard from again. On its Homecoming night, Allen Central scored a touchdown in three of the contest's four quarters and after the game's initial score,

kept Knott Central out of the endzone, beating the Patriots 28-6. Senior Becky Thomas was crowned Homecoming Queen.

The win is Allen Central's third straight. The Rebels' winning streak dates back to Sept. 10, a date that featured a 50-22 win over Jenkins. Allen Central played two games this week, beating Fleming-Neon Monday night in a game that was previously scheduled to be played on Friday, Sept. 17.

Allen Central (4-2) answered Knott Central's first score of the game Friday night at the 5:43 mark of the opening period when Charles Robinson, on a running play, made his way into the endzone. The Rebel two-point conversion attempt was unsuccessful and the game was knotted up at 6-6 in the game's first and what would be its only deadlock.

Allen Central went ahead 12-6 when

(See REBELS, page four)



Allen Central senior quarterback Ryan Hammonds found fellow senior Wilfredo Domingez on two scoring passes Friday night to help lead the Rebels to a 28-6 win over Knott Central.

South Floyd 2, Pike Central 0

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BUCKLEYS CREEK — After falling to conference/district rival Betsy Layne Tuesday evening, South Floyd bounced back Thursday night, beating host Pike County Central 2-0 (25-20, 25-11).

South Floyd recently won its own tournament, the South Floyd Volleyball Classic. South Floyd has lost only three matches this season. The Raiders suffered an early-season loss to Perry County Central and on two occasions have fallen to Betsy Layne.

South Floyd controlled both games, playing particular dominant in the second contest.

Here's a breakdown of the top South Floyd contributors.

Leslie Holbrook was five-of-six on serves with one ace, one save, two digs and nine assists.

Katie Cook came through with six kills, and went five-of-six of serves with one ace, five digs and one save.

Megan Castle was 14-of-16 on serves with 11 digs and one ace.

Candice Hall was four-of-five on serves, with three assists, two saves and one ace.

Sabrina Reid had four kills, six digs, three saves and a block.

Kayla Hall went 10-of-10 on serves, had eight digs, two saves, two blocks, one kill and one ace.

Tab Tackett had three kills, two saves and a dig.

Christina Berger had one block.

Pam Walker went eight-of-eight on serves with one ace.

South Floyd is scheduled to return to play Tuesday on the road at Phelps.

Raiders continue to build on numbers

TIMES STAFF REPORT

HI HAT — South Floyd High School volleyball coach Keith Smallwood has seen his team grow and get better from one season, last season, to the next season, this season. Preparing for the upcoming post-season, South Floyd played on the road Thursday night, defeating Pike Central. The Raiders have matches left against Phelps, Perry County Central, Johnson Central and Pike Central. South Floyd is scheduled to host Pike Central on

Thursday, Oct. 7 in the final game of the regular-season. In the home match against Pike Central, South Floyd will observe Senior Night.

A look at individual stats for South Floyd players follows.

■ Leslie Holbrook — Six kills, 100-of-117 serves; 17 aces; 119 assists; 46 digs; 33 saves; 1 block.

■ Katie Cook — 45 kills; 161-of-185 serves; 51 aces; 3 assists; 56 digs; 21 saves; 3 blocks.

■ Megan Castle — 1 kill; 110-of-135 serves; 28 aces; 94

(See RAIDERS, page four)

KDFWR Commission creates new permits for deer, turkey hunting

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission, in a specially-called meeting, took action this week to create nonresident hunting permits to accompany the junior turkey permit they approved at their August meeting. The Commission made the recommendations after comparing hunting opportunities, bag limits, hunt and herd quality, license requirements and prices with neighboring and other states.

The Commission recommended that beginning with the spring 2006 turkey season, hunters 15 and younger may purchase a junior turkey permit valid for one turkey for the price of \$10. This gives young turkey hunters the same permit-buying opportunity currently offered to young deer hunters.

Since the junior turkey permit is valid for spring and fall turkey seasons, those who are unsuccessful during the spring turkey season may use it during the fall season.

Statewide deer and turkey permits sold to hunters 16 and over are valid for two deer or two turkeys. Younger hunters often hunt less and have limited field experience. The option to buy a less expensive permit valid for one animal at a time can be a more attractive choice.

The KDFWR Commission has also created new nonresident deer and turkey permits that will be available beginning with the 2005 FALL deer and turkey seasons. A nonresident permit good for two deer will be created for \$50. Bag limits and restrictions would remain the same for non-

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Betsy Layne golfer Brandon Thacker eyed a shot Wednesday during the final day of the Floyd County Conference Golf Tournament.

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Palmer gets to see another side of Ray Lewis

by JOE KAY
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CINCINNATI — Moments after they met, Carson Palmer dropped into the push-up position so Ray Lewis could rest his stocking feet on the middle of his back.

As cameras rolled, the Heisman Trophy quarterback became a footstool for the NFL's most dominant linebacker, who was treating him like a rookie as part of the script.

Palmer was about to become the first overall pick in the 2003 draft. Lewis was making the off-beat commercial for a video game company to refurbish his image.

They hit it off. "He was great," Palmer said. "He's funny. He's an intense guy on and off the field."

Palmer has no idea just how intense. He'll learn Sunday.

Instead of resting his feet on the Bengals' starting quarterback, the Ravens' All-Pro linebacker would rather dig his shoulder pads into his ribs — or maybe return one of his passes for points.

"This time he'll be coming at me," Palmer said, intrigued by the thought.

How painfully they meet will help decide how their reunion turns out. A pair of 1-1 teams know they need to keep their second-year quarterbacks out of harm's way to have a chance to win.

For Baltimore, that means making sure Kyle Boller doesn't have another meltdown like the one last year at Paul Brown Stadium, where he fumbled twice and threw an interception that set up a 34-26 Bengals win.

For Cincinnati, it means making sure Lewis and Co. don't get clean shots at Palmer, who was sacked five times and threw an interception during a 16-13 win over Miami on Sunday night.

It could very well come down to which young quarterback flinches first — or winces most. And the defenses know it.

"I think you always look forward to it, for a lot of different reasons," Lewis said. "When you have the veteran-type defense that we have, we can give him a lot of different looks and make him think a little bit. We're definitely going to try to put pressure on him."

Few teams do it better than the Ravens, who delight in tormenting newcomers. Last Sunday, they took advantage of Ben Roethlisberger, Pittsburgh's rookie quarterback.

Roethlisberger took over when Tommy Maddox hurt his elbow in the second half and threw two interceptions that sealed Baltimore's 30-13 win.

Palmer has more time in the league — he sat and watched during his rookie season — but only two games of experience. He spent a good deal of the offseason watching film of the Ravens' defense, learning each player's role.

Studying it is one thing. Staring it down is another.

"It's tough playing against this defense, especially if he gets down and has to stage a comeback," cornerback Deion Sanders said. "That's going to be a lot of pressure on him right now."

"He's young, being conservative with the offense and trying to make his correct reads, doing little things and not trying to accomplish too much. That's going to be tough for any quarterback, not just Carson Palmer."

The same goes for Boller, who has a few more starts to his credit, but is still taking baby steps in his development — and the Bengals know it.

After a horrid opener against the Jets, the Bengals' defense blitzed inexperienced Dolphins quarterback A.J. Feeley and pressured him into

game-turning mistakes. Linebacker Brian Simmons returned an interception 50 yards for Cincinnati's only touchdown, taking advantage of Feeley's sense of urgency to make a play.

"From film, we saw that he likes to stare down the receiver, so I just read the quarterback," Simmons said.

Both defenses will have a few tricks and a lot of blitzes ready Sunday.

"Conventional thinking is, 'He's a young guy, let's blitz him,'" Ravens coach Brian Billick said. "Our philosophy is, 'Old, young, it doesn't matter. Let's blitz him.'"

"There are certain things you're going to test a young player with that you might be more cautious with against a veteran. But we're not going to be imprudent about it."

There's a good chance at some point Palmer will get reacquainted with his footstool buddy. When they shot the commercial last year, Palmer hadn't yet been drafted by the Bengals.

Lewis left him with something to think about.

"I think he said something about, 'You'll have to face me twice a year if you go there,'" Palmer recalled. "But he's a classy guy."



photos by Steve LeMaster

South Floyd High freshman Colby Hayes (below) and Prestonsburg golfer Brooks Herrick both enter this year's regional tournament with hopes of capturing a championship.



P'burg

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Prestonsburg took a 21-0 lead on a Joe Blackburn eight-yard run with 7:52 left in the first half. Prestonsburg added another score late in the half on yet another touchdown from Blackburn. The Blackcats led 28-0 with :49 left in the first half. Sheldon Clark got a quick score before the intermission after an 80-yard kickoff return by Bobbit.

Timmy Goble took it in from nine yards out with only :20 remaining in the first half to cut the Prestonsburg lead to 28-6 at

the half.

