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Grand jury to weigh drug case

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A case against Johnny R. Phillips was found sufficient to be passed on to a grand jury in district court Monday.

Phillips was charged last Wednesday with speeding by Kentucky Vehicle Enforcement. He was apprehended on U.S. 23.

A search of his truck yielded a handgun and several plastic bags of a white powdery substance which Phillips allegedly indicated was cocaine.

More charges were added when an altercation happened at the Floyd County Detention Center where Phillips was being processed. He allegedly grabbed the bags and ran down a hallway. He allegedly consumed five of the bags before he was restrained by an officer using pepper spray.

The law enforcement officer who brought Phillips in was the only witness called to testify at the preliminary hearing in District Court on Monday. Vehicle Enforcement Officer Dennis Hutchinson testi

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Threats continue to plague officials

by SIDNEY JANE BAILEY and TOM DOTY STAFF WRITERS

EASTERN — Living in times like these are scary for a lot of people. Within the last two weeks, area institutions have received a total of four bomb or other threats.

The Floyd County School system received one Oct. 11 and again on Oct. 13. BB&T Bank received a threatening call on Oct. 19 and another was phoned to Allen Central High School on Oct. 20. All facilities were searched and individuals were allowed to return inside the buildings. The serialized threats are being investigated by the Kentucky State Police.

Allen Central High school had

to be evacuated for a brief period on Wednesday due to the latest threat, but this one was different. Authorities learned about the latest scare when a student from Betsy Layne informed the school of the threat. Det. Brian Hansford, of Kentucky State Police, is investigating this threat and said, "A student from Betsy Layne got the information about the Allen Central threat from an anonymous call. They had to evacuate the school."

"We were outside for two hours," said Allen Central High School principal Lorena Hall. "When school resumed, a lot of children had called their parents and gone home. We were so excited about our improved test scores and they are in jeopardy for the spring. You can't teach

them if they are not here.

"Each one of these calls means we have to follow established protocols [including leaving the building until emergency and police officers can inspect the scene] and the downside is that we will have to have extra days of school to make up the difference."

Hall was especially worried about the call to Allen Central as the others targeted the entire county but this last one was specific.

"We obviously were even more anxious with this one because it singled us out," Hall said. "You can't blame parents for keeping their kids home a few extra days, but the end result is

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photo by Sidney Jane Bailey

Allen Central High School became just the latest target Wednesday of pranksters who have phoned in numerous threats over the past two weeks.



photo by Tom Doty

Survivor shares her life lessons with college students

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — One in three women will be abused by a spouse or partner in their lifetime, and though women are less likely to be involved with violent crimes than men, they are eight times more likely to be victimized by an intimate partner.

One way to understand these statistics and give them a face is to hear a survivor of such violence tell her story. Yesterday, about 50 students at Big Sandy Community and

Technical College had a chance to hear about domestic violence firsthand from survivor Karen Charmaine Cavins, 42, of Johnson County.

Cavins talked about her experiences which began for her at childhood. She described how her relationship with her father prepared her to be a candidate for abuse. Her father would criticize her but never offered praise as a balance. She found only a brief respite from reality in books, which she she praised as "a powerful tool of escape for a child who is unhappy."

She related that she went into her first marriage as almost an escape from her home life, but it quickly degenerated into an abusive relationship when her husband hit her for the first time, only two days after they had said, "I do."

Years later, she escaped that marriage only to find herself married to another abuser. She related how she finally found the strength to leave after realizing that she was raising her sons to be abusers by putting up with the behavior and not getting

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Supreme Court rules Stumbo lawsuit should stay in Floyd

by JOE BIESK ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky Supreme Court ruled Thursday that Attorney General Greg Stumbo's harassment lawsuit against a woman with whom he had a child may remain in Floyd County.

The woman, Travis Fritsch, was seeking to move the harassment case from Floyd County — Stumbo's home turf — to Fayette County where Fritsch had filed a paternity suit.

Fritsch and her attorney claimed Stumbo agreed in 2001 that the Fayette court would retain jurisdiction over all issues in the case. However, Stumbo maintained the two cases were different.

The Supreme Court ruled Thursday that Fritsch would not suffer any "great and irreparable injury" by having the case remain in Floyd County.

"Inconvenience, expense, annoyance and other undesirable aspects of litigation may be present, but great and irreparable injury is not," Chief Justice Joseph Lambert wrote in the court's opinion.

The 6-0 ruling upholds a previous ruling by the Kentucky Court of Appeals.

Justice Janet Stumbo — a distant relative of the attorney general — recused herself.

Fritsch filed a suit against Stumbo in Fayette Circuit Court involving paternity, custody and child support issues, according to the ruling. The paternity issue was moved to the district court there.

Stumbo, who was a member of the Kentucky House from 1980 to 2003, had represented Floyd County in the General Assembly. He held that post — including 19 years as the majority leader — until he was elected attorney general last year.

Stumbo and Fritsch had been friends since college, and had an affair in 1987 while Stumbo was married. Fritsch gave birth to a son in 1988. He has since divorced and remarried.

Over the years, Stumbo periodically gave Fritsch money for their son, but Fritsch eventually pressed for regular payments and is now suing for \$43,000 in back payments.

The matter became a recurring issue in Stumbo's race for attorney general. However, Stumbo has maintained that he's made support payments since 2002, after a DNA test confirmed he was the father.

Judge sends chase case to grand jury

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — District Judge James Allen ruled on Wednesday that the evidence against Richard Caldwell, 28, of Salyersville, is compelling enough to be weighed by a Floyd County

grand jury. Caldwell's preliminary hearing saw one witness, Trooper Justin Lovett, testify to the events which unfolded on Oct. 9 and led to the arrest of Caldwell after a high-speed pursuit that began in Floyd

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The Floyd County Board of Education was honored with the presentation of an award by Brad Hughes, of the Kentucky School Boards Association, during a meeting held Wednesday evening, at Martin. Hughes applauded the Floyd County Board for ranking 24th, out of 176 districts in the state, in terms of progress made on CATS testing. Shown, from left to right, in photo are Dr. Chandra Varia, board member, District 2; Brad Hughes, KSBA; Carol Stumbo, board chair, District 4; Jeff Stumbo, vice chair, District 3; and Glenna Slone, board member, District 5.

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Odds & Ends

■ **EL PASO, Texas** — The elderly couple in the back seat of Ismael Baeza's cab had a whistling parrot, but apparently no cash and no idea how to get home. But that didn't stop the taxi driver from making the 10-hour, 500-mile trip that carried a \$1,200 fare.

The 24-year-old cabbie picked up the couple in El Paso Monday. They said they wanted to go to their hometown of Bandera, west of San Antonio.

"About halfway through the trip, I found out that they didn't have the money to pay for the trip," Baeza said Tuesday. "It was either drop them off at the next town or keep going. Something told me to just keep going. I couldn't leave them in one of those little towns."

Baeza's father, Sam, who came along for the ride, even

bought food and drinks for the couple along the way.

"I just took them all the way into town and thought, well, it's not about the money anymore," Baeza said.

Bandera police believe the couple may have Alzheimer's disease and aren't sure how they ended up in El Paso. Baeza said the couple told them they couldn't take a bus or plane home because of their parrot. Baeza said the parrot whistled all the way.

Once they were in Bandera, Baeza said he asked the man where his home was and the man said it was four hours away. Baeza contacted police, who identified the couple and handed them off to sheriff's deputies, who got them to their home in Bandera County.

"In my opinion, the man's a saint," Bandera police Sgt. Mark

Burke said of Baeza. "In my job, I don't deal with many nice guys, but as far as I'm concerned, this guy walks on water."

Baeza said the couple gave him several hundred dollars in traveler's checks. He wasn't sure Tuesday if they were any good.

Police later discovered the woman had about \$2,000 to \$3,000 in her wallet.

■ **LINCOLN, Neb.** — Nebraska Attorney General Jon Bruning has stripped his support from a woman who claimed a landlord refused to rent her an apartment because she's a topless dancer.

Bruning on Wednesday said he was withdrawing a lawsuit filed by his office last week on behalf of the Nebraska Equal Opportunity Commission against an Omaha real estate company.

The Richdale Group declined to lease an apartment to Charleigh Greenwood after she listed her occupation as a "dancer" at a Council Bluffs, Iowa, lounge.

The lawsuit said such a refusal discriminates against women because labor statistics

show women make up 98 percent of dancers in the state and 96 percent of dancers nationwide.

"After further examination I determined that using state resources for this litigation would be inappropriate," Bruning said. "I don't believe this case is a priority for the hardworking taxpayers of Nebraska."

Strippers are not a protected class under the law like race, gender and religion, he said.

"I don't think government's role is to force apartment owners to rent property to people engaged in the adult sex industry," Bruning said.

There was no telephone listing for Greenwood in Nebraska or Iowa.

■ **LOS ANGELES** — The presidential campaign is getting a little Daffy.

The blustery Daffy Duck brashly tosses his bill into the ring as part of a new four-minute educational cartoon. He sets his sights on the White House with hopes of avenging slights from Bugs Bunny by declaring year-round rabbit hunting season.

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every pot," but stumbles along the campaign trail as that debonair bunny imparts tidbits of knowledge about the American political system.

Warner Bros. animators based "Daffy Duck for President" on a 1997 book written by Daffy's creator, legendary animator Chuck Jones, who died in 2002.

"My father wrote and prepared the storyboard for 'Daffy for President' as a reminder that our system is designed to check and balance the greed and selfishness exemplified by our dear, frustrated friend, Daffy Duck," Jones' daughter Linda Jones said Wednesday.

The tale of the duck's campaign is included in the upcoming Warner Bros. DVD "Looney Tunes — Golden Collection: Volume Two" (\$64.92).

It goes on sale Nov. 2, Election Day.

■ **CHICAGO** — Even minus a little engine that could, this

cargo plane did.

A cargo plane from Chicago landed safely at Detroit Metropolitan Airport after dropping an engine somewhere over Michigan.

The Kalitta Air jet took off from O'Hare International Airport late Wednesday and was bound for New York's Kennedy International Airport when it reported mechanical problems with one of its engines, a Federal Aviation Administration spokeswoman said.

The Boeing 741-R was able to fly but was diverted as a safety precaution to Detroit, where it landed without incident, FAA officials said. No one was injured.

After the landing, airline personnel discovered the engine was completely gone, FAA officials said.

Michigan authorities searched Thursday for the engine, which may have fallen into Lake Michigan, the FAA said.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Oct. 22, the 296th day of 2004. There are 70 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Oct. 22, 1962, President Kennedy announced an air and naval blockade of Cuba, following the discovery of Soviet missile bases on the island.

On this date:
■ In 1746, Princeton University in New Jersey received its charter.

■ In 1797, French balloonist Andre-Jacques Garnerin made the first parachute descent, landing safely from a height of about 3,000 feet.

■ In 1836, Sam Houston was inaugurated as the first constitutionally elected president of the Republic of Texas.

■ In 1883, the original Metropolitan Opera House in New York held its grand opening with a performance of Gounod's "Faust."

■ In 1928, Republican presidential nominee Herbert Hoover spoke of the "American system of rugged individualism" in a speech at New York's Madison Square Garden.

■ In 1934, bank robber Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd was shot to death by federal agents at a farm in East Liverpool, Ohio.

■ In 1954, West Germany joined the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

■ In 1968, Apollo 7 returned safely, splashing down in the Atlantic Ocean.

■ In 1973, Spanish cellist, conductor and composer Pablo Casals died in Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico, at age 96.

■ In 1979, the U.S. government allowed the deposed Shah of Iran to travel to New York for medical treatment — a decision that precipitated the Iran hostage crisis.

Ten years ago: President Clinton, campaigning in San Francisco for California

Democrats, demanded that schools expel gun-toting students after earlier accusing Republicans of plotting to gut his education package.

Five years ago: Five of the seven Republican presidential hopefuls met in New Hampshire for their first debate of the 2000 nomination race, with front-runner George W. Bush notably absent. Former Vichy official Maurice Papon was expelled from Switzerland and sent back to France.

One year ago: President Bush was heckled during a speech to a divided Australian Parliament in which he defended the war with Iraq. The Florida Marlins edged the New York Yankees 4-3 in 12 innings to even the World Series at two games each. IRL racer Tony Renna, 26, died after crashing at close to 220 mph during a test drive at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

Today's Birthdays:
Actress Joan Fontaine is 87.
Actor Christopher Lloyd is 66.
Actor Derek Jacobi is 66.
Actor Tony Roberts is 65.
Actress Annette Funicello is 62.
Movie director Jan de Bont is 61.
Actress Catherine Deneuve is 61.
Rock musician Leslie West (Mountain) is 59.
Mississippi Gov. Haley Barbour is 57.
Actor Jeff Goldblum is 52.
Actor Luis Guzman is 47.
Movie writer-producer Todd Graff is 45.
Rock musician Cris Kirkwood is 44.
Singer-songwriter John Wesley Harding is 39.
Actress Valeria Golino is 38.
Country singer Shelby Lynne is 36.
Reggae rapper Shaggy is 36.
Rapper Tracey Lee is 34.
Actor Michael Fishman is 23.
Talk show host Michael Essany is 22.
Rock musician Zachary Hanson (Hanson) is 19.
Actor Jonathan Lipnicki is 14.
Actress Sofia Vassilieva is 12.

Thought for Today: "Happiness is not a horse; you cannot harness it." — Russian proverb.

Health department supplies of flu vaccine bottoming out

by DYLAN T. LOVAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Doses of the flu vaccine are running in short supply at several Kentucky health departments, thanks to a national shortage.

Health officials across the state are asking people who are at a low risk of catching the flu to pass on getting the shot this year, so they can reserve the doses for young children and seniors.

"We have been persistently trying to stress the fact that only high risk individuals" should get the vaccine, said Sharon Godec, director of nursing for the Purchase District Health Department.

The western Kentucky agency has less than 1,000 doses for the seven-county area that it covers, Godec said. She said about 9,000 doses have been administered so far in the district.

The nation's vaccine supply of about 100 million doses was nearly cut in half this month after authorities found one of two suppliers, Chiron Corp., was potentially contaminated. This left only 55 million doses available from the second manufacturer, Aventis Pasteur.

Federal health officials said Tuesday that 2.6 million additional doses of flu vaccine will be available in January.

Officials in Lexington and Louisville have canceled walk-in clinics sponsored by the public health departments, as both cities have turned their focus to high-risk individuals.

Louisville officials said this week they are down to about 750 doses of the vaccine, after administering about 16,000

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Vaccine

shots so far this season. Dr. Melinda Rowe, Lexington's health commissioner, said Wednesday that she did not know how many doses the Lexington-Fayette Health Department has left.

The Northern Kentucky Health Department has stopped taking reservations for the 800 vaccinations it had left late last week, said spokeswoman Emily Gresham.

Gresham said her department, which serves four counties, only administered about 1,200 doses of the vaccine last year, and ordered about 2,200 for this season.

"We found that most people were getting them from other sources," Gresham said.

In Louisville, hundreds of people stood in line Wednesday at a walk-in flu shot clinic at Oxmoor Center. That clinic was put on by privately owned

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Maxim Healthcare Services. Meanwhile, federal health officials visited Louisville in an effort to reassure the public that seniors and young children will get vaccinations.

"There will be enough shots for the people who need them," said Mark McClellan, chief of the Medicare and Medicaid programs. He said about 60 million doses of the flu vaccine will be available nationally this season, but said that half of those have already been administered.

"This is probably early to be halfway through" the nation's supply, McClellan said during his stop on Wednesday. He noted that the country got by on 60 million doses of the vaccine in 1998. Last year about 83 million doses were administered nationwide, the same in 2002, according to figures provided by the Health and Human Services.

Drugs

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fied that he didn't seek permission to search the vehicle because he had already arrested Phillips at that time and was waiting for a tow truck. He was cross-examined by Phillips' attorney, Jerry Patton, and said that he squirted Phillips only once with the spray. He further said that he did not seek medical attention after Phillips allegedly hurled a garbage can at him during their struggle at the Detention Center, and that Phillips didn't act any differently after eating the bags.

A man who indicated that he was Phillips' father visited The Times after the hearing and mentioned that he had the underwear that his son was wearing that night and that it was full of pepper spray. He further said that many people use that truck and that his son is a church deacon. He did not say anything about his son eating the bags, other than pointing out that the officer who took his son to the hospital after the incident noted no change in his demeanor, which he said is odd considering that he allegedly ingested five bags of the substance.

Abuse

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help. She still needed to work up to leaving and formed a target date in her imagination. She vowed that she would leave if things weren't better by that time and surprised herself by sticking to the self-made agreement.

Now she tries to enjoy each day and looks back at her life as a victim with a sense of humor that uplifted her listeners. She also talked about the despair that came with starting her life over again in her late-30s but offered the most profound advice when talking about what others could do to help friends who are trapped in an endless cycle of domestic violence.

"The best you can do is listen and be supportive," Cavins said. "You can't shine a light on someone and wake them up. When someone is ready to get

out of a situation like that, then they'll do it. But when you are in the midst of that lifestyle, nobody can change your thinking. You would be shocked at how I accepted what was happening."

She finished her speech humbly by saying, "If I can do it, then anyone can."

The speech was presented at Big Sandy through a joint effort by local community outreach groups, including the First Stop for Parents Career Development Center, Mountain Comprehensive Care Center's Victim Services Program and the Floyd County Domestic Violence Coalition.

Victims of Domestic Violence can call for help and information from the National Domestic Violence Hotline at (800) 799-SAFE.

Chase

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County and ended in Magoffin County. Lovett testified that he spied Caldwell driving past the Holiday Inn on U.S. 23 in Prestonsburg without his headlights on at approximately 4 a.m. He turned to intercept Caldwell and put on his blue flashers, but Caldwell allegedly sped away and passed through the red light at the Prestonsburg exit and proceeded onto Route 114 towards Salyersville.

Lovett also testified that Caldwell "had a strong odor of alcohol" on him when he was finally apprehended after a brief foot pursuit which followed Caldwell losing control of his vehicle when he failed to negotiate a turn off of U.S. 460 in Salyersville.

Lovett testified that the pursuit "reached speeds of up to 90 miles per hour" and that the whole chase lasted 22 minutes, during which several law enforcement officers from Magoffin County also joined in, upping the wanton endangerment charges against Caldwell to four.

Caldwell was also charged with fleeing and evading police, resisting arrest, speeding and disregarding stop signs and traffic signals. He allegedly had an open alcohol beverage in the car when he was finally captured.

Threats

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that many students will do poorly this year because of missed time or anxiety from this situation and they don't deserve that."

Hansford was reluctant to release any details from the investigation but said, "We have some leads that we are following up on, but that is all I can say at this time."

Hansford's investigation is independent of one currently being conducted by Det. Brian Hall, of the Prestonsburg Police Department. Hall is currently seeking the identity of the

callers who phoned in two threats last week to schools in all of Floyd County. There is, so far, no evidence linking the incidents, but there was an arrest made on Thursday in yet another case involving area schools.

Det. Terry Thompson and Trooper Jamey Kidd arrested Dewey Thacker Jr., of Pikeville, on Thursday in yet another case involving schools. Thacker was picked up for allegedly authoring letters and drawings which threatened violence toward teachers and students of East Ridge High School.

Bunning accuses foe of spreading rumors about his mental health

by BRUCE SCHREINER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FLORENCE — U.S. Sen. Jim Bunning, a hard thrower during his Hall of Fame baseball career, fired at his Democratic opponent Wednesday, accusing him of spreading "disgusting" rumors that the incumbent is mentally incompetent.

"I think that's the lowest of the low of anybody who I have ever run against," said the 72-year-old Republican, who charged that Daniel Mongiardo's campaign conducted a "push-poll" that asked respondents: "Did you hear that Jim Bunning was mentally incompetent to run for the U.S. Senate?"

"The rumors that have been spread by my opponent about my health are disgusting," Bunning said during a campaign stop here. "People who know me know the truth."

