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ALLEN — The Floyd County Fiscal Court has teamed up with the Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet to conduct a program to accept waste tires from private citizens and small businesses.

The program will be conducted for three days beginning on Thursday, Dec. 2, and ending Saturday, Dec. 4. During that time county and program personnel will be on hand to accept waste tires between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the Department of Highways garage located at 5078 Route 1428 in Allen.

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2 DAY FORECAST Today Morning showers High: 68 • Low: 48 Thursday Morning showers High: 49 • Low: 29 For up-to-the-minute forecasts, see floydcountytimes.com

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Drug suspects plead guilty

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Though April 1 marked the last roundup for the Floyd County Drug Task Force, the short-lived agency still made several arrests in April, several of which saw pleas entered on Monday.

One case was Susan Akers, 25, who pleaded guilty to one count of first-degree trafficking. Next up was William Powers who also pleaded guilty to one count of trafficking and also got a thank you from Judge

Danny Caudill when the judge needed correcting on how to pronounce the name of the drug that Powers had sold.

"Thank you for the correction," Caudill said. "I'm not as up on drugs as some people."

Aaron Lee Howard received three years for a second-degree charge of trafficking and was followed by Vanessa Wright, who got a break from the court after she was sentenced for three years. Her attorney, David Porter, asked the court to hold off on sentencing for his client while she visited several doctors to evaluate her seizure disorder. Though it is

customary to apprise the court of such needs in advance, the Commonwealth and the court raised no objection to letting her stay out until formal sentencing on Jan. 7.

The largest sentence was awarded to Theresa Rose Howard, who got eight years. Howard pleaded guilty to charges of trafficking, unlawful transaction with a minor and a second, lesser charge of trafficking. Those charges stemmed from a methadone sale that



Howard

Howard conducted in March and used a child to deliver the pills from her car to a confidential informant who had been wired for sound by the task force.

"It's a disturbing trend and we're seeing more of it," said Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner. "Drugs aren't a victimless crime. Here you have a child being used in a drug deal by the caregiver. You don't want to think about all that these children are potentially exposed to."

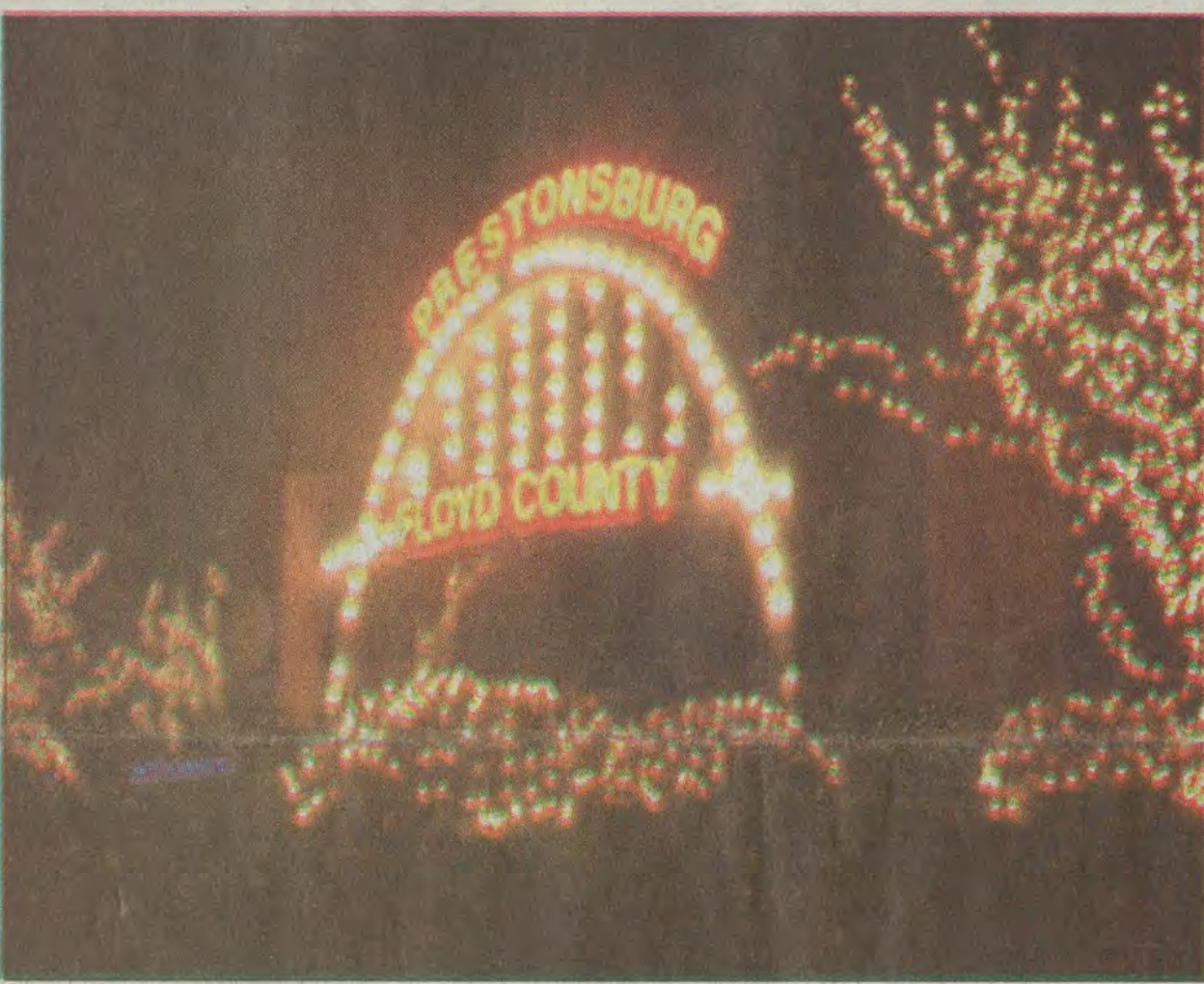


photo by Ralph B. Davis

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas in Prestonsburg, where city workers have been busy this week decorating for the season. Next up is the city's annual Christmas in the Park, to be held Dec. 16 at Archer Park.

Board to get drug test plan in Feb.

by KATHY J. PRATER FEATURES EDITOR

McDOWELL — The Floyd County Board of Education conducted its November regular meeting this past Monday evening, at McDowell Elementary School.

The board received reports from a committee headed by Henry Webb, assistant superintendent, on both the development of a drug testing policy for Floyd County schools, as well as reports from the school system's curriculum resource teachers.

Webb presented information, along with a timeline, in regard to the progress being made toward the development of a drug-testing policy to be implemented in Floyd County schools.

A committee headed by Webb is working with the UNITE program to gather data and conduct surveys within the district. Four

public forums are scheduled for January, to be held to gather comments from citizens of the district. By February, according to the timeline, a completed policy should be presented to the educational board.

Webb, also the director of the district's CRT (curriculum resource teachers) program, introduced representatives from each school who presented reports on findings from the program. CRT's, according to information presented, spend 90 percent of their work time within the individual schools to which they are assigned, with the remaining 10 percent being spent at team meetings, in which they develop methods of incorporating advanced teaching methods into the classrooms.

Vickie Pack, coordinator, informed the board members that "teaching

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Three locals headed to Iraq

by SIDNEY JANE BAILEY STAFF WRITER

Three Floyd County men are preparing to leave the comforts of home for Iraq.

Matthew "Matt" Dean Varney, 25, of Garrett, Nolan Slone, 19, of Wayland, and David Hall, 36, of Martin, are preparing for deployment to Scandia, Iraq, on Saturday. Upon leaving home their immediate path will be to the Wendell H. Ford Training Facility in Greenville, then on to Fort Dix, N.J., where they will receive training in engineering, weapons, M-16 rifle, 9mm pistol, first aid, communications and survival training.

Varney and Slone received basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., and Hall has been a member of the Kentucky National Guard for 17 years.

Varney is married to Robin Sexton Varney and they have three children, ages 10 months, 2 years and 3. He is the son of Paul and Elizabeth Varney of Garrett.

"We have to go but it's tough not seeing your family ..." Varney said. "I would like folks to write me there. And when we all get home, please don't treat us like the Vietnam veterans."

Slone is the son of John E. and the late Shirley Slone of Martin Branch, in Wayland. He is

not married.

When asked about his thoughts about leaving, he replied, "Excited and scared."

"I would like to receive care packages and letters. Anything to remind me of home," Slone said. "I gotta know what I am fighting for."

Hall is married to Melissa Hall and they have three children, ages 12, 14 and 16. His parents are Virgil and Inis Hall, of Beaver in Knott County.

Hall said that he is "proud that I get to go, but I hate to leave my family and Floyd County. I want to thank everyone at R/S Godwin Truck Body Company for everything they've done for me and my family."

Two indicted for mine violations

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

ASHLAND — Carl Johnson and Clark Johnson, of Dema, were indicted Monday by a federal grand jury in Ashland on criminal charges of violating the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act.

The charges allege that these violations occurred at the C-C Mining Company No. 6 mine in Hueysville. The indictment charges that the

company willfully violated seven mandatory safety standards that are outlined in the Mine Safety Act. Among the violations cited were roof bolts spaced farther apart than the required four feet, mine entries were wider than the maximum of 18 feet, required seals were not constructed in connection with reentry to an adjacent mine, electric cables to a water pump were not properly insulated, a conveyor belt had no adequate fire protection in that water

lines were not hooked up, no fire sensor system was installed on the number one conveyor belt, explosives and detonators were not stored properly and proper ventilation procedures were not followed.

Each charge carries a maximum sentence of one year in prison and a \$100,000 fine.

The case comes from an investigation that was conducted by the special investigations unit of MSHA, in Pikeville.

Masked men rob Wayland store

Two arrests made in Pike robbery

by SIDNEY JANE BAILEY STAFF WRITER

HUEYSVILLE — Police are investigating an armed robbery last week in Hueysville.

According to police, two men wearing navy-colored jackets, blue jeans and bandanas over their faces entered Red Top Market around 7:45 p.m. Friday. The two demanded money from the store clerk and told her to get down on the floor as they were leaving.

The men left the store with approximately \$850 dollars in cash.

The subjects were reported leaving in a black Dodge Intrepid traveling north on Route 7.

Anyone with information concerning this incident is asked to contact Kentucky State Police.

In Pike County, two men who allegedly robbed a Double Kwik convenience store in Meta were caught three hours later by state troopers and Kentucky State Police Det. Kevin Newsome.

Arrested were John Caines and Brian Barnett. (See ROBBERY, page three)

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# Odds & Ends

■ **NEW YORK** — Raise a glass — 1,200 of them to be exact — to New Jersey, new home to the world's largest bottle of wine.

A Tenafly, N.J., business paid \$55,812 for a 4 1/2-foot tall bottle of cabernet sold Saturday at Sotheby's, said auction house spokeswoman Kristin Gelder. Wine Ventures, a wine and chocolate shop, plans to put the bottle on display at its Bergen County business.

The 340-pound bottle was the work of master glass blowers in the Czech Republic, and

holds the equivalent of 173 standard bottles of Beringer Vineyards 2001 Private Reserve Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon. That translates to 1,200 glasses of wine.

The bottle, dubbed Maximus, was certified as the world's largest by the Guinness World Records. The Morton's steakhouse chain, to celebrate its 25th anniversary, partnered with Beringer to create the record-setting bottle.

■ **HASTINGS, Neb.** — Not only is it a small world, but it's a

small aircraft carrier, too.

Three former Hastings Middle School classmates who once worked at the same Wal-Mart now find themselves assigned to the same U.S. aircraft carrier.

Jessica Perches, Casey Delay and James Stack were acquaintances at the school in 1996-97, and in 2002 all three worked at a Wal-Mart in Hastings. More recently, they have been U.S. Navy shipmates aboard the USS John F. Kennedy.

Perches and Delay, both cooks, wound up on the same

ship in part because their Naval recruiter helped arrange it without their knowledge. Perches and Delay also grew up across the street from each other and both graduated from Hastings Senior High School.

They had expected to be separated once basic training was completed.

"It makes it a lot better knowing that I have someone that I can go talk to," said Delay, who, accompanied by Perches and others, prepares more than 16,000 meals a day for the crew of 5,000.

For Airman Stack, who caught his first glimpse of former co-worker and friend Perches in August — about six months into his tour of duty — the reunion with his friends was most unexpected.

"It's amazing, actually," said Stack. "It's nice to have someone to talk to that's from the same city. There are not many people here from Nebraska at all."

■ **KIRKLIN, Ind.** — Rescuers responding to a report of an infant left alone in a vehicle arrived to find that she wasn't breathing.

No big deal, since the rescuee turned out to be nothing more than a doll in a car seat.

A woman had phoned the Clinton County Sheriff's Department shortly before 4 p.m. Sunday and said a baby had been left in a locked car in Kirklintown, a town of 800 about 40 miles north of Indianapolis. The woman told the dispatcher she thought the child might not be breathing.

Sheriff's deputies, firefighters and emergency medical technicians raced to the scene and used a special device to unlock the car's door, said Sheriff's Department Lt. Joe Mink.

When officers opened the car door they discovered the supposed infant was a doll, Mink said. No further action was taken.

■ **LYNNWOOD, Wash.** —

## Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Nov. 24, the 329th day of 2004. There are 37 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History** On Nov. 24, 1963, Jack Ruby shot and mortally wounded Lee Harvey Oswald, the accused assassin of President Kennedy, in a scene captured on live television.

On this date:

■ In 1784, Zachary Taylor, the 12th president of the United States, was born in Orange County, Va.

■ In 1859, British naturalist Charles Darwin published "On the Origin of Species," which explained his theory of evolution.

■ In 1864, French artist Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec was born in Albi.

■ In 1871, the National Rifle Association was incorporated.

■ In 1944, during World War II, U.S. bombers based on Saipan attacked Tokyo in the first raid against the Japanese capital by land-based planes.

■ In 1969, Apollo 12 splashed down safely in the Pacific.

■ In 1971, hijacker D.B. Cooper parachuted from a Northwest Airlines 727 over Washington state with \$200,000 in ransom; his fate remains unknown.

■ In 1985, the hijacking of an Egyptian jetliner parked on the ground in Malta ended violently as Egyptian commandos stormed the plane. Fifty-eight people died in the raid, in addition to two others killed by the hijackers.

■ In 1987, the United States and the Soviet Union agreed to scrap shorter- and medium-range missiles.

■ In 1989, Romanian leader Nicolae Ceausescu was unanimously re-elected Communist Party chief. (Within a month, he was overthrown in a popular uprising and executed along with his wife, Elena, on Christmas Day.)

**Ten years ago:** Rebel Serbs refused to withdraw from the U.N. designated safe area around Bihac and continued to advance on the city, despite recent NATO air strikes.

**Five years ago:** Two-hundred and eighty people were killed when a ferry caught fire and foundered off the coast of eastern China's Shandong province.

**One year ago:** President Bush signed a \$401 billion defense authorization bill. The president then traveled to Fort Carson, Colo., where he paid tribute to the sacrifices of U.S. troops in Iraq. A jury in Virginia Beach, Va., sentenced John Allen Muhammad to death for the

Washington-area sniper shootings. A fire at a Moscow dormitory for foreign students killed 43 people. Hall of Fame pitcher Warren Spahn died in Broken Arrow, Okla., at age 82.

**Today's Birthdays:**

Columnist William F. Buckley is 79. Country singer Johnny Carver is 64. Rock-and-roll drummer Pete Best is 63. Rock musician Donald "Duck" Dunn (Booker T. & the MG's) is 63. Actor-comedian Billy Connolly is 62. Former White House news secretary Marlin Fitzwater is 62. Former Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman is 60. Singer Lee Michaels is 59. Actor Dwight Schultz is 57. Actor Stanley Livingston is 54. Rock musician Clem Burke (Blondie; The Romantics) is 49. Record producer Terry Lewis is 48. Actress Denise Crosby is 47. Actress Shae D'Lyn is 42. Rock musician John Squire (The Stone Roses) is 42. Rock musician Gary Stonadge (Big Audio) is 42. Rock musician Chad Taylor (Live) is 34. Actress Lola Glaudini ("The Handler") is 33. Actor Colin Hanks is 27. Actress Katherine Heigl is 26.

**Thought for Today:** "Humor distorts nothing, and only false gods are laughed off their earthly pedestals." - Agnes Repplier, American essayist (1858-1950).

gled out of his pants, got to his feet and ran.

Wearing boxer shorts, one sock, a jacket and a shirt, he ran into the mall parking garage. Codiga followed.

Lewis had seen the man running from police near the credit union, but thought officers had caught him. So she was shocked to see him suddenly running toward her from the parking garage.

The man was booked for theft and assault.

■ **SANTA FE, N.M.** — Santa Fe's official flag has gotten poor reviews from the folks who know flags.

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**Board**

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has evolved" in recent years and of the importance of keeping teachers abreast of changes in policies, reforms and teaching methods.

Both Pack and Webb said that, initially, the CRT positions were met with negativity in some schools, but that once their role had evolved, both teachers and principals now see the curriculum resource teachers as a valuable aid.

The following serve in CRT positions at individual schools: Glenda Fraley, Betsy Layne High School; Linda Chaffins, Betsy Layne Elementary School; Linda Bartram, Allen Elementary; Jody Roberts, John M. Stumbo Elementary; Tommy Poe, Prestonsburg High School; Rebecca Hicks, Adams Middle School; Angela Duncan, Prestonsburg Elementary School; and Patricia Watson, Clark Elementary.

In other business, approval was given for the addition of a cupola to the Betsy Layne Elementary school building project, Elliott Contracting accepted as lowest bid; Joe Jones & Associates were approved as representative architects for the Allen Central area school projects; and Fuller, Mossbarger, Scott and May Engineers were granted approval to perform a geotechnical study at the Clark site for the new Prestonsburg area school project.

Also, during the public comment segment of the meeting, a parent from the Prestonsburg area voiced a complaint against the school system's transportation department, saying that her children had not received the

services to which she felt they were entitled. Board members Jeff Stumbo and Glenna Slone said they, too, had received complaints about bus service from parents in their respective districts. Board chair, Carol Stumbo, said that the board would look into the situation and issue written responses to those individuals involved.

Adjourning as the Floyd County Board of Education and convening as the Floyd County School District Finance Corporation, approval was given to authorize the issuance of revenue bonds in the district.

Those in attendance were welcomed by principal Jerri Turner and treated to a special program of Christmas singing by McDowell Elementary students, conducted by music instructor, Walter Ord.

Following a report on the school's programs and progress, board member Mickey McGuire offered praise, saying that he had heard many schools profess to improvement and successes, but that he could see that at McDowell the teachers and staff were "making it work," based on recently received testing scores.

Turner praised her staff, giving credit for the school's good performance to "both my certified and classified staff."

Following, Beverly Crisman, community educator for the Floyd County Board of Education, along with board member Dr. Chandra Varia presented Our Lady of the Way employee, Neva Francis, with a professional leadership award for her "devotion to the development of student education."

**Robbery**

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who were picked up in Vamey and lodged at the Pike County Jail.

The robbery was similar to others in the area in recent months and followed a pattern of having one man enter an establishment with a knife while the other waited outside in a vehicle. The man who entered the store brandished a long knife and got the cash from the

register. He wore a blue bandana over his face and ran from the store afterwards into the waiting vehicle, which then sped away.

Details of the investigation have not been made public, and police are not saying if there is a connection between the Meta robbery and others in Pike County which had similar characteristics.

**Tires**

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# Viewpoint

## Amendment 1

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## Worth Repeating ...

"If you want to make enemies, try to change something."

—Woodrow Wilson

## Guest View

### Too big an issue for too few voices

Hundreds of thousands of Kentuckians rely on Medicaid to help them afford health care. So it's not surprising that many are worried about what state leaders have in mind when they talk about overhauling the program.

The reality, however, is that something has to be done — and soon. With Medicaid rolls at 683,000 recipients — and growing annually — Kentucky simply can't sustain the program if significant changes aren't made.

Gov. Ernie Fletcher should be commended for taking on this challenge. Altering major government entitlement programs is never a popular chore, and more often than not, leaders simply choose to ignore the situation rather than risk upsetting a large block of constituents.

But we think Fletcher is repeating a mistake his administration has made far too often over the past year by failing to seek outside input during the planning stages of this Medicaid initiative. And in doing so, the administration is jeopardizing the future success of their efforts.

Many health care advocates — those who see the needs of Medicaid recipients and understand the impact certain changes could have — say they have been left out of the planning process entirely.