Prestonsburg was set to receive the second half kickoff, but Sheldon Clark recovered an onside kick at midfield and eventually hit paydirt on a 41-yard touchdown pass from Goble to Tommy Hinkle.

Prestonsburg led 28-14 with 9:57 left in the third quarter.

After Sheldon Clark cut the lead to 28-14, Prestonsburg took control on a four-yard touchdown run from fullback Brenton Hamilton at the 3:59 mark of the

third quarter. Compton rounded out the scoring late in the game with a five-yard touchdown run and Moore's extra point gave Prestonsburg a 42-14 win.

Friday was homecoming night at Prestonsburg and senior Gerri Vance was crowned Homecoming Queen during halftime festivities.

Prestonsburg will travel to Magoffin County this week to take on the Hornets. Magoffin County is coached by Dayne Brown.

No. 4 Miami 38, Houston 13

by JOEL ANDERSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — Tyrone Moss has never looked better. Brock Berlin has rarely looked worse. And Miami looked nothing like a national championship contender.

Moss rushed for 148 yards and two touchdowns, Tavares Gooden recovered a blocked punt in the end zone for a score, and Baraka Atkins scored on a 58-yard fumble return in the fourth-ranked Hurricanes' listless 38-13 victory over Houston on Thursday night.

"There are some things we have to correct," Moss said. "I know nobody's going to have their best game every week."

Miami (3-0) clearly didn't have its best game against Houston. The Cougars (1-3) were playing their fourth game in 19 days and haven't beaten a ranked opponent in eight years.

Berlin was pretty much the only thing keeping Miami from a lopsided victory. He finished 13-of-23 for 99 yards and was sacked seven times, often because of his own poor decisions in the pocket.

"We were a little shaky at times," Berlin acknowledged. "We didn't have a whole lot of success with the passing game."

Miami also allowed its first offensive touchdown of the season: Kevin Kolb's 6-yard sprint into the end zone in the final

moments of the first half. The Cougars' sideline erupted in celebration, with a few players tossing their helmets into the air.

The Hurricanes had gone 11 quarters and an overtime without giving up an offensive touchdown.

Thought to be one of the favorites for a national title, Miami revealed plenty of flaws against a team that was a four-touchdown underdog and was without its leading rusher. The Hurricanes were pushed around on defense by Houston's inexperienced offensive line and never could sustain any offensive momentum.

"We wanted to show the country that we were a team that was not going to let another team come in here and walk all over us," said Houston defensive end Joe Clay, who had three sacks.

Houston tailback Anthony Evans, who rushed for 282 yards against Army last week, missed the game after straining his right calf during pregame warmups. He watched from the sidelines in his uniform, leaning on crutches while wearing a boot.

Predictably, Houston got off to a rough start without him.

The Cougars barely got their first play off on time, dropped a pass on the third play, committed a false-start penalty on the next and were nearly intercepted on third down. Gooden scored on Anthony Reddick's blocked

punt on fourth down, 55 seconds into the game.

Frank Gore and Moss added a couple of short scoring runs to give Miami a 21-0 lead early in the second quarter.

The Hurricanes didn't score again on offense until Moss' 5-yard run late in the fourth quarter.

Miami left tackle Eric Winston said the Hurricanes simply got bored midway through the game.

"Lackluster is the word," Winston said. "We got up early a couple of touchdowns and we just packed it in a little bit. We've got to learn to put people away."

Houston, which lost 63-13 at No. 2 Oklahoma two weeks ago, seemed to gain confidence by the minute against the punchless 'Canes.

"It took us about a quarter to calm down," Kolb said. "I was a little jittery in the beginning, but I calmed down and we started to click."

The Cougars failed to score on several chances deep in Miami territory. The Cougars drove inside Miami's 20 five times, and came away only with Kolb's touchdown run and two field goals.

Ryan Gilbert, a transfer from LSU, proved to be an adequate replacement for Evans. He rushed for a career-high 84 yards on 26 carries. Kolb was 11-of-28 for 156 yards.

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residents as residents, including one antlered deer per season.

The Commission also proposed that new nonresident turkey permits for 2005 fall archery and shotgun seasons and the spring 2006 shotgun season be created for a fee of \$50 each. These permits will allow nonresident turkey hunters to take two wild turkeys on each permit. Hunters will continue to be regulated to gobler-only hunting during the spring, and either sex hunting in the fall.

Adult nonresident hunters will continue to be required to purchase a nonresident hunting license for \$115. This license is required before turkey or deer hunting permits are valid. Prices remained unchanged for a nonresident 15 years old and younger who purchases a junior hunting license, deer or turkey permit. The Commission made no changes to any other licenser permit fees.

The KDFWR Commission has consistently shown its commitment to making the hunting and fishing sports affordable

and accessible to young people interested in these forms of value-based recreation.

Kentucky is producing record whitetails. The KDFWR was recently named "Agency of the Year" by the Quality Deer Management Association. The prestigious honor recognizes the quality and management of Kentucky's whitetail deer herd. Since 1998, more Boone & Crockett Club record-book whitetails have been harvested per square mile in Kentucky than anywhere else, except Illinois and Wisconsin. Boone & Crockett Club standards are considered to be the worldwide benchmark for quality of big game animals.

Kentucky produced 53 known whitetails that qualified for this level of recognition last year alone, the most ever recorded in a single season in the commonwealth.

The success rate on wild turkey in Kentucky now rivals that of the most well known

turkey hunting states in the country. Kentucky's flock now exceeds 200,000 birds and offers superb opportunity.

"The quality of hunting, fishing and boating in Kentucky is better than ever and continues to attract attention from people across the country who love wildlife and the outdoors," said Commissioner Tom Bennett. "The Fish and Wildlife Commission recognized this and addressed it in a very positive way."

Kentucky does not limit the number of nonresident turkey or deer hunters through a quota or lottery-type system. More than 20,000 nonresidents purchased a Kentucky annual hunting license last year.

MSU golfers finish 10th

TIMES STAFF REPORT

INDIANAPOLIS — The Morehead State University golf team recently finished 10th out of 14 teams in the Butler Fall Invitational, played Sept. 20-21 at Eagle Creek Golf Course.

MSU shot 308-302-299 909. Oakland University won the tournament with a score of 290-296-284 870.

A finisher of local note: Ryan Martin finished tied for 30th.

MSU golfers participating in the tournament and their scores were:

David Fields (tie 24) - 224
Ryan Martin (tie 30) - 225
Kyle Litter (tie 57) - 233
James Cappelli (tie 70) - 239
Hayden Williams (no first round score) - 73 (2nd round), 73 (3rd round)

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Busch hoping to repeat Bristol success at Dover

by DICK BRINSTER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DOVER, Del. — Although Kurt Busch's driving style fits Dover International Speedway, the co-leader of the Nextel Cup championship chase has not mastered The Monster Mile.

That's a surprise, because no driver is any better at Bristol Motor Speedway, the only other high-banked concrete oval on the NASCAR circuit. Busch has three victories in his last four starts on the half-mile at Bristol, but is winless in eight races at Dover.

"Our success at Bristol hasn't translated," said Busch, who did win a truck race here four years ago. That came two days before his debut in NASCAR's top series.

"We qualified well at 10th place, and went on to finish 18th, so it was a solid way to kick off our Cup series efforts," Busch said.

With five subsequent top-10 finishes, Busch has been competitive here. But he has not come close to winning.

Crew chief Jimmy Fennig hopes that ends Sunday in the MBNA America 400. If it does, Busch will have a second straight victory in just the second race of NASCAR's inaugural top-10 showdown.

Busch won last Sunday in New Hampshire, and came here tied with Dale Earnhardt Jr. for the points lead with nine races remaining.

"We brought a couple of cars up here to test in the spring, and we're going with the car that we ran with at Bristol earlier this year," Fennig said. "We had a good run last week, and we need to continue that kind of thing."

If Busch wants a lesson on how to win here, Roush Racing teammate Mark Martin provides the best example. No one on the circuit has won more races at Dover.

But the teammate concept isn't very strong this fall, because Martin also is part of the top-10. He's seventh in the standings as he continues the quest for his first championship in his 18th season.

Martin won here in June, getting his fourth Dover victory. He also has five second-place finishes on the track.

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"Dover is a great race track, and it may even be my favorite," Martin said. "There are six tracks of the nine left that we really feel like we should run strong at and Dover is the first of those."

Four-time series champion Jeff Gordon also figures to be tough the rest of the way. For him, the race begins in qualifying Friday, when he'll try to extend his series lead in poles with a seventh.

"The obvious advantage is less traffic to deal with and track position," Gordon said. "Because pit lane is so narrow and small at Dover, it seems we fight harder for track position."

Gordon has made great use of that. The key to maintaining it is getting in and out of the pits quickly.

The outcome of qualifying determines the selection order of pit stalls.

"That's a big advantage," Gordon said. "You can choose one that has an opening either in front of it or behind it."