Contacted by The Associated Press, Mongiardo denied Bunning's accusation as "just another absurd comment," but questioned his opponent's reclusiveness during the campaign and his "bizarre conduct."

During the campaign, Bunning has compared Mongiardo's appearance to that of one of Saddam Hussein's sons and alleged Mongiardo's staffers assaulted his wife at a political picnic, leaving her "black and blue." Mongiardo has denied the accusation.

Mongiardo said it was only natural of voters to question: "Why is he acting this way? And I think that it's just natural for people to start talking about what could be the reason. But I didn't start that."

Last week, the state's largest newspaper, The Courier-Journal of Louisville endorsed Mongiardo and wrote an editorial questioning Bunning's "suitability" for office.

"Has Sen. Bunning drifted into territory that indicates a serious health concern?" the editorial asked.

For his part, Bunning has released letters from two doctors stating he is in excellent health and emphasized a rigorous campaign schedule. He said he visited 30 counties in August and will visit 30 more next week as part of a statewide bus tour. The senator also promised to serve the

full six years if he's re-elected to a second term on Nov. 2.

"When I was a pitcher, I didn't quit in the seventh inning," Bunning said. "It's nine innings to finish. If I'm re-elected, I'm going to serve the full term unless God intervenes somehow."

In a state that has been trending Republican, Bunning's campaign has relied on his name recognition from his days with the Detroit Tigers and Philadelphia Phillies, his conservatism and a huge campaign war chest that has allowed him to run a television ad blitz.

Bunning held a double-digit lead in a Bluegrass Poll published last month by the Courier-Journal. But Mongiardo, a surgeon and state senator from the Appalachian town of Hazard, has run a hard-charging campaign and claims the race has tightened considerably.

Bunning, who formerly represented northern Kentucky in the U.S. House, was on friendly turf Wednesday while speaking to the gathering of business executives and local officials. At one point, he told the group, "This has been

a trying time for us," but didn't offer an explanation.

Later, speaking to reporters, Bunning said his wife is just now "getting over her bruises," which he claimed last week occurred during an altercation with Mongiardo staff members at a political picnic a couple of months ago.

When pressed for specifics, Bunning told reporters that his wife was banged into by "one of the people in the little green jump suits."

Some Mongiardo supporters at the picnic wore green surgical scrubs to highlight the Democrat's medical background, but none wore green jump suits, said Mongiardo spokesman Eric Niloff.

Boone County Judge-Executive Gary Moore, a Bunning supporter, said he detected no change in Bunning in recent months. He said Bunning's comments reflected the same "passion" he displayed on the pitcher's mound.

"Whether you are a friend or a foe, Jim Bunning speaks his mind," Moore said. "He is very forceful, very strong."

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Forest supervisor allows underground mining in Daniel Boone Forest

by ROGER ALFORD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PIKEVILLE — The U.S. Forest Service will allow coal mining under more than 1,200 acres of land in the Daniel Boone National Forest in southeastern Kentucky.

Forest Supervisor Ben Worthington said in a written decision dated this week that the mining would be conducted underground from an opening on private land and would cause no damage to the surface.

Scientists who prepared an environmental impact statement on the proposed mining operation agreed that effects would be minimal on the forest. However, environmentalists disagree, and promised Thursday to challenge Worthington's decision to lease the coal.

The proposed mining would be done beneath 1,210 acres on Gray Mountain, some two miles north of the community of Helton in Leslie County. Bledsoe Coal, one of the companies interested in the project, said more than 2.8 million tons of recoverable coal is on the property.

The Forest Service said coal mined from the property could be sold for \$73.6 million, generating nearly \$5.9 million in royalties for the federal government and \$3.3 million in severance taxes for state and local governments.

"There's not going to be any disturbance whatsoever in the

national forest," said Jim Davidson, a forester based in the Redbird office. "There might possibly be just a little bit of subsidence, but it will be undetectable."

Perrin de Jong, head of the environmental group Kentucky Heartwood, said the federal foresters are wrong in saying the coal can be mined without causing environmental problems.

De Jong said subsidence, the shifting of underground rocks caused when the underground mines cave in, will hurt the forest and the animals that live in it. He said the geological changes could easily eliminate

natural springs and wetlands that wildlife species depend on and could create unstable ground that could be a danger to people hiking in the forest.

"They're declaring the Daniel Boone National Forest open range for mining," de Jong said. "That's a disaster for the forest. The forest service needs to be buying up and protecting the coal, not giving it away."

The Daniel Boone slices through a large portion of the eastern Kentucky coalfields. Worthington pointed out that this would not be the first min-

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Guest View Editorial roundup

The Gazette, Colorado Springs, Colo., on presidential power:

No one runs for president to acknowledge his own or the office's limitations, or because he suffers from low self-esteem. But we wish, for the sake of this republican form of government, that presidential contenders and their camps would stop talking and acting as if the president were vested with godlike powers.

On countless occasions during the presidential debates, we heard both candidates claiming extraordinary powers that the Constitution simply does not grant a president, seriously talking as though it were in any chief executive's power to unilaterally fix the economy, provide people with jobs, eliminate the deficit, control prescription drug costs, guarantee public safety and personally hunt down and kill Osama bin Laden. We can't recall hearing either candidate acknowledge that something, anything, might be beyond a president's control, much less impossible without the involvement of Congress and the courts. ...

Journal Star, Peoria, Ill., on Sinclair's anti-Kerry film:

Imagine if NBC ordered its affiliates to air Michael Moore's "Fahrenheit 9/11" in prime time, 10 days before the election.

We'd expect to hear all sorts of outrage from offended conservatives, screaming foul play and Bush-bashing.

... Well, that has pretty much happened, except in reverse. Baltimore-based Sinclair Broadcast Group has ordered all 62 of the television stations it owns ... to run "Stolen Honor: Wounds That Never Heal," a movie critical of John Kerry's post-Vietnam War behavior. You might say many Democrats are miffed. As evidence, they're putting up as many roadblocks to the film's broadcast as they can.

May they be quite unsuccessful, mostly because of a little thing called the First Amendment.

Oh, that's not to suggest that they're wrong to be concerned about opinion masquerading as news, signaling a return to the bad ol' days in America when so much journalism came in shades of yellow. ...

Even so, we cannot join the censors, equally wrong no matter their ideology. We'd only ask that viewers accept this broadcast for what it is, that they approach it with the same healthy skepticism they'd approach Moore's work or anybody else's in this marketplace of competing ideas. Beyond that, they're always free to change channels.



Capitol Ideas

Secretary of State: voter turnout could be high this year

by JOE BIESK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — If the state's registration numbers are an indication, Kentucky could see a fairly high voter turnout on Nov. 2, Secretary of State Trey Grayson said last week.

Whether fueled by an intense presidential election, a proposed constitutional amendment prohibiting gay marriages or something else, more Kentuckians are registered to vote now than ever, Grayson said.

And, many of them are expected to vote, Grayson said. An estimated 65 percent of the state's registered voters could show up at the polls in November, he said.

"During the summer months and into the fall there have been a lot of groups — campaigns, churches, communities, to push voter registration," Grayson said. "The president and the constitutional amendment, those are the two big factors

motivating the groups."

Nearly 2.8 million people are registered to vote — more than 87,000 signed up since the May primary. That's an increase of about 3.14 percent, according to the secretary of state's office.

The voter registration deadline in Kentucky was Oct. 4.

It's typical in presidential election years to see more voters register in the months leading up to the contest, Grayson said. But, this year's increase since the primary eclipsed what happened before the 2000 election, when there was a 2.09 percent boost, he said.

That year, 61 percent of Kentucky's registered voters actually cast ballots.

"Normally there's a natural push, but it's even a bigger increase this year," Grayson said. "We're not a battleground state, but ours is still pretty large."

Additional evidence of a possibly high voter turnout this year is the number of absentee ballots that have already gone out. As of Oct. 11, county clerks across the state have sent out 19,164 paper absentee ballots. There have been 9,196 absentee votes already cast at local county clerk's offices statewide, for a total of 28,360.

Meanwhile, Democrats and Republicans saw gains.

While Democrats maintain their lead in total numbers, Republicans saw a greater percentage increase since the primary.

Currently, there are more than 1.6 million registered Democrats, and more

than 996,000 Republicans in the state. Between May and October, the GOP increased its ranks by more than 45,000; the number of Democrats increased by approximately 35,000 voters.

Democrats also lost some market share since May.

Republicans — who account for about 35.7 percent of Kentucky's total registered voters — increased their numbers by about a half of a percentage point. During that time, Democrats dropped from 58.4 percent of the state's total registered voters to 57.81 percent.

Senate President David Williams, R-Burkesville, said the numbers reflect recent trends in Kentucky.

"Kentucky is becoming increasingly more a conservative state," Williams said. "And the conservative party in this state is the Republican Party."

However, House Speaker Jody Richards, D-Bowling Green, said he thought registration numbers are cyclical and noted that Democrats still maintain a "very sizable" advantage.

Issues such as the presidential race, the constitutional amendment and state's health care crisis could turn people out to the polls in droves, he said.

"The bases in both parties really seem to be energized," Richards said. "I think you'll see a big 'get-out-the-vote' plan."

Voters seeking information about their precinct locations and districts can go to the secretary of state's office's "Voter Information Center" on the Internet at www.elect.ky.gov.

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Letters

Why not to vote for Kerry

Why won't I vote for John Kerry? Let me count the ways.

I remember seeing Kerry when he came back from Vietnam. He joined up with Jane Fonda's anti-American demonstrations, gave aid and comfort to the enemy and should have been arrested and tried for treason. At the debates, Kerry had the audacious cheek to say veterans should never be treated the way they were when they came back from Vietnam. He was part of the problem!

When Kerry decided he wanted Teresa, his present wife, he manipulated the Catholic Church until his marriage to his first wife was annulled, this after years of marriage and children. Guess you can do that when you have billions to spend.

Well, nobody in their right mind would say Kerry is consistent. Nobody knows where he stands on the issues because he doesn't know.

His latest commercials regarding bin Laden would be hilarious if they weren't so serious. The CIA reported a sharpshooter had bin Laden in their sights and needed final order from President Clinton, who wouldn't authorize it, so

bin Laden got away again. Kerry would be no different.

Kerry has been romancing the United Nations for years. He harps on about sending UN troops to Iraq. They were sent in, but first shot they tucked their tails and ran! There are several countries helping in Iraq, but you'll never hear that on the liberal news.

Our liberal news media gives new meaning to the old saying, "Believe nothing you hear and only half of what you see." Britain's news media can be brutal and vicious and, yes, sometimes liberal, but usually they say it like it is. I read a quote recently that said, "Election used to be won by issues. Now they're won by the liberal media." Sad and very scary!

Kerry voted no on the partial-birth abortion ban. Abortion is abominable at any stage, but partial-birth (late-term) abortion is the same as killing a newborn baby, except it is legal.

Defense and national security: Kerry has voted against every aspect of military spending, even to not increase soldiers' pay. Even ultra-liberal Sen. Inouye from Hawaii is against such a danger decimation of our military, especially when there is obvious need in Iraq and Afghanistan. Space doesn't allow me to record all of Kerry's "no" votes that would decimate our military, not to mention demoralize our troops.

When I hear that Kerry would be good for the working people, I nearly fall out of my chair laughing. He's never

worked a day in his life. He wouldn't know how.

Clinton raised Medicare premiums twice. He said he was going to — first two times in his life he told the truth. Nary a word was mentioned. Guess who supported this hike? And now Kerry is criticizing President Bush!

Last but not least, Kerry is against a ban on same-sex marriage. Just shows how low we've fallen when we have to pass laws to keep marriage between a man and a woman when God instituted marriage. Satan is at work seeking whom he can deceive.

There's not enough room to write all of Kerry's voting record. Wishy-washy isn't strong enough.

Where do I get this information? From his voting record, which can be found on the internet at www.kerryquotes.com/votingrecord.htm. President Bush's record can be found on www.freerepublic.com/focus/f-news/1163304/posts.

No matter which candidate you are for, please get out and vote. If you don't, you have no right to gripe about how things are going.

Lois Bond
Hueysville

At the Movies: 'Surviving Christmas'

by DAVID GERMAIN
AP MOVIE WRITER

Out of the mouths of puppets. A tune in the marionette parody "Team America: World Police" mocks the war epic "Pearl Harbor" and suggests its star, Ben Affleck, needs acting lessons.

In the atrocious holiday comedy "Surviving Christmas," Affleck is as stilted and awkward as he's ever been, fumbling along with a dopey grin and way-over-the-top jocularity.

You could forgive some of Affleck's graceless hamming if anything in the movie was remotely watchable. But "Surviving Christmas," meant as a bonny holiday-from-hell romp, turns out to be purgatory for viewers.

Performing CPR on a drunken Santa stricken on the sidewalk after he ate a chili dog would be more fun.

The movie is dead from the outset given the artificiality of the premise about a lonely rich guy who hires the folks living in his boyhood home to be his family for the holidays.



"Surviving Christmas," a DreamWorks release, is rated PG-13 for sexual content, language and a brief drug reference. Running time: 91 minutes.

One star out of four.

In the clunky, hurried setup, the filmmakers impart no credibility, as if they figured Affleck's mug, the Christmas tinsel and trappings and a few dumb sight gags would carry the day.

"Surviving Christmas" is directed by Mike Mitchell, who gave us "Deuce Bigalow: Male Gigolo." The four people receiving credit on the screenplay include the writing team that worked on "A Very Brady Sequel" and wrote and directed "Josie and the Pussycats."

With such a pedigree, this cinematic lump of coal is no big surprise.

Affleck plays Drew Latham, whose nebulous career as a

crackerjack idea man in marketing or product development or something along those lines is supposedly established in a scene where he pitches his boss on the brilliant idea of pre-spiked eggnog. (This follows an opening-credit montage that includes an old woman who bakes holiday gingerbread men with frowns, then turns on her gas oven, kneels and sticks her head inside.)

Unable to face Christmas alone after a spat with his girlfriend, Drew visits the house where he grew up. After some inane hijinks with the owners, Tom and Christine Valco (James Gandolfini and Catherine O'Hara), Drew worms his way

into their hearth and home by offering \$250,000 if they'll pretend to be his parents for Christmas.

All this happens in the first few minutes, coming so fast and choppy it barely gives moviegoers time to settle on which cupholder they'd like to keep their soda in.

The Valcos' reluctant daughter and son (Christina Applegate and Josh Zuckerman) get sucked along for the masquerade. Guess which sibling winds up in mistletoe mode with Drew?

The movie woefully wastes the enormous talents of Gandolfini and O'Hara, who look as though they could use a gallon or two of Drew's spiked nog to ease the pained expressions they wear most of the time.

Ambling in every direction, the movie never gives the actors a chance to settle in and put any Christmas cheer into the Valcos.

Applegate tries to play things for real, but it's a lost cause when she's compelled to alternately loathe and love Drew for no reason, scene after scene.

Bill Macy is tossed in to

pointless effect as an actor Drew hires to be his grandpa "Doo-Dah."

As for Affleck, the "Team America" puppets were less stiff and more human. Affleck is so clumsy and shallow as Drew, there's no way to empathize with this poor little rich buffoon.

A better actor might have salvaged something late in the game with Drew's soliloquy

about why spending Christmas alone is so painful for him, but Affleck's droning delivery snuffs the melodrama.

This is one Christmas in October we could have done without.

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Rental Central

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

Home entertainment celebrated Halloween this week with a gargantuan batch of horror and sci-fi movies.

First up are the new releases, with "Van Helsing" leading the wolf pack. This is a salute to the old Universal monster pictures and features many beloved characters in an action-oriented story line. Hugh Jackman stars as legendary monster hunter Van Helsing (who first appeared in "Dracula"). Here Van Helsing works for the Vatican and is sent to Transylvania to take on Dracula, the Wolfman, Igor and Dracula's brides. He gets an assist from Frankenstein and even makes time to take down Mr. Hyde in the opening sequence. Lots of style here and it's all in good fun, though there isn't a story in sight.

"Garfield" is the other new flick this week and is a rather plodding account of the lazy

feline cartoon star as voiced by Bill Murray.

Comedy fans will want to check out the second set of episodes from the NBC comedy classic series "SCTV."

Monsters filled out the rest of the shelves this week with several collections and older films debuting on DVD. "Ed Wood" is back in a special edition that was pulled from shelves last year with no explanation, though rumors persist that it was because somebody said derogatory things about Hollywood on the commentary track. Johnny Depp stars in the title role as a cross-dressing filmmaker who produced some of the worst films ever made. It's a funny film but also a poignant one that details the final years of horror legend Bela Lugosi. The film chronicles how Wood's friendship pulled Lugosi out of his drug addiction and gave his final days more meaning. Martin Landau, Oscar winner as Lugosi, Sarah Jessica Parker

and Bill Murray round out the eclectic cast, which also includes wrestler George "The Animal" Steele as Swedish wrestler/actor Tor Johnson.

New, again, this week is another special edition of "Hellboy." There was already a two-hour documentary and deleted scenes, so this release is strictly for diehards.

Godzilla never went away in Japan and this week seven of his latest films were released on DVD in the "Godzilla DVD Collection." The films are pretty good, with Godzilla taking on giant robots, Mothra and King Ghidorah. The only stinker here is the 1998 American version wherein Godzilla looks more like an iguana than the king of the monsters.

Universal Pictures is back with more classic monster sets this week. This time you get the complete series of films featuring three famous monsters. Up to bat this time are collections that feature the Invisible Man, The Mummy and, my favorite, The Creature from the Black Lagoon. Each set also features extras and commentary tracks.

Finally this week viewers get a chance to experience Japanese gangster films with the release of "The Yakuza Papers." This six-disc set features five films about the rise and fall of a Yakuza soldier (the Japanese mafia). These are stark and violent portraits of crime that were made after the phenomenal success of "The Godfather" in Japan. These films have never been available before and are all beautifully structured by the late Kinji Fukasaku. His final film was "Battle Royale," which has yet to land a stateside release and probably never will. It focuses on a futuristic Japan that comes up with a unique solution to juvenile delinquency that involves randomly picking a junior high class and dropping them off on an island where they must hunt each other down like animals. Surprisingly it is Japan that doesn't want the film released here as it celebrates individuality while their culture stresses teamwork and obedience.

The thrills keep coming next week with the release of this year's "Dawn of the Dead" remake.

Mining

ing done in the national forest. He said several mines operated beneath the forest in the 1980s and 1990s.

Only underground mining is permitted in the national forest. Surface mining is prohibited under federal law.

Worthington had previously issued a decision in June to allow the coal lease, but withdrew the decision after modifications were made to the for-

est's management plan. "We will continue to challenge this project," de Jong said. "Not to protect the coal in the Daniel Boone is crazy."

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Marianne Mayo, 31, of Martin, to Jeffrey Lee Aldrich, 31, of Marion, Ohio.

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Housing Authority of Martin vs. Eldon Hal, eviction.

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Mary Wright vs. Stephanie Johnson, for damages.

Martin Housing Authority vs. Eldon Hall, for damages.

Jennifer Akers vs. Genetta Kidd, for car payments.

Ralph Hamilton vs. Leroy Madison, to collect a debt.

Charges Filed

Jerry Collins, 25, of Honaker; alcohol intoxication.

Bradley Daugherty, 22, of Lancaster; alcohol intoxication, criminal trespassing.

Michael Brown, 19, of Pikeville; alcohol intoxication, criminal trespassing.

Gary Michael Ratliff, 29, of Paintsville; alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, possession of an open alcoholic beverage, terroristic threatening.

Ellis Hunter, 21, of Banner; public intoxication.

Joey Griffith, 34, of Prestonsburg; violation of a protective order.

Rayne Crum, 19, of Martin; possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia.

Troy Adams, 24, of Salyersville; theft by unlawful taking, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia.

Stephen Combs, 39, of Hindman, fourth-degree assault, alcohol intoxication.