We understand that some of these people have their own agenda — one that is likely in opposition to much of what the administration is hoping to accomplish with Medicaid. But in many cases, they're also experts, and not only could their input be valuable, but their support for the final proposal will be needed as well.

The failure to look beyond his inner circle of advisers, and to keep the public and those outside of government informed of what's going on, has hurt Fletcher in the past. On tax reform, Fletcher insisted that

any meetings with Democratic leadership take place behind closed doors, rather than in a committee hearing open to the public. The impact this had on tax reform is debatable, but it set the stage for contentious negotiations and gave Democrats an easy — and unnecessary — target to attack.

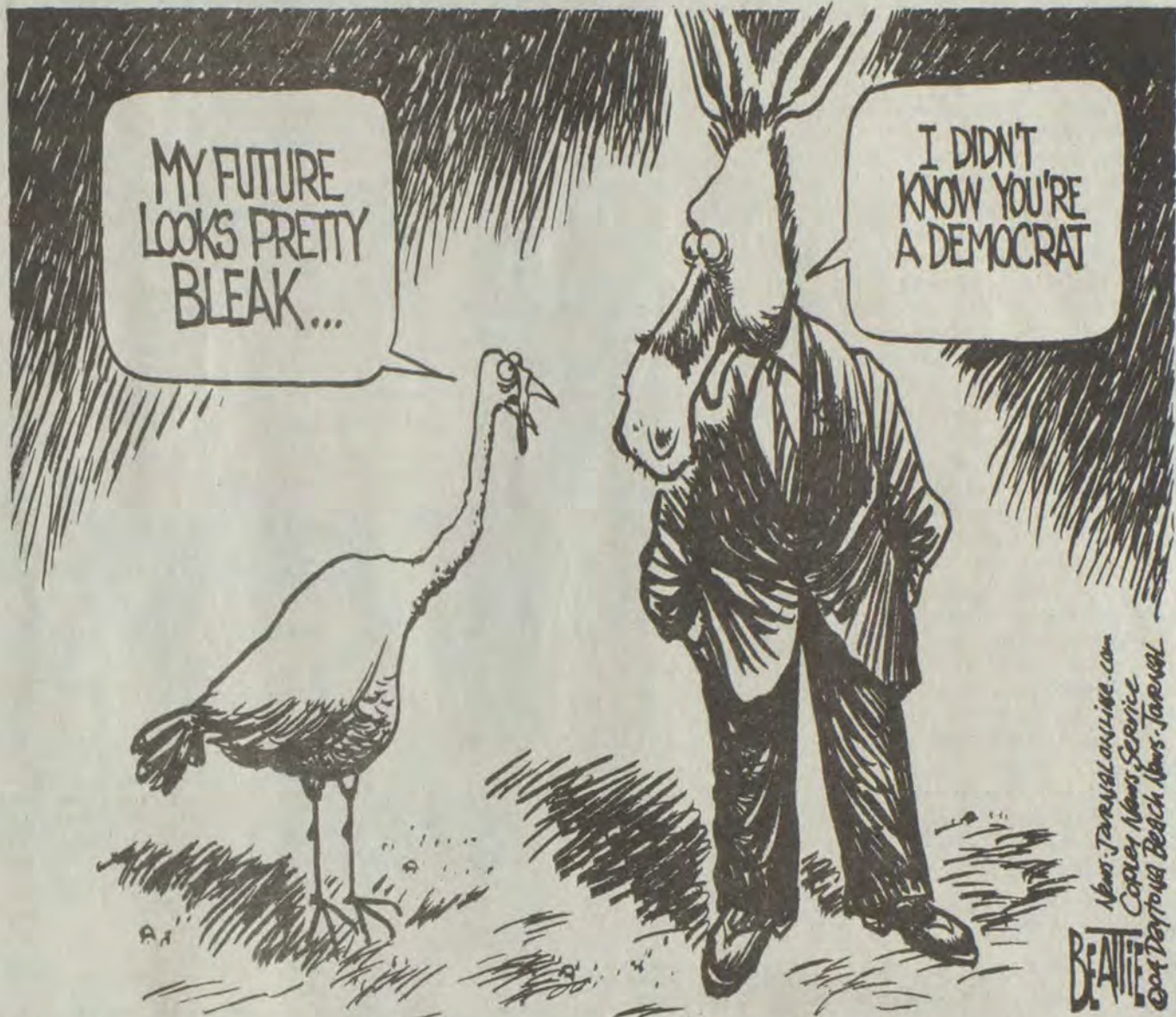
The handling of efforts to reduce insurance benefits for state employees and teachers was a far more egregious example of the administration's propensity for going it alone. They presented a plan without preparing the public at all for what was coming and sold it as the best possible solution available. After public outrage, Fletcher was forced to call a special session, and the General Assembly — which hasn't been able to work together to accomplish much in recent years — crafted a more acceptable plan in a matter of days.

Interestingly, in that case, Fletcher said it was important to have the expertise of former insurance executives available while that plan was being drafted, but he's apparently failed to seek the advice of many health care advocates while working on changes to Medicaid.

Fletcher's tax reform proposal was a good one, while the effort to reduce benefits for state employees was significantly flawed. In both cases, however, they failed, in part, because interested parties, and the public as a whole, were kept mostly in the dark while the plans were being formulated.

He shouldn't make the same mistake with Medicaid. If the public is ever to accept the significant changes that are needed, those affected the most should understand what's happening and have some say, whenever possible, in what the new Medicaid program will ultimately look like.

—Owensboro Messenger-Inquirer



## Guest Column

### Saved by the grace of God and a seat belt

by ROBIN SLONE

I'm writing this message to tell all who might benefit from my story, young and old.

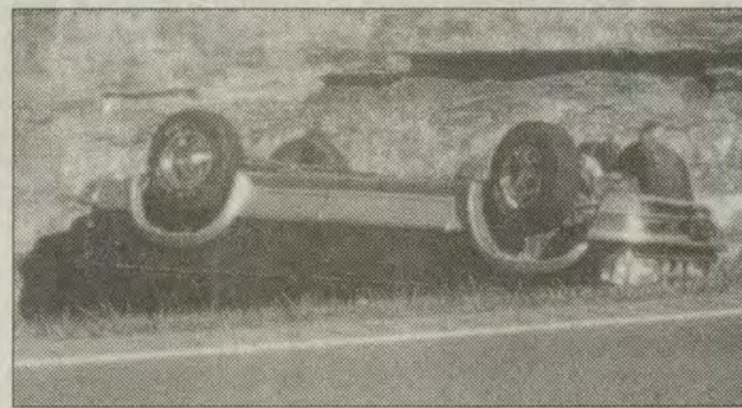
On Tuesday, Nov. 9, at approximately 2:35 p.m., I left my workplace to pick up my son and attend a site-based council meeting at his school. I was driving northbound on U.S. 321 from Prestonsburg when the right front wheel dropped off the edge of the pavement.

Knowing what I do about cars and accidents, most wrecks occur trying to get back onto the pavement. I let the car go completely off the pavement, trying to apply the brakes slowly. When I thought I had gained control, I tried to reenter the highway. I lost control at this point, because I believe the right rear wheel had locked, which I did not know at the time. One of the most dangerous things in this situation is trying to reenter the highway. My vehicle began to skid

or if the world was ending. All I wanted was to get out and quick.

As I sat in the seat looking out, trying to determine if I could get out, the receiver of my bag phone was hanging down from the console in the upside-down vehicle. My first thought was, "I can call someone." But as I took the receiver in my hand and began to push the buttons, I noticed something that looked like Hebrew writing on the display screen.

At this point I released my seat belt and my body dropped slightly from the seat.



The driver side of the vehicle was smashed down to the steering wheel. The vehicle was full of dirt, rocks, glass and broken parts that had been ripped from the vehicle. I could barely squeeze out through the passenger side window. I'm sure my body was in some sort of shock.

At this point, I was thinking quite clear. God had answered not only the prayer I requested, but was very graciously generous with his miracle, that I was in one piece and almost without injury. (Remember prayer works!) I had a few minor scratches and a couple of bruises from the seat belt, which rubbed across my neck. I had bruises on the left side of my head and on the top of my ear from the impact of broken parts that came from the driver side door as it hit the pavement. Now that I was completely out of the vehicle, I was blessed once more.

"Angels" At first there were only a few, but within approximately 5-to-10 minutes, there were 15 or more. At this point, you might think I had lost my mind completely, but no, I had not.

The first "angel" came to me as I had just crawled out of the vehicle, while I was sitting on the ground. She was not dressed in white, nor did she have wings. She was dressed in jeans and a shirt, like you or I. As I think back, I do not know her name, even though she may have told me, but this angel had a cell phone. I began to get up, but she wanted me to stay put. I convinced her that I was all right. She made a few calls and was glad she could be of some help to me.

As I began to look around, there were angels everywhere. They all wanted to make sure I was okay and if there was anything

they could do to help. I began to look around the vehicle at all my stuff scattered about.

The next thought that came to my mind as I looked at the accident, was if my son was still a school with no one to pick him up. Again, an "angel," whose name I did not know, graciously came to me and asked if there was something he might do. I asked him to pick up my son and take him to his grandmother. He said that he would.

I asked the angel who had stay by my side, since I had crawled out of the vehicle, if I might use her phone once more. When she handed me the phone I noticed that my hands were not very steady as I tried to dial the numbers. I called my mother and asked her to make some calls for me. She called my husband, the school and the wrecker service. By this time she was asking a million questions. I told her I was fine and the vehicle was totaled. Then I gave the phone back to the Angel.

When I say there were "angels" you may not understand, but God works his wonders in many ways. Some we recognize and others are hard to understand at the time, but God always uses each situation as an opportunity to bring out the glory of his kingdom.

I believe that God led me to write about this miraculous event, because I felt him in my heart and mind as each word came to me. (I wrote this article on Nov. 13 at 3:25 a.m.) I also believe God gave me the wisdom to know the importance of a seat belt. The entire accident took place in about 5-to-6 seconds from the beginning, when I dropped off the edge of the road, to its resting against the rock cliff.

Time is a very precious gift. If you love someone, make sure they buckle up before the vehicle ever moves. If they love you, they will make sure you are buckled also.

There are two very important points to this article that I want to stress:

1. "God saves!"
2. "Seat belts save!"

This could have very well been my last day on this earth. Remember we do not know the year, the month, the day or the hour, we will leave this place. Live like every day is your last.

My prayer is that this article will encourage someone to open their heart to God and understand his saving power. Amen.



on the pavement. Then, it overturned onto its top and came to rest against the rock cliff on the right side of the road.

As I sat in the seat of this vehicle, knowing there was nothing I could do; I held tight to the steering wheel and rode it out. I am most often a person who in an emergency situation is very much in control. But, on this occasion, someone far greater than I, was in control — "God."

As I continued to sit in the driver seat of the vehicle, I could hear the rubber from my tires sliding on the pavement. Then coming to a halt, the top edge of the vehicle began to hit the pavement, finally resting on its top. At this point, as the vehicle began to hit, I shut my eyes because, I could hear the breaking of glass and it seemed as if I were in a tornado. I was wearing my seat belt, which prevented me from being thrown from the vehicle. My sunglasses kept the flying particles from my eyes.

Now that the vehicle had stopped, I opened my eyes and I was still in my seat belt, still alive and at this point I prayed. The prayer was short and to the point, no long, drawn-out, wordy prayer, but just to the point: "Please, let me get out of this vehicle." I did not care if I was in one piece or 20 pieces. I didn't care if I was bleeding

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# Health Extra

## Use fork, thermometer to make sure turkey done

FRANKFORT — Like most Americans, many Kentuckians will sit down to a turkey dinner this Thanksgiving to celebrate and share time with family and friends.

While a fork is good to use to check the big bird for tenderness, a food thermometer is what you need to ensure it's fully cooked. Since food is a common feature for most holiday celebrations, the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services wants to make sure the food is prepared and cooked properly.

Even though Kentucky has some of the best and safest suppliers and processors of food found anywhere in the world, each year some Kentucky families may experience illness from their Thanksgiving meal. Many Thanksgivings include the traditional foods, and most are safe, but the Cabinet for Health and Family Services wants to remind Thanksgiving cooks to follow some general food safety precautions.

"Many food-borne illnesses in Kentucky may be attributed to improperly handled foods in our homes," said Guy F. Delius,

(See SAFE TURKEY, page seven)

## Trying to lose weight? Sleep more and get a pooch, experts recommend

by MARILYNN MARCHIONE  
AP MEDICAL WRITER

LAS VEGAS — Experts have this unconventional advice for dieters: Don't scrimp on sleep and think about getting a dog.

A very large study has found a surprisingly strong link between the amount of shut-eye people get and their risk of becoming obese. Researchers also found that dog owners who dieted alongside their pets did slightly better than their dog-less counterparts.

Both studies were reported this week at a meeting of the North American Association for the Study of Obesity.

The sleep study found that people who got less than four hours of sleep a night were 73 percent more likely to be obese than those who got the recommended seven to nine hours of rest. Those who averaged five hours of sleep had 50 percent greater risk, and those who got six hours had 23 percent more.

"Maybe there's a window of opportunity for helping people sleep more, and maybe that would help their weight," said Dr. Steven Heymsfield of Columbia University and St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital in New York, who did the study with

Columbia epidemiologist James Gangwisch.

They used information on about 18,000 adults participating in the federal government's National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, or NHANES, throughout the 1980s.

It may seem odd that sleeping more would prevent obesity because people burn fewer calories when they're resting, but they also eat when they're awake. The effect of chronic sleep deprivation on the body's food-seeking circuitry is what specialists think may be making the difference in obesity risks.

"There's growing scientific evidence that there's a link between sleep and the various neural pathways that regulate food intake," Heymsfield said.

Sleep deprivation lowers leptin, a blood protein that suppresses appetite, and raises ghrelin, which does the opposite.

It also hurts "executive function" — the ability to make clear decisions, said Dr. Philip Eichling, a sleep and weight-loss specialist at the University of Arizona who also is medical director of the Canyon Ranch, a spa in Tucson that caters to business executives.

"One of my treatments is

to tell them they should move from six hours to seven hours of sleep. When they're less sleepy, they're less hungry," he said.

Meanwhile, Chicago doctors are hoping people consider a "buddy system" for losing weight that includes man's best friend. Two-thirds of Americans and one-fourth of pets overweight or obese, so there's huge potential.

According to the first study to put people and their pets on a simultaneous diet and exercise program, experts found both lost weight and kept it off. Dogs did better than owners, but owners said they had fun, something people rarely say about their diets.

"If you're looking for motivation and social support to lose weight, you probably don't have to look any further than the pet in your own home," said Dr. Robert Kushner of Northwestern Medical School, who did the study with Chicago veterinarian Kimberly Rudloff and Dennis Jewell, a nutrition expert for Hill's Pet Nutrition, which makes

Science Diet and a prescription diet dog food used in the study.

They tested three groups: 56 people, 53 dogs, and 36 dogs and their owners. The dogs ranged from pudgy poodles to husky Huskies, and target weights were set by a "doggie BMI" based on age and breed.

People attended weekly counseling sessions at Northwestern on diet and exercise, and were encouraged to walk at least 20 minutes and limit calories to 1,400 a day. Dogs were fed the prescription diet and walked with their owners.

All were followed for one year. The dog owners did slightly better than the dieters who walked and dieted alone. Overall, people lost an average of 11 pounds, or 5 percent of their body weight, in the first four months and kept it off for the next eight.

Dogs lost an average of 12 pounds — 15 percent of their initial weight. Of course, that's easier to do when someone controls your food dish. But the dogs didn't

seem to mind as judged by something any dog owner can understand:

"Begging behavior did not go up," Jewell said.

Owners said their dogs had more pep and were anxious to go outside for walks and play.

Kathleen O'Dekirk, a 51-year-old Chicago lawyer, said that certainly was true for her paunchy Cavalier King Charles spaniel, Winston, who lost seven pounds during the study.

"He bounds up the stairs three and four at a time whereas before he used to just crawl up," she said.

She lost 13 pounds, and it encouraged her so much that she joined a fitness class and now does more strenuous exercise than she'd ever done before.

"I had never been on a diet," she said. "I dropped two pant sizes."

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A cold pack or application of ice can decrease inflammation and numb sore tissue, reducing some of the pain in the sciatic nerve. An ice massage is an option for applying cold to the area. First, freeze water in a paper cup. After it is frozen, cut the top half of the cup off and expose the ice. Then apply the ice directly to the skin in a circular motion over the most painful area.

The ice will first burn, similar to eating something cold too quickly. Eventually, the skin will become numb. To prevent frostbite, do not continue after numbness occurs. This process usually takes about five minutes, depending on the thickness of the area treated. Using ice wrapped in a towel or a commercial ice pack for 15 minutes several times daily can also provide relief until you see your Doctor of Chiropractic.

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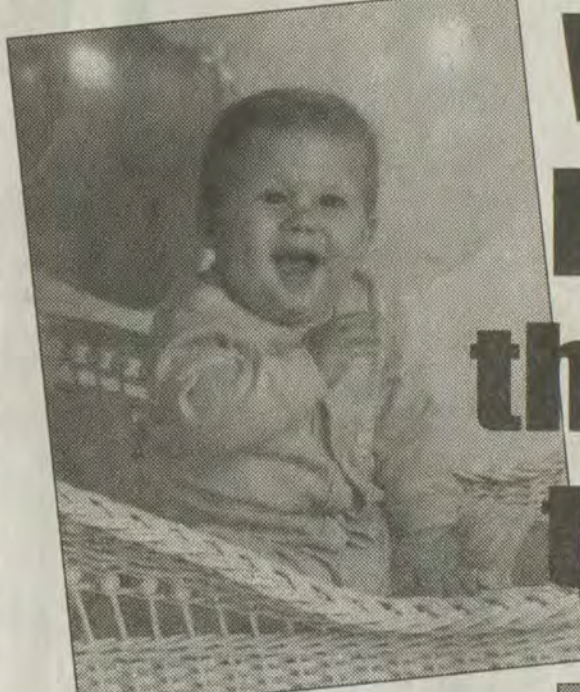
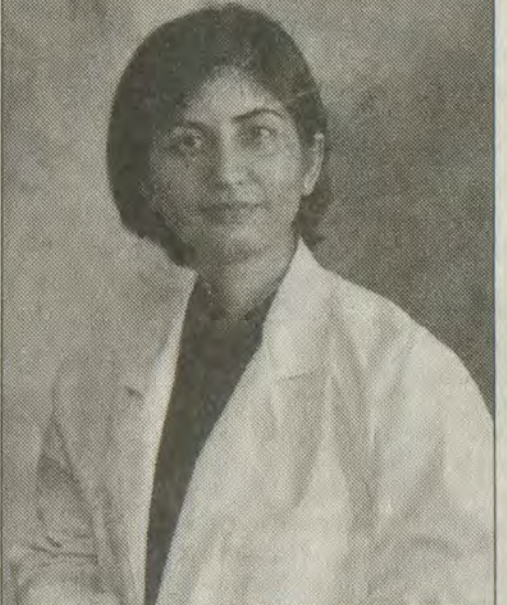
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# 439 turn out for HRMC's annual Diabetic Healthfair

**PRESTONSBURG** — Highlands Regional Medical Center's 2004 Diabetic Healthfair reported the largest attendance ever with 439 people from ages 8 years old to 90, from as close as Auxier to as far away as New Concord, Ohio, attending the event.

The Health fair was held Nov. 4 from 7 to 11 a.m. Heavy rain in the early morning hours did not keep the crowds away and by 6:30 a.m. people were already in line waiting for registration to begin.

Kentucky is noted for having one of the highest incidences of diabetes in the country and many health fair participants were diabetics who wanted to make sure their blood sugar was at the appropriate level. In addition to blood sugar (diabetes) screening, other screenings offered included cholesterol, triglycerides and hemoglobin A1C (on diabetics only).

Throughout the years, Highlands Diabetic Healthfairs have diagnosed many people

who were previously unaware they had diabetes. As with other diseases, early diagnosis and appropriate treatment mean a better outcome for the patient.

Eight vendors with information on various diabetic needs including diabetic shoes, glucometers and other items had display booths at the health fair. Big Sandy Community and Technical College's RN nursing students performed blood pressure screening and provided community education. In addition, the Floyd County Extension Services, TransStar Ambulance and seven departments from within the Medical Center were represented.

Health fair participants expressed their appreciation to Highlands for providing this screening to the community. Jearline Slone, a participant from Lackey, said that she was diagnosed with diabetes six years ago and was attending the HRMC Diabetic Healthfair for the first time. Patti Coburn, from Garrett, also a diabetic, was a

first time participant.