Gordon is third in the standings, a point in front of reigning series champion Matt Kenseth and nine behind Busch and Earnhardt, who's looking

to win for the second time at Dover. Earnhardt knows he was lucky to finish third in June.

"We weren't very good," he said. "But somehow we avoided all the wrecks."

His confidence is bolstered by testing that went well last week.

The top 10 was reduced last Sunday to seven viable contenders and three long shots. Former series champion Tony Stewart, Jeremy Mayfield and Ryan Newman fell far back with poor finishes in New Hampshire.

Stewart and Mayfield wrecked in the aftermath of a crash started in front them by Robby Gordon, who later admitted "trying to even the score" by hitting Greg Biffle, who had spun him earlier in the Sylvania 300.

NASCAR gave Gordon a two-lap penalty, but the damage was far worse to the title hopes of Stewart and Mayfield. Stewart finished 39th and is 124 points behind, 18 ahead of 35th-place finisher Mayfield.

Newman is 136 points out. He wound up 33rd in New Hampshire after a late-race engine failure.



photos by Jamie Howell

In A-team play, Adams handled Allen Central Thursday night. The Blackcats beat the host Rebels 55-22.

Adams races past Allen Central Blackcats win 52-22, complete county sweep

TIMES STAFF REPORT

EASTERN — Defeating the Allen Central Middle School Rebels 52-22 on Thursday evening allowed the Adams Middle School Blackcats to finish undefeated in Floyd County Conference regular-season play. The loss was the only setback suffered by Allen Central in Floyd County play. The two teams will meet again on Thursday in the Floyd County post-season grid.

Allen Central got on the scoreboard first on the second play of the game on a 60-yard touchdown run by Blake Meade. Following a successful two-point conversion, Allen Central led 8-0.

Adams struck back in a hurry, though.

Allen Craynon took a kickoff back for a 45-yard return. Adams needed only three plays to hit paydirt when Seth Setser scampered 35 yards for a touchdown. Adams was unsuccessful on its two-point conversion attempt and was left with an 8-6 lead with 4:45 remaining in the opening period.

Adams turned an Allen Central turnover into a touchdown when quarterback Michael Burchett found Austin Gearheart on a 68-yard touchdown strike. Following its second score of the game, Adams led 12-8 with 2:02 left in the opening period.

Allen Central then marched downfield in a hurry and answered the Adams score. Prater got lose for a 50-yard touchdown run.

Adams answered again and tacked on

two scores late in the second quarter to lead 28-16 going into halftime.

Allen Central got within six points in third quarter when it scored and cut the Blackcat lead to a 28-22 advantage on another long run by Prater. But six points was as close as Allen Central Middle would get.

Craynon and Setser added three scores for Adams in the second half. Clay Jamerson hauled in a pass from Burchett for Adams' final two-point conversion of the game.

Adams was led on defense by Setser, Austin McKinney, Cody Vanhooose and Mason Holbrook. The Blackcat offensive line was anchored by Zach Bragg, Everett Haney and Dalton Fulks.

Mayfield tests at Kentucky with eye on Dover rebound

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

SPARTA — Kentucky native Jeremy Mayfield began his climb from the bottom of the "Chase for the Nextel Cup" standings with a one-day test at Kentucky Speedway Wednesday.

He begins the week 10th in the "Chase for the Nextel Cup" standings after an on-track incident involving the cars of series drivers Robby Gordon and Greg Biffle caused damage to Mayfield's No. 19 Dodge Dealers Dodge and forced a 35th-place finish last Sunday in Loudon, N.H. The incident also collected the No. 20 Home Depot Chevrolet of Chase contender Tony Stewart, who finished 39th.

Mayfield became a contender for the 10-race Chase by earning his first series win in his past four seasons in Richmond, Va., on Sept. 11. He has driven to a total of four top-five and 10 top-10 finishes through 27 starts this season.

"The thing that bothers me from this past weekend is that we worked so hard to

get where we were. To have something that was totally out of our control set us back that far was devastating," Mayfield said. "These guys worked as a team all year long to get to the points situation we were in and for somebody to do a stupid move like he did, it's devastating."

"We will rebound from it. The hardest part now is that we have to work extremely harder than we were going to work anyway. It's just heartbreaking knowing that we were that close to winning the championship and somebody else messed up. We had a great car that Sunday and felt we were going to have a good finish. It (the incident) cost us a lot."

He will begin chipping away at his 142-point deficit to Chase leaders Dale Earnhardt, Jr., and Kurt Busch this weekend in Dover, Del., on a track where he won his only pole award of the season before finishing eighth in June.

"I really feel like Dover can be a rallying point for the team and that it's going to be one of our great racetracks," Mayfield

said. "It's always been a good place for me. I love it, I can't wait to get there and try to make up some of what we lost the other day. It's possible to make up the points because other guys will have problems, too, just like we did. If somebody has a flawless nine-race deal, then it's going to be tough."

In addition to Dover, Mayfield also will look to make up ground during return visits to Lowe's Motor Speedway, Atlanta Motor Speedway and Darlington International Raceway where he has collected a top-five finish and two top-10 finishes this season.

"Just about the all tracks coming up are tracks that we like, I feel good about them," he said. "We just have to run like we need to and make up the difference."

Current NASCAR Nextel Cup Series rookie points leader Kasey Kahne and 16th- and 17th-place drivers Michael Waltrip and Rusty Wallace also tested Wednesday.

Williams, Schumm not charged in grand jury probe

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LA GRANGE — An Oldham County grand jury declined to indict Kentucky football players Dustin Williams and Ryan Schumm in connection with a fight that left one of their teammates sidelined for the season.

The grand jury did charge Michael Haire of Crestwood with fourth-degree assault, a misdemeanor, for allegedly hitting Kentucky player Bo Smith in the head with a baseball bat July 10 in Crestwood. Smith suffered a fractured skull and broken orbital bone.

Williams, a junior from Channahon, Ill., and the team's

second-leading tackler last season, missed practice Thursday to testify before the grand jury, but he will start at inside linebacker against Florida Saturday, coach Rich Brooks said.

Williams didn't play in the opener against Louisville because of a partially torn hamstring and played just one series against Indiana.

Schumm, a walk-on linebacker, initially faced assault charges, but those were dropped when his case was sent to the grand jury.

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

Burton, Wilson have surgery

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — University of Kentucky sophomore wide receiver/kick returner Keenan Burton and junior cornerback Warren Wilson had surgery on Thursday, Coach Rich Brooks has announced.

Burton had surgery to repair a fractured bone in his wrist and will be out for the season. He will be able to apply for a medical hardship. If granted, which is probable, he will retain three years of eligibility.

Wilson had arthroscopic knee surgery and is expected to miss two to three weeks. Junior Antoine Huffman was to start in Wilson's place, Brooks said. Because of multiple injuries to the cornerback positions, Brooks noted that freshman cornerback Jarrell Williams probably will have to play this season instead of taking a redshirt. If he plays, Williams will become the 10th true freshman to play out of the class of 17 true freshmen who reported in August.

A's call up Blanton

TIMES STAFF REPORT

OAKLAND — Former Kentucky pitcher Joe Blanton got "The Call" this past weekend as the Oakland Athletics purchased his contract from Triple-A Sacramento.

In his first appearance with the A's on Tuesday, Blanton threw a perfect inning in relief and struck out one batter.

Blanton, a Nashville, Tenn., native, is the second ex-Wildcat to be called up to the majors this year, following Andy Green who joined the Arizona Diamondbacks in June. Blanton was a first-round pick in the 2002 Major League Draft, going 24th overall to Oakland.

Prior to being called up, Blanton recorded an 11-8 record with a 4.19 earned-run average

in 28 appearances with the Sacramento River Cats. He fanned 143 and walked just 34 in 176 1/3 innings of work. Entering the year, Blanton was rated the No. 2 prospect in the A's organization by Baseball America.

In his three years with Kentucky, Blanton owned a 13-12 record with a 5.08 ERA. A power pitcher, he struck out 231 batters in his 209 innings. His final year with the Wildcats, he set a school record with 133 strikeouts and allowed just 37 walks in 100 innings.

Blanton was an honorable mention selection to the 2000 Louisville Slugger Freshman All-America team after posting a 5-0 record and picking up two saves working in relief.

Bengals sign DE Elton Patterson, waive FB mes Lynch

CINCINNATI — The Cincinnati Bengals signed defensive end Elton Patterson to a two-year contract Thursday and waived fullback James Lynch.

Patterson played in all four preseason games and has been

on the Bengals' practice squad since final roster cuts were made Sept. 5.

Lynch is a first-year player from Maryland. He was on the inactive list for the season opener but played as a reserve in the second week.

-AP

Elliott Sadler makes historic laps at Martinsville Speedway

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

Elliott Sadler drove his way into Martinsville Speedway's "unofficial" record book Wednesday afternoon.

Slowly circling the track in the passenger side of track president Clay Campbell's street car, Sadler became the first NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Series driver to take a lap on Martinsville's recently repaved racing surface.