Misty Dawn Puskas, 37, of Dunlow, W.Va.; possession of a controlled substance, controlled substance not in its prescription container, public intoxication.

Steve Dwayne Thacker, 28, of Prestonsburg; criminal trespassing, disorderly conduct, public intoxication, controlled substance not in prescription

container.

Danny Allen Bentley, 23, of Harold; fourth-degree assault.

Jessica Lynn Spradlin, 24, of Prestonsburg; fourth-degree assault.

Mark Turner, 45, of Lexington; violation of a protective order.

David Daniel Watkins, 18, of Topmost; disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, menacing, terroristic threatening.

James W. Bentley, 59, of Lorain, Ohio; alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.

Allen New, 45, of Amherst, Ohio; alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.

Samantha Stevens, 20, of Martin; public intoxication.

Michael Williams, 30, of Wittensville; public intoxication, possession of marijuana.

Susan Neeley, 37, of Martin; possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, controlled substance not in prescription container.

Inspections

Mama's Kitchen, Wheelwright, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometers not present in all

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Martin Qwik Stop, regular inspection. Violations noted: Easy-to-spot thermometers not present in all refrigerator and freezer units, wiping cloth use not restricted, employee restroom door not self-closing, light in walk-in refrigerator not properly shielded, clothing improperly stored. Score: Food service 94, retail 95.

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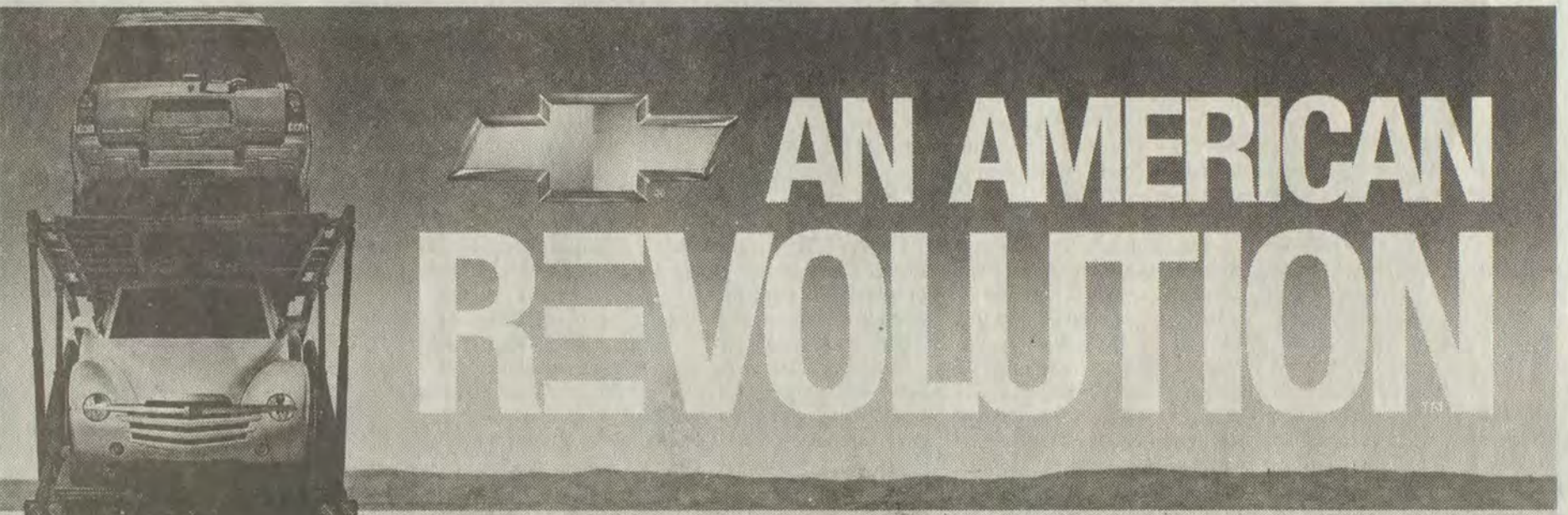


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HAZARD — A physician recruited by the federal government to open a practice in medically underserved Appalachia claims he is being forced out of the region because of a non-compete deal with the hospital where he once worked.

Dr. Enrico Ascani III, who came to this eastern Kentucky town from New Orleans six years ago, said a clause in his contract with Appalachian Regional Healthcare forbids him from opening a practice within 50 miles of any of the chain's hospitals.

The problem is that Appalachian Regional Healthcare operates hospitals throughout the region, leaving him no choice but to leave the mountains or fight to stay.

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Obituaries

Laura Virginia Roberts Collins

Laura Virginia Roberts Collins, 76, died Monday, October 18, 2004, at her home in Boca Raton, Florida, following an extended illness.

Laura was born on June 16, 1928, the daughter of George Thomas and Judith Lackey "Lack" Davidson Roberts, in Ashland.

An only child, she spent her childhood and early adult years in Prestonsburg. She graduated from Prestonsburg High School in 1946, and from Eastern Kentucky University in 1950, returning to Prestonsburg High School as a teacher of English and history.

In 1958, she left home again to attend the University of Kentucky in Lexington, where she received a Master's Degree in English in 1960.

That same year, she married Robert Arnold Collins of Miami, Florida, also a graduate student in the University of Kentucky English Department. Both taught several years at Midway Junior College in Midway, where she also directed the college's choir and performed with the Lexington Singers.

The Collinses moved to Dekalb, Illinois in 1964, where their only child, Judith Arnold Roberts Collins, was born in 1966.

The family moved to Boca Raton, Florida via Morehead, Kentucky, in 1970. She began teaching at Palm Beach Junior College (as it was then) in 1972, first at the central (and only) campus in Lake Worth, and then as one of the original four faculty members at the South campus at Alexander D. Henderson University School in Boca Raton.

She retired in 1994 after a series of small strokes left her unable to lecture. Despite this disability, however, that same year, she published a critical work entitled English Country Life in the Barsetshire Novels of Angela Thirkell.

Since then she has lived at home with her husband, surviving two strokes and several series of TIAs. Nevertheless, she traveled often to visit friends and relatives in Kentucky, and also enjoyed regular visits from her daughter Judy, son-in-law, Mack McCormick, and grandson, Freddy.

Following services in Florida, graveside services are scheduled at 1 p.m., on Tuesday, October 26, at Davidson Memorial Gardens in Ivel.

A Memorial Service to celebrate her life will be held at 1 p.m., on Saturday, October 30, at the home of her daughter, Judy.

Carter Funeral Home, in Prestonsburg, (606-886-2774), is in charge of arrangements.

(Paid obituary)

Ernie Christopher Moore

Ernie Christopher Moore, 25, of McDowell, died Monday, October 18, 2004, in Lawrence County.

Born October 28, 1978, in Pike County, the son of Ernie R. & Rita Hall Moore of McDowell. He was an electrician; and a 1997 graduate of South Floyd High School.

Survivors, in addition to his parents, include a sister: Monica Jo Moore of McDowell; his fiancée, Beverly Nicole Brandenburg of Morehead; his unborn daughter, Courtney Moore; his grandparents, Edward and Thelma Moore of McDowell, and James (Jim) and Geneva Hamilton Hall of Beaver; his great-grandparents, Lucy Moore and Roxie Moore of McDowell; aunts: Tammy Ratliff and Robin Hamilton; uncles, Stewart Hall, James Hall and Hugh Hall; and many relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, October 22, at noon, at the Little Rosa Old Regular Baptist Church, at McDowell, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Lucy Hall Cemetery, at McDowell, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, at Martin.

Active pallbearers: Jason Lance, Mark Walters, Eric Cook, Shannon Slone, Steven Hamilton, Barry Hall, Jason Tackett, Kent Dye, Brandon Howell, and Clabe Hall.

Honorary pallbearers: Shannon Hamilton, Stewart Hall, James Hall, Phillip Ratliff, Peyton Ratliff, LeRoy Hamilton, Doug Hamilton, Cory Hall, Chase Hall, Kal Hall, Houston Hall, T.T. Pack, Justin Hopkins, Randy Jones and Alan Howell.

Visitation is at the church.

(Paid obituary)

Josephine Hughes

Josephine (nee Music) Hughes, former Floyd County resident, passed away, on October 9, 2004, in Cincinnati, Ohio, at the age of 70. She was the beloved wife of 51 years to Burl E. Hughes, loving mother of Anita, Carol and Tammy. She was the daughter of Abe and Rosie Music, daughter-in-law of William Kelly and Mary Hughes; and grandmother to four. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star Chapter 547, Covert.

(Paid obit)

Toby Dean Slone

Toby Dean Slone, age 32, of Prestonsburg, husband of Kelli Hammond Slone, passed away, Tuesday, October 19, 2004, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

He was born July 22, 1972, in Pikeville, the son of Charles Slone of Blue River, and Teresa Parsons Moss of Auxier. He was a construction worker for East Kentucky Excavation of Allen; a U.S. Army, Desert Storm veteran; and a member of the Middle Creek Baptist Church, at Blue River.

In addition to his wife and parents, he is survived by two daughters: Katelyn Graham Slone and Makinley Grace Slone, both of Prestonsburg; his step-father, Michael Moss of Auxier; his step-mother, Estalene Slone of Blue River; one brother, Jason (Melisa) Slone of Auxier; his step-brother, Damon (Kasey) Moss of Campbellsville; one sister, Alicia Slone of Blue River; his grandparents, Barbara Slone of Prestonsburg, and Irvin Slone of Blue River; one niece, Mariah Hackworth, and one nephew, Austin Slone, both of Auxier; and many aunts and uncles.

Funeral services for Toby Dean Slone will be conducted Saturday, October 23, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, with Clergymen Bobby Spencer and Eugene Cook officiating.

Burial will follow in the Gethsemane Gardens, at Prestonsburg, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Mallie Mullins Brown

Mallie Mullins Brown, 77, of Martin, died Wednesday, October 20, 2004, at King's Daughters' Medical Center, at Ashland.

Born January 26, 1927, in Bevinsville, she was the daughter of the late Harry and Nannie Tackett Mullins. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Old Time Baptist Church at Printer.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lawrence (Buddy) Brown.

Survivors include three brothers: Jerry Wayne Hall of Cardington, Ohio, Lonis Darrell Hall of Langley, and Roger Ratliff of Indiana; six sisters, Janet Miller of Printer, Lisa Marie Lewis of Allen, Phyllis Ann Jarrell of Drift, Alma Jean Caudill of Delaware, Ohio, Joyce Ann Johnson of Prestonsburg, and Anita Jean Dingus of Martin; 34 grandchildren, and 31 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by two sons: Bobby Brown and James Hall; a daughter, Janice Huff; four brothers: Willie E. Mullins, Jerry David Mullins, Andy Mullins, and Hilbert Mullins; and a sister, Elenora Mullins.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, October 23, at 1 p.m., at the Old Time Baptist Church, in Printer, with Denver Meade officiating.

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

(Paid obituary)

Jackie L. Merion

Jackie L. Merion, 72, formerly of Martin, passed away, Tuesday, October 19, 2004, at her home near Corbin.

She was born July 4, 1932, in Harlan County, the daughter of Dasha Chappell Dean, and the late Felix Belcher. Her stepfather, Bill C. Dean, also predeceased her.

She was of the Baptist faith.

Survivors include her mother, Doshia Dean of Corbin; four children and their spouses, Derek and Louise Merion of Clay City,

Derwin and Brenda Merion of Martin, Tracy Marion of Cocoa Beach, Florida, and Kim and Dwight Campbell of Jacksonville, Arkansas; eight grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren.

Jackie's funeral will be at noon, Saturday, October 23, at the O'Neil Funeral Home Chapel, in Corbin.

Burial will follow at Rest Haven Cemetery.

Friends may call from 6 until 9 p.m., Friday, at O'Neil Funeral Home. (Obituary, courtesy of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.)

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Doctor

"I came here and fell in love with the place," Ascani said. "I want to stay, and I think it's unfair for them to try to prevent me from practicing medicine in

the area."

Ascani, who specializes in obstetrics and gynecology, said in his lawsuit that he resigned from the hospital chain in

February because it violated his contract by not providing services and equipment needed in his practice.

In particular, Ascani said, the chain failed to provide an ultrasound machine in the labor and delivery department at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital, and failed to provide competent staff to administer anesthesia to surgical patients there.

Thomas Moak, a Prestonsburg attorney, filed suit in circuit court Tuesday, asking a judge to declare the non-competition clause in the contract

invalid.

Appalachian Regional Healthcare, based in Hazard, declined to comment because of the pending lawsuit, said spokeswoman Melissa Cornette.

For decades, the central Appalachian region has worked hard to improve doctor-to-patient ratios, primarily by recruiting physicians from other states and countries. Even with the recruited doctors, the region has only about one primary care physician for every 1,200 people. In specialty fields such as Ascani's, the ratio is even more dismal.

Kathy Rubado, spokeswoman for Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg, said she is hopeful that the dispute between Ascani and Appalachian Regional Healthcare can be resolved.

"He is desperately needed in the area," she said. "Many counties in eastern Kentucky don't have an OB-GYN at all because of the cost of malpractice insurance. The state is in a critical situation. That's a service we must have."

Ascani, a graduate of Louisiana State University School of Medicine who did his

residency at Tulane University Hospital, came to eastern Kentucky under the federal program that forgives college loans for physicians who agree to work in medically underserved communities.

"I really enjoy practicing medicine here," he said. "The people are so appreciative."

Patient Joyce Whitaker said the dispute is unfortunate because Ascani is "a great part of our lives now. ... I feel like the people of Hazard have lost one of the finest doctors they've ever had."

Officials scrambling to enroll thousands in state health plan

by JOE BIESK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Now that a new 2005 state health insurance plan is in place, officials are racing to enroll about 229,000 public school employees and state workers in time for the new year.

State officials are working on an abbreviated timeframe, trying to get school employees and state workers insurance cards by Jan. 1, when the new health insurance plan takes effect.

"We are going to do everything humanly possible and if that means putting additional resources, additional human power, we are going to do that," said Jill Hunter, deputy executive director of the Department for Employee Insurance.

Gov. Ernie Fletcher signed a new health insurance law late Tuesday night that sweetens health insurance options for public school workers and state employees. The governor had called lawmakers into a special session to deal with the issue, after his plan was met with public dissent and a threatened teachers strike just days before the November election.

The new plan lowers premiums, deductibles and out-of-pocket expenses for people covered by the state plan. Employee

premiums across the state have been standardized, but rates are higher for smokers.

Employees who waive coverage will also be eligible for flexible spending accounts of \$234 per month.

Four insurance companies — CHA Health, Anthem Blue Cross, Bluegrass Family Health and United Healthcare — will carry state health insurance next year. However, state officials need to have the information of the plan's participants to the insurance companies by Dec. 10, Hunter said.

Open enrollment for people participating in the new plan runs from Oct. 25 through Nov. 5, Hunter said.

People who are eligible for the plan can access information about it on the Internet or register in person, she said.

"Employees and retirees shouldn't delay," Hunter said.

Still, the Kentucky Personnel Cabinet was "tapping all of our internal resources" to meet the enrollment deadline, she said.

People may enroll in the plan, after Nov. 5, however they are not guaranteed insurance cards by the new year. It was not yet known how much extra the condensed enrollment period would cost the state, Personnel Cabinet spokeswoman Jodi Whitaker said.

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Now from the Notebook...

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

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Rick Bentley

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But they won.

They believed. Now they live to see another day.

■ By the way, the Schilling effort, that

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Classic Auto Cruise set for Saturday

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG — The Mountain Arts Center and the Prestonsburg Tourism Commission will present the 5th Annual US-23 Country Music Highway Classic Auto Cruise Saturday, beginning at noon. The event is hosted by the Iron City Antique Auto Club. One-hundred cars are expected to caravan from Greenup to Whitesburg along scenic US 23. Stops will be made in Ashland, Louisa, Paintsville, Prestonsburg, Pikeville and Whitesburg.

The public is invited to come out and see the classic vehicles that remind one of yesteryear. Remember where you were when you saw the first 1965 Mustang, or 1969 GTO, or even the 1961 Volkswagon? These nostalgic models and makes will be present Saturday at the popular exposition.

Those with classic rides are also to join in and participate in the caravan.

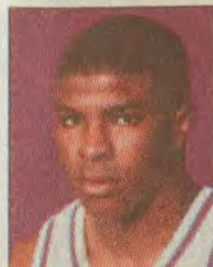
For more information, call 606/928-8092, or call the Prestonsburg Tourism Commission at 606/886-1341.

The Auto Cruise will not be responsible for accidents.

Hayes, Azubuike named Preseason All-SEC

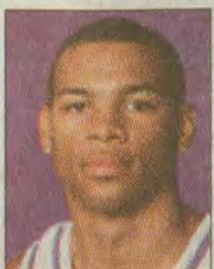
TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — University of Kentucky forward Chuck Hayes and combo player Kelenna Azubuike were named to the 2005 Preseason All-Southeastern Conference team as announced by the league office Thursday. Hayes, a 6-6 senior from Modesto, Calif., was named to the first team, while Azubuike, a junior from Tulsa, Okla., earned second-



Azubuike

team honors. The Preseason All-SEC first and second teams consist of a minimum of eight players on each squad, voted on by the league's 12 head basketball coaches. No ties were broken and no predicted order of finish was made. There were eight players named to the first team and nine to the second team. Hayes and Azubuike are the only returning starters on



Hayes

(See WILDCATS, page two)

P'burg battling Valley for likely home playoff game

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — When Prestonsburg High School football players and coaches board the buses and leave for Robinson Creek this afternoon, a District Eight road game against Shelby Valley will await. The winner of the Prestonsburg-Shelby Valley game will likely get a home game in the first round of the State Playoffs. Each team has a 3-1 district record.

After tonight's game, Shelby Valley has the daunting task of hitting the road and traveling next

to face Belfry. Prestonsburg will also be on the road next week in the final game of the regular-season, taking on East Ridge.

Prestonsburg Coach John DeRossett, his coaches and his team won't overlook Shelby Valley by no means. The Blackcat football team has spent the past week preparing for the Wildcats.

"Shelby Valley is a very talented football team," said DeRossett. "They've put together a real nice season. They've got a lot of basketball kids out and they are an athletic team."

It's no secret that the winner of tonight's game

will wrap up the runner-up spot in Class 2A, Region 4 and host a first round game in the State Playoffs the first Friday of November.

"This is for a home playoff game in the first round," noted DeRossett. "There's been a lot of talk about the game and that has built up even more excitement. We



DeRossett

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photo by Steve LeMaster

South Floyd High senior running back Joe Osborne was very successful in last season's win over Paintsville.

Raiders, Rebels hosting in regular-season finales

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

Two Floyd County high school football teams — Allen Central and South Floyd — will host regular-season finales tonight. And both games are set for 7:30 p.m. kickoffs. Allen Central will play host to Class A, District Seven frontrunner Pikeville. The Rebels have enjoyed success during the 2004 season and have a 4-5 record to show for it heading into tonight's finale against Pikeville.

Jeremy Hall, in his second season at the helm of the Allen Central football program, coached the Rebels to district wins over both Fleming-Neon and Jenkins. A slim four-point loss to Phelps two weeks ago hurt Allen Central's hopes for a spot in the State Playoffs.

South Floyd is enjoying one its most successful football seasons in school history. Tonight, South Floyd will play host to Paintsville in a game that will go a long way in deciding which of the two will enjoy a homefield advantage in the first round of the upcoming playoffs.

South Floyd went in last season and beat Paintsville 14-0, securing a spot in the post-season at a number three seed and ultimately sending Paintsville to a number four seed.

It's definitely a good time to be a Raider. "Our kids are excited about playing Paintsville at

our place," said South Floyd Coach Donny Daniels. "The school is excited; it's a good time for our school and our football program. Our kids have played hard all season and here we are in our 10th game, playing for homefield in the first round of the playoffs."