Toby Wheeler, from Staffordsville, heard about the health fair from the staff at Highlands Wellness Center.

"My doctor, Dr. Jason Rice, told me there is no such thing as a 'borderline diabetic,' but I have a family history of diabetes and I've had some symptoms, so I try to keep a close check on my blood sugar," Wheeler said.

Jack Vaughn, of Auxier, who is not diabetic, attended because he heard about the fair from his brother-in-law and wanted to learn more about diabetes.

Priscilla Webb, of Allen, learned about the event when she stopped at the Highlands booth at the Kentucky Apple Festival in Paintsville. She came to the health fair to have her cholesterol checked.

Cheryl May, from Allen, described a different set of circumstances. May had undergone "banding surgery" for weight loss, had lost 86 lbs. and wanted to see how much her cholesterol had decreased.

The Diabetes Healthfair is the third health fair HRMC has provided to the community this fall. HRMC and Highlands Cancer Center offered a free Prostate Cancer Healthfair in September, a free Women's Health and Breast Cancer Program in October, and the Diabetes

Healthfair in November.

Highlands Regional Medical Center in keeping with its mission to develop a healthier community, offers free screening services through community health fairs each year. HRMC's next community health fair is being planned for January.

Details will be announced at a later date.

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office is taking applications for its "Senior Training Program." You must be 55 or older to apply. In Floyd, call 886-2929; Johnson, call 789-6515; Magoffin, call 349-2217; Pike, call 432-2775; and in Lawrence, call 638-4067.

**Community Weight Loss Support Group** - Meets Thursday's at 6:30 p.m., at the Martin Community Center. For more info., call 377-6658. Those

who have had gastric bypass surgery most especially welcome to attend. Meetings being offered as support to anyone needing extra support in dealing with weight loss.

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## PARENTS!

Are you in need of child care services? If so, contact the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Inc. The office is partnering with Eastern Kentucky Child Care Coalition. For more information on how we can help you, call Cheryl Endicott at 886-1280, or toll free at 888-872-7227.

Also, if your child is currently enrolled in a child care program, find out if your provider is a member of the STARS for KIDS NOW voluntary program for exceeding licensing standards.

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## Floyd County Extension Homemaker Club Meetings

**Allen:** 1st Monday, 11 a.m., at Christ United Methodist Church.

**Cliffside/Prestonsburg:** 3rd Wednesday, 12:30 p.m., at Cliffside Community Room.

**David:** 1st Wednesday, 1 p.m., at St. Vincent's Mission.

**Martin:** 1st Thursday, 6 p.m., Martin Church of Christ.

**Newbee (Beginner) Quilt Group:** 4th Thursday, 6 p.m., Extension Office, Prestonsburg.

**Maytown:** 3rd Thursday, 6 p.m., Maytown First Baptist Church.

**Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild:** 1st/3rd Wednesdays, 10 a.m., Extension Office, Prestonsburg.

**Prestonsburg:** 2nd Tuesday, 1:30 p.m., Extension Office.

**South Prestonsburg:** 3rd Tuesday, 7 p.m., Home of members (call 886-2668 for info.)

## "Looking For a Support Group?"

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

**Alzheimer's Association, Eastern KY Regional Office** - 24-hour Helpline, call 1-800-272-3900 for emotional support, local resources, and other information.

**MS Support Group** - Meets third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Seton Complex, Martin. Offers group support for MS patients and their caregivers.

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

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### Safe Turkey

assistant director, Division of Public Health Protection and Safety. "There are some simple and easy food safety practices we can do in our own homes to minimize the occurrence of food poisoning."

"While it's important to handle foods in the home safely all the time, it's especially important to take extra care during the holidays, because families are preparing more food than usual and more family members may be helping in the kitchen," Delius said.

Anita Travis, Food Safety Branch Manager said, "Food is often made in other family members' homes and transported to the meal site, and people often eat the leftovers for days; so it's very important to make sure these foods are handled properly."

### Tips for handling food safely

■ When dealing with poultry, make sure it is not undercooked and do not let raw poultry or meat juices touch any other foods.

■ Cooks should wash their hands frequently when handling

food, and sanitize utensils such as knives, and items like cutting boards so that food is not cross contaminated.

■ Wash food including fruits and vegetables before preparing it.

■ Food should be promptly refrigerated.

Health Officials also underscore the importance of washing hands often and thoroughly. Unclean hands are often the source of food contamination. Always wash your hands prior to preparing foods. Make sure to wash your hands after handling raw meats and produce. Use soap, warm water and dry your hands with clean paper towels. In addition, there are other guidelines below to keep food safe.

■ Guidelines for Thawing a Turkey — Thaw turkey in one of three ways: in a refrigerator with the temperature at 41 degrees Fahrenheit or less, allowing 3-4 days for thawing; under cool running water at a temperature of 75 degrees Fahrenheit or less; or in the microwave oven followed by immediate cooking.

■ Guidelines for Preparing Turkey and Stuffing — If cooking in a conventional oven, cook at 325 degrees Fahrenheit with no interruptions in the cooking process until the internal temperature of the meat reaches at least 165 degrees Fahrenheit. If cooking in a

microwave oven, cook until the internal temperature reaches 190 degrees Fahrenheit. A meat temperature of 140 degrees Fahrenheit should be maintained until the turkey is served or the meat should be immediately sliced and refrigerated on shallow platters so that rapid cooling will occur.

It is not possible to cool a whole cooked turkey in an ordinary freezer or refrigerator within a few hours. Any undercooked juices, stuffing or meat in the thickest part of the turkey may result in bacterial growth over extended cool down time, such as overnight or for longer than four hours.

Platters should not be stacked on each other since proper air circulation is necessary to facilitate cooling. A turkey should be thoroughly cooked and rapidly cooled. A metal stemmed, dial-type thermometer placed in the thickest part of the thigh or breast should be used to measure the turkey's internal temperature. It is best to cook the turkey and stuffing separately. If they are prepared together, the turkey should not be stuffed until immediately before cooking.

■ Transporting Foods - Make sure foods are fully cooked and transported hot, or transported cold. Insulated containers will help keep foods hot or cold for a short period of

time. The use of clean plastic coolers with plenty of ice will also keep foods cool during transport.

■ Suggestions for Storing Poultry Leftovers — Refrigerate at 41 degrees Fahrenheit or less. Wrap turkey and stuffing separately in shallow dishes or platters for storing. Prepare sandwiches on sanitized cutting boards and use clean utensils. To reheat a turkey or serve in a hot dish, rapidly heat it to an internal temperature of 165 degrees Fahrenheit and make sure it is heated thoroughly.

■ Proper Cleansing of Utensils — To sanitize equipment or utensils after thorough washing and rinsing, immerse them for 30 seconds in clean, hot water at 170 degrees Fahrenheit, or immerse for at least one minute in a clean solution containing at least 50 parts per million of chlorine (one teaspoon of 5.25 percent household bleach per gallon of water at 75 degrees Fahrenheit). For cutting boards or equipment that is too large to immerse for sanitation, swab or wipe the clean surface with the sanitizing solution.

Dr. William Hacker, Acting Public Health Commissioner says, "Following these safe food handling practices will ensure our Kentucky families and friends a happy holiday season."

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## Report: Cancer rates high in Kentucky

The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE — Kentucky has higher than average rates for some cancers, especially among men, a federal report said.

The report, released Friday, said men in Kentucky develop colorectal cancer and die from lung cancer at the highest rates in the nation. It also said Kentucky women developed colorectal cancer and died of lung cancer at higher-than-average rates.

The findings were included in a report from the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the National Cancer Institute, and the North American Association of Central Cancer Registries. It examined the rate at which people developed cancer and the rate at which they died from it.

"They're both primarily lifestyle cancers," said Dr. Alfred Cohen, director of the Markey Cancer Center at the University of Kentucky.

Cohen and other doctors

are teaming up to try to change Kentucky's statistics by advocating healthier lifestyles.

"These are things you can change," said Dr. John Hamm, director of research for Louisville Oncology, part of Norton Cancer Care. "Smoking can be stopped. We can change to a healthy diet. People can get out and exercise."

Hamm said doctors can promote smoking cessation to reduce lung cancer death rates.

Cohen said a UK grant will allow researchers to look at strategies to improve colorectal screening in rural Eastern Kentucky by working with family physicians on encouraging patients to get screened. Kentucky lags behind the nation in screening for colorectal cancer.

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

**J.W. Hall Lodge 950 Christmas program**  
John W. Hall Lodge No. 950, F&AM, Martin, will conduct its Christmas program, on Sunday, December 5, at 4 p.m., at the

lodge hall. Santa Claus will be present, and dinner will be served. Everyone is invited to attend.

**Open House**  
Sunday, December 12, 6-7 p.m., at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Wittensville (6 mi. north of Paintsville, on Rt. 1559, across from Tom's Creek FWB Church). Featured speaker: Lisle Brown, Patriarch, Huntington, WV stake. Topic: "Eternal Families." Special music, refreshments. Community cordially invited to attend. For more info: Bonnie Howell, 297-6668, Mary Jo Kirk, 298-3180, or Sheila Burden, 789-8657.

**Maytown Center Friday Night Live**, Nov. 26, 7 p.m. Talent show with featured guest Tommy Webb (gospel).

Also, "A Christmas Spirit Event," to be held Saturday, Dec. 4, at 6 p.m. Fitness & Fashion Show, live entertainment, buffet dinner. Presented by Progressive Fitness.

**D.A.V. Chap. 18**  
The Big Sandy Chapter 18, Disabled American Veterans, of Auxier, is looking for honorably discharged veterans to join the Chapter, which meets at the Auxier Fire Dept., on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month, at 6 p.m. Those interested may bring their DD214 and join the Chapter and receive a D.A.V. ball cap.

**Floyd County Democratic Women's Club**  
Meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 6 p.m., at Brenda's Restaurant, in McDowell. All invited to attend.

**Christmas Auction**  
Saturday, December 4, at Minnie, Fire Station #3, at 6 p.m. Items to be auctioned include furniture, toys, computer equipment, appliances, hardware, gift certificates and more. Call Tina at 377-6342 or 377-9296 for more information.

**Breakfast with Santa**  
Saturday, December 11, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., at the Van Lear Coal Miner's Museum. Pancakes and sausage. Call 789-8540 for more information.

**Cheer & Dance Challenge**  
The 2004 Southeast Cheer & Dance Challenge will be held Dec. 4, at Johnson Central High

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

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(See CALENDAR, page six)

## Riot at prison started with inmates dismantling guard tower

**The Associated Press**  
BEATTYVILLE — A wooden guard tower was the first target for inmates who rioted earlier this year at the Lee Adjustment Center. With a guard still inside, inmates used large concrete ashtrays to topple the tower, then pulled boards loose to batter the maintenance building where ladders, wire cutters and axes were stored. The Courier-Journal reported in Tuesday's editions, citing inmate interviews and a six-page report obtained under the state's open-records law. The Corrections Corporation of America, which owns and runs the prison, and Kentucky and Vermont prison officials are investigating the riot. A Kentucky official said the findings are expected to be released this week. Last week, a Lee County grand jury indicted 23 inmates on riot charges and for being persistent

felony offenders. No inmate escaped from the prison, which houses Kentucky and Vermont prisoners, and none was seriously injured, officials said. According to the report, prepared by a prison shift supervisor, CCA guards quelled the uprising in a little more than two hours. By then, inmates had burned the administration building, ripped out electrical wiring, raided the commissary and caused other damage to the 800-inmate prison. "The inmates literally had control of this place, the inner compound," Adam Corliss, an inmate imprisoned for murder, told the newspaper. "There was no staff

visible anywhere, and that's what surprised me the most, and I'd say a lot of other residents here." Within minutes, guards had surrendered the recreation yard to inmates in exchange for the tower guard's safe release, the report said. Steve Owen, a spokesman for the Nashville, Tenn.-based CCA, said guards acted appropriately. They are trained to leave riots, regroup and secure the prison perimeter, he said. "Our staff did an admirable job, and because of that we're talking about property damage instead of physical injury," Owen said.

## Obituaries

**Babe (Glen Harold) Watkins**  
Babe (Glen Harold) Watkins, 72, of Garrett, died Sunday, November 21, 2004, at his residence. Born April 13, 1932, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late James (Jim) and Beulah Hall Watkins. He was a retired coal miner, and was baptized on October 13, 2004, at the Lackey Freewill Baptist Church. He is survived by his wife, Kathy Jacobs Watkins, and was preceded in death by his first wife, Helen Webb Watkins. Survivors include a son, Anthony Wade Watkins of Topmost; his best friend, Puppy Girl; two sisters: Janie Wallin of Richmond, and Georgia Huston of Crystal Beach, Texas; grandchildren:

Chasity, Melissa, Jennifer, Anthony, Logan David and James Charles; great-grandchildren: Alexandria Paige and Austin Todd. In addition to his first wife and parents, he was preceded in death by an infant daughter; a brother, Okie Watkins; and a sister, Norma Pitts. Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, November 24, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Jim Watkins, Ollie Watts, and Johnny Collins officiating. Burial will be in the Webb Cemetery, at Lackey, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home. Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

**Tynan Layne Spears**  
Tynan Layne Spears, age 9, of Sarta Fe, Texas, passed away, Tuesday, November 22, 2004, at Betsy Layne. He was born April 21, 1995, in Austin, Texas, the son of Tommy Spears and Rebecca Ruth Burns Andoe. Survivors, in addition to his parents include three brothers: Turner Lee Andoe, William Tucker Andoe, and Tindall Joseph Leroy Andoe, all of Sante Fe, Texas. Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, November 24, at 6 p.m., at the Betsy Layne Church of Christ, with Clergyman Tammy Spears officiating. Hall Funeral Home is caring for those arrangements. Visitation is after 11 a.m., Wednesday, at the church. (Paid obituary)


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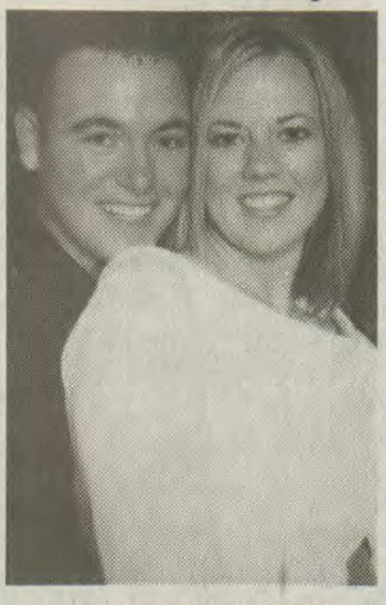
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**Nicole turns 5**  
Tamara Rayelynn "Nicole" Burchett turned 5 on November 18. Nicole celebrated her 5th birthday at Pizza Hut of Prestonsburg. She enjoyed and celebrated her birthday with over 50 family and friends. Her party theme was "My Little Pony." Nicole wants to tell everyone who made her birthday a special one. "Thank-you." She is the daughter of Jonathan and Kim Burchett of Slick Rock; the granddaughter of Kenny and Imajene Robinson of Martin and Eddie Burchett and the late Tamara Ann Burchett of Slick Rock. She is the great-granddaughter of Joesphine Scarberry and the late Junior Scarberry of Langley and also the late Sam and Ella Robinson of Martin.



**Mosley-Harris**  
Mr. and Mrs. Dale Mosley of Prestonsburg, are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Brandy Nichole Mosley, to Charles Michael Harris, son of Elizabeth Colvin Adams of Prestonsburg and the late Charles Chuck Harris, and step-son of Wilford Adams. Brandy is the granddaughter of Faye Meade and the late Chad Meade, and Harold and Edith Shrader. She is a graduate of Lexington Community College and is employed at Pikeville Radiology as a Radiographer. He is the grandson of Judy Colvin McCreary and the late Roger Colvin, and Edna Harris and the late Charlie Harris. The prospective groom is currently employed at East KY Utilities. The couple will wed in a ceremony that will be held on Saturday, November 27, 2004, at 5:30 p.m., at the Little Paint Church of God.



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# Obituaries



## Otela Smiley

Otela Smiley, age 89, of Lexington, formerly of Floyd County, passed away, at Sayre Christian Village in Lexington, on Friday, November 19, 2004.

With a smile and a sigh, our mother crossed over to the other side of Jordan, shortly after 4 p.m., November 19, 2004. At her side were her daughters: Dinah, Veronica and Jessica.

Born January 7, 1915, Otela Stewart Spradlin Smiley, passed just shy of her 90th birthday.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Vyron Alan Smiley Sr.; sons: Paul Simpson Smiley, Andrew Jackson (Brenda) Smiley, John Frederick (Caroline) Smiley; her mother, Cordelia Stewart Spradlin Whittier; her sister, Sarah Elizabeth Spradlin Goble; her brother, Charles Spradlin; niece, Patricia Sue Goble Martin; daughter-in-law, Peggy Rector (Vyron) Smiley, and son-in-law, Michael (Veronica) Taylor.

She is survived by seven daughters: Jessica Lynn Smiley (Frank) Corley of Dearborn, Michigan; Sarah Judith Cordelia Smiley of Dallas Texas, Elizabeth Cheryl Smiley (Dean) Sinor of Waddy, Deborah Sue Smiley (John) Sewell of Park City, Utah, Veronica Ann Smiley (Michael) Taylor of Berry,

(Paid obituary)

Martha Virginia Smiley (Jerry) Thompson of Lexington, and Dinah Douglas Smiley (Delores Cook) of Louisville. She is survived by seven sons: Ronald Henry (Carol) Smiley of Springfield, Virginia, Donald Stewart Smiley of Strongsville, Ohio, Vyron Alan (Janice) Smiley Jr., of Lexington, James Martin (Janice) Smiley of Columbus, Ohio, Wayne Alexander Smiley of Lexington, Nicholas Ray Smiley of Sacramento, California, and Phillip Lindsey (Christie) Smiley.

She is also survived by scores of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren; two nephews, and a special great-niece, Paula Sue (David) Layne of Prestonsburg.

In addition to being a devoted wife and mother, Otela was a deacon in the First Presbyterian Church of Prestonsburg, and a current member of Miriam Rebekah Lodge No. 31.

Her faith, family and friends were the most valuable things in her rich life, and they sustained her in good times and in sad.

Funeral services will be conducted on Wednesday, November 24, at noon, in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Rev. George Love officiating.

Burial will follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel.

The family will receive friends after 10 a.m., until noon, Wednesday, at the funeral home.

The family has lovingly asked that in lieu of flowers, contributions be made to Hospice of the Bluegrass, 2312 Alexandria Drive, Lexington, Ky. 40504-3277.

Pallbearers: Ron Smiley, Don Smiley, Vyron Smiley, James Smiley, Wayne Smiley, Nick Smiley, Phillip Smiley, Josh Taylor, Drew Taylor, Allen Corley, John Sewell, Jerry Thompson, and David Layne.

## Clarence Prater

Clarence Prater, age 73, of Martin, husband of the late Lillie Mae Bradley Prater, passed away, Tuesday, November 23, 2004, at his residence.

He was born May 29, 1931, in Hueysville, the son of the late Jackson "Hoss" Prater and Lula Prater. He was a retired coal miner, and a member of the Cold Springs Regular Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, Louis Prater of Martin; five daughters: Jo Ann Slone of Martin, Shirley Newsome of Prestonsburg, Sandra Chaffins of Langley, Frances Conn of Printer, and Clarence Jean Frasure of Prestonsburg; six brothers: Rhodes Prater of Martin, Robert, Henry, and Arnold Ray Prater, all of Hueysville, Mitchell Prater of Langley, and Burl Prater of Peru, Indiana; two sisters: Kathline Ousley and Martha Ousley, both of Peru, Indiana, 15 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Murl Prater; one sister, Violet Trusty; and several half-brothers and sisters.

Funeral services for Clarence Prater will be conducted Friday, November 26, at 11 a.m., at the Cold Springs Regular Baptist Church, Martin, with the Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will follow in the Prater Bradley Cemetery, Sunny Road, Martin, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation is at the church.

(Paid obituary)

## Vernon Flannery

Vernon Flannery, 77, of Martin, died Friday, November 19, 2004, at the Prestonsburg Health Care Center.

Born January 12, 1927, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Tavis and Bertha Click Flannery. He was a disabled coal miner, and a U.S. Navy and World War II veteran.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Doris Hinton Flannery.