"I got to ride on the race track earlier and it is smooth," Sadler said during a media gathering for the October 24th running of the SUBWAY 500. "In talking to Clay, I know there were a lot of headaches involved in getting the repaving done, but it is unbelievably smooth. It's a big difference from the way the track was."

"From the concrete to the asphalt ... wow ... the transition is unbelievable. I'm glad they added another 100 feet of concrete. That will be a lot easier on the motor

guys and on the driver. That was always the biggest obstacle here at Martinsville, getting the car hooked up from the concrete to the asphalt."

It wasn't the new asphalt and concrete that caught Sadler's eye first, though.

"When Clay took me around the track, the first thing I noticed were the SAFER walls. As a driver, we love to see track owners do that," said Sadler. "And not only did he do the corners, he did the inside of the straightaway walls, which is going the extra step."

"I'll probably be the first driver to say 'thank you' to Clay for the SAFER walls, but I won't be the last. There will be a lot of drivers thank him race weekend."

Sadler helped Martinsville Speedway unveil a myriad of changes and additions to the historic facility since the NEXTEL Cup Series last visited in April.

The on-track work - the resurfacing and SAFER barriers - were the most evident,

but there were more.

Stage one of the projects to relocate the railroad tracks which parallel the backstretch is just about finished. Excavation and grading work, which involved the moving of over 100,000 yards of earth, is complete and the new rail bed is ready. Reseeding has begun so campers will have grassy camping spots for the SUBWAY 500 weekend. After the October events, work will begin on laying new tracks on the new rail bed, about 100 yards from the location of the present tracks.

The souvenir area outside of the fourth turn has also been enlarged. The old souvenir and display area will be used solely for corporate displays. Souvenir trailers will be located on four tiers built on the slope directly adjacent to the display area.

Tickets for the upcoming NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Series Subway 500 are available by calling 1-877-RACE-TIX.

SAFER Barriers up and ready for action at Martinsville Speedway

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

Drivers never want to hit the wall at Martinsville Speedway, but now it is at least a little "softer" place to visit.

Construction work wrapped up early this week on SAFER Barriers at Martinsville Speedway. They will be in use first for the Bailey's 300 Late Model Stock Car race on October 10, followed by the SUBWAY 500 weekend October 22-24. SAFER is an acronym for "steel and foam energy reduction."

"We always want our competitors to be as safe as they possibly can be and the SAFER barriers were the next logical step in that direction," said Martinsville Speedway president Clay Campbell. "I know firsthand from my Late Model Stock experience that hitting the wall is never fun, but at least with the SAFER barriers we have lessened the impact of the hit."

The SAFER barrier absorbs some of the energy in a crash, lessening the impact for a driver. Developed at the

University of Nebraska, the barrier is made up of steel tubes and pads of hard foam and is affixed to the concrete wall.

The SAFER barriers at Martinsville Speedway cover just over a half mile. They extend 832 feet on the outside wall of the first and second turns; 640 feet on the outside of the third and fourth turns; 706 feet along the inside front stretch wall; and 569 feet along the inside of the back stretch wall.

There were a total of 3.02 miles of tube steel used in the project and a total of 364,000 pounds or 182 tons of steel. Almost 9,000 pieces of hardware and fasteners were used.

The Elrod Corporation of Mooresville, Ind., was the primary contractor on the project.

The installation of the SAFER barriers was one of several off season projects at Martinsville Speedway, including repaving of the racing surface, expansion of souvenir area and the first stage of work on the relocation of the railroad track which parallels the backstretch.

Attorneys for show horse owners file court papers

by MURRAY EVANS ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — The owners of a champion show horse again have asked a federal judge to allow the exhumation of the animal so that forensic tests can be conducted on the remains.

Joe and Sally Jackson's second request to exhume Wild-Eyed and Wicked is contained in papers filed in U.S. District Court last Friday. The horse is buried at Double D Ranch in Versailles, where he was boarded and trained by the farm's owners, Dena and Dave Lopez.

Wild-Eyed and Wicked, the winner of the saddlebred industry's Triple Crown in 2000 and 2001, was one of five horses at Double D Ranch in June 2003 who had nearly identical circular wounds on the back of their left front pastern — the short bone between the hoof and ankle — where someone apparently injected them with a still-unknown substance.

Three horses, including Wild-Eyed and Wicked, an 11-year-old gelding, were euthanized that July because of the injuries. Kentucky State Police have named no suspects in the case, although it remains under investigation.

On Aug. 13, District Judge Joseph Hood denied a similar request by the Jacksons, citing the ongoing investigation. But Hood said he might reconsider his decision if the Overland Park, Kan., couple could provide assurance that Woodford County Commonwealth's Attorney Gordon Shaw, who would prosecute the case should charges be brought against someone, would have no objections to the exhumation.

Hood also told the Jacksons they must provide testimony from veterinarians that blood and tissue samples taken from Wild-Eyed and Wicked before the horse's death aren't available for testing.

Last week's filing included affidavits from Shaw, three veterinarians who treated the horse, a veterinarian who performed tests on the horse's tissue and three other veterinarians who said that forensic

tests on the bones would provide useful information for the investigation.

Shaw said in his affidavit that "it is my opinion that such an exhumation of Wicked's remains, together with appropriate forensic testing, would not hamper or obstruct the ongoing KSP criminal investigation, and I believe that it may be of benefit, to assist my office and the KSP in the conduct of the investigation."

John Cummins, Carol McLeod and Ric Redden, veterinarians who treated Wild-Eyed and Wicked, all said in their affidavits that they never conducted tests on tissue samples from the horse and do not possess any such samples.

George Maylin of Cornell University, a leading expert on equine drug testing and pharmacology, said in his affidavit that he tested samples taken from scabs from the wounds of four of the horses that were attacked, including Wild-Eyed and Wicked, but that the tissue samples provided weren't viable for testing.

Maylin said he later received tissue samples from another of the euthanized horses, but received no instructions about testing the samples and returned them to the Kentucky State Police.

The Jacksons have been involved in legal wranglings with the Lopezes since January, when the Lopezes sued the Jacksons for \$13,172.90 — costs the Lopezes said they incurred in caring for the Jacksons' horses at Double D Ranch. The Jacksons countersued.

Bill Ramicure, an attorney for the Lopezes, said during the August hearing they wanted to know what tests would be run if the horse were exhumed and what those tests might show before they would agree to the request for exhumation.

The Lopezes have claimed they had a verbal agreement with the Jacksons to bury Wild-Eyed and Wicked at Double D Ranch, which the Jacksons dispute.

The Jacksons also have said they want to rebury the horse at a location of their choosing.

Clever Trick filly brings top price at Keeneland session

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — A daughter of Clever Trick brought a top price of \$230,000 during Thursday's session of Keeneland's September Yearling Sale.

Kenneth McPeck, as agent, bought the dark bay or brown filly out of Southern Musical, by Southern Halo, from the consignment of Rick Littrell's Viking Stud Inc., agent for Meadowdale Farm.

Keeneland sold 272 horses Thursday for \$6,815,400, an average of \$25,057 and a medi-

an of \$18,500. During the corresponding session a year ago, 299 horses brought \$5,066,800, an average of \$16,946 and a median of \$11,000.

With four days remaining in the 14-day auction, 2,546 horses have been sold for a sale record \$312,462,500, an average of \$122,727 and a median of \$55,000. At this point in the sale last year, 2,580 horses had been sold for \$269,863,600, an average of \$104,598 and a median of \$42,000.

The sale resumed Friday and continues through Monday.

Charles Town Races on hold after wet spots found under new track

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLES TOWN, W.Va. — Horse racing at Charles Town Races & Slots has been put on hold after wet spots were found beneath the recently refurbished track.

The spots were found before the onslaught of Hurricane Ivan's remnants, Eric Schippers, a spokesman for track owner Penn National Gaming Inc., said Wednesday.

The refurbished, \$8 million track, which opened on Aug. 25, lengthened races from six furlongs to 7 1/2 furlongs. A furlong is one-eighth of a mile.

The track had been closed for three weeks to make the improvements, which also included new lighting, a new racing surface and banking in the turns.

The track also replaced a concrete base under the old racing surface, which had made it difficult for water to drain from

the track following rains.

"What happened is last week a track worker discovered some wet spots on the track," Schippers said. "As a temporary measure we've shut down the track."

Schippers said the track expected to have the problem resolved in time for this weekend's races, but urged patrons to call the track to make sure the races were being held.

Racing at Mountaineer Racetrack & Gaming Resort in Chester was canceled last Friday because of heavy rains, but the track has not been otherwise affected by the storm, said spokeswoman Tamara Pettit.

The dog track at Wheeling Island Racetrack and Gaming Center was not as fortunate, as floodwaters submerged the racing surface.

The gaming center, hotel and restaurants reopened Wednesday, but racing is not expected to resume for several weeks.