Daniels has been through the big games before. Both at South Floyd and previously at Wheelwright. Tonight's game now ranks as the biggest game for Daniels in his second stint as head coach.

South Floyd (7-2) has outscored a collective eight opponents 388-257. Both the South Floyd offensive and defensive units have contributed greatly in seven wins.

The Paintsville offense has declined since the departure of Hans Doderor, a player who went out with an injury during a loss to Grundy, Va. earlier in the season.



Daniels

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Betsy Layne looking for fourth win

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE — Betsy Layne has already tripled its win total from one season ago. Last season, Betsy Layne posted a 1-9 record over 10 games. Eight games into the 2004 regular-season, Betsy Layne owns a 3-5 record. Chances are real good that the Bobcats will grab their fourth victory tonight. Betsy Layne is set to host Letcher, a team that been shutout in five of eight games. Letcher, coached by Charles Hall, gave up 97 points two three weeks ago in a loss to Pendleton County.

Set to consolidate with Whitesburg and Fleming-Neon to form Letcher County Central, Letcher opted to field a football team in hopes of exposing some male members of its student body to the gridiron sport and with that preparing those same students

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Martin gains confidence through tourney win

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

MOREHEAD — Morehead State University sophomore Ryan Martin shot eight-under par 134 for 36-holes to tie for medallist honors in the rain-shortened Sonic/Chattanooga Intercollegiate Monday at Signal Mountain Country Club in Signal Mountain, Tenn. The final round, scheduled for Tuesday, was rained out. But the rain doesn't dampen Martin's tournament championship win. The sophomore now has added confidence as he looks toward the spring season. Martin and the MSU golf team played six tournaments this fall and will play another six tournaments in the spring. He played the Signal Mountain Country Club course last year and liked it.

"The win makes me feel real good about my game," said Martin. The course was different, but I liked it. The rain made the course a lot longer."

In between tournaments throughout the fall, Martin did what he could to make it back to Prestonsburg and Paintsville where he worked with both StoneCrest Pro Jason Crum and Paintsville Pro Larry (L.G.)

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Smith: Freshmen must contribute immediately

by MURRAY EVANS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Kentucky basketball coach Tubby Smith prefers to take time to ensure freshmen players have adjusted to the rigors of college life and the college game.

He'll have no such luxury this season. With only two returning starters, Smith said the Wildcats must rely on a crop of highly-rated recruits to sustain their recent level of success, which has included No. 1 seeds in the two most recent NCAA tournaments.

It would be a surprise if one or two freshmen aren't in the starting lineup when Kentucky opens its season Nov. 20 against Coppin State, Smith said Thursday.

"You hope they're going to be as good as advertised," Smith said during Kentucky's media day. "I think some of our freshmen have really shown us that they're capable of being major contributors immediately in our program."

Three of the incoming freshmen — guards Rajon Rondo and Joe Crawford and center Randolph Morris — played in the McDonald's All-America game in March. A fourth, guard Ramel Bradley, also was the

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Bentley

was just off the charts. You could argue he wasn't hurt as bad as they initially thought. You could argue he was stretching the seriousness of his injury. You could argue he was crying wolf all along. But you'd be wrong. The blood seeping through the socks — making them literally Red Sox — told all that needed to be told.

Because of the magnitude of this series and the direness of the Sox situation, this one enters the pantheon of outstanding efforts in sports history. Think Willis Reed in the Finals, Jordan's flu game and Emmitt with the shoulder injury. This was huge.

Apparently, they've been carrying on with the NLCS too, unbeknownst to our friends at Fox.

While those of us who depend on television would hardly know it, Houston and St. Louis have been playing a more compelling series top to bottom than their AL counterparts and

faceted a Game Seven showdown of their own last night.

Fox has totally dropped the ball on this, beginning with the half-witted decision to play both games at one time last week, resulting in most of the country getting Game Two of the AL and scarcely few seeing the opener of the NL.

It's a shame baseball has put itself in a position where game times are out of its hands. I know money makes the world go around, but this is ridiculous.

By the way, with all due respect to Philip Haywood, says here Greg Napier has put himself in quite a position for coach of the year recognition in Pike County.

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the year recognition in Johnson County.

There are plenty of huge games tonight around the mountains tonight, but maybe the biggest takes place at Hi Hat where one of the top two spots in the local Single-A district is on the line when South Floyd rolls in.

Paintsville is 6-2 overall, unbeaten in the district and

seems to have rebounded from the beating it took from Johnson Central in the Apple Bowl. Meanwhile, South Floyd has a loss in league play to Pikeville, but could finish second and net a home game in the playoffs with a win.

Also, Double-A kingpin Belfry travels north of the boarder tonight to play the last team to beat it when it visits

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Ironton. The Pirates haven't lost in a year and haven't lost a game in scored in for two years, the last coming on the last visit to the Buckeye State.

A win tonight would set the Bucs up as one of the elite teams anywhere. A loss simply tells Coach Haywood and staff which holes need to be plugged before the playoffs develop.

Blackcats

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expect to play in front of a big crowd."

Stonestonburg has won six of its last seven games. The only setback in the seven-game stretch after the season-opener against Pikeville was an overtime loss to defending state champ Belfry.

"This team is well-prepared," DeRossett said, talking about his team. "Eventhough the weather was bad, we were able to get in a good week of practice."

Shelby Valley (5-3) will enter tonight's game riding a four-game winning streak that

include three district wins and a fourth win over Whitesburg, a Class 2A, District Seven team.

Shelby Valley got off to a somewhat rocky start, losing three of its first four games.

Kickoff for the Stonestonburg-Shelby Valley game is set for 7:30 p.m.

Finales

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After scoring 34 or more points in each of its first four games, the Paintsville offense struggled in its next three games, scoring over six points just once. The three-game span also included two losses. Last week, Paintsville looked more

like its old self. In a win over Hazard, Paintsville put up 29 points.

"We expect it to be another game of ball control," added Daniels. "Whoever is able to control the football and make the most of its offensive possessions

will win the football game."

South Floyd controlled the ball last season in the 14-0 win over Paintsville. When asked if his team would opt to receive the opening kickoff and take the football, Daniels simply said, "yes."

Betsy Layne

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for football at the new school.

The exposure has come at a hefty price. Opponents have outscored Letcher 498-40.

A bright spot for Letcher has been the play of receiver Montana Gibson.

Following tonight's game against Betsy Layne, Letcher is scheduled to

finish its season by playing at home against Big Creek, W.Va. on Friday, Oct. 29.

Betsy Layne suffered a fifth defeat last week, falling to visiting Cumberland. The Cumberland offense proved to be too much for host Betsy Layne as the Redskins rolled to

a 38-12 win.

After tonight's home game against Letcher, Betsy Layne will hit the road next Friday in the final week of the regular-season, traveling to Pike County Central.

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Hoops

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focus of intense recruiting interest from several schools, including Kentucky's Southeastern Conference rival, Georgia.

"It's hard for anybody to live up to some of the hype that our young players are probably going to be exposed to," Smith said.

Smith, for the second time in a week, hinted that 6-7 sophomore forward Shera Thomas might not play this season. On

Oct. 6, Thomas underwent what Smith called "major" surgery for an undisclosed ailment. Immediately after the surgery, Kentucky officials said Thomas could be sidelined four to six weeks.

Smith said Thursday that Thomas — who appeared in 23 games last season, averaging 1.7 points and 1.1 rebounds per game — has returned to classes. But Smith also spoke about what the Wildcats might do if Thomas doesn't recover in time to play this season.

"We're not sure what his status is or when he'll be able to come back," Smith said.

Three-fifths of the Wildcats' starting lineup appears set. Senior forward Chuck Hayes and junior swingman Kelenna Azubuike return from last season's 27-5 team that entered the NCAA tournament as the overall No. 1 seed before suffering a stunning second-round loss to Alabama-Birmingham.

Junior guard Patrick Sparks, a transfer from Western Kentucky who led the Hilltoppers to consecutive NCAA tournament appearances in 2002 and 2003, likely will start at the point after sitting out last season.

That leaves two open positions, and Smith said he won't be afraid to experiment with different lineups. The freshmen will have a chance to earn playing time, he said.

"We're all looking to come in and contribute off the bat," Morris said. "All four of us are pretty antsy for the season to start and to be able to prove what we can do."

Of the four, the 6-10 Morris is the most likely to start, if only because Kentucky lacks a proven presence in the post.

"We're going to need a lot of minutes out of him," Smith said.

Morris' main competition for the job likely will be 7-0 sophomore Lukasz Orzut, who averaged 1.2 points per game last season off the bench.

Crawford said hype about the recruiting class hasn't kept him or his fellow freshmen from developing as players, but Bradley acknowledged the pressure the group is feeling.

"It's kind of scary, knowing the tradition of Kentucky, it's like, they've got to win, they've got to win," Bradley said. "I know that everybody thinks we're real good, but at the same time, we're still learning. If we were to lose, it would look bad."

Betsy Layne, Belfry advance to regional finals

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BELFRY — The Betsy Layne High volleyball team kept its undefeated season intact Wednesday night, beating Magoffin County 2-0 (25-17, 25-10) to advance into the 15th Region Tournament championship match. In the other semifinals affair, host Belfry beat Johnson Central 2-0 (25-15, 25-11).

Betsy Layne opened play in the regional tournament Tuesday night with a 2-0 (25-15, 25-23) win over Phelps.

Playing tournament matches

on consecutive nights didn't seem to hinder Betsy Layne.

Belfry opened play in the tournament on Monday night, eliminating South Floyd, the runner-up out of the 54th District.

Belfry, which headed into last night's regional championship game looking to beat Betsy Layne for a regional title for a second straight season, is the champion out of the 56th District.

Results of last night's regional tournament championship match were unavailable at press time and will appear in Sunday's edition.

Wildcats

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a young Kentucky squad in 2004-05. The Wildcats welcome six newcomers to the roster, including Western Kentucky transfer Patrick Sparks, who joined the squad last year but was forced to sit for the 2003-04 season under NCAA transfer rules. Five freshmen join the Wildcats this season, including three McDonald's All-

Americans.

Both Hayes and Azubuike were named to the SEC All-Tournament team in 2004, while Hayes was a third-team All-SEC selection by The Associated Press in 2004.

More on the preseason All-SEC team appears inside today's edition.

Martin

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Ward.

"Working with both Jason and Larry has helped," said Martin. "Both helped me with my swing."

Martin shared individual honors with Tennessee Tech's Braxton Hunter. Martin shot a three-under par 68 in Monday's morning round, then fired a five-under par 66 in the afternoon 18 holes. Hunter shot 66 in the first round and 68 in the second round.

Tennessee Tech and Belmont tied for the team championship at eight-under par 560. MSU finished 13th among 14 teams with a 34-over par 602.

In addition to Martin's 68-66 134, other MSU participants were: Kyle Litter (tie 41, 76-73 149), Josh Winkler (tie 64, 77-79 156), Hayden Williams (73, 84-81 165) and Tyler Cain (74, 82-84 166).

The Sonic/Chattanooga Intercollegiate was Martin and the rest of the MSU team's final tournament of the fall season. Between now and the spring, Martin will continue to work on his game as he prepares for the 2005 spring portion of the 2004-05 MSU golf season.

Adams edges Allen

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — After outscoring rival Allen 12-1 in the first quarter Tuesday night and holding a 24-10 lead at halftime, Adams held off a late rally, beating the Lady Eagles 34-33.

Linsey Fields poured in the points for Adams, scoring 20. Tasha Wallen scored five points and Alexis DeRossett chipped in four. Julie Compton hit on a three-point field goal in the first quarter and finished with three points. Nikki Bradley and Felicia Keathley each hit a free throw.

Erica Meade hit three three-point field goals and led Allen in scoring with 19 points. Kelli Maynard scored 12 points and Lakan Lowe chipped in two.

Adams led 30-27 at the end of the third quarter.

Coming on late in the game, Allen outscored Adams 17-6 in the third period and 6-4 in the final quarter.

B-TEAM — Adams 25, Allen 17: Julie Compton and Nikki Bradley each scored eight points and Alexis DeRossett tossed in seven to lead the Adams B-team to a win over Allen. Halee Hicks added two points for the Lady Blackcats.

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C-TEAM: Adams 14, Allen 5: Julie Compton hit for seven points and Alexis DeRossett tossed in six to lead the Adams C-team to the victory. Cathryn Calhoun also scored for Adams, hitting on a free throw in the third quarter.

Allen's Catie Burchett and Kristian Waugh each had two points.

McDowell collects wins

MCDOWELL — McDowell Grade School defeated rival Allen Central 15-11 Tuesday in a home game.

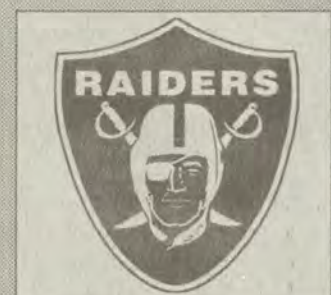
Chelsie Tuttle paced McDowell with a game-high 12 points. Kelsey Dye scored two points and Heather Little flipped in a free throw.

Three different players scored for McDowell. Braggs led Allen Central with seven points. Jones and Spurlock each scored two apiece.

McDowell now has a record of 10-2 — best in some seven years.

ATHLETES

OF THE WEEK



Kayla Hall,
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Moore of the same

Bear tailback, all-time leading rusher, named MSC's top player

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — It's no great surprise that Leonard Moore is the school's all-time leading rusher; his four-year career has been the first four years of varsity play.

But with the numbers he's putting up, Moore is establishing himself with numbers that will be difficult to remove from the record book at Pikeville College.

On Saturday, he broke his own record with 39 carries and his 243 yards were 11 shy of his record in that category in a 35-0 win over Belhaven, Miss., College, and as a result, was named offensive play.

Leonard has really stepped it up recently, and last week was

just unbelievable," said Coach Jerry Mynatt. "Watching him on the sideline was impressive, but seeing it on tape really magnified what he

"We'd told him last week he was going to have to break some tackles and pick up extra yards, and that's exactly what he did. He put on an amazing show on Saturday.

In addition to his yardage, he had two touchdown runs, and began his day with an impressive rendition of "The Star-Spangled Banner."

It was Moore's second 200-plus yard game of his career and the second time he's eclipsed 30 carries. Both of the other occasions came in last year's 21-16 loss at Union.

Moore is the all-time leader in points scored with 160 points

and 26 touchdowns, and also leads in rushing attempts with 586.

His 2,735 yards on the ground leaves him only 265 from 3,000 for his career with four regular-season games remaining, and is more than five times the next highest individual.

This season, the Rock Hill, S.C. native has gained 710 yards on 158 carries (4.5 yards per carry) and has seven touchdowns. His yardage is second on the single-season list, trailing only the 1,031 he

Moore and his troops will travel to nearby Wise, Va., on Saturday to play the Highland Cavaliers of U.Va.-Wise. Game time is set for 6 p.m.

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IHigh.com State football polls

Class 4A

1. St. Xavier (7-1)
2. Trinity (7-1)
3. Conner (8-0)
4. Manual (7-2)
5. Male (6-2)
6. Henderson County (8-1)
7. Madison Central (8-1)
8. Dixie Heights (7-2)
9. Ballard (6-2)
10. Scott County (6-2)

Class 3A

1. Hopkinsville (8-0)
2. Highlands (8-1)
3. Bowling Green (8-0)
4. Lexington Catholic (7-1)
5. Boyle County (6-2)
6. Waggener (8-0)
7. Bell County (7-1)
8. Covington Catholic (5-3)
9. Pulaski Southwestern (6-2)
10. Harrison County (7-1)

Class 2A

1. Belfry (8-0)
2. Breathitt County (8-0)
3. Russell (8-0)
4. Elizabethtown (8-1)
5. Fort Campbell (7-1)
6. Prestonsburg (6-2)
7. Fleming County (8-0)
8. Trigg County (7-1)
9. Garrard County (7-1)
10. Glasgow (6-2)

Class 1A

1. Beechwood (8-1)
2. Newport Cent. Cat. (8-1)
3. Danville (6-2)
4. Louisville Holy Cross (7-1)
5. Hancock County (8-1)
6. Williamsburg (9-0)
7. Pikeville (6-2)
8. Bardstown (6-2)
9. Murray (7-1)
10. Lexington Christian (6-1)

SEC Men's Basketball Preseason Awards announced

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

BIRMINGHAM, ALA. — The Southeastern Conference unveiled its first annual men's basketball preseason All-SEC first and second teams, Thursday, to tip off another great season of SEC men's basketball.

Alabama, Florida and Tennessee led all schools with

three selections each. The preseason All-SEC first and second teams consist of a minimum of eight players on each squad, voted on by the SEC Head Men's Basketball Coaches. No ties were broken and no predicted order of finish was made.

A complete list of the 2005 SEC Men's Basketball Preseason All-SEC team follows.

Player	School	Pos.	Cl.	Hometown
FIRST TEAM ALL-SEC				
Kennedy Winston	Alabama	F	Jr.	Prichard, Ala.
David Lee	Florida	F	Sr.	St. Louis, Mo.
Anthony Roberson	Florida#	G	Jr.	Saginaw, Mich.
Matt Walsh	Florida	F	Jr.	Holland, Pa.
Chuck Hayes	Kentucky	F	Sr.	Modesto, Calif.
Brandon Bass	LSU	F	So.	Baton Rouge, La.
Lawrence Roberts	Miss. State#	F	Sr.	Houston, Texas
Scotter McFadgon	Tennessee	G	Sr.	Memphis, Tenn.
SECOND TEAM ALL-SEC				
Chuck Davis	Alabama	F	Jr.	Selma, Ala.
Earnest Shelton	Alabama	G	Sr.	Memphis, Tenn.
Ronnie Brewer	Arkansas	G	So.	Fayetteville, Ark.
Jonathon Modica	Arkansas	G/F	Jr.	Smackover, Ark.
Kelenna Azubuike	Kentucky	G	Jr.	Tulsa, Okla.
Carlos Powell	South Carolina	F	Sr.	Florence, S.C.
Brandon Crump	Tennessee	F	Sr.	Houston, Texas
C.J. Watson	Tennessee	G	Jr.	Las Vegas, Nev.
Mario Moore	Vanderbilt	G	Jr.	Nashville, Tenn.

#-Unanimous Selection; Ties are not broken

Couch to have tryout with Bears

by RICK GANO
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LAKE FOREST, Ill. — Their quarterback situation a mess, the Chicago Bears will bring in Tim Couch for a physical and a tryout Friday.

Chicago starter Rex Grossman is out for the season with a knee injury and backup Jonathan Quinn has struggled in two starts. Rookie Craig Krenzel and Chad

Hutchinson, who started nine games for the Cowboys as a rookie in 2002, are also in the mix.

Couch, first pick in the 1999 draft by the Browns, was released in June and signed with the Packers.

But bothered by a sore arm and a difficulty grasping the offense, he completed just 11 of 34 passes for 96 yards in three preseason games for Green Bay and was cut Sept. 5. "He was injured early. He's

well now, so we want to give him a physical and see exactly where he is. Let him work out and see exactly where he is there and kind of go from there," Bears coach Lovie Smith said Thursday.

Couch started 59 games for the Browns, passing for 64 touchdowns and 11,131 yards, but his \$7.6 million contract for 2004 made him expendable when the Browns signed free agent Jeff Garcia to be their starter.

H.S. Football Region Records

CLASS A, REGION 4

Team	Record
Williamsburg	9-0
Harlan	7-1
South Floyd	7-2
Pikeville	6-2
Paintsville	6-2
Cumberland	5-3
Somerset	5-4
Lynn Camp	4-4
Phelps	4-4
Allen Central	4-5
Hazard	2-6
Evarts	2-6
Jenkins	1-7
Pineville	0-8
Fleming-Neon	0-8

CLASS 2A, REGION 4

Team	Record
Belfry	8-0
Breathitt County	8-0
Prestonsburg	6-2
Shelby Valley	5-3
Middlesboro	5-3
Leslie County	5-3
Pike County Central	3-5
Whitesburg	2-6
East Ridge	2-6
Knott County Central	2-6
Magoffin County	2-6
Cawood	2-6
Sheldon Clark	1-7

Cards to stage Red-White Basketball scrimmage Oct. 30

LOUISVILLE — University of Louisville men's basketball coach Rick Pitino will provide a preseason look at the 2004-05 Cardinals when his team plays a Red-White intrasquad scrimmage on Saturday, Oct. 30 at 10 a.m. at Cardinal Arena.