Survivors include six sons: Paul Vernon Flannery, William Flannery, Johnny Flannery and Robert Flannery, all of Martin, Donald Flannery of Kissimmee, Florida, and David Flannery, of Boise, Idaho; two daughters: Ramona Lynn Bentley of Paintsville, and Iris Flannery, of Providence, Rhode Island; one brother, Virgil Flannery of Martin; and one sister, Scarlet Keathley of Emma.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by one daughter, Rosemary Flannery; and two brothers: Burns Flannery and Merlin Flannery.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 22, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, with Bobby Neil Osborne, and others, officiating.

Burial was in the Flannery Family Cemetery, Bucks Branch, Martin, under direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home, where where additional services were conducted Sunday evening.

(Paid obituary)

## Debra Lynn Gillespie

Debra Lynn Gillespie, 31, of Teaberry, died Friday, November 19, 2004, following an automobile accident on Rt. 979, at Harold.

Born September 10, 1973, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of Bruce and Ada Elpin Gillespie of Prestonsburg. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, Kevin Johnson.

Survivors, other than her husband and parents, include one son, Kevin O'Bryan Johnson of Teaberry; one daughter, Keisha Lynn Johnson of Teaberry; two brothers: Dan Gillespie of Prestonsburg, and Bruce Gillespie of Galveston; two sisters: Angie Gillespie of Teaberry, and Rebecca Hunter of Galveston; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 22, at 11 a.m., at the Pilgrims Home Old Regular Baptist Church, at Grethel, with Eligha Branham, James Branham, Red Alley, and Old Regular Baptist ministers, officiating.

Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation was at the church, with additional services each night at 7 p.m.

(Paid obituary)

## Rosetta Crum Samons

Rosetta Crum Samons, age 86, of Martin, passed from this life on Saturday, November 20, 2004, in the Life Care Center in Morehead.

She was born March 13, 1918, in Martin, the daughter of the late Harry and Susan Robinson Crum. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of Christ, at Arkansas Creek.

Surviving are three daughters: Diana Roe, Georgia Grigsby, and Eursla Adkins, all of Morehead; one sister, Katie Samons of Martin; grandchildren: Lisa Kenny, Laura Roe, Rhonda Caudill; Rebecca Caudill and Heather Adkins; great-grandchildren: Brandon Kenny, and Abigail Kenny.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, November 23, at 3 p.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, at Martin, with Ronnie Samons officiating.

Burial was in the W.H. Samons Cemetery, at Arkansas Creek, Martin, under the professional care of Hall Funeral Home.

(Paid obituary)

## Christine Watkins

Christine Watkins, 58, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, November 20, 2004, at her residence.

Born January 3, 1946, at Blue River, she was the daughter of the late Robie and Eukie Stone Johnson. She was a homemaker and a member of the Big Lick Pentecostal Church of God.

She is survived by her husband, James Watkins.

Other survivors include two sons: James Curtis and Freda Watkins and Michael Dean and Rhonda Watkins, all of Prestonsburg; four brothers: Robie Johnson Jr., John B. Johnson, and Fred Johnson, all of Prestonsburg; one half-brother, Jobie Johnson of Ohio; five sisters; Jewell Marsillett, Patricia Jones and Eva Kaye Johnson, all of Prestonsburg; Bobbie Jean Chaffins of Garrett, and Linda Watkins of Salyersville; three half-sisters; Edith Allen of West Virginia, and Marie Hale and Mintha Johnson, both of Ohio; three grandchildren: Stephanie Anna-Marie Watkins, Jordan Curtis Watkins, and Brittany Hope Watkins.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one brother, Donald Lee Johnson; one sister, Eliza Taylor; and one half-sister, Ethel Stapleton.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 22, at 11 a.m., at the Big Lick Pentecostal Church of God, at Ivyton, with Malcom Slone and Adam Marshall officiating.

Burial was in the Johnson Cemetery, Ruff and Tuff, Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation was at the church.

(Paid obituary)

**Card of Thanks**

The family of Goldie Hall would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation to all those who helped in any way during the loss of our loved one. We appreciate all the food, flowers, prayers, and all the acts of kindness shown to our family. A special thanks to Clergymen Junior Kidd, Bob McKinney, and Chris Kidd, for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home of Martin, Ky., for their kind, professional, and courteous service.

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# Proposal would keep lawmakers meeting until budget passes

# State Board of Elections certifies voting results

**The Associated Press**

COVINGTON — A group of lawmakers has proposed a state constitutional amendment that would assure legislators stay in Frankfort until they pass a budget.

Rep. John Will Stacy, D-West Liberty, pre-filed the proposal for consideration in the 2005 General Assembly. It stems from the failure of lawmakers to pass a budget in 2002 and 2004.

Gov. Ernie Fletcher has been using his own "spending plan" to run state government since the fiscal year began July 1.

The General Assembly

adjourned in April without passing a new budget, thanks to an impasse between the Republican-controlled Senate and Democrat-controlled House over a tax plan Fletcher proposed.

Lawmakers generally pass a biennial budget during the 60-day General Assembly session, which falls in even-numbered years.

Rep. Arnold Simpson, D-Covington, said the proposed constitutional amendment was needed in light of past budget sessions.

"This would assure that we perform our constitutional mandate in a timely manner," he

said.

Senate Majority Floor Leader Dan Kelly, R-Springfield, said the bill could be considered in the Senate, but said its unintended consequences would have to be weighed.

Kelly said the 60-day deadline puts pressure on lawmakers to come to agreement and allowing an extension could "let us stay in a session that never comes to an end."

Since the bill is a constitutional amendment, it would have to go before voters for approval. If passed in the 2005 session, it could go on the ballot in 2006 at the earliest.

by **JOE BIESK**  
**Associated Press**

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky State Board of Elections certified the voting results from this month's general election on Monday.

The board certified results for contests including president, Congress, Senate and the General Assembly. However, the board did not certify results from a state Senate race in Jefferson County because of a pending court challenge.

About 65 percent of registered voters in Kentucky turned out to vote, Secretary of State Trey Grayson said. The presidential race, combined with a proposed constitutional amendment defining marriage and some local races contributed to the high turnout, Grayson said.

"We had a record number of voters in this election, more people voted this year than ever before," he said.

President Bush finished

with more than 1 million votes from Kentuckians, while U.S. Sen. John Kerry finished with less than 713,000 votes. Meanwhile, voters approved the constitutional amendment with about 1.2 million people favoring it, compared with about 417,000 against it.

U.S. Sen. Jim Bunning won re-election to his second term in office by just more than 22,600 votes. Bunning collected 873,507 votes compared with state Sen. Daniel Mongiardo's 850,855.

Across the state, Republicans increased their presence in the General Assembly.

In the state House, Republicans gained seven seats previously held by Democrats and narrowed their disadvantage to 57-43. The final outcome of the state Senate remained uncertain.

The board did not certify results in the state Senate race between Republican

Dana Seum Stevenson and Democrat Virginia Woodward. A previous court order had prevented the board from doing so.

Later Monday, a Jefferson County Circuit judge ruled Stephenson should be disqualified from the race, because she did not meet the state's constitutional residency requirements. Uncertified vote totals had shown Stephenson collected just more than 1,000 votes than Woodward.

Grayson said he expected the legal challenges in that race would continue. Once it was resolved, Grayson said the board would certify the results according to the final court ruling.

Meanwhile, the attorney general's office randomly selected six counties to undergo post-election audits. They are: Bracken, Breckenridge, Estill, Jackson, McCracken and Morgan, according to a statement.

# Pediatrician named state health commissioner

**The Associated Press**

FRANKFORT — Dr. William Hacker has been appointed commissioner of the Kentucky Department for Public Health.

Hacker, a pediatrician and former chief medical officer for Appalachian Regional Healthcare, had served as acting commissioner for the agency since July.

"Dr. Hacker's experience in both public health and as a private physician and his deep caring for the people of Kentucky

will enable him to lead our commonwealth in innovative approaches that will transform the public health care delivery system in our state," said Dr. James W. Holsinger Jr., secretary of the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services. "I am proud that he will play a key role in improving the health of Kentuckians."

Hacker, who worked nearly 20 years in private practice, joined the Department for Public Health as a physician consultant in 2001. He has headed the state's health and

disaster preparedness efforts since 2002.

A native of Manchester, Hacker said he was "honored by this opportunity" to protect and improve the health of Kentuckians. He received both is undergraduate and medical degrees at the University of Kentucky.

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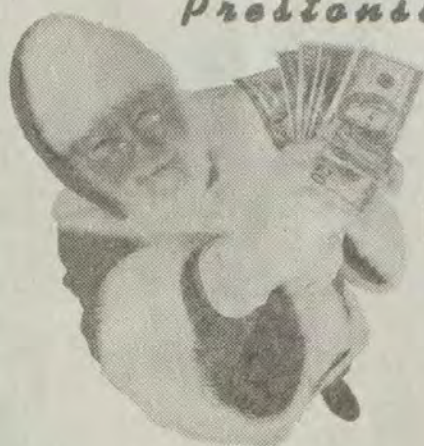
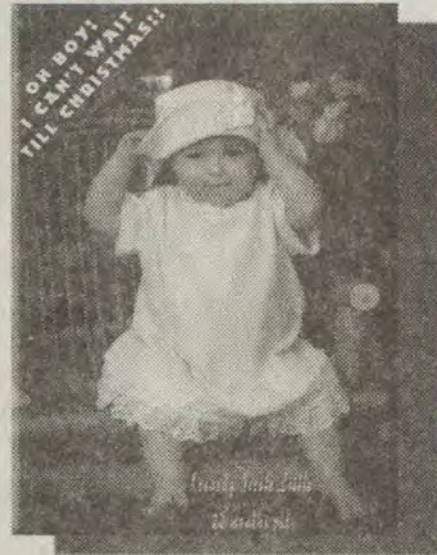
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# The Times FLOYD COUNTY

Letters will be published in the Wednesday, Dec. 22 issue

### Odds

The North American Vexillological Association, or NAVA — mostly made up of U.S. and Canadian residents with an interest in studying flags — ranked Santa Fe's flag 117th among 150 municipal flags in a recent survey. The association gave it only 2.97 points out of a possible 10.

It doesn't get much respect locally, either. Some employees in the mayor's office, the city clerk's office and the Convention and Visitors Bureau said they didn't know Santa Fe even had a flag.

Janitor Johnny Dean, however, runs it up a flagpole outside the east entrance to Santa Fe's municipal building every business day.

The frayed nylon banner — which doesn't exactly match the description published by the flag group — is the only one the city owns, Dean said.

The association depicts Santa Fe's official banner as having a gold background with a city seal. The seal has a thin blue circle around a white field with the city's full Spanish name, "La Villa Real

de la Santa Fe de San Francisco de Asis" with a red, white, yellow and blue shield blending symbols from Spain, Mexico and the United States.

The flag in front of the municipal building has an off-white background. It also has a thick blue border around the seal and the words "City of Santa Fe, New Mexico" in white letters.

Either version is probably too busy for NAVA. The organization suggests a flag should be so simple a child can draw it from memory.

So what was the flag ranked first on the group's survey? That of Washington, D.C.

■ MELBOURNE, Australia — Newspaper advertisements congratulating the 16-year-old girl who won the latest "Australian Idol" competition made an embarrassing mistake — directing fans to a gay porn Web site.

Casey Donovan won the top-rated reality television program and a record contract on Sunday night.

Telecommunications company Telstra, a major sponsor of the program, ran half-page advertisements in newspapers in Sydney and Melbourne on Monday congratulating Casey and directing fans to a Web site.

But anyone calling up the Web site will be confronted by a full frontal nude picture of an American porn star named Casey Donovan with links to sales of his gay porn DVDs and videotapes.

Telstra spokesman Craig Middleton put the gaffe down to "simple human error in the last-minute preparation of the ad."

■ CARSON CITY, Nev. — Christmas shoppers have a new place to load up on gifts in the state capital: the Nevada State Prison.

Purses, belts, moccasins, stuffed animals, paintings and leather key chains are among inmate-made items for sale in the prison's Hobby Craft Store, which opened Friday.

James Baca, associate warden for programs, said the public

response to the prison's annual summer craft fairs was overwhelming and he thinks the store also will be a success.

Inmates purchase the materials to create the products, and donate the proceeds to nearby Empire Elementary School and Nevada Hispanic Services, he said.

"We are trying to instill good moral and ethical values in these inmates here. If we can salvage people, we want to salvage them," Baca said.

Empire Elementary Principal Pat Carpenter said proceeds from the inmate craft fairs have allowed her school to purchase \$5,000

worth of new equipment.

Buyers can spend as little as \$2.30 for a leather key chain or as much as \$200 for a handcarved sign to adorn a driveway or lawn.

■ SYDNEY, Australia — Three hooded bandits in eastern Australia bungled a would-be robbery when they apparently mistook a restaurant's sliding door for a swinging one, police said.

About 20 diners at Gabby's seafood restaurant in the coastal town of Gerringong watched as the trio repeatedly tried to kick the glass door open Saturday night, but they failed to enter and later

fled in a stolen car.

Restaurant owner Greg Moore said the door was unlocked — and clearly marked "slide."

These might not have been your average criminals, police investigator Jamie Williams warned.

"They're probably more dangerous because they're dumb," Williams said.

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**THROUGH MY MOTHER'S EYES**

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I realize she does not know I am there or that she is in a nursing home. But she responds to the touch of someone's hand, a kiss, or someone that gives her a drink of cold water by saying, "You sweet girl."

(God Bless the staff and residents at Riverview Nursing Home who help to make her life easier, who is helping me do for her what I could not do at home).

I want to say **THANK YOU TO ALL CHURCHES** that send their pastors or singers to RIVERVIEW NURSING HOME. I have listened to the residents talk about how much they enjoy attending your services. The ladies ask for help getting their hair in place and their nails done for church. The gentlemen ask if they look good, because they may sit beside someone special.

Remember, go to the rooms and touch those that are not ambulatory. They still feel your presence and prayers, even if they are asleep. They may not know who you are as you listen to their stories, but **GOD** does.

My mother had memories of living and working the **land called Cushaw**. The memories of how she helped her mother milk the cows and how her daddy raised corn on the cleared hillsides. The memories of Frank Spurlock and Will Carver's families living and working alongside of them on **Cushaw** were always a topic. I remember her telling of hearing a baby cry all hours of the night when walking the long bottom. She would say, "Now we have to hurry, because it is getting dark."

I still can feel the chills of listening about Ed Carver running the length of the long bottom to the railroad track to get away from the black horse. Ed Carver could hear the snortin' and pawin' of the horse as it waited for him to start his trip home. He could hear the midnight horse closing in on him all the way.

And how can I forget my own memories of being reared on **Cushaw**. I helped to pick up corn on the long bottom so I could ride in the corn sled, helping to hoe the corn and going back to get good cold ice water for the workers.

I will never forget my wonderful times of horseback riding with the Spurlock children. **No one ever wanted to ride behind, because there wasn't a saddle.**

The long bottom was a short cut to the railroad track for a quick access out. It was a stop to get good cold water from the hillside for anyone miles around. It was a walk path for neighbors just wanting to get away, sometimes just to socialize.

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The representative's continuous laughter of this shameful situation has even made me start to laugh at everything, including his election.

Let us only hope that his decisions in Frankfort have more depth than the ones he is recognized for locally.

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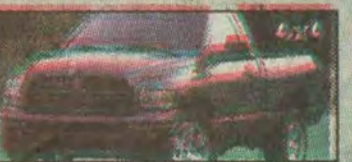
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## Little League meeting set for Dec. 6

Prestonsburg Little League will hold a meeting for officials, coaches and the general public on Monday, Dec. 6 at 8 p.m. For more information, call Johnny McKinney at 886-8602.

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## ACHS Panorama to include four games

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

**EASTERN** - Keeping with tradition, the Allen Central Panorama will be held tonight, the night before Thanksgiving. Before area high school basketball fans feast on turkey and all the fixings that go along with the Thanksgiving holiday meal, they can get their fill of roundball.

The host Allen Central High School boys' basketball team will not play in its own panorama. Instead, the Allen Central Middle School boys' basketball team will begin the event at 5 p.m. in a game against Beaver Creek, a team from nearby Knott County.

In the second game of the panorama, set for a 6:10 p.m. tip time, Betsy Layne is paired up against Portsmouth Clay, a team from Ohio. In the third game at 7:20 p.m., Prestonsburg will take on West Virginia power Tug Valley. In the nightcap at 8:30 p.m., South Floyd is pitted against defending All "A" State Champion Hazard.

Admission to the panorama is \$4 for adults and \$3 for students.

Games will consist of four seven-minute quarters. There will be a 10-minute warmup period before each game. Halftime for each game will be five minutes. A player who commits his sixth foul, must leave the game. The two-shot bonus will occur after the 10th foul of each half.

(See **PANORAMA**, page two)

## Pikeville, Belfry set to host state semifinal games

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Two Pike County high schools are set to host state semifinal football games. Only 16 Kentucky high school football teams remain in play. Pikeville and Belfry, two from Pike County, remain alive.

Just four teams in each of the four classes remain after week number three of the 2004 football playoffs. The eight teams that will advance to next week's State Football Finals will be decided this Friday night. Of the four teams in each of the four classes, there are just two teams that enter with perfect 13-0 marks on the season in Russell (AA) and Hopkinsville (AAA).

Both Pikeville and Belfry rallied to win regional championships. The Pirates came back to beat Prestonsburg and Pikeville rallied to beat visiting Williamsburg in overtime.

Log on to [www.khsaa.org/football](http://www.khsaa.org/football) to view the brackets. Scores will be posted on the KHSAA scoreboard as received Friday night.

Following is the schedule for next week's state football finals set for Dec. 3-4 at Papa John's Cardinal Stadium in Louisville.

**Friday, Dec. 3**  
Class A Championship 12 p.m. (ET);  
Class AA Championship 3:30 p.m. (ET)

**Saturday, Dec. 4**  
Class AAA Championship 11:30 a.m. (ET);  
Class AAAA Championship 3:30 p.m. (ET)

# Byron Hall scorches nets for 47 points

## ALC JV falls to Ohio Southern JV, beats Mayland CC



Byron Hall

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

**PIPPA PASSES** - The Alice Lloyd College men's basketball junior varsity team played two games last week. On Wednesday, Alice Lloyd traveled to Ironton,

Ohio to play Ohio Southern. South Floyd High School graduate Byron Hall led the way with 19 points in a game that the Eagles lost. Magoffin County High School Jason Arnett followed with 15 points.

Dustin Jones added nine

points and Travis Hacker tossed in eight. Nick Adams and Daniel Caudill flipped in three apiece. Dustin Allen and Justin Hipps added two each. Chase Hogg and Brent Newsome also played.

On Saturday, Mayland

Community College visited Alice Lloyd for a return game. The Eagles enacted some revenge for a loss suffered earlier. The JV Eagles battled their way to a 77-76 win. Hall led all scorers, toss-

(See **HALL**, page two)

## Spotlight on Allen Central Rebels



photos by Steve LeMaster

**ALLEN CENTRAL BOYS AT WORK** - Tuesday evening found the Allen Central High School boys' basketball team busy with practice. Above: Allen Central senior David Kilburn (14) pulled down a rebound as teammates looked on. Allen Central will host its annual panorama tonight. The Rebels won't be in action at home tonight, but will play on the road Saturday in South Floyd's annual panorama.



## Eagles blast Tenn. Wesleyan

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

**PIPPA PASSES** - The Alice Lloyd College men's basketball team ran its record to 4-3 Saturday with a 95-67 win over visiting Tennessee Wesleyan. Playing at home, Alice Lloyd jumped out to an early lead and led Tennessee Wesleyan 52-25 at the end of the first half. Visiting Tennessee Wesleyan played the host



Jeremy Daniels

(See **EAGLES**, page two)

## Lady Eagles drop home game

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

**PIPPA PASSES** - Looking to get on the winning track Saturday, the Alice Lloyd College women's basketball team came up short in a home game, falling to the Tennessee Wesleyan College women's team. Each team committed close to 30 turnovers, but Tennessee Wesleyan held a slight advantage in the rebounding department (36-31)



Devon Reynolds

and hit shots down the stretch to pull out an 80-62 win.

Three different players scored in double figures to pace Tennessee Wesleyan to the win. Amber Cook scored a game-high 19 points to lead the winning team. Kathryn Brock added 18 points for Tennessee Wesleyan.

Johnson Central High School graduate Rhonda Adams led Alice Lloyd in scoring with 13 points. Adams came in off the bench and sparked Alice Lloyd. Amy Jackson scored 12 points for the host Lady Eagles and point guard Devon Reynolds

(See **DROP**, page two)

## Last chance for fall turkey gun hunting

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

Kentucky turkey hunters will have a final week of hunting with a firearm December 4-10, 2004.