Rebels

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Joe Brown barreled his way into the endzone from four yards out with 5:47 showing on a first-quarter scoreclock. Robinson added a successful two-point conversion try following Brown's rushing score to put the Rebels out to a 14-6 advantage.

The Rebels took a 14-6 lead into the second quarter and didn't return to the endzone until the final minute of the second period. After giving up the game's first score, the Rebel defense bent somewhat, but never broke, preventing the Patriot offense from hitting paydirt.

The Allen Central offense was driving in the final minute of the first half. After back-to-back timeouts, Allen Central senior quarterback Ryan Hammonds found senior Wilfredo Domingez open in the endzone. The pass-catch hookup between Hammonds and Domingez put the Rebels ahead 20-5. Trying to add onto its lead, Allen Central came up short on the two-point conversion and led 20-5.

With 7:03 remaining in the third quarter, Hammonds found Domingez open for a touchdown a second time. Domingez's second scoring

reception of the night put the Rebels ahead 26-6. Running back David Slone, who also had an interception for the Rebels, put Allen Central ahead 28-6 and made the final score when he added the two-point conversion on a hard run across the goal line.

The Knott County Central defense managed to intercept two Hammonds-thrown passes, but the senior quarterback, who also plays both basketball and baseball, had the final say, making several throws that set up scores while passing for a pair of touchdowns. Hammonds ranks as one of the most athletic quarterbacks in Class A, Region Eight. Allen Central, led in part by Hammonds, has now outscored opponents 220-184.

For the Rebels, there's not much time to rest. Allen Central is scheduled to get back into district play this Friday in a road game against Class A, Region 4, District 8 defending champ Hazard. The Bulldogs (1-4), had this past week open. Hazard has struggled through its first five games, being outscored 195-104. Kickoff for the Allen Central-Hazard game at historic Daniel Field is set for 7:30 p.m.

Jockey wants libel case kept in Kentucky

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Jockey Jose Santos has asked that his libel case against the Miami Herald and other defendants remain in federal court in Kentucky.

Santos made the request in a filing this month in U.S. District Court in Louisville, where he filed the lawsuit in May. Santos, who rode Funny Cide to victory in last year's Kentucky Derby and Preakness Stakes, sued the newspaper; its parent company, Knight-Ridder Inc.; and several of the newspaper's employees for \$48 million.

Stewards investigated the finish of last year's Derby after a photograph and story in the newspaper in May 2003 raised questions about whether Santos might have carried an illegal device in his right hand when he crossed the finish line.

Stewards later concluded Santos was holding only his

whip. In June, the defendants asked that the case be dismissed or transferred to a federal court in south Florida. The defendants have contended that because they all are citizens of Florida, the newspaper is based in Florida and Santos and his family — who joined him in the lawsuit — live in Florida, that the Kentucky court lacks jurisdiction in the case.

In his latest filing Sept. 7, Santos argues that the Kentucky court does have jurisdiction, because "all of the underlying acts took place in and were focused upon Louisville, Kentucky" and says "the community of Louisville, Kentucky, has a strong interest in this case."

The defendants filed a response Friday, again arguing that the complaint should be dismissed and saying that there is no basis for the Kentucky court to have jurisdiction.

Raiders

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digs; 8 saves; 2 blocks.

■ Candice Hall — 18 kills; 67-of-91 serves; 28 aces; 36 assists; 47 digs; 19 saves.

■ Sabrina Reid — 63 kills; 35-of-40 serves; 6 aces; 3 assists; 63 digs; 18 saves; 9 blocks.

■ Kayla Hall 8 kills; 79-of-90 serves; 11 aces; 3 assists; 110 digs; 18 saves; 13 blocks.

■ Tab Tackett — 39 kills; 5 assists; 37 digs; 17 saves; 18 blocks.

■ Tiff Tackett — 1 kills; 10-of-14 serves; 2 aces; 6 assists; 8 digs; 2 saves.

■ Courtney Blocker 13 kills; 1-of-2 serves; 11 digs; 3 saves.

■ Christina Berger — 3 kills; 7-of-9 serves; 2 aces; 4 digs; 2 blocks.

■ Ashley Bealer — 3 kills; 6-of-9 serves; 2 aces; 4 digs; 2 saves.

■ Pam Walker — 53-of-56 serves; 13 aces; 2 digs.

■ Brita Meade — 10-of-12 serves; 2 aces; 4 dig; 2 saves.

■ Kasey Elkins — 1-of-1 serves; 10 digs; 2 saves.

■ Amber Tackett 4-of-5 serves; 1 ace; 5 digs.

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This Town, That World

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

Well, there's one less thing to worry about this morning, since the Cincinnati Reds blew their last chance last night.

WELCOME TO THE CLUB!

Things do come to pass. If you wait long enough. Years ago, I vented my wrath, spleen and supply of adjectives on that ancient toll-bridge across the Big Sandy, between Louisa and Fort Gay. It was only a rasping voice in the wilderness, and I got not even an echo. But now come many hundreds of them, saying this antiquated nickel-grabber, this fender-scraper that's been scrapin' fenders, ever since there was one to scrape, must go.

I'm not joining these people. They're joining me.

AND I MAY HAVE TWISTED THE STORY

I may have Long John Hyden's story, which he told me recently, slightly mixed up, but it runs to this effect:

Two preachers were exchanging confidences, and one prefaced his story by saying he hoped the other wouldn't think he was being irreverent, then told of approaching a man to discuss his relationship with God. The man turned his head, said the preacher, and when he looked back again, the minister, for the first time, became aware that the other was the most cross-eyed man he had ever seen—so cross-eyed, in fact, he declared, that he was crying, and the tears were running down the back of his neck.

"Who am I to dispute what may well indeed be the truth?" rejoined the other. "For I know what such physical affliction will do to living things. My brother, I tell you, I once saw a tree so crooked—please believe me!—that the sap couldn't rise in it, and it was dying of starvation."

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Comment on my explanation of how a b'iled owl gets as drunk as some people, or vice versa.

"I have read your feeble attempt to explain this, a la Trout, and it would appear that I have driven my ducks to a dry pond."
 "Signed: JIM GOBLE."

CLICHES, 1965 STYLE

I have been idling a bit with one of these old-fashioned novels and its cliches; meanwhile have dawdled a bit with how the same thing might be said in these modern times. For example:

"She dropped her eyes" might now be written. "Her eyes made re-entry to the floor."

"He shot a glance around the room" would be. "His glance

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MEET LONDON



Alexandria Graves, The 'Drifter'

by MARY MUSIC
 STAFF WRITER

It is the first week of a two-month excursion through Europe. The couple — a 6-foot British man and his wife, a petite, 5-foot-4 Indian woman — are motorcycleing through the Alpine passes.

She's driven the oversized bike — a BMW RS 1100 — before, but she has never driven it as it is now. It's loaded down with a top box, tank bag, and equipped with their tent, sleeping bag, and all the other necessities for the trip.

The bike is enormous compared to her, a fact that makes her nervous—very nervous. Before, she'd ask her husband to put down his feet to steady the bike when she was ready to stop. Now, operating this monstrous machine, she's afraid to stop altogether. "You must stop, we need to get some petrol," the man says, bending slightly into her ear.

"No, no. I can't stop. I can't," she answers, veering forward, her face a mixture of fear and determination.

He laughs, continuing his good nature for several miles. She drives, continuing to deny his requests to stop for petrol.

Miles later, they are stranded, out of gas, beside the road.

Meet Alexandria Lakshmi Graves, the Associate Director of the

International Enrichment Program in London, England. Alex, who considers herself a "bit of a drifter" moved to England when she about 7 years old.

Born the youngest of three children, she lived in various countries with her parents until they settled in the UK, where Alex lives today with her husband, Adrian Scott.

She looks back on her childhood with fond memories, but says her parent's divorce, which occurred when she was about 8 years old, was a challenging hurdle in her life.

Her father, an English man who worked overseas, met her mother in India, where the family lived for several years. She attributes the closeness of her family to the strong Indian traditions she grew up with.

In India, Alex and her siblings were home schooled for several years. There weren't many other children to play with in the small Christian-based community, so she and her brother and sister spent plenty of time together. The family had no television, but Alex says she didn't miss it, nor does she care much for it now.

Today, she and her siblings gather with their families each month to reminisce and share their lives. Oftentimes, their parents, who have since found other partners, join them for holiday excursions. Divorce is never easy,

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Alexandria Lakshmi Graves

- Age: 35
- Education: Degree in Business for Sustainable Tourism; Masters in Sustainable Tourism
- Occupation: Associate Director, International Enrichment
- Life Quote: "If all the rich people in the world gave one grain of rice to the poor people, there would be no poor people in the world." — a saying from her mother, one that Alex says reminds her to be considerate of others. No matter the circumstance, there's always others who are far less fortunate, she says.