Tickets for the event are \$6 each and will go on sale at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 27 at 9 a.m. at both U of L Ticket Offices, located near Gate 2 of Papa John's Cardinal Stadium or on the third floor of the Swain Student Activities Center. There will be no telephone orders for this event.

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Huff, Parker earn game captain roles

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – University of Kentucky senior offensive guard Matt Huff and senior wide receiver Gerad Parker are the game captains for this week's contest at Auburn, Coach Rich Brooks has announced.



Huff

Game captains are selected each week based on their performance in the previous week's game. Huff had one of the best performances of his career in last week's game

versus South Carolina. Parker, a graduate of Lawrence County High School, had three catches for 24 yards against the Gamecocks.

Huff and Parker will join permanent captains Sweet Pea Burns and Shane Boyd at the coin toss.

The Kentucky at Mississippi State game on Oct. 30 was not selected for live network television. Game time will be 2:30 p.m. EDT, 1:30 p.m. CDT in Starkville.



Parker

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1. Highlands, 8-1; 2. Hopkinsville, 8-0; 3. St. Xavier, 7-1; 4. Henderson County, 8-1; 5. Trinity, 7-1; 6. Bowling Green, 8-0; 7. Male, 6-2; 8. Breathitt County, 8-0; 9. Lexington Catholic, 7-1; 10. Boyle County, 6-2; 11. Conner, 8-0; 12. Belfry, 8-0; 13. Manual, 7-2; 14. Danville, 6-2; 15. Madison Central, 7-1; 16. Dixie Heights, 6-2; 17. Fort Campbell, 7-1; 18. Covington Catholic, 5-3; 19. Beechwood, 7-1; 20. Bell County, 7-1; 21. Christian County, 6-2; 22. Elizabethtown, 8-1; 23. Russell, 8-0; 24. Prestonsburg, 6-2; 25. Louisville Holy Cross, 7-1; 26. Newport Catholic, 7-1; 27. Waggener, 8-0; 28. Ballard, 6-2; 29. Scott County, 6-2; 30. Paducah Tilghman, 6-2; 31. Apollo, 6-2; 32. Trigg County, 7-1; 33. Bullitt East, 6-2; 34. Pikeville, 6-2; 35. Bates Creek, 5-3; 36. Henry Clay, 4-5; 37. Fleming County, 8-0; 38. South Laurel, 7-2; 39. Nelson County, 5-3; 40. Franklin-Simpson, 7-1; 41. Madisonville, 6-2; 42. Southwestern, 6-2; 43. Williamsburg, 9-0; 44. Lafayette, 6-2; 45. Central, 6-2; 46. Paul Dunbar, 3-5; 47. Oldham County, 4-4; 48. East Jessamine, 6-2; 49. Harrison County, 7-1; 50. Bardstown, 6-2; 51. Ashland, 6-3; 52. Boone County, 4-4; 53. Butler, 6-3; 54. Rockcastle County, 5-3; 55. Glasgow, 6-2; 56. Corbin, 5-3; 57. John Hardin, 5-3; 58. Pulaski County, 6-2; 59. Hancock County, 7-1; 60. North Hardin, 5-3; 61. PRP, 4-4; 62. Garrard County, 6-2; 63. Graves County, 5-3; 64. Johnson Central, 6-2; 65. Mayfield, 3-5; 66. Warren Central, 3-5; 67. Boyd County, 4-4; 68. Murray, 7-1; 69. Owensboro Catholic; 70. Fern Creek, 5-4; 71. Ryle, 3-5; 72. Lexington Christian, 6-1; 73. Campbell County, 4-4; 74. Union County, 6-2; 75. West Jessamine, 4-4; 76. Newport, 7-1; 77. North Laurel, 5-3; 78. Campbellsville, 6-2; 79. Western, 5-3; 80. Logan County, 6-2; 81. Clay County, 7-1; 82. Shelby County, 3-5; 83. Eastern, 3-5; 84. Clark County, 3-5; 85. Ohio County, 4-4; 86. South Oldham, 4-4; 87. Meade County, 3-5; 88. Butler County, 5-3; 89. Lloyd, 5-3; 90. East Carter, 6-2; 91. DeSales, 6-2; 92. Whitley County, 5-3; 93. Franklin County, 5-3; 94. Frankfort, 6-2; 95. Daviess County, 5-5; 96. Fairdale, 3-5; 97. Fairview, 6-2; 98. Greenwood, 5-4; 99. Doss, 3-5; 100. Hopkins Central, 3-5.

Auburn's offense undergoes transformation

by JOHN ZENOR ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUBURN, Ala. – As a former defensive coordinator, Auburn coach Tommy Tuberville is getting a kick out of finally having an offense that is confounding his former peers.

The third-ranked Tigers (7-0, 4-0 Southeastern Conference) have fashioned a dangerous blend of running and passing, pounding and pizzazz, under new offensive coordinator Al Borges.

Compared to last year's offense, there's only one real constant: The players. And, in the case of quarterback Jason Campbell and the formerly shaky receivers, even they have undergone quite a transformation.

"How do you play us? Nobody has found that answer yet," Tuberville said. "Either we've gotten stronger or people are playing us wrong. People are taking too many chances. It's been interesting to see the different gameplans set up against us."

It's no wonder Tuberville is taking such glee in the metamorphosis rendered by Borges, a well traveled coordinator running his sixth major college offense.

The Tigers have ridden the versatile, balanced offense to six blowouts in seven games entering Saturday's visit from Kentucky (1-5, 0-3).

Led by a rejuvenated Campbell and tailbacks Carnell Williams and Ronnie Brown, the Tigers are leading the league in total offense, ranking second in running and third in passing and scoring.

Auburn is averaging eight more points and 72 more yards than last year's team, a more run-oriented group that was held to a touchdown or fewer five times.

"This is the first time since I've been at Auburn that we've really had any imagination offensively," said Tuberville, on his fourth offensive coordinator in five years.

He said Auburn's West Coast offense is a collaborative effort from all the offensive assistants. But Borges has put it all together into a formidable system splashed with frequent shifts in formation before the snap and some creative playcalling.

A flea flicker against Arkansas, for instance, produced a 67-yard touchdown barely a minute into that 38-20 win.

After two seasons at woeful Indiana, Borges is in football heaven with a senior quarterback, senior tailbacks and a veteran line and receiving corps.

"After what I've been through in the past few years, it's just such a great feeling to be in a situation where you've got a chance to win some games," said Borges, who also has stints at UCLA, California and Oregon among others. "It's just great to know that your coaching makes a difference."

"It's the ultimate nightmare when you coach as hard as you can coach, do all the things you can do, and still go out and have no chance to win. That's tough."

Under his guidance, Campbell especially has shined, becoming one of nine finalists for the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award given to the nation's top senior quarterback.

Campbell threw only 10 TD passes in 13 games last season. He was 17-of-19 passing for a career-high 297 yards against Arkansas, setting a school record for completion percentage (89.5

percent).

"I feel like this year's been different for us on offense because we're working together and we're a balanced offense, which puts more pressure on defenses," Campbell said. "They expect us to run the ball a lot but right now we're balancing it out. Right now, we're just unpredictable in what we're going to do."

Williams, who led the league in rushing last season, hasn't had to carry nearly as much of the load. He hasn't gone over 100 yards in the past five games.

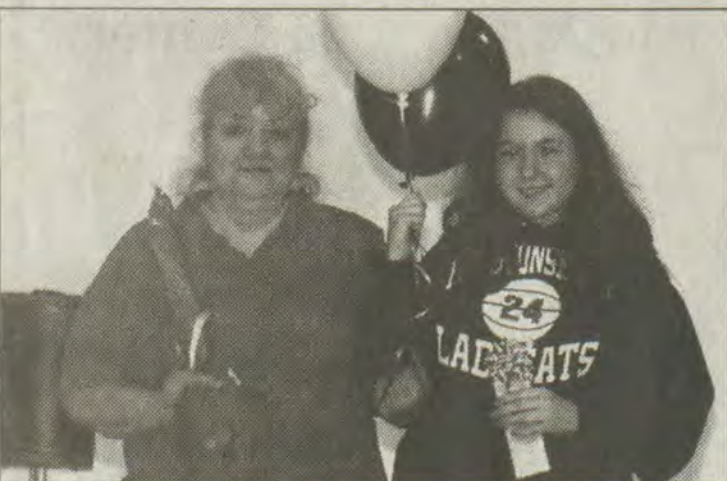
Brown is averaging 7.8 yards per carry and has four touchdowns and three 100-yard games.

"The way we've got it set up now it's going to be hard for one back to rush for 200 yards," Borges said. "That's not the way it is. We're trying to divide their time. Guys ask, 'How come Campbell isn't getting more yards?'"

"He's not getting the ball as much because Ronnie is getting the ball some and we're throwing the ball some. What we're trying to do is the total team effort."

H.S. FOOTBALL GAMES ON TAP

- Allen Central-Pikeville, 7:30 p.m.
- Bath County-Berea, 7:30 p.m.
- Betsy Layne-Letcher, 7:30 p.m.
- Boyd County-Greenup County, 7:30 p.m.
- Breathitt County-Middlesboro, 7:30 p.m.
- Clay County-Madison Southern, 7:30 p.m.
- Estill County-West Carter, 7:30 p.m.
- Everts-Lynn Camp, 7:30 p.m.
- Fairview-Raceland, 7:30 p.m.
- Hazard-Jenkins, 7:30 p.m.
- Ironton, Ohio-Belfry, 7:30 p.m.
- Knott County Central-Cawood, 7:30 p.m.
- Knox Central-Bell County, 7:30 p.m.
- Lewis County-Powell County, 7:30 p.m.
- Madison Central-North Laurel, 7:30 p.m.
- Magoffin County-East Ridge, 7:30 p.m.
- Montgomery County-Johnson Central, 7:30 p.m.
- Morgan County-Fleming County, 7:30 p.m.
- Perry County Central-Rockcastle County, 7:30 p.m.
- Phelps-Fleming-Neon, 7:30 p.m.
- Pike County Central-Sheldon Clark, 7:30 p.m.
- Pineville-Cumberland, 7:30 p.m.
- Pulaski County-Marion County, 7:30 p.m.
- Russell-East Carter, 7:30 p.m.
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- Somerset-Harlan, 7:30 p.m.
- South Floyd-Paintsville, 7:30 p.m.
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- Whitesburg-Leslie County, 7:30 p.m.
- Whitley County-George Rogers Clark, 7:30 p.m.



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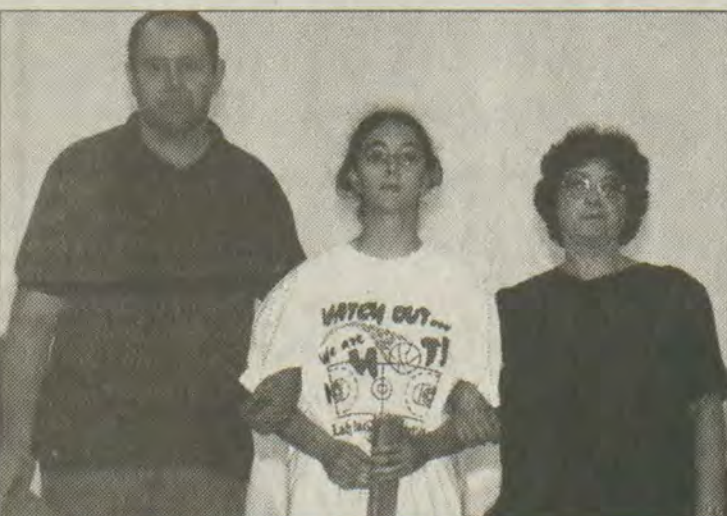


Linsey Fields

Adams Middle School held its girls' basketball eighth-grade night Tuesday night prior to a home game against Allen. The eighth-graders are pictured.



Whitney Gibson



Amanda Miller



Tosha Wallen



Shelby Bentley

photos by Jamie Howell

Unheralded Kimmel keeps winning titles

by MIKE HARRIS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Even the most obscure Nextel Cup driver would have been besieged for autographs. But Frank Kimmel walked through a crowd of NASCAR fans at Talladega Superspeedway without so much as a "Hey, Frank."

Such is the lot of the man who has won six ARCA championships, including the last five.

"I don't mind," Kimmel said, shrugging. "I'm not in this thing for glory."

The 42-year-old driver started his career racing on short tracks near his home in Jeffersonville, Ind. Off the track, he and older brother Bill, also a former short track racer and now his crew chief, worked in their parents' small auto parts business until 1999 to pay the bills.

Frank didn't race in ARCA — a step below NASCAR's three top series — until he was nearly 30.

"I was married, raising a family and doing all that normal stuff," the white-haired Kimmel said. "For four or five years, that was pretty much a struggle, running for a very underbudgeted team. Great people, but we didn't

have what it took to win races."

That was before he met team owner Larry Clement and came up with Advance Auto Parts as his primary sponsor in 1996.

"Since that point, we've kind of taken off," Kimmel said.

After finishing ninth in his first year with Clement's Tri-State Motorsports and second in 1997, Kimmel won the first of his championships in 1998. He crashed in the season-opening race at Daytona in 1999, but went on to finish second to Bill Baird for the championship and hasn't lost a title since.

Kimmel won his latest championship in September, several races before the season finale earlier this month at Talladega. His six victories in 2004 raised his career total to 56 and Kimmel became the first ARCA driver to reach \$3 million in career earnings.

"He's extremely smart," his brother said. "He doesn't tear up race cars. He's always been a finisher. I always tell people he's the perfect car owner's driver."

All that success might indicate that Frank is more than ready to move up to one of the NASCAR series, where he has dabbled in the past, running occasional races in the Cup, Busch and Craftsman series.

"We did OK," Kimmel said. "We held our own for the most part."

So, why does he remain in ARCA?

"Two or three years ago, when it was probably the best time for me to go because I was still in my 30s," explained Kimmel. "I would have had to pack up and move to Charlotte and really aggressively start knocking doors down."

But Kimmel is happy with his role in ARCA and loves driving for Clement. Also, there's plenty to be said for not uprooting his family. Staying put allows Kimmel to enjoy life without the added burden of racing in the high-profile NASCAR series.

"My brother and I both have good jobs, we get to work on the race car and race for a living and we have other employees that are counting on me," he said. "I could pack up and go, but that's a pretty selfish thing to think about doing."

And Kimmel says there's still plenty of motivation for him in ARCA. He insists it's difficult to win a championship. To repeat is even tougher, and now that he's won the title five times, Kimmel likes the challenge of being the one to beat.

"You've got to work

extremely hard to stay ahead of everybody that's trying to catch you," Kimmel said.

Despite his titles, winning races is not so easy these days in ARCA. Rick Hendrick, Ray Evernham and Chip Ganassi, all owners of elite Nextel Cup teams, have raised the competitive bar by backing developmental drivers in ARCA.

Although he welcomes the competition, Kimmel knows his team is going to have to do more to stay on top.

"We didn't win an intermediate track race this year at all, which was very tough and I don't like it," Kimmel said. "We're doing a lot of work to try to get caught back up to those guys."

Part of the attraction of ARCA is racing only 22 weekends a year and having time to spend with family and watch teenage sons work on their own racing careers, as the Kimmel brothers are doing.

Will Kimmel look back at some point and wonder if he could have made it to the pinnacle of stock car racing?

In the biography posted on his Web site, there are a series of categories with short answers for the champ. One of the categories asks: Regrets?

His answer: "None."



Frank Kimmel, a mainstay in the ARCA series, continues to win titles.



Watch for deer in your headlights

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FRANKFORT — The phrase "like a deer in the headlights" is used to figuratively describe a person who appears caught off guard, but can be interpreted by Kentucky motorists in a literal sense over the next two months as the peak of the whitetail deer mating season approaches.

Officials with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) are reminding, and cautioning drivers that October and November are the months when deer movement is greatest, and collisions with deer on roadways are most common.

As fall days grow shorter, and temperatures get cooler, Kentucky's deer population starts to transition into its breeding season. The peak of breeding activity is usually in mid-November; however, it can begin in October and continue into January.

During this time, adult doe deer will cycle into heat each month until she is able to breed with a buck. Bucks will become very active, especially after dark, in traveling and actively searching for does that are ready to mate. Not all does are ready at the same time, and therefore bucks are continuously on the move to find those that are. When a buck finds a doe in heat, he will pursue her until she allows breeding to take place, and then he will resume looking and chasing other does.

This behavior, along with an

increase in human presence in the fall woods during hunting season, ups the chances that deer will cross roadways more often than at other times of the year. Motorists should take special care when driving at night, or in areas where woodlands and grown-up fields are located close to the road.

Deer often prefer to remain hidden as long as possible before having to cross an open area. This is why watching for, and anticipating that a deer may step out into the road in wood-lined areas, and elsewhere where they feed at night, is important to safety. At times though, whitetails can just as easily travel along fence rows and tree-lined corridors through open fields for long distances. Bucks may range five square miles or more during the breeding season, and in more urban areas, that's almost impossible without crossing a highway somewhere at some time.

The best defense if you do see "a deer in your headlights", is to slow to a stop if possible and safe to do so. Traveling speed should be reduced in deer crossing zones as noted by highway signs, and in spots where there is less distance between what looks like potential deer cover from one side of the road to the other.

Bright lights tend to confuse and freeze deer in their tracks. When they do move, they may go any direction. When traveling through "deer country",

slow down a little and give yourself more reaction time should you need to stop or let the animal get out of the way. Also, being aware that deer can cross a highway about anywhere is to your advantage. Keep your eyes on the road, and don't expect deer on the side of the road to stay there until you get by. Be ready to react.

Another item to note is that often the sound of an oncoming vehicle, or a horn blowing will make no difference in getting the animal to immediately move. Startled deer don't think and react like people do. Trying to scare them out of the way by landing hard on the tooter is a poor response. Take a few seconds and stop the vehicle, again, when you can. One more minute is well worth spending to save a trip to the auto body shop.

Remember, too, that often a doe that crosses the road in front of you may have a rather persistent suitor not far behind. Be as sure as you can that a buck isn't a few seconds behind the doe that you just saw before you proceed. Sometimes it's what you can't see that gets you, and when bucks have "lovin'" on their minds, well - that's, uh - what's on their mind.

Using these tips should minimize the chances of picking up a new, and perhaps unwanted hood ornament too far ahead of Christmas holidays. Keeping these thoughts in mind will certainly be to your advantage, and the deer would probably benefit from it even more.

Chase for Championship turning into a three-man race

by JENNA FRYER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Everything went wrong for Kurt Busch and Jeff Gordon in the fifth round of NASCAR's championship chase. Still, neither lost ground in their pursuit of the Nextel Cup title.

Dale Earnhardt Jr. has to be wondering what it will take to reclaim the top position. He did everything right at Lowe's Motor Speedway, finished third in the race, and still trails Busch by 24 points in the standings with Gordon closing in behind him.

How so? Because Busch and Gordon were able to overcome every obstacle thrown their way.

From a lap-one accident involving both to late-race spins and dodging spilled oil on the track, they proved to be true championship contenders. Busch finished fourth, two spots behind Gordon.

"I've just got to keep finishing ahead of them," an exasperated Earnhardt said. "Kurt's got his A game. We've got our A game going on right now. We've just got to keep having the same kind of weekend. You just try to get what you can get."

The sixth round of the Chase is Sunday in Martinsville, Va., and for all practical purposes, it's a three-man race.