According to the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR), turkey hunters have taken close to 4,000 birds in the Commonwealth this fall during the October shotgun season

and on-going archery season.

KDFWR surveys regarding the success of the spring hatch indicate excellent results. Most of the birds harvested during the fall season are young turkeys, and when a good hatch occurs, usually more hunters are successful.

The harvest of a few thousand turkeys in the fall from an estimat-

ed 225,000 total turkey population is not expected to negatively impact the following spring gobbler season.

Natural winter mortality claims more wild turkeys than fall hunters. That's how nature works.

Hunters who want to give the last segment of the fall shotgun turkey

(See **HUNTING**, page two)

## No. 5 Houston Baptist remains unbeaten with win over PC

TIMES STAFF REPORT

**PIKEVILLE** - Fifth-ranked Houston Baptist University forced 27 turnovers and outrebounded Pikeville 46-33 to pick up a 78-54 win Saturday afternoon.

The game was the finale of the Gatti's Classic.

Houston Baptist (4-0) got a double-double from second-team All-American Jere Adams, who finished with 16 points and 10 rebounds. The senior from



Selena Williams

Missouri City, Texas, was also credited with five steals.

The Lady Huskies, a national semifinalist last season, also got 12 points from freshman Dominique Thomas, who hit 3-of-7 from the arc, and 10 points and six rebounds from senior Stephanie Stoglin.

Pikeville (2-4) was paced by senior Selena Williams, who finished with 22



Julie Yates

(See **REMAINS**, page two)

## Hamilton named Player of the Week

TIMES STAFF REPORT

**PIKEVILLE** - Pikeville College center David Hamilton has picked up the first player of the week nod of the season offered by the Mid-South Conference in men's basketball.



David Hamilton

Hamilton, a 6-9 senior from Los Angeles, was so honored this week when the league announcements were handed down.

Hamilton, who owns an SEC championship ring from his days at Auburn, led the Bears to their fifth win in as many games last Tuesday with an 85-68 decision at Spalding University. He scored 19 points on 8-of-15 shooting and also grabbed a dozen rebounds.

In addition, he had three steals, two assists and a blocked shot in the win.

It was the third double-double of the season for Hamilton, who has

four games each of double-figure scoring and rebounding this season.

Hamilton and the Bears will be back in action this weekend in the Thanksgiving Classic at the Pikeville College Gym. On Friday night, Georgetown will play Brevard (N.C.) at 6 p.m., followed by the Bears battling Strayer (D.C.) University at 8 p.m.

Three games will be played on Saturday, beginning at 2 p.m. when Georgetown meets Strayer. The men will take a break at 4 while the Lady Bears do battle with Union College. At 6 p.m., the Bears will meet Strayer.

### Panorama

There will be no one-and-one bonus. Each team will be allowed three 30-second timeouts. In case of a tie, there will be an immediate jump ball at center court, with the first team scoring a point declared the winner (sudden death.) All other game rules will apply.

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**ALLEN CENTRAL PANORAMA**  
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### Remains

markers thanks to 9-of-12 shooting. The Johnson Central product also hit all three of her three-point shots. HBU used its full-court pressure to wear Pikeville down. The Lady Bears turned it over 17 times before recess as the Lady Huskies built a 38-24 advantage. Sophomore Heather Dillon had

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eight for Pikeville off the bench. Houston Baptist didn't slack off when it went to its bench, including an eight-point, nine-board effort from sophomore Velencia Kuykendall. The Lady Bears were back in action last night, playing host to Midway College. Results were unavailable at press time.

### Hall

ing in 47 points and 16 rebounds. Hacker also finished in double figures, scoring 10 points. Newsome flipped in seven points and pulled down four rebounds. Arnett tossed in four points and yanked down five rebounds. Jones scored four points

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and pulled down six rebounds. Hogg chipped in three points; Allen pulled down two rebounds and Hipps anchored in six rebounds. Hall, who starred in both basketball and baseball at South Floyd High School, is also a member of the Alice Lloyd College baseball team.

### Eagles

Eagles closer in the second half, but couldn't close the gap established in the first half. K.J. Waterman led Alice Lloyd with 19 points and nine rebounds. Four different Eagles scored in double figures. Jeremy Daniels scored 13 points. Jeremy Jackson and Shannon Akers each had 11 points. Tim Parks got into double figures, scoring 10 points. Every Alice Lloyd player that played scored. Jimmy Stumbo chipped in

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eight points and Winston Lee added six. Jordan Kidd pushed in five points and Shawn Newsome netted four. Four different Alice Lloyd players scored two points apiece. Zach Conner led Tennessee Wesleyan in scoring with 21 points. He was the only player from the visiting team to score in double figures. Alice Lloyd outrebounded Tennessee Wesleyan 40-31. The Eagles, as a team, pulled down 28 defensive rebounds.

### Drop

(Betsy Layne HS) added eight. Whitney Lykens (Betsy Layne HS) and Shannon Sizemore (Allen Central HS) each had five. Tennessee Wesleyan hit six-of-21 three-point field goal attempts and host Alice Lloyd knocked down three-of-14 tries.

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Both the Alice Lloyd men's and women's basketball teams were back in action last night, playing on the road at Appalachian Athletic Conference rival Union College. Results from both games were unavailable at press time.

### Hunting

season a try are reminded that a hunting license and fall gun turkey permit is required. There is a two-bird season limit. Either sex may be taken. Hunters who have already taken a turkey during the October portion of the fall gun turkey season are only eligible to take one more turkey during the December segment of the season.

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in by calling (800) 245-4263 by midnight of the day the bird is harvested. A telecheck confirmation number, given at the conclusion of the call, must be recorded on the hunter harvest log found on the back of a hunting license or turkey permit.

Complete information on fall turkey hunting in Kentucky is available in the Kentucky Hunting Guide for Fall 2004 and Spring 2005. This publication can be obtained from any license outlet, or from the KDFWR Information Center by calling (800) 858-1549 weekdays 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Eastern. The Kentucky fall archery turkey season will conclude with the close of the fall archery deer season after Monday, January 17, 2005.

# Hendrick just misses sixth title in 10 years

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOMESTEAD, Fla. – The chance to see anguished owner Rick Hendrick accept a championship at NASCAR's season-ending ceremony made Jimmie Johnson and Jeff Gordon want the series title even more. Johnson and Gordon each led the Nextel Cup points race at various times during Sunday's season-ending Ford 400, yet neither could finish the job and deliver Hendrick Motorsports another championship.

Johnson ended the year in second place, eight points behind winner Kurt Busch, with Gordon in third, 16 back.

"It's a disappointment, no matter what," said Gordon, who narrowly missed becoming the third NASCAR driver to win five series titles.

"But knowing we had an opportunity to do something really special like that made it that much more meaningful – so it also makes it that much more disappointing."

Hendrick was at the race, watching his teams for the first time since an Oct. 24 plane crash near Martinsville, Va., killed 10, including his son, his brother, two nieces and employees.

Had either Johnson or Gordon won the series crown, it would have been Hendrick's sixth title in 20 years as a NASCAR owner.

It certainly wouldn't soothe Hendrick's pain, but probably would have eased it, if only for a moment.

"For the loss of so many people that were there, it's amazing that we were able to finish where we did and have the comeback that we did," said Johnson, who won four of five races before Sunday's finale. "I wish we could have gotten the job done, but we can go to bed tonight knowing that we gave 100 percent, that we gave everything we could."

The revamped NASCAR scoring system – a 10-race chase

to the finish among the top 10 drivers – was designed with the hopes of adding extra intrigue to the season's final races, and its inaugural run delivered.

Five drivers came to Homestead with a chance to claim the Nextel Cup title, four seeking their first championship.

Dale Earnhardt Jr. and Mark Martin both realistically needed to win the race and hope that Busch, Johnson and Gordon all finished well back. That didn't happen.

Johnson finished second, Gordon third and Busch fifth – resulting in the tightest championship race in NASCAR history.

Martin was 11th Sunday and fourth in final points; Earnhardt was 23rd in the last race, fifth for the year.

"The car was really good at one point, but from there on out it was the worst car I ever drove," Earnhardt said.

With 75 laps to go, Busch, Gordon and Johnson were separated in the title chase by only two points – and Martin loomed just 23 points behind Busch.

Martin fell to 26th place when he pitted for a flat tire on lap 229, a problem that sent him 96 points behind the three chase leaders and ended his chances.

"With the way things turned out, the best we could have done was fourth, and we did that," Martin said.

Johnson led the series with eight wins this year, but will spend the next few months wondering how to get eight points better.

"If it's meant to be, it's meant to be," Johnson said. "And it wasn't in the cards for us this year."

The race went down to the wire, just as NASCAR hoped. A green-flag restart for four extra laps capped the season, with Gordon in third, Johnson fourth and Busch fifth.

There wasn't much either of the challengers could do at that point, and Busch hung on for the title.

"It wasn't our day, boys," Gordon said over his team radio moments after the race ended. "It wasn't our year. But we made a hell of an effort. Now we'll go back and try to get them next year."

## Campbellsville coach quits after two seasons

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CAMPBELLSVILLE – Campbellsville University football coach Mark Peach resigned Tuesday after two seasons at the school, the university said.

Peach said in a statement he appreciated the chance to coach at his alma mater. "I feel at this time it is best for me and my family if I go in a different

direction," Peach said.

Peach is a 1993 graduate of Campbellsville and former offensive lineman for the Tigers. He led Campbellsville to a 6-5 record this season and a 15-7 overall record during the last two seasons.

Rusty Hollingsworth, Campbellsville athletics director, said the search for a new coach would start immediately.

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Russell at Belfry
- Class 1A**  
Beechwood at Pikeville  
Mayfield at Danville



Dylan Daniel, a sophomore, recently completed a second varsity season of play for the East Jessamine High School football team. Daniel, originally from Johnson County, excelled for East Jessamine, playing tight end and defensive end for the Jaguars.

**Williams sisters face each other in tennis exhibition**

**THE ASSOCIATED PRESS** Venus' serve has topped 127 miles per hour. Known mostly for her supermodel looks, Kournikova has not played competitive tennis in 18 months because of injuries. "I haven't played much lately," Kournikova said. The players said they appreciated the casual pace of the exhibition. "You play looser," Venus Williams said. "All of your shots go in." The fundraising event benefitted several charities, including the Tubby Smith Foundation, the Jamal Mashburn Excel Scholarship Fund and The Owl Foundation, a charity founded by Williams' mother, Oracene Price.

LEXINGTON — Serena Williams and Anna Kournikova defeated Venus Williams and Brenda Schultz-McCarthy 6-3 in the Lexus Tennis Challenge at Rupp Arena Sunday. Venus won a singles match with Kournikova 6-3, 6-2, during the exhibition, which raised money for several charities. Venus took four straight games to win the first set 6-3. Kournikova took a brief lead in the second set before Venus used her powerful serve. In the second set, Kournikova handed over her racket to a fan, giving him a chance to return Williams' serve. He swung and missed.

**Porter beats McDowell**

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

The McDowell Grade School boys' basketball team hit the road Monday night, traveling to neighboring Johnson County to take on host Porter Elementary. The Dare Devils ran into a tough and formidable foe. Porter jumped out to an early lead and played its way to a 47-21 win. D.J. Ousley led Porter in scoring with a game-high 12 points. James Chafins scored 10 points and Dwayne Burchett added eight points. Michael Powers, Seth Daniels and Shane Auxier all scored three points each. Greg Bowen and Andrew Skeens finished with two apiece. Josh Hall scored on a free throw. Brandon Marson paced

McDowell with 11 points. Cartney Conn added four points. McKay Tackett, Cory Thornsberry and Cameron Hamilton all had two points each. McDowell 27, Wesley 12. In a game played on Friday, McDowell beat Wesley Christian 27-12. Marson scored 15 points and Zach Howell flipped in five. Logan Burke, Cartney Conn and McKay Tackett all had two points. Blake Dean scored on a free throw. MCA 34, Wesley Christian 22. Wesley Christian battled tough, but fell to Mountain Christian Academy (MCA).

Jackson Osborne led MCA to the win, scoring 13 points. Shane Poynter followed with 11 points. Tyler Hall scored six points, while teammates Tyler Hall and Matthew Ison netted two each. Zak Key led Wesley Christian with 12 points. Key also led the Circuit Riders in rebounding. Brian Stratton added seven points and Jordan Hall chipped in two. K.P. Hastings scored for Wesley Christian on a free throw. Tyler Harmon and Jonathan Ball also played for Wesley Christian. Wesley Christian was back in action last night, playing on the road at Porter Elementary in Johnson County in a round-robin tournament. Results were unavailable at press time.



Logan Burke



Blake Dean



Brandon Marson



photos by Jamie Howell  
Prestonsburg Junior Basketball got its start Saturday with games being held at Adams Middle School. The league, which consists of players from Floyd and surrounding counties, runs into the month of February. More photos from this past Saturday's games will appear in Friday's edition.

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# Iowa 76, No. 12 Louisville 71

by JIM O'CONNELL  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LAHAINA, Hawaii — Iowa stayed close in the first half against Louisville on Monday in the opening round of the Maui Invitational. The Hawkeyes dominated the next 20 minutes.

Jeff Horner scored 11 points in a 4 1/2-minute span of the second half, part of a nine-minute stretch when Iowa held No. 12



Rick Pitino

Louisville without a field goal, and the Hawkeyes went on to a 76-71 victory.

"I thought in the second half we performed extremely well," Iowa coach Steve Alford said. "I thought our defense went to another level and we executed offensively."

That happened after a challenge from the coach to his players.

"At halftime I told them we were down four points to a team that shot 61 percent. I told them they weren't going to shoot 61 percent again so we had to step up, concentrate and play defense," Alford said. "I really challenged Jeff, Adam (Haluska) and Pierre (Pierce). I wouldn't trade those three guys for anybody and I thought in the first half they weren't them-

selves. They did what we knew they would, they responded to the challenge."

Now Iowa (2-0) will play No. 15 Texas in the semifinals on Tuesday. The Longhorns (2-0) beat Chaminade 84-62 on Monday.

Juan Palacios scored inside with 11:39 to play to give Louisville (1-1) a 48-42 lead. That was the Cardinals' last field goal for nine minutes as Iowa went up 67-56. Louisville missed 10 shots in that span and managed just eight points, all on free throws.

"Give them all the credit, they played a much better second half," Louisville coach Rick Pitino said. "We played a good first half and then did not run our offense efficiently, did not get as much enjoyment out of

our passing and they did a much better job on defense in the second half."

Meanwhile, Horner, who finished with 18 points and six assists, went on his own scoring binge. The 6-foot-3 junior hit a 3-pointer with 11:18 left and added two more in his 11-point run. Both of those gave Iowa the lead, the second for good at 55-52 with 7:39 to play.

"We knew we needed something and as one of our leaders I felt I had to step up," Horner said. "Once I hit those shots I could feel everybody step up, especially on defense."

The Hawkeyes got the lead up to 11 points before Larry O'Bannon finally hit a shot for Louisville, a jumper that made it 67-58 with 2:39 to play.

Louisville led 37-33 at halftime and neither team was up by more than six points until Iowa's defense forced Louisville's drought. The Hawkeyes did a good job on the perimeter and inside. By denying baskets, they never allowed Louisville to set up its press.

"If you don't rotate early enough on Horner he'll kill you and we could not defend their dribble penetration," Pitino said. "He killed us with some big shots."

Pierce added 16 points for Iowa and Greg Brunner had 13 points and 10 rebounds. Haluska had 14 points for Iowa and was 7-for-9 from the free-throw line while the rest of the team went 17-for-29. Erik Hansen had six rebounds and five blocked shots for Iowa.

"Our bigs stepped up," said Brunner, one of Iowa's front-court players. "We took it to heart. We're not as big or as tall as they are but I thought we played a big game."

Francisco Garcia had 17 points for the Cardinals, who finished 7-for-23 from 3-point range. Ellis Myles added 12 points and eight rebounds.

"We didn't pass the ball very well," Garcia said. "We weren't focused on offense and we tried to do too much for ourselves."

This was the second straight season Iowa beat Louisville in an early matchup. The Hawkeyes won 70-69 in overtime last year in the John Wooden Tradition.

Iowa won this tournament, sponsored by EA Sports, in 1987.

## Eastern Kentucky 73, Dayton 66

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DAYTON, Ohio — Michael Haney had 20 points and eight rebounds, pacing four players in double figures in Eastern Kentucky's 73-66 win over Dayton on Sunday.

Matt Witt backed Haney with 17 points and five assists for the Colonels, who harassed Dayton into shooting 35 percent from the field. Zach Ingles

made four 3-pointers and finished with 14 points.

Monty Scott led Dayton with 14 points.

Eastern Kentucky took control early in the season opener for both teams. Julian Mascoll's basket with 12:28 left in the first half gave the Colonels a 22-17 lead and sparked a 13-2 run.

Ingles capped the run with a 3-pointer to give Eastern

Kentucky a 33-19 lead.

The Flyers got within eight on a free throw by Trent Meacham in the second half, but Haney made a jumper and Darnell Dials hit two free throws to increase the advantage to 59-47 with 6:09 left.

Brian Roberts came off the bench to score 10 points in 17 minutes for Dayton.

Eastern Kentucky's Jason McLeish had 13 points.

## No. 9 Kentucky 77, Coppin State 46

by MURRAY EVANS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — After a season on the sideline, Kentucky's Patrick Sparks celebrated his return to the basketball court.

Sparks and Rajon Rondo — Kentucky's new starting guards — combined for 21 points and led a strong defensive effort to help the ninth-ranked Wildcats beat Coppin State 77-46 on Saturday in the season opener for both teams.

Chuck Hayes added 12 points and 13 rebounds for the Wildcats, who are 87-15 in home openers, including 26-3 in Rupp Arena.

One of those three losses came three years ago to Western Kentucky — Sparks' former team. Sparks played two seasons for the Hilltoppers, then sat out last season after transferring to Kentucky.

"That's in the past and is something I had to go through,"

Sparks said. "It feels good playing in a real game."

Sparks scored nine of his 12 points in the first half, when Kentucky took a 40-18 lead. He also added five rebounds and three assists with just one turnover in 21 minutes of action.

"Sparks hit some jump shots early and put us in a different mode," Coppin State coach Ron "Fang" Mitchell said.

Sparks and Rondo — one of four heralded Kentucky freshmen — keyed a defensive effort that forced 22 Coppin State turnovers. Rondo finished with nine points and five steals.

"He was outstanding on and off the ball," Kentucky coach Tubby Smith said.

Coppin State played without Kelvin Green, the team's top returning scorer, who is a Seventh-day Adventist and observes the Sabbath from sundown Friday until sundown Saturday. The game started at 4 p.m. EST.

Green's presence probably wouldn't have made much of a difference for the Eagles of the Mid-Eastern Athletic

Conference. Unlike last season, when Kentucky struggled to put away another MEAC team, Florida A&M, in the first round of the NCAA tournament, the Wildcats had no trouble Saturday.

"All they did was play Kentucky basketball," Mitchell said. "It was a rare time to see my team play with fear."

Kentucky went just 11-of-32 from the field in the first half, but made 6-of-13 3-pointers — including three by Sparks — to seize control.

During the first 12 minutes, Coppin State missed 11 of 12 shots and committed eight turnovers to fall behind 22-6.

Kentucky opened the second half with a 10-2 run that included three dunks by Rondo — one off an alley-oop pass from Sparks — that put the Wildcats up 50-20. They led by as many as 40 down the stretch.

Antwan Harrison led Coppin State with eight points and five rebounds. The Eagles went just 1-of-12 from 3-point range and shot 33 percent from the field.



Patrick Sparks



Rajon Rondo

## Busch battles down to the wire for Nextel Cup championship

by JENNA FRYER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOMESTEAD, Fla. — Kurt Busch struggled mightily with an oversized champagne bottle, trying with all his strength to pry the cork out and begin his NASCAR championship celebration.

He tugged at it, and banged the bottle against the championship podium. Nothing worked. The cork wouldn't budge, and he eventually gave up.

It was the only obstacle Busch couldn't overcome in the Chase for the Nextel Cup Championship.

Busch wrapped up his first career title Sunday at Homestead-Miami Speedway the same way he raced for all 10 of the playoff races: He stayed calm at every speed bump — including a freak mishap when his wheel broke and his tire sailed off the car midway through the Ford 400.

"It's unbelievable to be able to put such an effort into what it takes to make a championship caliber team," Busch said. "Many things have to fall into place."