Lakshmi was the Indian Goddess of Wealth and Beauty. It's no wonder that Alex was blessed with such a title. Even though her life philosophy is far from being materialistic, Alex is certainly rich—rich in experience, rich in the quality of her life, rich in the fact that she knows where she stands and who she is. She is adventurous, strong, and an absolute pleasure to chat with.

MOVIES FROM THE BLACK LAGOON

'King of the Ants'

by TOM DOTY
 STAFF WRITER

You won't find any giant killer bugs in this movie, but you will get a film about revenge and redemption that pulls no punches.

This is the story of a guy named Sean who is drifting through life on no apparent path. While working an odd job, he runs into an amiable electrician, named Duke Wayne, who offers him work. Duke introduces him to a contractor named Ray who has a job for him. Ray needs somebody to spy on the activities of an accountant and report back to him.

Sean finds that he enjoys the work and comes to see himself as James Bond as he tails this average Joe. Soon he develops a crush on the CPA's wife, who works in a homeless shelter, but things take a bad turn when he submits his report to Ray. Turns out the accountant is about to turn over some documents to the cops. Sean reluctantly agrees to murder the accountant for \$13,000 and things go way downhill from there.

Sean commits the act in a heart-wrenching scene that manages to gain sympathy for both the killer and his victim. Sean is shaken from the killing but things only get worse when he is kidnapped by Ray and his goon squad. They have no intention of killing Sean, however, and take him to an isolated desert home where their insidious plan takes shape. They intend to torture and beat on him like he hid their baloney.

The torture sequences are so carefully rendered that they are painful to watch. They isolate Sean in a musty shed and pay him one visit a day. During the visits they routinely wrap a foam cushion around his head and think him once, in the same spot, with a baseball bat. In between visits Sean begins to hallucinate and eventually appears to lose his slacker-like grip on reality.

Sean eventually escapes from captivity and even finds a peaceful respite in the arms of the accountant's wife. Eventually that goes sour when she realizes his identity. When he comes to blows with her, he loses the last thread that was binding him to society and he becomes the last thing that the hoods wanted — a killer without conscience who only exists to pay them back.

It all ends up with a desert showdown that is brutal, complete and leaves no question that Sean has crossed over into an emotionless existence that will mean curtains for anyone who crosses his path.

This is rough stuff but is well han-

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I found myself saying 'yes'

by MARGARET J. GIANNINI, M.D.
 "CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL AT WORK"

It was a normal spring day in 1950. I was asked to attend a meeting with the president of the medical school where I was an attending physician. He didn't tell me the purpose of the meeting, and when I arrived at his office, I was surprised to find five couples sitting with him. I sat down and wondered what these people had in common.

What they had in common was a problem: All were parents of retarded children, and nowhere in the vast city of New York were they able to find medical facilities to treat their children's special needs.

As they told me their story, I was shocked to learn how they had been mistreated, badly advised and humiliated; all because their children were retarded and did not "deserve" to be treated as other human beings with medical problems. They had been turned away from all the other teaching hospitals. Their request was simple: They were asking for a weekly clinic to treat the medical problems of the retarded.

Their stories touched me deeply, and I felt embarrassed that this attitude existed among my medical colleagues. I soon found myself saying that I would set up a one-morning-a-week clinic for these children and their parents.

Little did I realize then that this decision was

the beginning of a new life for me. I soon became the leader of the first and only facility of its kind in the world, tending to the physical needs of mentally retarded children. Parents with their children came out of the woodwork seeking help. I was completely overwhelmed, trying to attend to everyone's needs in just one morning a week. What should I do? I agonized over the decision of whether to devote my entire professional life to this mission, or to walk away. Needless to say, I decided to commit myself to the plight of this

lonely community. The unexpected spring meeting with those five couples lead me to become an advocate, clinician, researcher, administrator and policy-maker. The five couples went on to found the National Association for Retarded Citizens.

Jimmy Carter, then the president of the United States, appointed me the first director of the National Institute of Handicapped Research.

I had been challenged to reach deeply within myself to make a better life for all these individuals. I said yes ... and I found my life's mission.

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Jim Davidson

Why the Pentagon is five-sided

I am indebted to Pastor Leon Schulz, who lives in Menno, S.D., for the title and a portion of my contents for you today. I got a letter from Pastor Schulz a few weeks ago with the question, "Why is the Pentagon five-cornered, rather than six-cornered, square, round or any other shape?"

This question came up because the town of Menno was building a Veteran's Memorial and it was to be placed on a cement foundation, which is pentagon shaped, or five cornered, in reference to the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. He got the idea to write me after reading my column "Why the American Flag has Thirteen Folds" and figured I may know the answer, or at least I could

find it. He was right on the second part of that statement. With some help, I did find it.



The reason I have decided to share this with you is because the Pentagon is important in the life of every American. We all remember the horror that took place on Sept. 11, 2001, when terrorists flew that jetliner into the east wall of the Pentagon the same day they destroyed the World Trade Center.

The Pentagon is where the vast majority of all planning, deployment and direction of our nation's armed forces takes place. The president is the commander-in-chief, but the Pentagon is the hub or nerve

center for all military operations.

Our nation's defense is vital to each one of us and is one of the few things contained in the Preamble to our Constitution. Because we all need to be reminded of this from time to time, here is what it says:

"We the People of the United States, in order to form a more perfect Union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

Now, back to the Pentagon. The Pentagon in Washington, D.C., got its name after the fact. The word "pentagon" means, "A polygon having five sides and five angles." The Pentagon's unusual five-sided configuration was dictated by

the site originally proposed adjacent to Memorial Drive, about three-fourths of a mile north of where the building was actually constructed. An early plan called for a square structure with one corner cut off to accommodate an existing road.

This resulted in a skewed Pentagon shape. Serious objections were raised to locating the building on open land directly between Arlington Cemetery and Washington's Monumental Core, and discussions ensued regarding selection of a building site, resulting in less visual and physical impact from the project.

During the debate on the site, the project's chief architects, George Edwin Bergstrom and David J. Whitmire, continued to refine the design. The final design retained the five sides, in the form of a true pentagon, which gave rise to the building's name. The shape resulted in the

most efficient use of available space.

The concept of using several concentric rings to contain the space evolved during further refinement of design. Preliminary design and drafting took just 34 days. A project of this magnitude and urgency demanded the rapid assembly and an unprecedented design and production effort. The office of the chief architect rapidly grew to 327 architects and engineers, who were supported by 117 field inspectors. The weekly output of prints ranged from 12,000 to 30,000, with reproduction machines running on a 24-hour basis. For periods of time, new drawings were issued nightly. The reproduction effort consumed 15,000 yards of print paper per week.

There is no way to know for sure, but I suspect that, like me, most Americans do not know when the Pentagon was built. Construction began on Sept. 11, 1941, (what a coincidence) and was completed on Jan. 15, 1943. For people who were living back then, the need was urgent,

as our nation was fighting World War II and the end was not yet in sight. At one stage of construction, 15,000 people were employed on the job, working three shifts, 24 hours a day. At night, they worked under floodlights. Construction took just 16 months, a remarkable feat of engineering and management.

I am very hopeful this information will be helpful to Pastor Leon Schulz and his fellow patriots in Menno, S.D., when they dedicate their Veteran's Memorial on Sunday, Nov. 9, which is just two days prior to Veterans Day. We should never forget those brave men and women who sacrificed so that the United States of America would continue to be a free nation. We owe these people so much and that is what Veteran's Memorials and Veteran's Day is all about. God bless America and let freedom ring.

Jim Davidson is a motivational speaker and syndicated columnist. You may contact him at 2 Bentley Drive, Conway, AR 72034.

Please, keep 'em coming!

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



Ladies of the Prestonsburg area preparing to share an afternoon of tea, in 1930. The women were photographed standing in front of the old Garfield House. Pictured are: Sally Gatewood Clark, Winnie Fitzpatrick Johns, Inez Cottrell Hopson, Grace Dingus Ford, Sally Newman Humphreys, Tiny Spradlin, Lucy Jones, Lyda (Mrs. Sam) Davidson, Annie Layne (Mrs. Joe) Davidson, Claudia (Mrs. Martin) Leete, Adah Harlow, Lizzie Archer Wells Garroitt, Margaret Porter Alley, Victoria Davidson Arnold, Lena Porter, Bess Leete Stephens (owners of the Garfield House), Douglas May, Emma Johns Archer, Ruth Davidson Sowards, Mrs. Lon Moles (nee Goble).

photo submitted by Mrs. Margaret D. Collins



Pikeville Campus - Big Sandy Community and Technical College hosted a presentation on Homeland Security presented by: Jessica Runyon, Public Health Preparedness Planner with the Department of Public Health; Doug Tackett, Emergency Management Director; and 911 Coordinator for Pike County, Andrew Dinsmore, Big Sandy Chapter of the Red Cross. The presentation was available to students, faculty and the general public. The topics covered included: What To Do In An Emergency, Storing Important Family Documents, Making an Evacuation Plan, and Your Family Disaster Supplies Kit. Further sessions on Homeland Security will include Bioterrorism: Understanding the Threat, Terrorism: Aware and Prepared, and Reporting Terrorism Threats: What To Watch for.