Unless all three of the top drivers have massive problems — and two of them did in Charlotte but still managed to overcome them — there's no

way the rest of the contenders can challenge.

And it's unlikely they'll gain ground at Martinsville, where all three of the lead drivers have fine records.

— Busch has two Martinsville wins, including one in 2002 from the 36th starting position, the farthest back a race winner has started there.

— Earnhardt has five consecutive top-five finishes at Martinsville, the longest top-five streak among any active driver.

— Gordon is the Martinsville master. In 23 starts, he has five victories, five poles, 12 top-fives and 17 top-10s. He swept both poles and races in 2003, and has led 46 percent of the laps during the past three races.

When reminded the scene was shifting to Martinsville, Gordon shouted with glee. But a new surface on the Virginia short track has him worried.

"I wish they hadn't repaved Martinsville because I think we had a big edge on the competition with the old conditions," he said. "The new conditions are closing the competition up on us a little bit."

Busch used one of his team testing sessions to practice on the new surface, and knows it will present challenges to the contenders.

"The new surface there is going to provide for a different type of racing," he said. "It's going to be single-file for a while and a matter of staying out of trouble."

"Another element that's going to be new to Martinsville is the center of corner speed. There are going to be guys that gain so much speed through the center of the corner on somebody that you've got to protect your radiator, so it's going to be a battle."

All 10 of the contenders have proved capable of adapting, but none are better than Gordon. That's why several competitors are picking the four-time series champion to have a fifth title at the end of the season.

Gordon isn't denying the logic.

"A lot of the members of this team were here when we won the championship in 2001," he said. "The chemistry, on top of the experience we have, allows us to be a very good team and make comebacks."

Gordon should excel this weekend. He should have earned his sixth Martinsville race in the spring, but a chunk of concrete broke loose and damaged his car after he led 180 of the first 272 laps.

It took four pit stops to finish the damage, and Gordon still managed a sixth-place finish.

"We would love to win this thing, but it's hard to pick anybody who is a favorite right now," Gordon said. "I know the past experience plays a role, but when you look at the way the championship is this year, I just think it's putting the best car and team out there week in and week out."

NASCAR AUTO RACING GLANCE

NASCAR NEXTEL CUP Site: Martinsville, Va. Schedule: Friday, qualifying (Speed Channel, 3 p.m.); Sunday, race (NBC, 1 p.m.) Track: Martinsville Speedway (oval, 0.526 miles, 12 degrees banking in turns) Race distance: 263 miles, 500 laps. Last race: Jimmie Johnson got his fifth win of the season in the UAW-GM Quality 500 at Concord, N.C. Last year: Jeff Gordon completed the season sweep at Martinsville Speedway by winning the Subway 500. Fast facts: On Monday, Dale Earnhardt Jr. lost his appeal of a 25-point penalty and \$10,000 for using a vulgarity during a post-race TV interview. ... Rusty	Wallace won the April 18 race at Martinsville, but the track has since been repaved. ... Kurt Busch won the 2002 race from the 36th starting position, the farthest back in the field to win in track history. Next race: Bass Pro Shops MBNA 500, Oct. 31, Hampton, Ga. NASCAR BUSCH Site: Memphis, Tenn. Schedule: Friday, qualifying (Speed Channel, 4:30 p.m.); Saturday, race (TNT, 3:30 p.m.) Track: Memphis Motorsports Park (oval, .75 miles, 11 degrees banking in turns) Race distance: 187.5 miles, 250 laps. Last race: Mike Bliss made a three-wide pass to take the lead, then held off a charging Matt Kenseth to win the SpongeBob 300 at Concord, N.C. Last year: Bobby	Hamilton Jr. picked up his third win of 2003 when he nudged past Johnny Sauter with three laps to go and held on to win the Sam's Town 250. Fast facts: Martin Truex Jr. maintained his 144-point lead over Kyle Busch in the standings, but they were nearly involved in a post-race confrontation after a pit road mishap during the event. ... Busch has recorded top-10 finishes in both of his Busch starts at Memphis. ... Six drivers are still eligible for the championship with five races remaining. Next race: Aaron's 312, Oct. 30, Atlanta NASCAR CRAFTSMAN TRUCKS Site: Martinsville, Va. Schedule: Friday, qualifying, 1:30 p.m.; Saturday, race (Speed	Channel, 1 p.m.) Track: Martinsville Speedway (oval, 0.526 miles, 12 degrees banking in turns) Race distance: 105.20 miles, 200 laps. Last race: Todd Bodine won his second straight race, leading the final 38 laps of the Silverado 350K in Fort Worth, Texas. Last year: Jon Wood held off teammate Carl Edwards to win the Advance Auto Parts 200. Fast facts: Bobby Hamilton recorded his 11th top-five finish of the season at Fort Worth and increased his lead in the standings to 79 ahead over Dennis Setzer. ... Bodine has finished in the top four in four of his five truck races this season. ... Rick Crawford won Kroger 250 on April 17. Next race: Chevy Silverado 150, Nov. 5, Avondale, Ariz. — AP
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Ocean Silk closes fast to win Keeneland feature

LEXINGTON — Ocean Silk, with Larry Melancon aboard, closed fast along the rail and edged Honorable Cat by a neck to win Wednesday's featured \$54,990 Nursery Place Purse for fillies and mares at Keeneland.

The daughter of Dynaformer covered the 1 1/16 miles on good turf in 1:43.76. She paid \$11.40, \$6 and \$4.60. She won for the fourth time in 19 starts.

Trained by Patrick Byrne, Ocean Silk increased her career bankroll to \$350,316 for her owners, the Sangster family.

Honorable Cat paid \$9.80 and \$5.80. One Fine Shweetie was another 2 1/4 lengths back in third and returned \$8. — AP

NASCAR Nextel Cup Schedule, standings

Oct. 24 — Subway 500, Martinsville, Va.
Oct. 31 — Bass Pro Shops MBNA 500, Hampton, Ga.
Nov. 7 — Checker Auto Parts 500, Avondale, Ariz.
Nov. 14 — Mountain Dew 500, Darlington, S.C.
Nov. 21 — Ford 400, Homestead, Fla.

Driver Standings

1. Kurt Busch, 5,850
2. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 5,826
3. Jeff Gordon, 5,776
4. Elliott Sadler, 5,693
5. Mark Martin, 5,664
6. Tony Stewart, 5,646
7. Matt Kenseth, 5,635
8. Jimmie Johnson, 5,623
9. Ryan Newman, 5,579
10. Jeremy Mayfield, 5,501
11. Jamie McMurray, 3,878
12. Dale Jarrett, 3,804
13. Kevin Harvick, 3,662
14. Bobby Labonte, 3,652
15. Kasey Kahne, 3,626
16. Michael Waltrip, 3,358
17. Jeff Burton, 3,313
18. Rusty Wallace, 3,289
19. Joe Nemechek, 3,284
20. Casey Mears, 3,259

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THROUGH MY EYES

Free speech sometimes comes with a price

I remember hearing, when I was younger, advice in that it is wise to stay away from conversations involving religion and politics. I guess I've always remembered this advice, in addition to reminding myself to be careful about gossiping about others in a small town in which people are often related.

To this, I would now add: "Be careful of saying anything that could remotely be interpreted as a negative remark in regard to the county education system."

Last week, I mentioned in my column that I had attended a public forum on postsecondary education at Prestonsburg High School. I also mentioned that I did not see any of our public school officials or staff members

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Kathy Prater
 Lifestyles editor

POSTSCRIPT

A good soldier

What does it mean to be a good soldier?



Pam Shingler
 contributing writer

That's not the type of question that you can discuss at length and end up with a comfortable, satisfying feeling. Or at least I don't think it is.

This issue is the center of a dilemma that arose last weekend in Iraq.

As far as we can tell, a group of soldiers refused to carry out an assignment to haul fuel to another war area.

As of this writing, a couple of reasons have been offered by the soldiers and their families, who have been speaking for them.

One reason is that the fuel they were being asked to transport was

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Tips for wise use of indoor pest controls

Ray Tackett
 FLOYD COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE

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

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

off such as a refrigerator or air conditioner.

The Environmental Protection Agency recommends that an active fogger be placed at least six feet or further from all ignition sources. To reduce the likelihood of an accident, do not use any more foggers than is necessary. One six ounce or eight ounce fogger

generally is sufficient for an average size home; smaller sized foggers are available for apartments and other smaller units. Do not use foggers in small, enclosed places, such as closets, cabinets, or under counters or tables.

Using no more than one ounce of

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Rossi K. Clark

Floyd County girl to appear in national television series

Rossi Clark, formerly of Harold, will appear on KET, on November 3, in "Postcards from Buster," a spinoff from the five-time Grammy award winner series, "Arthur," produced by Marc Brown.

Rossi will be profiled in a segment on Appalachian music culture, titled "A Good Old-Tyme." The episode will air at 3:30 p.m. Rossi will be shown playing "old-timey" fiddle tunes in the same manner in which she has represented her former home county and state on many different occasions. Rossi auditioned for the part in August, 2003 and the filming was done in Kentucky, in the following November.

Rossi attributes her talent to all the old-time fiddlers she has met and worked with in Kentucky. Many are shown with her in the "Postcards" series. She acknowledges her great-grandfather, Adam Risner, who was also a fiddler and whose fiddle she shows on the episode.

Rossi wishes to send a message to all Floyd County children to "be proud of where you come from and don't ever give up on your dreams." She acknowledges that both her parents are from "Little Mud Creek" and are proud of their heritage.

Rossi and her family now live in Science

Hill where her mother, an Americorp member, works as a reading tutor for a rural elementary school. Her father is a disabled construction worker. Rossi hopes to continue playing her music, as well as acting, and strives to represent Kentucky in a positive way. She and her mother continually speak up for Kentucky's children and attempt to serve them in whatever manner possible.

Remember to watch Rossi this November 3, at 3:30 p.m., on your local KET channel. Rossi says that she wants all her former classmates and teachers, and all Floyd Countians to remember, "This one's for you!"

THINGS TO PONDER

Teens in jeopardy

Being a strong advocate for our children and youth, professional articles about the younger generation always get my attention. There was one in the APA's Monitor on Psychology (February, 2004) several months ago about a major conference, "What's killing our kids? Behavioral mis-

adventures." Nine experts were brought together to speak on what is driving some young people to abuse substances, have legal trouble, bully peers, and attempt suicide. Although only 3 to 20 percent of American youth are chronically destructive and their plight is common knowledge by reports in the media, "More young people under age 35 die of accidents, suicides, homicides and the effects of smoking, drinking, and drugs than from all the major diseases in the world." The saddest part is, all of these things that make up the "storm of adolescence," is preventable.

The basic storm of adolescence starts with the "igniting of passions — sexual, romantic, physical, and cognitive," as one expert described the biological impact of hormones. This growing up process

increases the odds that even the most optimistic and well-controlled teenager will act out occasionally. A review of 140 studies, that concerned adolescent brain development, showed various aspects of biological changes in puberty that were likely to contribute to youngsters being highly susceptible to addictions. For example, one of these biological changes has been found to be associated with an increased tendency toward some types of sensation-seeking and risk-taking behaviors. During this time, parents are more likely to question the previously shy, obedient 13 year old, "What in the world possessed you to do something so ridiculous and that you have never done before?" Other research found that teens make riskier choices, while driving or gambling, when they are with their

friends than when they are alone. In addition, it was found that the adolescents' brain operates differently than the adults' brain, pointing to the probability that they have to work harder to achieve the same goals. Another problem is that puberty is beginning at younger and younger ages, increasing the time span during which these changes occur so that a wider gap is created between the igniting of passions and the cognitive skills needed to restrain them.

The experts felt teens make choices that can have lifelong negative consequences, if started early enough and left untreated. One of the three misadventures was drinking. For example, youngsters that begin



Mable Rowe Lineberger,
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BSCTC presents first annual Talent Showcase

Big Sandy Community and Technical College (BSCTC) held its first annual Big Sandy Stars Talent Showcase on Friday, Oct. 15 at 7:00 PM in the BSCTC Student Center at the Prestonsburg campus. Fifteen performers participated in the showcase that included a variety of entertainment.

"We had all types of talent," said Talent Show Coordinator Laura Ford Hall. "Every style of music... from country to hardcore to pop, was represented. There was something for everyone."

Students, faculty and staff all performed in the showcase as over 100 audience members watched and listened. Performers included students Tamralee Frazier, Nathan Woods, Brianna Mauk, Alison Nelson, Abdul Samad, Brandon Maynard, Clayton Case, David Keene, Haley Daniel, Kelly Church, Troy Burchett, Clayton Case, and the members of the band Truth Prior to Deception: Saul Wright, Harley Fleming, Kenneth Harris, Brandon Smith, and Matthew Bartley. Performing faculty and staff members included Hall, Matt Simon and Frances Branham. The Pikeville, Prestonsburg and Paintsville BSCTC campus locations were all represented by performers in the showcase. BSCTC Provost, Dr. Nancy



Performers in the first annual BSCTC Big Sandy Stars Talent Showcase included (front row, from left) Laura Ford Hall, Troy Burchett, Tamralee Frazier, Kelly Church, Alison Nelson, Brianna Mauk, Haley Daniel, Abdul Samad, Brandon Maynard, and Clayton Case. Back row, from left: Nathan Woods, Frances Branham, Brandon Smith, Matthew Bartley, Matt Simon, Saul Wright, Harley Fleming, and David Keene.

B. Johnson, welcomed everyone at the opening of the show. At the end, she presented award certificates to all of the participants. Hall served as the emcee throughout the evening. "Eastern Kentucky has always been blessed with remarkable talent," Hall remarked. "We wanted to take the opportunity to showcase the talent prevalent on our campuses as well as give our students a chance to perform. We are proud of the talent at our college."

The Talent Showcase is just

one of the services being provided to the college and community by the new BSCTC Extracurricular Arts Program. In addition to the showcase, the college has begun an auditioned, student singing group called The Big Sandy Singers who will deliver their first performances during the Christmas season.

The college also invites anyone in the Eastern Kentucky area to join their new Community Choir. "We would love to have anyone who loves

to sing come and join us," said Choir Director Hall. "We have about 35 members right now, but I would love to see the choir grow to at least 60. It is great fun and they have a wonderful sound." The choir meets on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 - 7:30 PM in the Johnson Building, room 102, on the BSCTC Prestonsburg campus. The group will also present their first performances at Christmas time. For more information, contact Laura Hall at (606) 886-3863, ext. 67227.

Pageants



Miss Jenny Wiley Princess

Savanna Grace Holbrook, the 18-month-old daughter of Jeff and Samantha Holbrook, of Prestonsburg, was crowned "Toddler-Miss Jenny Wiley Princess" at the Mountain Arts Center, on October 3, 2004. She was also awarded the title of "Prettiest Smile." Savanna competed in the 12-23 months category. She is the granddaughter of Donna and Donoon Holbrook of Harold, and William and Virgie Cook of Ambury.

Ask the CIS

Q: Does lung cancer run in families?

A: Researchers discovered strong evidence recently that some people carry an abnormal gene or genes that make them more likely than others to develop lung cancer. The research was done by a group of 12 major research organizations and universities, including the National Cancer Institute (NCI).

The study involved 52 families with at least three close members (parents, siblings or children) who had been diagnosed with lung, throat or laryngeal cancer. Of those families, 35 had these cancers in at least two generations.

The researchers compared the genes of cancer survivors

with the genes of family members who did not have cancer. They found a link between abnormal genes and an increased risk of lung cancer.

In addition, the researchers found that the people with normal genes were affected by smoking differently than those with abnormal genes. With normal genes, the more the person smoked, the greater the risk of cancer. With abnormal genes, any amount of smoking increased cancer risk. This suggests that smoking even a small amount may cause cancer in some people.

The researchers now plan to pinpoint the exact gene or genes that increase lung cancer risk. The discovery of specific genes causing other types of cancer has helped scientists find better ways to treat and prevent these

diseases.

One proven way to lower your risk of lung cancer and other diseases is to quit smoking. Call the National Cancer Institute's Smoking Quitline toll-free at 1-877-448-7848 for one-on-one help. You also can get information online at www.smokefree.gov <<http://www.smokefree.gov>>.

The National Cancer Institute's Cancer Information Service (CIS) is one of the country's most trusted resources. "Ask the CIS" is distributed by the Mid South CIS, which serves Alabama, Arkansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Tennessee. Call the CIS toll-free at 1-800-4-CANCER (1-800-422-6237) between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Eyeglass collection boxes distributed

The Hazard Community & Technical College Lions Club and the Alpha Beta Epsilon Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa are working with the Lions Clubs of Perry County and Lenscrafters to collect old used eyeglasses and sunglasses during the month of October. Eyeglass collection boxes are located throughout Hazard Community and Technical College and at many area post offices.

The glasses will be cleaned, repaired and classified, and then delivered to people in developing countries who need them. Please give the gift of sight by donating your old eyeglasses.

Trick or treating is the perfect time to ask for used eyeglasses. Please have a fright-fully fun time this month by helping with this project.



Collecting old eyeglasses is a project at Hazard Community and Technical College. From left are: Lion Sandy Campbell, Kaye Deaton, PTK member, Lion Cora Hamilton, Lion Judy Adams and Lion Brenda Young.

School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

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

The AMS Youth Services Center is open all year to assist students and families in need. Please drop by or call the center at 886-1297 for more information or to request assistance with a family need. Center is open from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., and later by appointment. Center coordinator, Michelle Keathley. Assistant coordinator, Sheila Allen. Center offers services to all students regardless of income.

Allen Central Middle School

Turn in Food City receipts to home room teachers!

Oct. 22 - Halloween Dance, 6-9 p.m.

Oct. 27 - Respect class, 7th grade.

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

Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth Service Center

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

Betsy Layne Elementary

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

school nurse, Debra Hayes. For further information, please contact the center at 478-5550 or 478-9751, ext. 310.

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

Clark Elementary

"FIT" (Fitness is Terrific) Club will meet throughout October on Tuesdays and Thursdays, right after school. FIT Club is for students grades 3rd, 4th, & 5th.

Oct. 18-29 - "Stew Days Food Drive." Cans of beef stew will be collected and donated to a local food pantry.

Oct. 23 - Fall Festival, 6-8 p.m. Public invited to attend.

Oct. 25-29 - "TWYSSA" (Talking With Your Students About Alcohol), 5th grade. Lola Ratliff, presenter.

Oct. 28 - "Connect With Parents," video about addiction among kids to be shown at 8:30 a.m. Parents/guardians invited to attend.

Oct. 25-29 - Red Ribbon Week. Drug education and prevention programs will be conducted.

Nov. 8 - Advisory Council meeting, 5 p.m., in school library.

A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is in the center weekly and sees WIC patients, does well-child exams (birth-18 years), and gives immunizations. Currently scheduling exams for students who will be in the 6th grade in the next school year. Call for an appointment - 886-0815.

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

Duff Elementary

**School is collecting Food City receipts again this year! Receipts must be dated Sept. 12, 2004 - March 12,

2005.**

Oct. 22 - Gary Boothe, anti-drug theme program, 9 a.m.

Oct. 29 - Dance, K-5 students, 6-8 p.m.

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

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

May Valley Elementary

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

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

McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center

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

Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

FIT (Fitness is Terrific) Club will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the months of September and October, from 3:00 to 3:45 p.m. Club

promotes good nutrition, self-esteem, health education, and physical activity and is open to all 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students. "FIT" is sponsored by the Family Resource Center and the Floyd County Health Department.

Time to collect Food City receipts again! School goal is \$500,000 in receipts. Anyone in the community may mail receipts, in care of PES, to 236 North Lake Drive, or drop them off at the school office.

Oct. 22 - Fourth Annual "Make a Difference Day," sponsored by the Division of Family Resource and Youth Services Centers and the Kentucky Commission on Community Volunteerism and Service. Please donate 1 can of beef stew. Our goal is to collect 175 cans. The food is donated to the Prestonsburg Senior Citizens Center.