That they do, especially under a radically new format started this season and designed to add drama to what had become a series of lackluster championship battles.

With runaway winners the past few years, new NASCAR chairman Brian France began his first season at the helm by shaking up a points system that had been used for more than two decades. He put the title up for grabs among 10 drivers who had to compete over the final 10 events of the year.

The idea was to create a battle that came down to the final lap of the final race.

Boy, did he succeed. Busch, Jeff Gordon and Jimmie Johnson jockeyed for position for every one of the 271 laps. Every spot was critical, every point furiously calculated by their car owners and crew chiefs.

When the race went into overtime because a late caution made it impossible to finish in the original 267 laps, everyone strapped in for what was sure to be a wild shootout to the end.

The contenders stacked up in a line, fender-to-fender, knowing what was at stake. Gordon was in third, Johnson was in fourth and Busch in fifth.

Busch's part was easy — stay out of trouble over the final four laps and the title was his.

Gordon and Johnson, who came into the race trailing Busch in the standings, knew they had to do much more: One of them needed to win the race to wrap up the title.

The field got the green flag, and the desperation was obvious in Gordon and Johnson, teammates and the closest of friends. Their Chevrolets darted to the bottom of the track, then back to the top, each looking for the tiniest bit of room to squeeze through. Johnson found a hole and skyrocketed past Gordon.

Neither of them saw Greg Biffle, Busch's teammate, race past them and steadily pull away.

With Biffle stealing the win they needed, and Busch staying pat in fifth place, the championship was over.

Busch, a 26-year-old Las Vegas native considered an outsider in the NASCAR world, drove off with the title.

"We beat the best of the best over 10 races, and to have my

name along the best names in history, it means so much to me," Busch said.

An aggressive, talented driver in NASCAR's new wave of "young guns," Busch is a deserving champion, if not a popular one.

He made it to the top quickly, removing his training wheels early and skipping several steps along the way. It made him rough around the edges and his immaturity was evident many times.

Busch famously feuded with veteran driver Jimmy Spencer, and it boiled over last year when Spencer punched him in the face after a race in Michigan.

Spencer got suspended for one race, but Busch was labeled the villain.

He was criticized for baiting Spencer before the punch, lampooned for threatening to press assault charges and vilified for refusing to take any blame.

When he stepped out of the car in Victory Lane one week later at Bristol Motor Speedway, the boos were so loud and so menacing, it brought Busch to tears.

So he stopped talking so much, stopped being so candid and focused only on racing.

It was the perfect approach as he slipped into the playoffs under the radar, then turned it up over the stretch.

Nothing could stop him. Not a blown motor in Atlanta, not spinning out in Kansas, not wrecking in Charlotte, not even a wheel falling off in the biggest race of his life.

"This is what a team does to win a championship — they persevere," Busch said. "All year long, we've done things like this. Whether we put ourselves in a hole or whether we had a small problem."

returned one for a touchdown against Jacksonville State.

Crowe led Jacksonville State to a second straight OVC title and a playoff berth. The 13th-ranked Gamecocks went 10-1 and led the league in 14 statistical categories, and they also ranked in the top 10 nationally in six categories.

Donald Chapman of Tennessee-Martin was named the league's first freshman of the year.

He ranked fourth in the OVC and 16th nationally in rushing, averaging 108.4 yards per game. He was the school's first 1,000-yard rusher in 16 years and had a school record 1,084 yards.

yards per game, and he improved his own school record with 1,739 yards as he topped the 1,700-yard mark for a second straight season.

The 5-foot-11, 195-pound senior also had 318 yards receiving and ranked third in the nation with an all-purpose average of 187 yards per game. He ran for at least one touchdown in all but one game this season and is a finalist for the Walter Payton Award for Division I-AA's top offensive player.

Rivers is a first-team All-OVC pick for a third straight year, and the 6-foot, 230-pound senior averaged 8.8 tackles a game for a total of 97. He also recovered two fumbles and

## Lady Bulldogs need overtime to edge Milligan, 72-70

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BARBOURVILLE — Despite getting off to a slow start, Union College posted a 72-70 overtime victory over visiting Milligan College in Appalachian Athletic Conference women's basketball action Saturday.

"Not a pretty game, but that was due to good defense by both teams," said Union coach Tim Curry. "It came down to whoever could make a play at the end of the game, and fortunately, we were able to get it done."

Trailing 34-26 at the half, the Lady Bulldogs (5-1 overall, 1-1 AAC) opened the second half on a 9-0 to grab a one-point advantage. Union built a 48-40 lead with 11:25 remaining, but Milligan's Kari Stout capped an 8-0 run to even the score at 48 with 7:50 left. Another bucket by Stout put the

Lady Buffaloes up two, but Union rallied and reclaimed 59-55 lead after a Ashley Bohanan (Lafayette, Tenn.) basket at the 3:37 mark.

Milligan pulled within one when Andrea Whitehead (Annville) was fouled with 14 seconds left. She hit one-of-two, making it 64-62. Stout set up a Leah SeEVERS basket at the buzzer, tying the game at 64 and forcing overtime.

In overtime, Dawn Davidson (Somerset) scored to put Union up 66-64, and the Lady Bulldogs never relinquished the lead although they never led by more than four points. Up 71-70, Andra Jones (Somerset) went to line for two shots, making one for a 72-70 lead with 25 seconds to go. Milligan's Ginny White got a shot off as time expired, but it was no good, giving Union the win.

Davidson paced Union with 15 points with Jennifer Cornett (Richmond) adding 13.

For Milligan (2-3 overall, 1-1 AAC), Stout netted 14 points, while Kacie Letterman scored 12.

In the first half, Union struggled as it shot 27.5 percent (11 of 40 shots) from the floor and 20 percent (3 of 15) from 3-point range. Milligan, meanwhile, hit 15-of-38 shots (39.5 percent) en route to a 34-26 halftime lead.

Union finished the game making 34.2 percent (27 of 79) from the field and 23.3 percent (7 of 30) from long range. Milligan went 32.0 percent (24 of 75) from the floor and 30.0 percent (6 of 20) from behind the arc.

The Lady Bulldogs hosted Alice Lloyd last night. Results were unavailable at press time.

## Anthony named OVC offensive player of year

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BRENTWOOD, Tenn. — Tennessee State running back Charles Anthony earned honors Tuesday as the Ohio Valley Conference's offensive player of the year, while Eastern Kentucky linebacker Justin Rivers was named the league's defensive player of the year.

Jack Crowe of Jacksonville State was honored as the league's coach of the year, and his league champions had an OVC-high five players on the All-OVC team as selected by coaches and sports information directors.

Anthony led the nation in rushing average with 158.1

## Columbia 76, Morehead St. 58

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Matt Preston scored 17 points to lead Columbia to a 76-58 victory over Morehead State on Saturday night in the championship game of the Columbia Classic.

Ben Nwachukwu added 10

points and a game-high seven rebounds for the Lions (2-0).

Quinton Smith led the Eagles (1-1) with 20 points, Josh Reed had 13 and Chad McKnight 10.

Preston, the tournament MVP, scored eight points in the first half to help lead the Lions (2-0) to a 41-30 halftime lead. His consecutive 3-pointers gave

Columbia a 51-34 lead with 15:24 remaining.

Morehead State held several early leads before Dalen Cuff's 3-pointer broke a 21-21 tie with 9:07 left in the first half, putting the Lions ahead to stay.

Mount St. Mary's defeated Longwood 78-55 in the consolation game.

## University of Kentucky offensive coordinator Hudson resigns

by MURRAY EVANS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Citing Kentucky's poor performance this season, offensive coordinator Ron Hudson resigned Monday, six days before the Wildcats end their football season at Tennessee.

Hudson's resignation was effective immediately.

"Because of the turmoil surrounding my future and the lack of production within the offense, I feel it would be in the best interest of the program that I relinquish my position at the University of Kentucky," Hudson said in a statement released by the university.

"This resignation will allow the players and everyone associated with the program to establish a renewed excitement for the 2005 football season."

Ron Hudson

Hudson joined Kentucky head coach Rich Brooks' staff in January 2003, shortly after Brooks was hired. He came to Kentucky after a successful eight-year run at Kansas State, six of those as the offensive coordinator. Kansas State went to a bowl game during each of those seasons, and led NCAA Division I-A in scoring in 1998.

But Kentucky's offense has sputtered this season. Among 117 Division I-A teams, the Wildcats (2-8, 1-6 Southeastern Conference) rank No. 114 in total offense and No. 115 in scoring offense.

Brooks didn't address Hudson's departure during his regularly scheduled media conference Monday morning, but the university issued a statement from Brooks after the resignation was announced.

"I have nothing but great respect and admiration for Ron Hudson as a coach and a person," Brooks said. "Although our offensive numbers were not what any of us expected, that doesn't diminish the fact that Ron Hudson is an outstanding football coach."

Brooks said that wide

receivers coach Joker Phillips and running backs coach Ron Caragher will coach the quarterbacks this week, and that Phillips and offensive line coach Paul Dunn, with input from Brooks, will call the plays against Tennessee. Brooks said Hudson's successor will be named later.

Brooks said earlier this month that he wanted his entire coaching staff to remain intact for next season, and that if he was forced to make a change among his assistants, that "somebody can replace me."

Brooks called Hudson's decision "unselfish" and said it "speaks to the type of person he is. This is not something I wanted, but after he explained to me his reasoning, I reluctantly agreed with his conclusion."

Hudson began his coaching career in 1969 at California, and has served as an assistant at Stanford, Oregon, UCLA, Notre Dame, Illinois and Ohio State, in addition to Kansas State and Kentucky. He also spent a season as an assistant with the Memphis Showboats of the United States Football League.

## Hilltoppers earn at-large playoff bid

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOWLING GREEN — Western Kentucky has received an at-large bid to the NCAA Div. I-AA championship tournament.

The Hilltoppers won the I-AA championship in 2002.

Western Kentucky (9-2, 6-1

Gateway Conference) will face Sam Houston State Saturday in Huntsville, Texas, in one of eight first-round games.

The Hilltoppers enter the playoffs with a five-game winning streak after beating Florida International 35-14 Saturday.

"It's a great honor to be in

the 16-team field, especially when you look back at the beginning of the year when a lot of folks questioned whether we would be in a position to qualify for the postseason," head coach David Elson said.

Western Kentucky defeated McNeese State 34-14 in the 2002 Div. I-AA championship game.

## Drake 20, Morehead St. 17

The Associated Press

MOREHEAD — Freshman Scott Phaydavong rushed for 178 yards and scored a touchdown as Drake beat Morehead State 20-17 to win the Pioneer Football League championship Saturday.

Phaydavong had an 82-yard touchdown run to put the Bulldogs (10-2) ahead 7-0 with 8:20 left in the first quarter. His rushing total was a record for the Pioneer League championship game.

A field goal by Tyler

McGlade late in the third quarter extended Drake's lead to 20-3.

Drake would need all of those points against Morehead (6-6). Eagles quarterback Tyler Cvitkovic threw a pair of fourth quarter touchdowns a 9-yarder to Jabarbi McGee with 4:10 left and a 14-yard pass to Tyler Slone with 28 seconds left. After the scoring pass to Slone, Dana Calhoun caught the 2-point conversion to get Morehead State to within 20-17.

Drake recovered an onside kick and ran off the clock to

seal the win.

The Bulldogs had 222 rushing yards and 157 passing yards while the Eagles had a season-high 340 passing yards and managed only 71 yards on the ground.

Cvitkovic finished 26 of 45 for 340 yards and two scores and one interception.

Phaydavong has rushed for 1,539 yards this season and leads all freshman running backs at the NCAA I-AA level.

It was Morehead State's third straight loss in the Pioneer League championship game.

## Another undefeated season, but far from perfect for Oklahoma

by STEPHEN HAWKINS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WACO, Texas — Oklahoma is far from finished after another undefeated regular season.

The No. 2 Sooners (11-0, 8-0 Big 12) were at the same point last year without a loss, but lost two straight championship games: the Big 12 and then the BCS title-deciding Sugar Bowl.

"It's gratifying, but we realize the biggest prizes are still out there that we're after. We're aware of that," coach Bob Stoops said. "It's a great road to pursue ... we'll keep doing the best we can."

Oklahoma completed its 19th undefeated regular season and third in six years under Stoops with a 35-0 win Saturday at Baylor. That apparently will be good enough to keep them No. 2 when the new Bowl Championship Series rankings come out Monday.

In the new Associated Press Top 25 on Sunday, the Sooners were alone at No. 2, just five points ahead of Auburn (11-0) a week after they were tied in the poll. The Sooners' margin in the coaches' poll doubled — from two to four points.

Southern California (10-0) is No. 1 in all the polls.

But the Sooners aren't concerned about polls or the BCS. Their primary focus is the Big 12 championship game Dec. 4 in Kansas City, against Iowa

State or Colorado.

"Last year, we went into the Big 12 championship with all those guys up for those awards. We were dubbed the best team that ever played," said defensive end Larry Birdine, who forced a fumble and had three of the Sooners' season-high seven sacks against Baylor. "This year, knowing we didn't finish it motivated us."

The Sooners have won 23 straight regular-season games. What they remember more are the two straight losses that soured last season.

"Our guys, nobody is more aware of that than they are," Stoops said. "It is something that has been on their minds since two-a-days — finishing."

Oklahoma scored a quick touchdown to start last year's Big 12 championship game against Kansas State. But the Sooners didn't score again and lost 35-7.

"We left something in Kansas City last year that we want to go back and get," Heisman Trophy quarterback Jason White said. "It's going to be great for our team. We think about what happened last year at Kansas City, and we don't want it to happen again."

Even after losing in the Big 12 title game last year, Oklahoma remained No. 2 in the BCS and got to play in the Sugar Bowl, and lost 21-14 to LSU.

The Sooners won't be as fortunate this year if they

can't win in the Big 12 game, especially if USC and Auburn stay undefeated.

"We know we can only do one thing, that's go out and win on Saturdays," White said. "We can't help who people want to vote No. 2, that's not up to us. All we can do is go out and win, and that's what we've done."

USC has games left the next two weekends against Notre Dame and UCLA, but the Pac 10 doesn't have a championship game. Auburn's only game before the bowl pairings is the SEC championship game on Dec. 4.

Adrian Peterson matched an NCAA record for freshmen with his 10th 100-yard game, running for 240 yards with three touchdowns on 32 carries against Baylor. It was his third 200-yard game, and just short of his career-best 249 against Oklahoma State.

Peterson had a 49-yard run on the first play of the second half, then had a 14-yard gain before his 1-yard score. Peterson also ended the next two Sooners drives with touchdowns, a 2-yarder on his last carry with 11:29 left making it 35-0.

The Sooners, five-TD favorites, led just 14-0 at halftime after White threw a 10-yard TD to Travis Wilson with 21 seconds left. White was 19-of-32 for 194 yards with two touchdowns and no interceptions. He's thrown 183 passes — and 17 touchdowns — since his last interception six games ago.

# Ohio State 37, No. 7 Michigan 21

by RUSTY MILLER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Ohio State swept its troubles away for at least a day.

Quarterback Troy Smith ran for 145 yards, Ted Ginn Jr. set school and Big Ten records with his fourth punt return touchdown of the season and the Buckeyes upset No. 7 Michigan 37-21 on Saturday.

The loss kept the Wolverines (9-2, 7-1) from clinching an outright Big Ten title and may have cost them a return visit to the Rose Bowl, pending the outcome of Wisconsin's game at Iowa later Saturday. The Wolverines had won their last 13 conference games. They needed Iowa to beat the Badgers later Saturday to earn a second straight Rose Bowl berth.

Ohio State's fourth season under coach Jim Tressel has been a tough one. The Buckeyes started the Big Ten season with three straight losses and plummeted out of the rankings. Just when things started looking better on the field, problems arose off.

Two weeks ago former Ohio State star Maurice Clarett accused Tressel, his staff and Buckeyes boosters of giving him and other players improper benefits. An NCAA investigation is about to begin.

But it's never a bad day in Columbus when Ohio State beats Michigan.

Smith led the way with his best game, yet. He had never run for more than 62 yards nor passed for more 192 since relieving the injured Justin Zwick in midseason. On a day where little went wrong for

Ohio State (7-4, 4-4), he carried 18 times and came up just one yard short of tying a school record for yards rushing by a quarterback. He also completed 13 of 23 passes for 241 yards and two touchdowns without an interception or a sack.

Ginn, the freshman wide-out with the sprinter's gait, gathered a punt at his own 18 midway through the third quarter with the Buckeyes up 20-14. He broke a tackle and went into overdrive for an 82-yard touchdown. His fourth return for a score this year matched the NCAA mark.

After the Wolverines scored on two impressive second-quarter drives, Ohio State's defense dominated for the most of the rest of the day.

Not that there weren't some anxious moments. After the Buckeyes took a 34-14 lead on Smith's second touchdown pass, a 12-yard bullet to Antonio Holmes late in the third quarter, Michigan drove to the Ohio State 8. But Chad Henne's pass was picked off at the 1 by Ashton Youboty.

The Wolverines came right back to cut into the lead on Braylon Edwards' 38-yard over-the-shoulder grab from Henne. Twice in the final moments, however, they were unable to convert fourth-down plays to keep drives alive and Henne was picked off again by Nate Salley.

Michigan, averaging 165 yards rushing a game, was limited to 71. Henne's first-year running mate in the backfield, Big Ten rushing leader Mike Hart, finished with just 61 yards on 18 carries.

Henne completed 27 of 54

passes for 328 yards and two touchdowns with two interceptions. Edwards had 11 catches for 172 yards.

Ohio State led 20-14 at the half and could easily have led by more. The Buckeyes had a first and goal at the Michigan 2 midway through the second quarter but three runs netted a yard and a pass to Holmes was broken up by Marlin Jackson on fourth down.

The Wolverines were unable to get out of the hole on the ensuing possession and had to punt, the Buckeyes taking over at the Michigan 32 after Ginn's 13-yard punt return in tight quarters. Smith avoided a collapsing pocket for a 15-yard gain to the 1, but three running plays lost three yards and on fourth down Tressel elected to take the sure three points on a 21-yard field goal by Mike Nugent, his first of three field goals.

The Buckeyes struck first on the game's fifth play from scrimmage, Smith heaving a long pass that Anthony Gonzalez caught before streaking to the end zone past a fallen Ernest Shazor.

Michigan came right back with Henne connecting with Jason Avant on a 4-yard scoring pass. Hart's 1-yard plunge made it 14-7.

Ohio State scored 13 straight points in the second quarter, with Smith burrowing in on a 2-yard keeper for a touchdown to regain the lead.

The game was similar to three years ago at The Big House when Ohio State came in at 6-4 and stunned No. 11 Michigan 26-20.

## Louisville can win C-USA with a win over Cincinnati

by MALCOLM C. KNOX  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — With a win over Houston Saturday, No. 7 Louisville claimed at least a share of the Conference USA championship. But it wasn't enough.

"We definitely want to be greedy and have it all to ourselves," senior cornerback Antoine Harris said Monday.

Louisville can win the title outright Saturday by defeating Cincinnati in the team's final home game of the season.

The Cardinals (8-1, 6-0 C-USA) held their No. 10 position in the latest Bowl Championship Series rankings, but were skipped over by Miami, which beat Wake Forest; and Georgia, which did not play last weekend but lost to No. 3 Auburn, Nov. 13.

Teams from outside the BCS conferences — like Louisville — need to finish in the top six of the final BCS standings to guarantee a spot in one of the four \$14 million bowl games.

Louisville coach Bobby Petrino said Monday he can't worry about rankings and his main concern is beating Cincinnati.

The Louisville-Cincinnati winner will take home the Keg of Nails rivalry trophy. Louisville has won five of the last six meetings, including a 43-40 win last season in Cincinnati.

Of course, the Bearcats (6-4, 5-2) have different plans. Since losing four of its first six games, Cincinnati has won four in a

row, including a 39-point victory over Memphis. That's the same Memphis team that played Louisville tough before losing 56-49 three weeks ago.

"That's what we want," Harris said. "Playing how we're playing right now, a lot of teams come out and really give us their best effort, so we expect nothing less."

Cardinal fans could be treated to another offensive spectacle, as both starting quarterbacks, Louisville's Stefan LeFors and Cincinnati's Gino Guidugli, threw for more than 300 yards each in their most recent games.

Guidugli has thrown for 1,022 yards and 12 touchdowns during the Bearcats' current win streak. He is one touchdown pass away from tying the school single-season record of 25.