Allen

blasted off and circled the room, non-stop, a dozen times."

"Nay, nay, my love!" would be, "Nope, nope!"

And for the classic, "Their eyes met," I like the late Adali Stevenson's, "We stood, eyeball to eyeball."

EXPLANATION

This week's Times, I suspect at this stage of the game, may be a bit late.

Lagoon

dled by veteran director Stuart Gordon ("Reanimator"). The film only works because lead actor Chris L. McKenna, as Sean, is an unknown commodity. Any recognized actor would be too distracting in the role which calls on him to be evil, sympathetic and, while being tortured, totally pathetic.

The supporting cast is totally on the mark, too, with excellent performances by George Wendt, as the two-faced Duke, and Vernon Welles ("The Road Warrior") as a surprisingly gentle thug.

The real kudos go to Daniel Baldwin (TV's "Homicide") as the

We started the week off with a newsprint shortage which has been solved—I hope. Work piled up—thank you, one and all!—and our Uncle Sam's call for one of our fellows to take a preinduction examination took him away temporarily. Another was near to coming down with a granddaddy of a cold. And the set of complications didn't help the rest of us. So-o...go crack that whip elsewhere, please.

head villain. His Ray is a small-town goon who talks a good game but is too cowardly to do his own dirty work. His monologue about seducing a woman who has an overly excitable dog is a high point and underlines the fact that he is easily the most underrated Baldwin brother in films today.

The ending is a shocker and further demonstrates that films can still end the way they did in the 1970s when a happy denouement was never guaranteed.

Best line: "I want you in this guy's jock, morning, noon and night." 2004, rated R.

London

Alex says, but the fact that her parents never openly displayed their animosity made it much easier, as does the fact that they are able to continue a relationship now.

The family today is as culturally diverse as the streets of London. Alex married a British man. Her brother partnered with a French woman. Her sister, a German. Her father, an American.

She says they're able to keep a close family connection because they all live away from each other, a reason those family get-togethers are all the more important. The nation, she says, is continually putting less emphasis on the importance of strong family ties.

"The whole way we love is less so than it used to be," Alex said. "It's important to have a strong family connection, and we're losing it as a nation. We become more decentralized as time moves on."

Alex attended the same school—the Stiner's School—until she moved on to college. She loved it there because the curriculum balanced a "broad spectrum" of learning. In addition to their academic studies, children there were taught to be independent. Every morning, students settled down to their "main lesson," which included various topics like geology, physics, chemistry, mythology, history, or astrology. These topics were repeated more in depth over three to four year periods, and they included all sorts of hands-on activities. The students tried their hand at wood working, pottery, metal working, or they would take a midnight stroll to view the stars with their astronomy class.

Though she learned a lot in school, Alex says one of her biggest life lessons came when she left her family at the age of 18 to travel. For several years, she visited different countries, educating herself about their diversity and culture. She loves traveling; always will, and today, she describes herself as someone who doesn't have roots. She loves the outdoors, volunteering, and says her personality may be somewhat two-fold. On the outside, she says, she appears to be very content with her life. On the inside, however, people rarely see her "intensity" for caring about certain people, places, or things.

Alex returned to college as a "mature" student at the age of 24. That's where she met her husband, Adrian, who became and remained her drinking partner for a year and a half while they attended the university.

Because they both shared similar interests, their friendship blossomed as the years passed, but the couple, who

now live in Twickenham, didn't actually "hook up" until they took a trip to America. They dated and lived together for 8 years before marrying two years ago. Their first child is due in January.

"Being married hasn't changed anything one bit," Alex said, smiling.

She hopes her relaxed personality will help her be a "fun mum," like her own mother was, but she worries that her need for organization might cause a bit of a challenge when her child is born.

Though her family found its beginnings in a small tight-knit Christian community in India, Alex, today, is not religious.

"I believe that not just Christianity, but religion as a whole has a lot to answer for," she said, "when you look at what's happening in the world between the Jews and everything in Israel and Jerusalem. It's not the religion that I don't agree with, but the fanaticism you get behind it.... I believe there must be something. But I don't see how it could be one god, or Allah, or what have you. I don't believe you can name it...I used to believe in something. In English history, the Mother Goddess, I liked what she stood for. But I don't believe anybody up there can save my soul and I don't believe I'm will be damned for not being religious. I don't believe in heaven or hell."

A majority in Britain claim to be atheists. Alex says none of her friends attend church, nor has she ever done so, except for funerals and weddings. She doesn't know why so many people in Britain have turned their backs on religion, but she assumes it could have something to do with the religious conflicts associated with the country's history.

Alex says she is content in her own beliefs and she enjoys learning about other religions, but she doesn't want people to "shove" religion down her throat.

Alex contends that America is "one of the most amazing countries" she's ever been too. Specifically, she commented on the beauty of the country's national parks.

She says she's learned a lot about the way American people live through her experiences with the students participating in the International Enrichment program in London. One surprising aspect, she says, is the "driven" nature of the students, particularly those who are interning overseas.

"They are so driven," she said, "especially the interns. They tell me 'I have to have this job at this place, remember, I'm going to do this for the

rest of my life,' therefore, they're specific right down to the job they want and the type of company they want to intern for....But it doesn't work like that. I've been working for 15 go 20 years and it just doesn't work like that...You have to be flexible, otherwise, you're not going to be happy."

Contentment, Alex said, is one of the most important life values, and many Americans just don't understand how to get it.

"People forget that time is not everything," she said. "In America, everything is done quickly, and here people don't worry so much about how quickly it is done. Efficiency is important, but here, being fast about it is not paramount."

Her philosophy about finding contentment in life is quite simple.

"When you're always wanting more, you should look at your values and see why you need more," she said. "If you don't need more, you're content."

Alex says she doesn't understand the American emphasis on shopping because she doesn't see the need for extravagance in life. She says she worries because big brand name American companies are now scurrying overseas, along with the "suing mentality" of the states.

"The whole Coca-Cola, Nike ethos worries me," she said.

She doesn't like the way Americans waste resources, a feeling birthed from her tight-knit Indian background.

"They come over and say, why do people hate us and we have to look at them and say, 'well, your country consumes 60 percent of the world's resources,'" she said. "You just consume, consume, consume, without fault toward anyone else."

Alex believes that America is "not given a choice" in their education about politics and the government, a fact which could be detrimental come election time. She, along with numerous other natives of the UK, doesn't like President Bush and says the stigma of his presidency is hurting the nation as a whole.

"I think America, the only side we get of it here is Bush, and it's sad that Americans all have to live under that role," she said. "With any group that travels, they're all put under an umbrella and they're all stamped with the same mark, so to speak ... I don't like Bush. I think he's evil and wrong and he knows how to manipulate people. I just can't understand how he'll get back in ... If he gets in again, America has no excuses and I just don't know what will happen."

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AUTOMOTIVE

130-Cars

For Sale Ford Contour 77,000 miles Maroon, 4 door, A/C, Cruise control, \$2,800 firm, interested buyers call 606-886-8494 after 5pm, leave message if no answer.

For Sale 1993 Ford Crown Victoria 138,000 miles, \$1,200, call 606-874-0467

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205-Business Opp.

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210-Job Listings

Legal Secretary wanted fax resume to 606-478-5109

Care Giver needed for elderly lady nearly bed fast, 24hour a day with every other week end off pay \$1,500 per month call 606-285-9650

Sales Reps. we will be appointing new Sales Reps. for the Floyd county area. We are a nationwide company that provides leads, advanced commission, classroom and field training. No experience necessary. This is a career opportunity with high income potential (40,000 - \$70,000 first year). To learn more, fax your resume to 859-233-3906 or email charles.price@bankerslife.com

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AVON

Earn your own money, \$10.00 sign up fee. Free gift. Call Jancy at 886-2082.

220-Help Wanted

Help wanted in Mt. Sterling some one to live in Trailer beside house, and help with lady and man in wheelchair. must meet Pathways rules, they pay 40 hours a week and we furnish trailer and extra pay for help with lady call 859-498-2403 Night or 859-498-3658 day ask for Betty

Help wanted semi-retired couple to do office work 5 hours per day Mon-Fri. Man Routine Manager job comes with 2 bed room apt. plus all utilities provided plus a small salary for more information call 606-886-2444 EOE

Help needed Female to help with elderly lady. Day shift, 7 a.m. to 6pm. Lifting and references required. Call 606-789-4419, day is 789-5434 leave message.

RN-STAFF DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR Salyersville Health Care Center is now recruiting for a Scathes candidate should have long term care experience with excellent leadership skills. Responsibilities include CAN training and overnight, infection control monitoring and tracking and staff scheduling. If interested, please call or stop by for a tour and interview Salyersville Health Care, 571 Parkway Drive.