Nov. 11 - "Parent University," 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Holiday Inn, in Prestonsburg. Keynote speaker: Trooper Scott Hopkins. Lunch will be provided. Sponsored by the Floyd County BOE.

The Family Resource Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and later by appointment. Office provides services for all families, regardless of income.

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

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

South Floyd Youth Services Center

Oct. 28 - Sexual harassment awareness classroom presentations by Mt. Comp. Care.

Walking track open to public.

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

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

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

For more information call 452-

9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood, ext. 242.

Stumbo Elementary/Mud Creek Family Resource Center

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

Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

Resource Center hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Parents and community members are welcome to visit. For questions, call 587-2233 - ask for Tristan Parsons, Center Coordinator, or Anita Tackett, Assistant.

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

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

Oct. 25-29 - Red Ribbon Week.

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

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

Wesley Christian School

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

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

Floyd County Adult Ed Class Schedule

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



Family Medicine

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



Medication can prevent atrial fibrillation-induced clots

Question: My father was just diagnosed with atrial fibrillation. He said his doctor is not real worried about this and is doing some tests. Dad is a healthy 84 year old. How concerned should I be about this? Will he need a pacemaker?

Answer: Atrial fibrillation (AF) is a heart rhythm disturbance where the top heart chambers, called atria, are stimulated to contract in a shallow, rapid and chaotic manner. This disorder affects more than one million Americans. It is more common the older we get, and about 10

percent of those older than 75 years of age are afflicted with AF.

Usually there are symptoms that lead a person to seek medical attention. Some of the symptoms are shortness of breath, dizziness, palpitations, acute onset of fatigue or a worsening of congestive heart failure. AF is easily diagnosed in the physician's office with an electrocardiogram (EKG).

There are a whole host of possible causes of AF, and treatment focuses on the specific cause or causes in an individual's case. Heart problems — such as congestive heart failure, heart attack, rheumatic heart disease and inflamma-

tion of the heart (pericarditis) — can lead to AF. Other underlying problems that can cause AF include high blood pressure, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and heart surgery, as well as severe illnesses like pneumonia or blood stream infections.

Less frequent causes include high or low thyroid hormone levels and various consumed substances. These can range from toxic substances like cocaine or amphetamines to more commonly used substances like alcohol and caffeine.

Last but not least is something doctors euphemistically call "idiopathic AF." This is a highfalutin way to say that the cause of a particular case of AF is a complete mystery.

Once AF has been diagnosed, patients are usually started on anticoagulant drugs — so-called "blood thinners" — such as warfarin

(Coumadin). Use of this drug is very important because the greatest risk of atrial fibrillation is that the shallow and incomplete heart contractions will not pump all the blood out of the upper chambers of the heart. This "stagnant" blood can accumulate in the heart and begin to clot after just a couple of days. Those clots can travel to the brain and cause strokes. Fortunately, anti-coagulant medication can greatly reduce this risk.

Once the patient is fully anticoagulated, electrical cardioversion is sometimes considered. This is done to "shock" the atria back into a normal rhythm. Depending on the underlying cause and the success of initial treatments, further cardioversion treatments may be indicated. Some people with AF do end up with pacemakers to control their heart rhythm, but only after

conservative efforts have failed. In older adults with a normal heart rate and no significant symptoms, medications to control the heart rate and anticoagulants may be adequate therapy.

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Eyes

at the meeting. Though I stand by my statement as truth, I have, nonetheless, been contacted with a request to "explain" how it came to be that none of these folks were in attendance.

Well, I don't rightly know how this came to be, but I have been informed that "invitations" were not sent and that the school system had a frightful week what with bomb threats and all. Some of that I can buy, some of it, I'm not so sure.

What I am sure of, though, is come hell or high water, if I dare ever express an opinion in regard to our county school system, I catch my fair share of backlash from it.

This newspaper has received letters from irate readers who have not agreed with my stance on things, or who have taken issue with my abilities to present a fair report. I have been on the receiving end of emails and telephone calls from those who felt pressed to share with me that they did not react favorably to my latest board of education report.

Most usually, what these communications really mean is that I have "failed," at least in the eyes of the reader, to belly up to their side of things.

No one calls when I have just returned from a board meeting at which this publication has been held up as a source of ridicule, or when another newspaper, or reporter,

has been publicly heralded during the course of one of these meetings as the region's newest, and brightest, "Golden Child."

And, in the same vein, my family and I are not given any special treatment when it comes to making sure that we adhere to the system's school rules and policies. My children have been made to attend after-school detention for things such as returning a few minutes late from lunch period or for behaving inappropriately (i.e. speaking out of turn, etc.) in class (they are, after all, children). We are also currently "under the gun" for abusing the system's current "tardy" policy.

It doesn't matter what excuses we have for being a few minutes, or even seconds, late; it doesn't matter what excuses we have for our "inappropriate" behaviors. After all, if one means to be taken seriously, one must behave in a responsible manner, and that includes taking responsibility for one's own actions.

We are late sometimes, my children and I. "We" are, also, subject to being influenced in a negative manner by our peers. We are not perfect, but we do pretty well when it comes to taking our punishment "like a man" (woman or child).

If it were solely up to me (and some would make an effective argument that it is), my children would now be enrolled in a neigh-

boring school system. I even wish, at times, that they were. But my children love their Floyd County teachers and friends and have won me out in favor of allowing them to stay put. Has this compromised my reporting? I have tried very hard to be fair, but in all honesty, I would be lying to say that I haven't had times when I've taken pause to remember that my children are a part of this system. Especially in light of the fact that a teacher once held up one of our newspapers in my daughter's classroom and asked pointedly, "Does anyone in here have a relative who writes for this paper?" before unleashing some pent-up anger for his teen students to hear.

I have teenagers at home, and these teens have friends, and there have been times when I have been made privy to conversation that, I'm sure, a few of our board members would rather I not have been involved in. But, I also pride myself on, at least attempting to be, a person of integrity.

I won't jeopardize children, and I won't write articles slanted to the left, or to the right, of what others see. For that, we have what is called an "editorial page" on which "letters to the editor" may be printed.

So, in regard to the postsecondary forum, our public schools were not well-represented. And when it comes down to the wire, the system, like my children and I, has no excuse good enough for throwing the charge out of court.

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Ponder

drinking before age 15 are twice as likely to become alcohol-addicted as those that being drinking at age 21. Also, teens that drank heavily often have co-occurring problems as well — drug abuse and mental health problems such as attention-deficit disorder and conduct disorder. Furthermore, underage drinking is strongly related to the major cause of death and disability among young people. In 2002, 25 percent of the drivers under age 21 that were killed in vehicle crashes were intoxicated. It was not unexpected that excessive drinking is strongly connected to suicidal thoughts and attempts among teens.

Smoking is not the most high profile of teenager's difficulties, but it is considered to be the most dangerous of the three misadventures. Eight percent of adult smokers started smoking before they are 18 years old and 440,000 individuals die of tobacco-related health problems each year. Smoking is the country's No. 1 preventable cause of death. Again the teens' deficits appear: being susceptible to the effects of addictive substances, as discussed earlier; being more vulnerable to advertising, with two-thirds of a \$9 billion advertising budget being turned toward youth. Although the rate of smoking has decreased slightly for adolescents, survey numbers showed that more college students were smoking, from about 22 percent in 1993 to 28 percent in 1998. One of the experts commented, "smoking is like having an IV drug going directly into your brain's pleasure center..."

Bullying is the third misadventure commonly experienced by teenagers. Similar to smok-

ing and drinking, bullying by teens can create significant long-term effects. A Norwegian psychologist found that 60 percent of boys who bully had at least one conviction by age 24 and 40 percent had three or more convictions. An American researcher found that about 20 percent of middle school children admitted that they bully other students sometimes. It is not unusual for these youngsters to have multiple difficulties, such as being more likely to fight, steal, drink, smoke, carry weapons, and drop out of school than those that do not bully others. Although there have been some common myths about bullies, such as them being loners and misfits with low self-esteem, the results showed that many bullies are reasonably popular and tend to have "henchmen" that help with their bullying activities.

Now that these serious teenage problems have been identified, what groundwork can be done to prevent them from occurring in the first place or stopped when they do appear. Needless to say, appropriate adult guidance and support is the initial key to the success of any intervention of teenagers' misadventures. An underlying weakness was thought to be that adults supervise their children about 40 percent less than they did 30 years ago, plus this has been correlated with youngsters having problem behaviors. According to the experts, the trend for the supervision to be less happens at a time when teens report wanting more parental attention and family time.

Parents can be effective by being active in making interventions to prevent

their children from having misadventures common to teens. A study done at Boise State University revealed that, when parents learned to effectively communicate information on binge drinking to their teens before they went to college, the young folks came home after their first college semester significantly less likely to drink than a control group. A Yale psychologist developed the idea of emotional intelligence (EI), generally meaning the ability to manage one's emotions, and its connection to good nurturance. For example, college students appearing more securely emotionally attached to their families had higher EI scores. In contrast, college-age males that reported using illicit drugs and having frequent fights had lower EI scores. Thus, it seems, that the greatest challenge for teens is to develop the self-regulatory abilities as suggested by high EI and the adults in their lives need to play an active role in this process. In other words, parents/adults need to provide consistent boundaries and structure so that children have the opportunities to learn to say "No" to themselves and be able to control themselves from the inside out. Another important aspect of teens controlling themselves is for adults to remember that zero tolerance needs to begin with adults controlling their own behaviors so they do not set a bad example. Do you say one thing to your children and act another way?

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Local songwriter travels from McDowell to Nashville

Local singer/songwriter Bobby Lee Caudill has been busy of late promoting his musical career. Bobby Lee recently placed second in talent competitions held this fall at both the Apple Day Festival and the Jenny Wiley Festival. Bobby Lee is proud to say that he is the first performer to ever record his songs at the Mountain Arts Center. He has also proudly performed with such notables as the Goins Brothers Band, and country stars Jeff Carson and Ronnie McDowell, in Nashville, Tennessee. He has performed on the Jimmy Dean True Value Showdown, where he won two of three competitions; the Virginia Opry; at the Amvet's Red, White & Blue production, in Martin; Tootsie's Orchard Lounge and the Broken Spoke Inn, both in Nashville; and on the U.S. 23 Showcase numerous times. His songs can also be heard on the internet through a song writer's club with which he has become involved. Bobby Lee says he is a small town boy from McDowell who has learned first-hand of the hard road one must travel in order to establish a career in the music industry. He thanks his fans, WMDJ radio, WSIP radio, and good friend, Jimmy Tolson, of Martin, for all the support they

have given him. Bobby Lee is available for local performances and can be reached by

calling 377-0877. Bobby Lee says that he lives by the motto that "family comes first."



photo by Kathy J. Prater
Bobby Lee Caudill, local singer/songwriter, stopped by the Times office last week to tell us about his new song titled "Desirae," which he wrote about his one-year-old daughter, Desirae, pictured here with him.

Postscript

not up to standard. The disobedient soldiers say the tainted fuel could lead to malfunctions in airplanes that use it, resulting in the deaths of the pilots and other soldiers.

The other reason offered is that the troops would be sitting targets on the journey. They claim they would have had inadequate military escorts and they would be driving and riding in substandard trucks.

Obviously, the death and injury count in Iraq gives credence to that second reason. We've read numerous accounts of convoys being attacked. We've also learned that the military trucks that haul the supplies go only about 35 miles an hour, while privately owned trucks can move at about 80 miles an hour. (I'm really curious as to why that is.)

On the other hand, a successful military must be disciplined. Leaders must be assured that sol-

diers will obey the orders they make. How could commanders lay out strategies and issue commands if soldiers hesitated or refused to act?

In addition, each of the soldiers has to know that he/she is working in tandem with every other soldier on a particular mission, that all of them are parts of a team, covering and supporting one another.

It's kind of like a sports team (albeit more important). The team wins when the players obey the coach's calls, when they work together, and when they're willing to take risks.

But what if the coach/general is dead wrong? What if the player/soldier is asked to do something he or she believes to be morally wrong? What, then, is the right thing to do?

I don't have the answers. I simply recognize the enormous questions.

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Tips

product per 1,000 cubic feet of living area will significantly reduce the chance of fire yet still be effective. To calculate the volume of a living area, multiply the height, width and length of each room, and add the room volumes together. For example, an eight-foot by 10-foot by 10 foot room has a volume of 800 cubic feet.

Foggers have limited effectiveness because the insecticide

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

pests. Sources: Mike Potter and Lee Townsend

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

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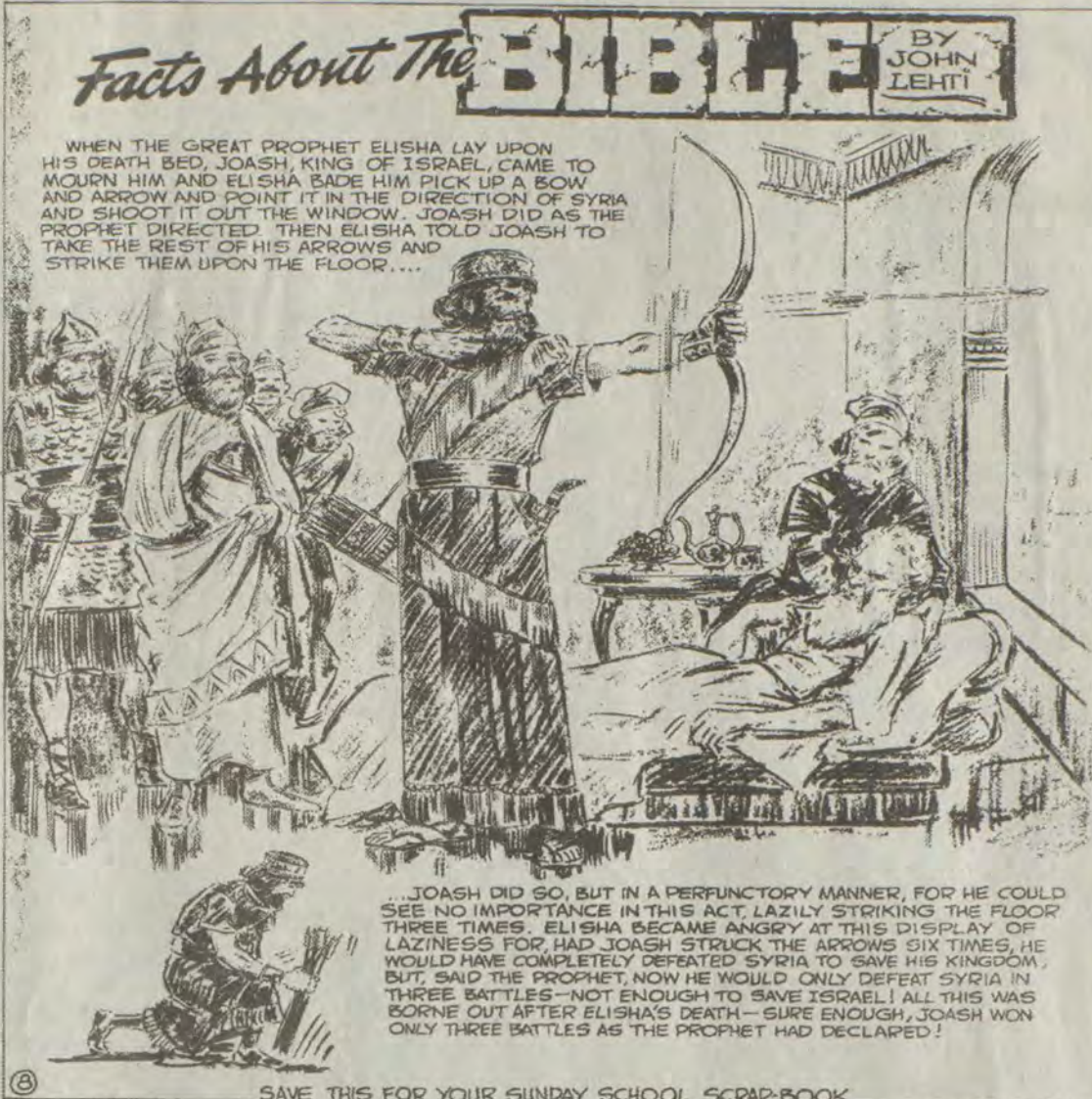
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ASSEMBLY OF GOD

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

BAPTIST

Allen First Baptist, Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arnold Turner, Minister.
 Auxier Freewill Baptist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.
 Benedict Baptist, Slack Rock Branch, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gordon Fitch, Minister.
 Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tracy Patton, Minister.
 Big Sandy Community and Technical College Baptist Student Union, J. 102; Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; Vera Joiner, 886-3863, ext. 67267.
 Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbott Creek Road, Bonanza; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.
 Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Corn Fork; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roger Music, Minister.
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...JOASH DID SO, BUT IN A PERFUNCTORY MANNER, FOR HE COULD SEE NO IMPORTANCE IN THIS ACT, LAZILY STRIKING THE FLOOR THREE TIMES. ELISHA BECAME ANGRY AT THIS DISPLAY OF LAZINESS FOR HAD JOASH STRUCK THE ARROWS SIX TIMES, HE WOULD HAVE COMPLETELY DEFEATED SYRIA TO SAVE HIS KINGDOM. BUT, SAID THE PROPHET, NOW HE WOULD ONLY DEFEAT SYRIA IN THREE BATTLES—NOT ENOUGH TO SAVE ISRAEL! ALL THIS WAS BORNE OUT AFTER ELISHA'S DEATH—SURE ENOUGH, JOASH WON ONLY THREE BATTLES AS THE PROPHET HAD DECLARED!

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Crazy for Cookies

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Cookie connoisseurs across the country always agree on one thing. North, south, east or west — from Alaska to Florida and back — chocolate chip cookies win first prize in the cookie popularity contest. An American invention dating to 1930, the famous cookie with its blissful combination of chocolate (and sometimes nuts) in a “crisp on the outside, soft on the inside” buttery dough is everyone’s favorite.

First baked in the 1930s for travelers stopping at the Toll House Inn near Boston, the original chocolate chip cookie was the creation

of its proprietor, Ruth Wakefield, an excellent cook.

While making cookies one day, Mrs. Wakefield added pieces of a Nestlé Semi-Sweet chocolate bar to the cookie dough. The crisp, buttery cookies studded

with chocolate nuggets were a hit with her customers. So popular, in fact, that Nestlé printed the recipe on the chocolate bar wrapper. In 1940, the company introduced Toll House Semi-Sweet Chocolate Morsels in a convenient, ready-to-use form, and the cookie-baking world has never been the same.

There is even Toll House cookie dough for cookie bakers who are short on time. Look for Toll House cookie dough in the refrigerated section of your favorite grocery store, or make any of the scrumptious varieties here for the very best homemade cookies ever.



Chocolate-Studded Dream Cookies

Original Nestlé Toll House Chocolate Chip Pan Cookie

Makes about 4 dozen bars

- 2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup (2 sticks) butter, softened
- 3/4 cup granulated sugar
- 3/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 large eggs
- 2 cups (12-ounce package) Nestlé Toll House Semi-Sweet Chocolate Morsels
- 1 cup chopped nuts

PREHEAT oven to 375°F. Grease 15 x 10-inch jelly-roll pan. **COMBINE** flour, baking soda and salt in small bowl. Beat butter, granulated sugar, brown sugar and vanilla extract in large mixer bowl. Add eggs one at a time, beating well after each addition. Gradually beat in flour mixture. Stir in morsels and nuts. Spread into prepared pan. **BAKE** 20 to 25 minutes or until golden brown. Cool in pan on wire rack.

Secrets to the Perfect Chocolate Chip Cookie

Experts from the Nestlé Kitchens are delighted to offer their tried and true tips for making the perfect Nestlé Toll House Chocolate Chip Cookie. Always follow the original cookie recipe found on the back of the package and make the following modifications as desired:

For soft and chewy cookies: Reduce granulated sugar to 1/2 cup and increase brown sugar to 1 cup.