Petrino credited the Bearcats' running game for Guidugli's success. In their first six games, the Bearcats ran the ball an average of 39 times per game for 177 yards. In the last four, they've averaged 48 carries for 204 yards.

"The more they ran the ball, the better Gino got, and their protection got," Petrino said. "They've been able to keep him pretty clean. ... We've got to be able to get some pressure on him and disrupt some of their routes."

As well as a chance to lock up the Cardinals' third consecutive conference championship, this weekend's game will be the last at home for Louisville's seniors. With a win, they would be in a tie with last season's seniors for the Cardinals' winningest class ever.

"These past couple of summers, we've all stuck together and stayed up here the whole summer, all together going out four days a week working out, throwing, running and just hanging around off the field," Harris said. "I think that helps out a whole lot."

Harris doesn't plan on shedding any tears after Saturday's game, but the feelings could be intense.

"Once that time hits, and then you start to think back and think about what you have in front of you, it probably will be an emotional time for me," he said.

**UofL home  
finale moved to  
2:30 p.m. for  
ESPN2**

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LOUISVILLE — Kickoff for the University of Louisville's home football finale against Conference USA foe Cincinnati on Saturday, Nov. 27 at Papa John's Cardinal Stadium has been changed to 2:30 p.m. ET and will be televised nationally by ESPN2. The game was originally scheduled for 1 p.m. ET.

This will be the Cardinals' sixth appearance on either ESPN or ESPN2 during the 2004 season, including four of five home games. U of L is 4-1 in those games, including a perfect 3-0 at home.

## OVC FOOTBALL: EKU 19, Tennessee Tech 18

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

COOKEVILLE, Tenn. — Andre Ralston had three catches for 66 yards and C.J. Hudson rushed for 56 yards as Eastern Kentucky beat Tennessee Tech 19-18 Saturday.

The Golden Eagles (5-5) threatened to take the lead in the final minutes, moving from its own 23 to the Eastern Kentucky

43.

But the Colonels' defense stiffened and forced four consecutive incomplete passes.

Eastern Kentucky (6-5) took over with 45 seconds left and ran out the clock.

Tennessee Tech jumped to 12-0 lead, taking advantage of a Colonels fumble in the first quarter and adding a safety early in the second.

But Eastern Kentucky answered with a 16-point second quarter. The burst included a 30-yard scoring pass on fourth down from Chip Franklin to Andre Green and a blocked punt return for a touchdown by Quinton Williams.

Josh Foster kicked three field goals for the Golden Eagles.

Tennessee Tech set a school record with 15 penalties.

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**POISON OAK**

**Winter days before TV**

Believe it or not, tomorrow is Thanksgiving, and Christmas is exactly one month and one day away.

Ever since I was a kid, I've heard older folks talking about how fast time flies as one gets older. Back then, however, that concept, which I now accept as pure fact, was terribly hard to grasp; seemed like Christmases and birthdays were years apart.

But the good news as it regards the swiftness with which the world goes by these days, is that now that the leaves have fallen, it won't be long before the snow does likewise. Then, we'll start hearing the frogs sing their little spring-time refrains, and the grass will start turning green again. Fragile dandelions will literally take over our lawns and we'll bemoan the fact that the hedge is about to need trimming. It's always been that way, of course, but in the old days, it just didn't all happen so all at once.

In a 1940's coal camp, this time of year not only forced us to once again start wearing our shoes, but much to Mom's chagrin I'm sure, also drove us indoors. Fortunately, I had a little brother with whom to share those long, late-fall and winter afternoons. Older siblings kept us supplied with a ton of



Clyde Pack

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**KIM'S KORNER**

**Who says country ain't smart?**

Dining out recently, a conversation at the next table could not help but be overheard.

I'm sure you know the kind of conversation, the ones where it's absolutely all you can do to keep your mouth shut and not add your own two cents - no matter how bad you want to!

Well, talk about having to bite your tongue - I did!

It was amazingly evident that the people at the nearest table were "NOT" from here.

The phrase, "typical Eastern Kentucky Hillbillies" made that extremely apparent.

I found myself trying desperately to find cause and effect to warrant such discontent with the atmosphere surrounding us. And for the life of me, I could not understand just what could be the problem.

But, then again, I am an Eastern Kentucky hillbilly, after all (and proud of it, too!).

The folks in question were served their food in a timely manner, and, they were treated to "service with a smile," as well (granted it came with a helping of our good ol' Eastern Kentucky slang, such as "Ever thang alright?" and "Can I git yall anythang else right now?").

But, what's wrong with that? Not a thing in my opinion!

Their opinion however, was that Dolly Parton had been reincarnated, as their sweet as pie waitress walked away.

Some folks just seem to have major

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**Holiday food safety**

by **THERESA M. SCOTT**  
FLOYD COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT  
FOR FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES

Mishandling foods is a major contributor to higher rates of foodborne illness during the holidays. Following

proven handling practices from the grocery store through leftovers storage will help create happy holidays for your family and guests.

If you buy a frozen turkey for holiday dinners, it is important to properly thaw and cook it to prevent food-

borne illness.

The best way to thaw a bird is in the original wrapping in the refrigerator, because thawing it at room temperature creates a growth chamber for bacteria that could cause foodborne illness. In the refrigerator, allow 24

hours for each five pounds of weight. Be sure to protect other food in the refrigerator from any drip while the turkey is thawing.

Immersing the bird in cold water is a faster, but less desirable method. If

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photo by Kathy J. Prater

Ashley, right, with mom, Kelly Church and faithful companion, "Sassy."

**Local teen relying on God, community for needed care.**

by **KATHY J. PRATER**  
FEATURES EDITOR

Ashley Sayers, age 13, is, at first glance, a normal teen. Dressed in jeans and a t-shirt, long brown hair and possessing a bubbly personality and winning smile, you would never know that this seemingly "picture perfect" image of a young, healthy teen was impaired at all.

But, as Ashley moves about the room, giving commands to her pet German Shepherd, "Sassy," conversing with her mom, Kelly, and her sister, Jessica, while at the same time making a visiting reporter feel right at home, the visitor can't help but notice the limp that hinders Ash-

ley from completely carefree movement.

The limp, along with the discomfort that comes from not being able to sit or stand, or even lie down, for long periods of time, comes from a condition referred to in the medical community as arteriovenous malformations.

Arteriovenous malformations, AVM for short, are defects of the circulatory system that are generally believed to arise during embryonic or fetal development, or soon after birth. They are comprised of snarled tangles of arteries and veins. Arteries, as we know, carry oxygen-rich blood away from

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The arteriovenous malformations on Ashley's body began appearing when she was less than a year old, progressively becoming worse as she has grown. Now, at age 13, Ashley's condition has worsened to the point that her Lexington physicians have referred her to a team of New York University doctors that they hope will be able to help her. Ashley's mom, a single parent, is in dire need of help with the financial expenses that will be incurred.

**CRITTER CORNER**

**Thanksgiving hazards**

by **Dr. Carol Combs-Morris, DVM**

If everything is on schedule, by the time you read this most of us will either be preparing Thanksgiving dinner or trying to figure out what to do with the leftovers. While it's only natural to want our pets to join in the fun of the season, do a little thinking before you pile Rover and Fluffy's bowls to the brim with Holiday goodies.

Animals with sensitive stomachs (small-breed dogs seem particularly susceptible) can have a terrible time dealing with fats. Ham is one of the worst offenders. In poultry, the fat is concentrated just beneath the skin, so it is more easily removed.

In most cases, the overindulged family pet is only going to have an upset stomach and maybe some vomiting (not unlike Uncle Joe

who will be lying on the sofa moaning by four o'clock Thursday afternoon). Sometimes, though, the rich meal can trigger a full-fledged case of pancreatitis—a painful and potentially life threatening condition which requires immediate medical attention. If you feel you must share your main course with your pet, limit it to a small portion of skinless white meat.

Vets hate the weeks following Thanksgiving and Christmas. Why? It can be summed up in one word: BONES. Please don't regard the family dog as a convenient disposal unit for the turkey carcass! You, the dog, and your vet may all regret it. Bones have the potential to cause problems literally from one end of the dog to the other. (The same goes for cats,



This is "Jimmy." Jimmy is a 12 year old Chihuahua, owned by Nancy H. Howard, of Abbott. Nancy writes: "Jimmy is now a strawberry blonde. He was once all red, but gets whiter everyday now. He loves to bark, bark, bark, as his breed is known to do, at every real or imagined sound or movement. In his youth, he weighed 6 pounds, but now is more like 16 pounds, as eating is his favorite pastime. Needless to say, Jimmy rules the roost!" Jimmy has a Chihuahua companion, "Ember," that lives with he and Nancy, also. Nancy writes that both Jimmy and Ember love to go with her in her car and that she is "more than fond of both of them."

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# School Calendar

## Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

\*\*Anyone interested in helping with the school's annual "Adopt-A-Child" Christmas program, please contact the school at 886-1297.

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

■ Adams Middle School Youth Services Center is open each weekday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The center offers services to all families regardless of income. For more information about any of the activities or services of the center, please contact the center at 886-1297. Center Coordinator - Michelle Keathley.

## Allen Central Middle School

\*\*Turn in Food City receipts to home room teachers! \*\*

■ Nov. 29 - 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. 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

■ 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.\*\*

■ Family Resource Center is looking for people who would like to sponsor a child for Christmas through the "Christmas for a Needy Child" program. If you would like to be a sponsor, please call the center at 358-9878 and ask to speak with Judy Handshoe or Ruby Bailey.

■ 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

■ Nov. 30 - "Tobacco Prevention" program presented by Carole Jo May, Our Lady of the Way Hospital, for 5th grade.

■ Dec. 7 - "Tobacco Prevention" program presented by Carole Jo May, Our Lady of the Way Hospital, for 6th grade.

■ Dec. 13 - Parent Support Group meeting, 1 p.m., in FRC library. Topic: "Cultural Divide." Examine some of the issues that kids, and their parents, grapple with as they move beyond their "comfort zones" to embrace those who are different.

■ 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

■ Please collect Food City receipts! 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.

■ 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

■ 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

■ "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 accepts infants and toddlers up to 2

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# YESTERDAYS

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

## Ten Years Ago

November 23 and 25, 1994

Although building plans are completed, some Floyd County Schools board members appear to be balking at a planned renovation of Prestonsburg High School. At Monday's school board meeting, board member Eddie Patton suggested that the board may want to take another look at the Prestonsburg renovation project "to see if that's the direction" the board wants to pursue...A Johnson County attorney was arrested in Floyd County, Tuesday, for allegedly trying to solicit sexual favors from juveniles. Roger T. Adams, 30, of Paintsville, who reportedly is also an honorary deputy sheriff, was arrested by Prestonsburg police officer Ricky Conn after police received complaints that an adult was trying to solicit sexual favors from juveniles in the Village Shopping Center, Tuesday afternoon. His arraignment was postponed until December 13. Less than five months after its historic opening, Floyd County's Thunder Ridge horse racing and entertainment complex is facing the most serious challenge to its short but death-defying act—the parent company for Thunder Ridge filed a voluntary petition for reorganization under chapter 11 of the U.S. bankruptcy code, seeking protection from creditors...Money may be tight for awhile in county government, but three of Floyd County's magistrates and the judge-executive won't be doing without new vehicles. In an about face, Friday, the fiscal court voted to go ahead with the purchase of new vehicles...Ottis Newsome, 60, of Floyd County, was killed in an early morning accident at McDowell. He was pronounced dead on arrival at McDowell Appalachian Hospital, after a one-vehicle accident at Frasures Creek...Verna Fitch of Magoffin County gave birth to a baby on Tuesday morning in a truck in the parking lot of Blue River Market. Cindy Green and Nancy Slone, owner of the market, and Larry Adams, EMT instructor, assisted in the birth. The newborn was a month early, and weighed three pounds, nine ounces. Both mother and babe were doing fine, Tuesday afternoon...Officials of the Floyd County Fiscal Court and Board of Education, as well as county coaches, took part in the ribbon cutting ceremonies of the new track and field facility at Allen Central, Sunday...People who dump trash in open dumps in Floyd County will have to clean up their messes, Lon May, ecology officer, told members of the Floyd County Solid Waste board at a meeting, Monday night. May told board members that he had visited several dumps in the county, including one on Cow Mountain, and sifted through the debris for names and addresses. He contacted the people whose names he had found and gave them an ultimatum—either clean up so many bags of trash or

pay a fine...A dispute over the location of a new Head Start Center in the Left Beaver area could result in the Floyd County school system losing a state grant to build that facility...Businesses and individuals have the opportunity to make a Christmas brighter for Head Start children through the Floyd County Head Start program's annual Adult-A-Child for Christmas campaign now underway. The goal of Adopt-A-Child is to provide each of the 460 children in the Floyd County Head Start program with Christmas gifts through the sponsorship of local businesses and individuals. The program has 18 centers that serve 20 children each...The Big Sandy region, particularly Floyd County, was dealt a blow in the area of emergency assistance, Wednesday, when Kentucky Adjutant General Robert DeZarn announced a down-sizing of the Prestonsburg National Guard unit. The Prestonsburg unit will be cut 100 positions in the 206th Engineering Battalion, but units in northern and central Kentucky, will increase in size...Floyd County school officials are beginning the process for choosing a construction manager for the Martin/Maytown Elementary building project, and it should be quite a change from the way things were done before. Rarely in the past, has the board solicited proposals from construction management firms before hiring a company to oversee school building projects...Wright Brothers Jewelers has been a fixture on Court Street in downtown Prestonsburg, since 1948. But after nearly five decades in the jewelry business, owner and watch-maker Clifford Wright, has decided to hang up his loupe...There died: Goldie Lou Spencer Morris, 36, of East Point, Monday, November 21, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Lakie Hamilton Hall Stephens, 83, of Printer, Saturday, Nov. 19, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Zella Slone Waddell, 64, of Larkslane, November 20, at her home; Julia Isaacs, 58, of Wake-man, Ohio, formerly of Knott County, November 18, at U.K. Medical Center in Lexington; Evan Hall, 72, of Honaker, Sunday, November 20, at Williamson Memorial Hospital, Williamson, West Virginia; Ingeborg K. Baldrige, 58, of Flatwoods, Friday, November 18, at Bellefonte Hospital in Russell; Sylvia Wallen Hall, 85, of Banner, Monday, November 21, at her residence; Mildred "Cotton" Horn Johnson, 67, of Pikeville, Monday, November 21, at her residence; Edward "Josh" Newsome, 70, of McDowell, Monday, November 21, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Elbert Slone, 74, of Neon, Friday, November 18, at Whitesburg Appalachian Regional Hospital; Harmon Spradlin, 81, of Harrod, Ohio, Sunday, November 20, at his residence; Marietta Thompson Anderson, 74, of Mt. Sterling, Saturday, November 19, at Winchester Manor Nursing Home; Lois Jean Parsons, 62, of Prestonsburg, Thursday, November 17, at U.K. Medical Center, Lexington; Ottis

"Pudder" Newsome, 60, of McDowell, dead on arrival at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, Tuesday, Nov. 22; Lisa Darlene Taylor, 29, of Cherryville, North Carolina, formerly of Kendallville, Indiana, Friday, November 18, at Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte, North Carolina; Daniel Crum, 75, of Martin, Monday, November 21, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Florence Hereford Lemaster Reynolds, 95, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, November 22, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Margaret Miller, 78, of Melvin, Tuesday, November 22, at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington.

## Twenty Years Ago

November 28, 1984

The future of Camp Shawnee, near German Bridge, which has slipped into a steady decline over the years, is unclear. A council must decide whether to retain the camp or give it up...State and city police officers were kept busy over the Thanksgiving holiday weekend, booking nine motorists, Saturday, on drunk driving. Over the five-day period, 14 arrests were made...Major improvements, from renovation of recreational facilities to the redesign of a major traffic approach to the City of Prestonsburg, are likely as a result of grant applications which total nearly \$600,000...There died: Johnny Williams, 71, of Harold, November 19, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Evaline Lewis Prater, 66, of Harold, Tuesday, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home in Pikeville; Irene Marjorie Wallace, 71, of Prestonsburg, last Thursday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Jessica Noel Boyd, infant daughter of Terry and Denise Hall Boyd, of Topmost, Friday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Charlie Osborne, 82, of McDowell, last Thursday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Noma Ruth Stumbo, 51, of Middle Creek Road, at her home, Tuesday.

## Thirty Years Ago

November 27, 1974

The private Knott County Clinic leased by Dr. Grady Stumbo, Floyd County native, is flying straight into the face of all the rules for inflation by cutting costs for its services...The Public Service Commission has approved two loans totaling \$597,000 for improvement of facilities of the Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corp...Four persons have been charged with liquor violations in three separate actions by law enforcement officers in Floyd County within the week...As a federal mediator set a meeting here, Monday, between Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company officials and representatives of

the striking Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers union, a hearing was slated on the following day in circuit court here on the injunction issued against the workers last week...Nearly 1,500 unemployed poor people in the 12-state Appalachian area will get on-the-job training under a new \$1.3 million contract with the AFL-CIO Appalachian Council...Prestonsburg, McDowell and Wheelwright basketball teams all recorded wins Friday night...Monroe Vanderpool, of Hippo, was recently appointed to the office of aide to the national commander of the Disabled American Veterans for 1974-'75...There died: Walter Harris Porter, 64, Friday, at his home at Emma; Mrs. Martha Conn, 94, Monday, at her home at Harold; Mrs. Minta H. Hammond, 76, October 6, at Gahanna, Ohio; Fred Newsome Jr., 54, of Blue River, Friday, at Gaines City, Fla.; Daniel Lee Hall, month-old son of Ralph and Carol McGinnis Hall, of Salyersville, Monday, at the UK Medical Center, Lexington; Kennis Bates, 68, of Bevensville, Thursday, at the McDowell Hospital; Samuel Nelson Smith, 81, of Danville, formerly of Garner, Sunday, in Danville; James Salmons, 85, of Garrett, Thursday, at a Martin hospital; Cecil Ward, 60, formerly of McDowell, Thursday, in Calhoun, Georgia.

## Forty Years Ago

December 3, 1964

Twenty-eight Civil Defense students, in addition to completing 30 hours class-work toward their certificates in shelter management, spent 19 hours inside a fall-out shelter erected in the Floyd County Emergency and Rescue Squad building here...Bids for bituminous concrete surfacing on the Salyersville-Prestonsburg road, in this county, will be received by the Highway Department on December 18, it was announced this week...Miss Sharon Collins, of Wheelwright, was picked Saturday afternoon as Yule Season Queen...Martin squeezed past McDowell, 67-65, to gain the title in the first annual Jenny Wiley Invitational Tournament here Saturday night...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Music, a daughter, Sharon Lynn, November 27, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; to Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Slone, of Halo, a son, Gregory, November 16, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Handshoe, of Handshoe, a son, November 19, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Rondel Shepherd, of Hueysville, a son, November 19, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Johnson of Hi Hat, a daughter, Pauline...There died: Mrs. Marie Stephens Pitts, 48, of Blue River, Friday, at the Pikeville Appalachian Regional Hospital; James E. Miller,

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**Yesterdays**

62, Monday, at his home on Abbott Creek.