Knott county Nursing Home is accepting applications for Medication Aides. Please apply in person at the facility call 606-785-5011

CNA Classes Mountain Manor Paintsville is taking applications for Cewrtified Nurses's Aide Classes in Person at 1025 Euclid Ave., Paintsville, Ky. between 8 am and 4:30 pm Mon.thru Fri

Part time employee for office / clerical computer skills a must experience in Windows, send resume to P.O. Box 2363 Pikeville, Ky 41501 for the Prestonsburg area

Automotive Technician Wanted, apply in person at John Gray Pontiac, Buick, Gmc, Inc Paintsville, Ky. Contact person will be Frank Bradley, great pay, all holidays off, vacation pay, lots more

Help wanted Female to stay with elderly lady with Alzheimer's in Martin area. Will discuss hours and pay, if interested call 606-886-9246 or 606-886-8737

WAREHOUSE WORKERS WANTED apply at Big Sandy Wholesale call 606-478-9578

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Prestonsburg Health Care Center has an opening for a full time RN and full time LPN. We offer competitive wages and excellent benefits. If interested please stop by or send a resume to 147 N. Highland Ave. Prestonsburg KY, 41653 (Beside Prestonsburg Elementary,

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Manpower Temporary Services is seeking applicants for basic and advanced General Office assignments. Excellent phone skills, knowledge of MS word, Excel, experience in AS400 Data Entry Accounting, and Medical Billing are some of the skills needed. Qualified applicants can call 606-889-9710 for more information

Secretary for Medical office 9am to 5pm or 10am to 7pm should have some Sec.or Medical billing experience call 606-886-1714 or 606-285-9000

FINANCIAL

330-For Sale For Sale Man's Size 13 Ky. cluster yellow gold 14K call 606-478-5991

OIL FIELD SERVICE CO. HAS OPENING FOR HARD WORKING DRIVERS IN THE ALLEN OFFICE. MUST BE 21 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER. MUST HAVE CDL AND GOOD DRIVING RECORD WITH SOME MECHANICAL APPITUDE. PLEASE APPLY IN PERSON MONDAY THRU FRIDAY 8:00 AM. THRU 4:00 P.M LOCATED AT: UNIVERSAL WELL SERVICE, 5252 ROUTE 1428 IN ALLEN KENTUCKY. PHONE 606-874-3487

For sale Conn Console Piano Solid wood, excellent condition asking \$900.00 call 606-297-4223

For Sale Marlin Lever Action 44 Magnum rifle with a bushnell stocker scope with hard shell case asking \$350.00 call 606-349-8878

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445-Furniture

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RAY'S BARGAIN CENTER

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460-Yard Sale

Moving Sale everything must go, Furniture, appliances, Home Decor, Toys Name brand, men women, kid clothing waterbed, computer Sat 25 and Sun 26 weather permitted 8am to ??? 3rd house on left on State Rd. Fork from parkway call 606-889-0937

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2 family Yard Sale Fri. 10th and Sat. 11th only located 466 Trimble Branch Rain or shine

480-Miscellaneous

For Sale Firewood, cheap, low prices by the truck load call evenings 606-358-9616

\$7.99! Stereo Speakers Seized property TV, Computers & More! from \$10.00! for more information call 800-366-0307 ext. P620

Airater Septic System, It has 3 compassator Brand New, installed but never used call 606-297-1454 asking \$1,800. firm...

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For Sale: 8 ft' dell cooler, \$950 and Gas convection oven, \$450. Call 606-886-2367.

REAL ESTATE

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

For Sale a newly remodeled 3 bed room brick home located at Creek side in Prestonsburg. This is a very nice home with a nice lot. For more information please call 606-886-8286 or 606-886-6186

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Owner private, in country, location trailer 686 on Fitzpatrick Road, off Mountain Parkway 4 1/2 miles from Prestonsburg, \$150.00 plus \$150. deposit, 281-538-4405

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For Rent or sale 2003 Clayton 14x 80, 3 bed room, 2 bath, central air, kitchen appliances dishwasher new berber carpet living room. pay off 21,500 or 475.00 per month. 6 mos. lease 3 references, damage deposit 275.00 required call 606-886-2512 if no answer leave message.

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Trailer for sale 1984, 14 x 58 Fleetwood asking \$4,900 call day 606-478-3333 or night 606-478-2423

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RENTALS

610-Apartments

Apt. for lease with central heat and air, appliances included and new carpet through out home city water and sewer call 606-874-9300 after 6pm 606-874-9897

Mellowbrook 2 bed room Apt. & 1 bed room Cottage at Harold, 15 minutes from Prestonsburg. 11 miles from Paintsville call 606-478-4818

1 bed room Apt., utilities paid, w/d furnished, No Pets available Oct. 1 \$425.00 per month \$150.00 Deposit, phone 606-874-5577 or 606-226-0999.

Single family residential lot in Preston sburg at 28 & route 80 has city annulites and restrictions asking \$25,000 call 606-237-4758 or 606-353-7239

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For rent upstairs Studio Apt. furnished ,elect, heat / air ,deposit required utilities extra, asking \$325per month call 886-6208

For Rent 1 bed room Apt. HUD accepted call 606-285-5047

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Furnished 1 bed Apt. 5 miles from Martin, on route 1210 Utilities already turned on \$370, plus electric, \$120.00 deposit call 606-285-3641 anytime...

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 Trooper Scott Hopkins
CALL 606-433-7711
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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



Furnished 1 bed room Apt. Central heat & air. Rent starting at \$375. month, + \$300. deposit water included. Located near HRMC. 606-889-9717.

620-Office Space

Office/Retail Space available Great Location near downtown, in the PHS, BSCTC, and the new Food City area of Prestonsburg. up to 4,200 square feet for lease call Today 886-0111, x16 or 226-2266

630-Houses

For rent on Cow Creek, 2 bed rooms house \$375.00 per month plus garage and water No Pets call 606-874-0262

House for rent at Betsy Layne \$500.00 per month 500.00 Deposit call 606-478-5403

For rent immediately 2 bed room house at Garrett, \$450.00 plus utilities, central heat and air, city water, call 606-358-2873 or 791-6958

House for rent 3 bed room at Teaberry, some furniture with washer and dryer A/C included \$390.00 plus deposit utilities, HUD approved and Lot for rent \$150.00 per month plus deposit call 606-587-2985

For Rent after Sept 20th 3 bed room, living room, kitchen, dining room, 1 bath, utility room, large storage room, 2 porches includes yard & garden space call 606-886-6648

For rent 2 bed room House at Garrett, \$450.00 plus utilities, central heat and air, city water call 358-2873 or 791-6958

House for rent willing to sell on a lease purchase contract, \$750.00 per month \$1,000.00 deposit, references required NO PETS 3 bed room 1 1/2 bath, private lot located on Ky. Route 1428 between Allen and Prestonsburg call 606-874-6500 home work. 606-886-6468

2 bed room Duplex central heat and air, close to Prestonsburg, No Pets. call 606-886-9479 or 606-889-9747

640-Land & Lots

Trailer Space for rent on left fork of Abbott call 606-886-9479 or 606-889-6560

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 acer 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

For Lease Commercial Property 1,400 Square feet, 2 baths on Francis Court beside Court house in Prestonsburg, \$500.00 per month plus utilities call 606-886-6362

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

NOTICES

805-Announcements

ALC' APPALACHIA DAY HOME CON-MING
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

FREE PALLETS: can be picked up behind The Floyd County Times

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 renewal of 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, Orbin Moore, Orville Hamilton, Hazard Collins, Opal Moore, Barzell Brown, Sam Hamilton, Arizona Martin, and Jeff Henson. 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.

This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections, and/or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 636-5033, RENEWAL #4

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, Ottis 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

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application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet proposing to raise a residential structure above the 100 year Flood plain. The proposed site is located along KY. Route 1427 approximately 2.5 miles West of the intersection of Ky. Route 1427 and U.S. 23 ON The North side of Abbott creek at latitude 37° 41' 13.50 N and longitude 82° 49' 51.18 W. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, and Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone: 502-564-3410

This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections, and/or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Mary K. Wills has filed an

application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet proposing to raise a residential structure above the 100 year Flood plain. The proposed site is located along KY. Route 1427 approximately 2.5 miles West of the intersection of Ky. Route 1427 and U.S. 23 ON The North side of Abbott creek at latitude 37° 41' 13.50 N and longitude 82° 49' 51.18 W. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, and Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone: 502-564-3410

COMBINED INSURANCE COMPANY
is looking for an agent in local area. Must pass rigid background check. Training provided. \$30-\$35 to start. Call 859-229-7133. EOEM/F

Classified ads
Work

PREMIER ELKHORN COAL COMPANY, Myra, KY, is now accepting applications for the following position:
Purchasing Clerk with a minimum of 5 years experience purchasing supplies for coal mines and tipples. Computer experience required. Must have good negotiation skills.
Applications will be accepted at: Kentucky Department for Employment Services 138 College Street, Pikeville, KY 41501
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