For thin and crisp cookies: Increase butter to 1 1/4 cups (2 1/2 sticks) and increase granulated sugar to 1 1/4 cups.

For cakey cookies: Use 3/4 cup (1 1/2 sticks) butter and reduce brown sugar to 1/2 cup.

Nuts about nuts? Or not so much? For added flavor, lightly toast nuts in the oven (then let them cool) before mixing them into the dough. If nuts are not your thing, avoid flat cookies by replacing the nuts with 2 tablespoons of all-purpose flour.

For more tips and suggestion for personalizing the Original Nestlé Toll House Chocolate Chip Cookie recipe, visit VeryBestBaking.com.

Chocolate-Studded Dream Cookies

Makes about 3 1/2 dozen cookies

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 3/4 cup Nestlé Toll House Baking Cocoa
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup (2 sticks) butter or margarine, softened
- 2/3 cup granulated sugar
- 2/3 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 large eggs
- 1 2/3 cups (10-ounce package) Nestlé Toll House Swirled Morsels, divided

PREHEAT oven to 325°F. **COMBINE** flour, cocoa, baking soda and salt in small bowl. Beat butter, granulated sugar, brown sugar and vanilla extract in large mixer bowl until creamy. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Gradually beat in flour mixture. Stir in 1 cup morsels. Drop by well-rounded teaspoons onto ungreased baking sheets. Top with remaining morsels. **BAKE** 11 to 13 minutes or until cookies are puffed and centers are set. Cool on baking sheets 2 minutes; remove to wire racks to cool completely.

White Chip Island Cookies

Makes about 3 dozen cookies

- 1 2/3 cups all-purpose flour
- 3/4 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup (1 1/2 sticks) butter or margarine, softened
- 3/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/3 cup granulated sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 large egg
- 2 cups (12-ounce package) Nestlé Toll House Premier White Morsels
- 1 cup flaked coconut, toasted if desired
- 3/4 cup chopped macadamia nuts or walnuts

PREHEAT oven to 375°F. **COMBINE** flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt in small bowl. Beat butter, brown sugar, granulated sugar and vanilla extract in large mixer bowl until creamy. Beat in egg. Gradually beat in flour mixture. Stir in morsels, coconut and nuts. Drop by rounded tablespoons onto ungreased baking sheets. **BAKE** 8 to 11 minutes or until edges are lightly browned. Cool on baking sheets 2 minutes; remove to wire racks to cool completely.

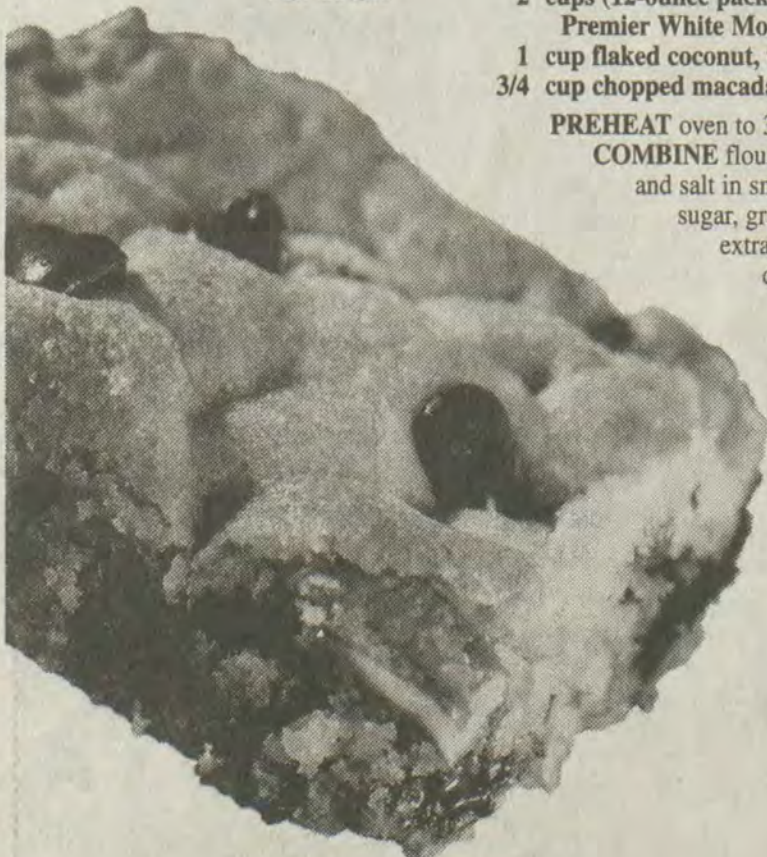
Peanut Butter & Chocolate Cookie Cups

Makes 36 cookie cups

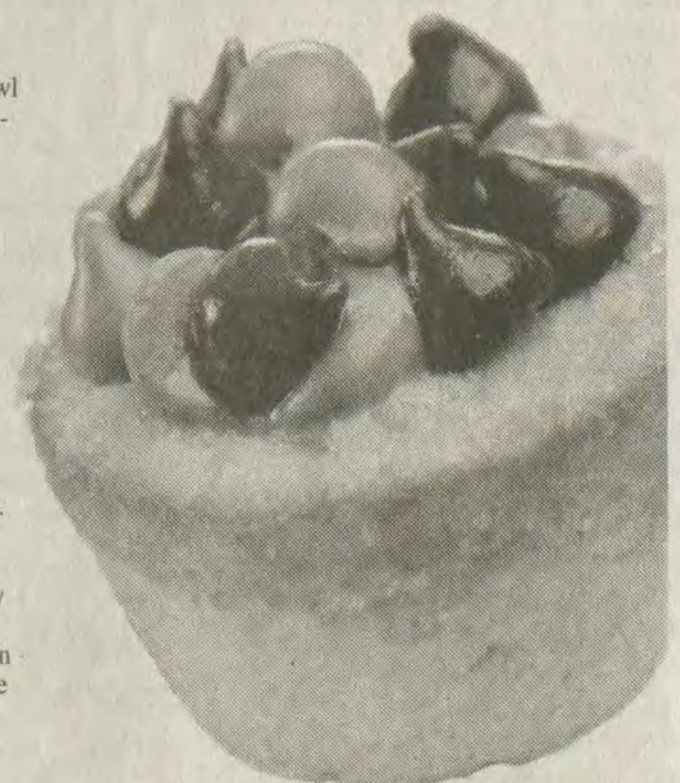
- 3/4 cup (1 1/2 sticks) butter or margarine, softened
- 1/3 cup granulated sugar
- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 2/3 cups (11-ounce package) Nestlé Toll House Peanut Butter & Milk Chocolate Morsels, divided
- 2 large eggs
- 1 can (14 ounces) Nestlé Carnation Sweetened Condensed Milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

PREHEAT oven to 350°F. Heavily grease 36 mini-muffin cups. **BEAT** butter and sugar in small mixer bowl until creamy. Add flour and beat until mixture is evenly moist and crumbly. Roll rounded teaspoon of dough into a ball; press onto bottom and half way up side of muffin cup. Repeat with remaining dough. Place 5 morsels in each cup. **BEAT** eggs in medium bowl with wire whisk. Stir in sweetened condensed milk and vanilla extract. Spoon into muffin cups, filling almost to top of each cup. **BAKE** 15 to 18 minutes or until centers are puffed and edges are just beginning to brown. Remove from oven to wire rack(s). Gently run knife around edges of cakes. Let centers flatten. While still warm, top cakes with half of remaining morsels (they will soften and retain their shape). Repeat with remaining morsels. Cool completely in pan on wire rack. With tip of knife, release cakes from cups.

Original Nestlé Toll House Chocolate Chip Pan Cookie



Peanut Butter & Chocolate Cookie Cups



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AUTOMOTIVE

130-Cars

For Sale 2000 Malibu with 80,000 miles some new parts, asking 48,000.00 or best offer call 606-377-0713

For Sale Pontic Espirit 52,000 miles, good condition, 6 cylinder call 606-478-9994

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

HICKS AUTO SALE
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150-Miscellaneous

For Sale like new Tour 2001 factory Chevrolet Aluminum 6 lug wheels 16 x7 and 4 Good year Ranglers white letter, 235/75 R 16 call day 606-285-5181 ext.14004 nights 606-285-9704

For Sale Rail Buggy, street legal, lights, turn signals call 606-874-9968,

160-Motorcycles

For Sale 1988 Gold Wing Trike 1,500 Miles Maroon in color, loaded call 606-358-2000 asking \$19,995

1995 Honda CVR 900RR Cobra and Yoshi pipes-slip on with 2 matching helmets. Runs great call 606-226-1577 or 606-889-9283

For Sale 1998 YAMAHA YZ80 New tires, pro-circuit pipe. \$1600. Call 606-452-9599 for more info.

180-Trucks

Wanted used full size pick-ups 1998 thru 2003, will pay cash call 800-789-7000

EMPLOYMENT

When responding to Employment ads that have reference numbers, please indicate that entire reference number on the outside of your envelope. Reference numbers are used to help us direct your letter to the correct individual.

205-Business Opp.

Attention Entrepreneurs Jump start your new Business, tired of being employed? Obtain the Assistance you need Start / Develop your business today call 800-613-9918

210-Job Listings

Electro Plate needs help with Battery Repair and Truck Driver with CDL and Hazmat, Welder Call 606-377-2032

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220-Help Wanted

Help wanted Part time and subtotal child care position available call for appointment call 606-886-9291

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Immediately need part-time cleaning person for a busy Medical Office in Prestonsburg, Ky. Contact P. o. Box 2467 Ashland, Ky 41101 or contact Erika Friesenhengst call 606-836-0202

Wanted Archer Park is now accepting applications for a full time Skating Rink Attendant and full time maintenance person. Job includes benefits, paid holidays and vacations. Inquire at the office at Archer Park. no phone calls please.

Attention Communations Company

expanding in this area Independent representatives needed full and part time positions available call 800-507-6039

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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 hour 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

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280-Services

Tree trimming done and Hillside cleaned all types of yard work and basements cleaned call Ben today at 606-886-8350

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445-Furniture

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460-Yard Sale

Yard Sale Sat 23, Lots of baby supplies, 0-18 months, clothes, toys ect. also women's clothes sizes 10 to 16, Household items, located behind Blossoms Basket on Anne's Lane, in Martin call 606-285-0397

Oct 21, 22, 23rd Clean Sweep Yard sale, food processor, pellet rifle, charcoal and electric & propane grills, video tapes, other items. located at 560 Adams Cemetery Road Prestonsburg off 114 look for signs

475-Household

Formal Dining room table with chairs and matching china cabinet, grand father clock, 1940's desk and bed room set call 606-478-9994

480-Miscellaneous

For Sale 2 ton central heating and cooling unit (gas) good working condition, also 1994 Chevrolet S-10 Pick-up, 4.3 Vertex 139,000 miles, has ground effects which are not on truck runs good, new paint Black in color For more information call 606-886-1626

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For Sale: 8 ft' refrigerated deli case, \$1000, small pizza oven, \$400, small juice cooler, \$150, washer & dryer, \$150 pair. Call 606-886-2367.

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REAL ESTATE

510-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.

530-Homes

House for sale, furnished, 3 bedroom, 1 bath, full unfinished basement, near Mac.49,000, leave message at 606-265-4577

Price Reduced House for Sale

4323 Ky Rt.550 Hueysville Ky.3 bed room, 1 1/2bath eat in kitchen large living room full basement, storage building carport, fenced in yard central heat and air, city water call 606-358-4065 day 606-358-4369 evening

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For Sale 9 acres more or less on Samson fork at Dana, Ky. call 440-967-4088

For Sale (2 together) cemetery plots in old section, 52 C asking \$2,000.00 for both located in Davidson Memorial call 937-426-6050

570-Mobile Homes

For Sale really nice 14 x 70 mobile home asking \$9,000.00 negotiable serious inquires only call 606-886-7869

For Sale 3 bed room 2 full bath, Double wide, 3 years old for more information call 606-889-0937 or 606-889-9654

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For Lease House 1,400 square feet, 1 1/2 bath beside court house in Prestonsburg call 606-886-6362

Large house for rent / Lease US 23 between Prestonsburg & Pikeville 3/4 bed rooms 3 baths- Garage - No indoor pets, Great for business offices. \$600.00 per month 606-874-1700

RENTALS

610-Apartments

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For Rent Furnished Apt., utilities Paid 110.00 a week, references required call 606-886-8366

For rent 1 bed room Apt. located in Prestonsburg \$150.00 deposit plus \$365.00 a month non-smoker single parking available call 606-886-0008 or 889-0208

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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

For Lease Finished Office Space for lease in prime location near BSCTC, (PCC) and the new Food City -- 2100 -- sq. ft. Ground floor location with up to five private offices, conference room, kitchen, bath, parking lot call Today! 606-424-2690 or 226-2266

630-Homes

House for rent in the Prestonsburg vicinity, 2 bed room, recently remodeled, new central heating and air, deck, double carport, large yard. No pets, Non smoker, call 606-886-8231

For rent 2 bed room 1 1/2 bath Townhouse, also 1 bed room Apt. located in Prestonsburg, no pets call 606-886-8991

For Rent 3 bed room with fenced in yard 20 minutes from Prestonsburg on Route 80 \$425.00 per month call 606-946-2654

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For Rent Trailer Lot Large, city water call 606-886-8366

For lease office or retail space North Lake Drive call 606-886-8366

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640-Land & Lots

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

Trailer lot for rent

on old U.S. 23 between Prestonsburg and Paintsville call 606-886-9007 or 889 9747

650-Mobile Homes

Mobile Home for rent in the Martin area, all electric 2 bed room 2 bath call 606-285-3980

Mobile Home for rent 3 bed room, 2 bath like new, insulated top, sewer, water & garabe furnished near P.C.C. 475.00 per month call 606-874-2162

For Rent 3 bed room Mobile Home references required call 606-886-8366

For Rent 2 bed room trailer @ Hueysville, city water nice yard \$260.00 per month, deposit required, HUD Approved references required, call 606-358-3392

Trailer for rent call 606-874-9790

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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.

Trailer for rent available now call 606-874-2805

670-Com. 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.

NOTICES

812 - Free

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

890-Legal

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 Pursuant to Application Number 836-0307 in accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co, Inc., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601.

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5383 in accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Sly Branch Energy, Inc., 6166 KY Rt. 114, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has applied for a permit for an underground coal mining operation, located 1.0 mile east of Emma, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 9.24 surface acres, and will underlie 246.14 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 246.14 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.0 mile east of KY 194's junction with the KY 1428, and is located 0.02 mile south of Cow Creek. The proposed operation is located on the Lancer, and Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Stanford Burchett. The mineral is owned by Stanford Burchett and The Elk Horn Coal Corporation. The operation will underlie property owned by Wm. & Pauline Foley, Paul Foley, Floyd & Pam Collins, Charles Wright, Heirs, Larry & Gail Blackburn, James Burchett, Dale & Tylina Mullins, Ed Burchett, Stanford Burchett, Paul Aken, James Hunter, Henry Moore, Jr., and Wayne Crider. The surface mining application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, KY 40601.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Jerry O'Neill of (current) 13131 Grapevine Road, Phyllis, KY 41554, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet for placement of 16x80 trailer and fill dirt, located at (new) 90 First St., Harold, KY 41635, 1/4 mile from US 23. Any comments or objections, concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Michael McKinney, Box 1138, Martin, KY 41649, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet for placement of fill. The property is located 2 1/2 miles between Allen and Martin on Beaver Creek, 8550 Rt. 1428. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5461, Amendment No. 2 in accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that CONSOL of Kentucky Inc., P.O. Box 130, Mousie, Kentucky, 41839, has applied for an amendment for an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located 0.5 mile northeast of Hippo, in Floyd County. The amendment will add an additional 0.0 acres of surface disturbance and an additional 1,609.3 acres of underground acres, making the total area within the permit boundary, 2178.7 acres. The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.5 mile northwest from State Route 850's junction with Brush Creek County Road, and located north of Hicks Fork of Brush Creek. The proposed amendment is located on the Martin U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The amendment will use the underground method of mining. The amendment area will underlie lands owned by William E. & Peggy Stephens, Harvey Watson, John Paul & Lou Ellen Pitts, Eva & George Thornsburg, John Paul Pitts, Shade Davis, Jeffrey & Zelma M. Watson, John T. & Anna Lea Thornsburg, Kenneth & Phyllis Reffitt, Betty Conn, Dolores Smith, Billy E. & Susan Reffitt, Ina Thornsburg, Polly Elizabeth Pitts, Sandra Sue Thacker, Floyd Allen, William P. Runnels, et al., Madge Allen Casey, Effie Lois Bond, Pamela Frasure, Phil Ray Frasure, Effie Lois Bond, Thomas Sherman Ratliff, Mary Margaret Baldrige, Rondel R. & Priscilla Prater, Danny Ousley, Josephine Ousley, Effie Hughes, Mont Ousley Heirs, Danny Lee Ousley, Virginia Hicks & David Reffitt, AEP Kentucky Coal, LLC, Bobby Matthew & Reta Akers, Alice D. Isaac, Roger & Joyce Slone, Steven Reed, David & Billy Marie Smith, Allen Ratliff Estate, Myrtle, Bertha & Sydney Ratliff, Jack & Mary Ratliff Estate, Henry & Ellen Ratliff, Billy M. & Dora Allen, and Tamara K. & Mary Christina Hicks. The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

K-VA-T Food Stores, Inc., P.O. Box 1158, 201 Trigg Street, Abingdon, Virginia 24211, hereby declares intentions to apply for a Retail Beer license no later than October 25, 2004. The busi-

ness to be licensed will be located at 429 University Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, doing business as Food City #471. The owners: principal officers and directors; limited partners; or members are as follows: chairman of the board, Jack C. Smith of 21077 Shepard Lane, Abingdon, VA 24211; President, Steven C. Smith of 19042 Lake Road, Abingdon, VA 24211; VP Finance & Adm., Secretary/Finance, Robert L. Neeley of 23475 Sportsman Drive, Abingdon, VA 24211. Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the granting of the license(s) by writing the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 1003 Twilight Trail, Frankfort, Ky, 40601-8400, within 30 days of the date of this legal publication.

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO MINE

Pursuant to Application #898-0689, Renewal in accordance with the KRS 350.55, notice is hereby given that M & D Pipeline Inc., P.O. Box 2802, Pikeville Kentucky 41502, has applied for renewal for a permit for a surface mining and reclamation operation affecting 707.68 surface acres and 1554.46 underground acres, for a total of 2017.54 acres, and is located 5.70 miles southwest of Pikeville, in Pike and Floyd Counties. The proposed operation is approximately 4.2 miles southwest of Pike 1289 junction with KY Route 1426, and located 1.1 miles south of Island Creek. The latitude is 37° 25 min., 05 sec. The longitude is 82° 35 min, 50 sec. on the Pikeville U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the contour and auger method of surface mining. The surface area is owned by Sam Fields, Goldie Clark Heirs & Pearl Martin Heirs, Jackqueline Hall, Bruce Hall Heirs, Hubert Hall, Industrial Fuels Mineral Corp., Chapperal Coal Corp., Hayes Johnson, Crit & Lydia Johnson Heirs, Frank Johnson, and Prater Creek Processing. The operation will underlie land owned by Jackqueline Hall, Bruce Hall Heirs, Hubert Hall, Industrial Fuels Mineral Corp., Chapperal Coal Corp., Hayes Johnson, Crit & Lydia Johnson Heirs, Frank Johnson, and Prater Creek Processing. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Pikeville Regional Office, 121 Mays Branch Road, Suite 6, Pikeville, KY 41501. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Michael McKinney, Box 1138, Martin, KY 41649, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet for placement of fill. The property is located 2 1/2 miles between Allen and Martin on Beaver Creek, 8550 Rt. 1428. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410.



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