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**Fifty Years Ago**

December 2, 1954

State Police at Pikeville voiced the threat this week that they may pull out of Floyd County altogether, due to the failure of Floyd County courts, and juries in particular, to uphold their work through conviction of persons arrested for drunken driving—Applying for food aid in Floyd County, this month, were 15,732 persons, according to Greenville Spradlin of the local relief office...Mayor E.P. Grigsby, of Martin, this week, announced plans for construction of a municipal building there, with bids of prospective contractors to be opened Dec. 15...County Judge Henry Stumbo announced this week that he has designated W. H. (Hite) Martin, of Garrett, as Safety Driving Day director for Floyd County...The Irene Cole Memorial Baptist Church put into use, last Sunday, the property purchased from Russell Pelfrey, last summer...There died: Herbert D. Prater, 37, of Brainard, Tuesday, at Prestonsburg; L. J. Harris, 85, Friday, at his home at Justell; Mrs. Linda Johnson, 67, Tuesday, at her home at Weeksbury; Mrs. Rebecca Burton, 70, of Auxier, last week, in Detroit, Michigan; Albert Marshall, 69, Monday, at his home at Mantion; Mrs. Alice Jane Warrix, 64, formerly of this county, last Saturday, at the home of a daughter in Miami, Fla.; Ned G. Branham, 59, Monday, en route to a Louisa hospital; Basil Martin, 69, of Hunter, last Saturday, at his home; William C. Johnstone, 52, of Betsy Layne, Nov. 22, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

**Sixty Years Ago**

November 30, 1944

Floyd County soldiers reported as casualties: Killed in action—Pvt. Robert C. Lambert, of Martin; missing in action—S-Sgt. R. C. Hayes Jr., 20, of Alphoretta; wounded—Pvt. Mack Nelson, of Prestonsburg; Pfc. Thomas Spears Jr., of Banner; Pfc. Noah Williams, of McDowell; Pvt. Joseph W. Holbrook, of Middle Creek; Kessie Boyd, of Dana; prisoner of Germans—Ferrell Deal, of Grethel...Floyd County bond purchases during the Sixth War Loan drive have reached the quarter-million dollar mark...Pfc. Frank Perry, 21, of West Prestonsburg, has been awarded the Silver Star for bravery during recent fighting in New Guinea...Commenting on the proposed appointment of new Floyd registration-purification officers, by the state board, County Judge E. P. Hill said this week that the work of previous purification boards in the county had been wholly inadequate, and that hundreds of absent and dead voters' names are still on the county registration lists...Pfc. Edgar Scott, formerly of Garrett, has been reported a prisoner of the Germans...Death struck the same family twice last week, on Thanksgiving Day, when six-year-old Gertrude Slone, of Lackey, died at the Stumbo Memorial Hospital, of burns suffered the preceding day, and her great-grandmother, Mrs. Anna Sturgill Slone, 71, died at her home at Leburn, Knott County...Dr. J. F. Hall, Floyd native, now of Flemingsburg, has won the \$200 Tom Wallace Forestry Award first prize, The Courier-Journal announced, Sunday...Born: to Cpl. and Mrs. Ottis D. Spurlock, a daughter, Margaret Ann, November 3, at the Martin General Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Lacy Shepherd, of West Garrett, a son, November 27, to Mr. and Mrs. James Halbert, of Salisbury, a son—Hubert Eugene; to Mr. and Mrs. Jake Bates, of Salisbury, a daughter—Dorothy Mae; to Cpl. and Mrs. Glenn Harold Hall, of Harold, a daughter, Diana Dawn, November 16, at the Pikeville Hospital...There died: Nelson Hall, 80, at home at Dwale, Monday; Mrs. Susan Allen, 74, of West Prestonsburg, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital, Thursday, of last week; Clyde Hamilton, 15, of McDowell, Monday; Green B. Newman, at home at Hi Hat, November 23; Frank Whitaker, 80, at home at Little Paint, Tuesday.

**Seventy Years Ago**

November 30, 1934

Another mystery confronts Floyd officials following the discovery on the mountaintop above Weeksbury, Tuesday, of the headless skeleton of a man...Four relief projects have been approved for Floyd County, and work on four others has been requested by the fiscal court since reestablishment of the relief office here...The three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hicks, of Rock Fork, above Hueysville, was burned to death, Tuesday morning, when the child set afire wallpaper in the Hicks' home...Negotiations were completed, last week, for the purchase of 14 natural gas producing properties in this territory by the Kentucky Consolidated Gas Company...Concerned with preserving the state's and area's natural beauty, the Prestonsburg Woman's Club is opposing the plans of a North Carolina manufacturing firm to establish a lumber mill, here, for the purpose of cutting dogwood timber...George P. Archer, county treasurer, last week, received a check for \$8,043.96 from State Treasurer Elam Huddleston, as Floyd County's share of the fund derived from the first three months' of sales tax collections...Another Floyd County baby beauty to be named a winner in the Sears, Roebuck & Company World's Fair contest is little Miss Martha Ann Keeling, three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Keeling, of Prestonsburg...There died: The 10-month-old child of Emzie Cisco, here, Friday.

**BSCTC Mine Safety class**

The Mayo Campus of the Big Sandy Community & Technical College will be offering the 24-Hour Surface Mine Safety Training Class, low enrollment subject to cancellation. December 6, 2004. For information, or to register, call 789-5321, ext. 82801 or 82860. Note: Classes with low enrollment subject to cancellation.

**Critter**

although we see fewer cases in felines—possibly because their dining habits are a little more refined?)

I have removed chicken, turkey and steak bones lodged in the mouths of several dogs. One got a sliced ham bone stuck completely around its lower jaw, behind the canine teeth! I have had to sedate dogs and use a long set of forceps to retrieve splintered bones embedded in the tissues of the esophagus. Any further down and the dog and its owner would have been on their way to a specialty practice where an endoscope was available.

Of course, with all the twists, turns, and changes of diameter

in the digestive tract, splintered pieces of bone have all sorts of opportunities to cause blockages and perforations. If they make it to the colon, they present a whole new set of problems. The colon is designed to reabsorb much of the liquid in its contents. This means there is now a very dry, very compacted mass of bones with pointy ends entering the rectum...and folks, to put it bluntly, that situation's no fun for anybody!

So give everyone a break, and dispose of the leftovers carefully. I also know someone in every family will protest that dogs have been eating bones since prehistoric times. They are right, of course, but remind

them that wild dogs did not cook them first! (Just for the record, although cooked bones are definitely more likely to splinter, any bones can be dangerous.)

The main course is not the only source of potential problems. Onions, in large enough quantities, can cause a life-threatening form of anemia, especially in cats. (...I know, most cats won't eat onions, but there's always that one odd-ball.)

You also should not give anything containing grapes or raisins to your dog. This is a fairly recent discovery, and I'm not sure they know why they are harmful.

Then there are freak accidents. Years ago, I had a cat who almost got in trouble with the little string packaged with some turkeys to help you lift it out of the pan after cooking. It was soaked with turkey juice, and when the cat got hold of it, he promptly swallowed it. Luckily the owner saw it going down, and we were able to get the cat to throw it up before it went far enough to cause a problem. Remember to close the garbage up tight.

All in all, it's probably best to serve your critters a can of turkey-flavored pet food for Thanksgiving dinner. You can have a happier holiday and your vet will thank you for it!

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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**

BSCTC, Prestonsburg campus: Mon., Wed., Fri. - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Tue., Thur. - 11:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Contact: Jason Cassell - 886-3863, ext. 67219. Room m207 (second floor, Library).

Auxier Lifetime Learning Center: Tue., Thur. - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Contact: Lucille

Fuchs - 886-0709.

Martin Extended Education Service Center: Tue., Thur. - 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Contact: Vanessa Tackett - 285-5111.

Wayland EESC: Mon., Wed. - 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Contact Vanessa Tackett - 358-3400.

Wheelwright: Mon., Wed. - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Contact: Penny Fell - 452-4324.

McDowell: Tue., 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

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

**Korner**

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issues with good ol' southern hospitality, I think.

And I'll go you one more and say they could stand to use some of it, themselves!

The folks at this particular table seemed to think that there wasn't a smart person in the entire area. Or, better yet, not a "smart hillbilly" living anywhere!

Well, just in case of the slight chance that they may happen to read this column, here's a smart hillbilly for you - in the likes of a well known blonde bombshell they seem to think is nothing more than country to the bone - Ms. Dolly Parton herself!

Yes, with her big hair, big voice, and other big attributes, she has a big bank account, as well.

Just recently included on The Wall Street Journal's list of the world's Top 50 Women to Watch, Ms. Dolly was one of two of the women in showbiz that was spotlighted, with the other being Oprah Winfrey. Dolly Parton has sold more

than 100 million records in her 37-year career, and is reported to be worth in the neighborhood of \$200 million!

Not too shabby for an "ol country gal" now, is it?

She owns a 118-acre theme park in Tennessee, several dinner theaters, a record label and, oh yeah, let's not forget - a Hollywood production company.

I can't think of a single time that I've ever seen Dolly Parton on stage without catching a case of that contagious laughter of hers, and here's one that's betting she's laughing all the way to the bank!

So, you see not all "country people" are lacking in the intelligence department.

Some of them have those "good ol' country smarts" that more than just a few of us are quite well known for.

So, "Y'all come back now, ya hear?"

Til Next Week... God Bless & Have a Wonderful Thanksgiving!

**Oak**

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funny books, and one of them had bought us a card game called Authors (That's where I first heard of Louisa Mae Alcott, Nathaniel Hawthorne and Charles Dickens). We had a Monopoly game, too, and although I don't think we ever completed a game, we spent hours on end buying hotels and passing go without collecting \$200.

Nevertheless, even with those distractions, in the days before TV, we still got bored from time to time, and, as would be expected, had a difficult time staying out of trouble?

For some reason, Mom would get all excited when a wrestling match would get out of hand and a perfectly executed flying mare resulted in our turning over the churn she had set next to our open fireplace to clatter; or when an aggressive

recreation of the Saturday-matinee cowboy movie's saloon-brawl scene ended up with a tablecloth filled with dirty dishes crashing to the floor.

The winter holidays were great, though, and Mom always seemed to make a special effort for Thanksgiving dinner. She had a super recipe for dressing that has been extremely difficult to duplicate. Of course, she did equally well on Christmas, and what with her cooking, topped with the presents we'd get—which more often than not included two new sets of Hopalong Cassidy cap busters, which we were only allowed to shoot outdoors—managed to hold our attention, while giving Mom a brief respite from chaos.

Anyway, a word to the wise: better start your Christmas shopping—NOW!

**Holiday**

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you choose this method, cover the whole bird in cold water and change the water every 30 minutes. Allow 30 minutes thawing time for each pound of weight.

Thoroughly cooking a turkey will kill microorganisms that might be present and may cause illness. Roast a whole turkey at 325 degrees Fahrenheit; turkey parts or boneless turkey at 350 degrees Fahrenheit. Cook about 15 to 20 minutes per pound.

Using a meat thermometer is the most accurate way to know when the turkey is thoroughly cooked. For a correct reading on a whole turkey, put the ther-

mometer in the inner thigh. Be sure the thermometer does not hit a bone because it will give an inaccurate temperature reading. Cook a whole turkey until it reaches a temperature of 180 degrees R. Cook turkey parts or a breast until the thermometer reaches 170 degrees F.

Visual signs that the turkey has reached a safe temperature are clear juices that run when you pierce the turkey with a fork and tenderness. Turkey legs should wiggle in the sockets.

It is safer to separately cook

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**Birthdays**



Sweet 16!

Tiffany Victoria Owens celebrated her "Sweet 16th" birthday on Saturday, November 13, at the Prestonsburg Holiday Inn. She had a wonderful time with her friends and received many nice gifts. Thanks to all those who helped to make her birthday so special. Tiffany is the daughter of Joe and Teresa Owens, of Garrett. She is the granddaughter of Margaret Conley, of Garrett, and the late Virgil Conley, and Molly Owens, of Langley, and the late Ralph Owens. She has one brother, Ryan, who lives in Lexington.

**New Arrivals**

**Highlands Regional Medical Center**

Nov. 1, 2004  
- A daughter, Annabelle Elizabeth Faith Dalton, to Nora Jean and Clarence Ray Dalton  
- A son, William Edward Jude, to Ovie and Randy Jude

Nov. 2, 2004  
- A son, Anthony John Assel, to Kimberly Elizabeth Lichnock

Nov. 3, 2004  
- A son, Hayden Franklin J.R. McCoy, to Angie Clark  
- A daughter, Heather Chenelle Lyons, to Katie and James Lyons

Nov. 4, 2004  
- A son, Blake Alexander Patrick, to Elizabeth Ellen and James David Patrick  
- A daughter, McKayla Joy Fairchild, to Heavenly Joy Fairchild

Nov. 6, 2004  
- A daughter, Alyssa Brooke Adkins, to Lacy Renee Hughes  
- A daughter, Blair Lynn Ratliff, to Amber Lea and Craig Ratliff  
- A daughter, Alicia Faith Owens, to Tammie Lynn and Moses Owens  
- A son, Andrew Paul Salyer, to Amanda Jean and Lonnie Bracken Salyer II

Nov. 8, 2004  
- A son, Caden Todd Turner, to Sammie and Tina Turner

Nov. 10, 2004  
- A son, Jeffery Tyler Campbell, to Angela and Jeffery Campbell

Nov. 11, 2004  
- A son, Alex Joseph Begley, to Rhonda Sue and Larry Joe Begley  
- A daughter, Kindle Ayla Chapman, to Amanda Dials  
- A daughter, Faith Marie Maynard, to Deana and Jeffery Maynard  
- A daughter, Erika Faith Tackett, to Greta and Eric Tackett

Nov. 12, 2004  
- A son, Zachary Allen Jude, to Jessica Nicole Jude  
- A son, Mason Darvis Owens, to Patty Owens

Nov. 13, 2004  
- A son, Brandon Dean Howell Jr., to Terri Lynn Moore

Nov. 14, 2004  
- A daughter, Madison Elizabeth Lucas, to Elizabeth and Jamie Lucas

Nov. 15, 2004  
A daughter, Kellie Madison Pullen, to Michele Christine Conley

## Care

the heart to the body's cells; veins return oxygen-depleted blood to the lungs and heart. The presence of an AVM disrupts this vital cyclical process. In Ashley's case, as her condition has worsened, doctors have discovered that her blood is no longer being properly returned to her heart and lungs, making her at-risk for any number of complicating medical factors.

"Ashley's doctors in Lexington have told us that they've done all they know to do. They've made an appointment for her to see some doctors at New York University," said Ashley's mother, Kelly Church, a nursing student at Big Sandy Community and Technical College.

Of late, Ashley has been hindered by growing pain and weakened mobility in her left knee and leg. The condition has caused her to not be able to attend school, instead being taught by visiting teachers each week. Formerly, she had attended school at Betsy Layne.

"The problems with her knee

and her leg, they worry me a lot," said Kelly. "But what really worries me is that Ashley has been having really bad headaches and even bleeding from one of her eyes. Her doctors are concerned that the AVMs may have moved from her spinal cord into her brain. That's why this trip to New York is so important. We have to find out what's going on before any more decisions can be made as to what to do about her leg and her knee."

At first, doctors were hopeful that Ashley would have to face nothing more than knee replacement surgery. Those hopes, however, were dashed once it was discovered that in order to perform the surgery, Ashley's main artery would have to be severed. An option not manageable in consideration of her condition. Doctors soon discovered that in order to save Ashley's life, the very real possibility of amputation of her left leg existed. The pediatric specialists and surgeons in New York City awaiting to see Ashley will deter-

mine if this is the measure that must ultimately be taken.

Breaking this news to Ashley was a difficult task for Kelly, who had to prepare her daughter for the possibility. "You know, I didn't want to scare her - she's already afraid - but at the same time, I had to prepare her. I had to let her know that what we are facing is serious," she said.

"At this point, I just want my daughter to live. And I'm willing to do anything to help her do just that. When it comes to getting help for Ashley, I have no pride anymore," she continued.

A survivor of domestic violence, Kelly made a mission of helping others who found themselves suffering abuse from the hands of those who had claimed to love them. Before moving to Kentucky, she regularly held ministerial meetings in her home, reaching out to those who felt they had been forgotten. Now, however, the bulk of her time is spent in caring for Ashley and making arrangements in

regard to her medical care.

About 12 percent of those with this rare disorder (or about 36,000 of the estimated 300,000 Americans with AVMs), develop symptoms that are severe enough to become debilitating, or even life-threatening. Each year, about 1 percent of those with AVMs will die as a direct result of the disorder.

Seizures, headaches, muscle weakness, partial paralysis, loss of coordination, dizziness, visual disturbances, pain, memory deficits, mental confusion, and hemorrhage are only a few of the complications that may incur as a direct result of arteriovenous malformations.

Ashley has already experienced some of these symptoms, but, according to her mother, as painful as these physical manifestations may be, little actually compares to the social isolation and feelings of separateness that her daughter deals with on a daily basis.

"Ashley isn't able to live a carefree life. She feels 'different.' I'd give anything, I'd do

anything to turn my daughter's life around. We're pretty scared about going to New York, we've never been there and we've been told lots of things, but it's what we have to do...if I can just get enough money to take care of our expenses, to make it possible," Kelly said.

Kelly says that in her life she has seen God do many wonderful things. "I told Ash, 'Honey, God will look out for us,' we have to remain positive," she said.

Kelly is asking for those in her community to help make this trip to New York City possible for her and her daughter. "We need help with travel expenses, food, lodging, transportation while we're there, just everything. We basically have no money, our vehicle is in need of repair. We just can't do this without help. If it were for me, I wouldn't ask, but this is my child, there's nothing I won't do," she said.

If you would like to make a donation to help send Ashley

Sayer to New York City to receive the medical treatment she so desperately needs, you may send a check or money order to: Community Trust Bank, P.O. Box 2947, Pikeville, KY 41502. Make checks payable to Ashley Sayers Medical Expenses Fund. You may drop off your donations at any Community Trust Bank branch location.

You may also contact: Kelly Church, P.O. Box 651, Harold, KY 41635. You can also contact Kelly at the following email address: sweetkeely120@yahoo.com.

You may also contact Kathy Prater at The Floyd County Times, at 886-8506 or features@floydcountytimes.com.

Ashley is scheduled to arrive in New York City to meet her new doctors on December 6. Tentative plans are that she and her mother will remain in New York until December 12, but depending on what treatments and medical procedures may be performed, the family may have to remain for a more extended time.

## Holiday

dressing than to put it in the turkey while the bird is cooking. While the turkey may reach a safe temperature, stuffing inside it may not. If you decide to cook dressing inside the bird, stuff it right before putting the turkey in the oven; use a thermometer to be sure the dressing reaches 160 degrees F. and immediately remove the dressing when you take the bird out of the oven.

Ideally, carve meat off the carcass before the holiday meal. Maintain the amount you will eat at 140 degrees F. or higher. Immediately refrigerate the remainder in shallow containers for faster cooling.

Maintain cold foods at 40 degrees F. or below.

Always refrigerate leftover holiday foods within two hours of removing them from the heating or cooling source to prevent possible growth of disease-causing bacteria.

Cooked turkey should be refrigerated no more than three or four days. Never refrigerate a stuffed turkey because the mass of stuffing slows down the cooling rate. If you plan to freeze the turkey, tightly wrap it to exclude air. Frozen turkey will maintain its quality for three months if properly wrapped and maintained at less than 0 degrees F.

Reheat leftovers only once. Bring gravy to a rolling boil and thoroughly heat turkey and dressing.

Source: Joe O'Leary and Sandra Bastin

For more information contact Theresa Scott, County Extension Agent for Family & Consumer Sciences, at the Floyd County Extension Service at 886-2668.

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## BSCTC holds book signing, reception for former student

The Big Sandy Community & Technical College library staff is proud to present an opportunity to meet Glenna



Glenna Faye Woods

Faye Woods, library patron and newly published author of the children's book, *A Purring Dozen*. In addition to writing, Ms. Woods, a 2003 graduate of Big Sandy Community & Technical College is a mother, grandmother, and Morehead State University student, and a cancer survivor. She says that her love of reading, her life experiences and pursuit of education have enabled her success as an author.

Glenna Faye Woods describes herself as a lifelong reader. She loved reading as a little girl, and wrote poems and short-stories. Her interest in writing took a backseat in her adult life until a diagnosis of ovarian cancer at the age of twenty-seven changed her outlook. "I started to write to take my mind off chemo," she says. "I was physically ailing but my mind was good. Writing helped me to heal."

Ms. Woods said that she

bases her writing on the people, places and experiences of her life. "Weave everyday experiences into your story," she says. The first version of *A Purring Dozen* was written about twenty years ago. This book is particularly close to her heart because it is based on the true story of a group of cats living in a trailer outside a furniture store. She and her children would stop to feed the cats on the way to take the children to school. They subsequently adopted Mommy Cat's family.

Prior to returning to college, Glenna wrote stories that were published in the Prestonsburg Post under an alias because she was afraid that readers wouldn't like her work. One of these was an earlier version of *A Purring Dozen*. The stories were well received, and later Glenna accepted a position with the Floyd County Journal. There she wrote for the children's page, recipe page and community news.

Ms. Woods is proud of the fact that *A Purring Dozen*, while intended for entertainment, also educates children and adults who read with them concerning spaying and neutering; and other aspects of responsible pet ownership. She came to the library to research the illness of Mommy Cat, and stresses that it is important to her to include accurate information in her work. She was

also able to incorporate a haiku that she wrote in an English class into the story.

Glenna emphasizes the importance of discipline. This is necessary in her own life since she is busy working, taking care of her family and her own pets, and going to school. She found out that her book had been accepted for publication during finals week and that some additional work would be required. School came first however, and she waited until finals were finished to work on her manuscript.

A reception for Glenna will be held on December 1, 2004 from 1:30 to 3:30 in the Art Gallery, Magoffin Learning Resource Center across from the library on the Prestonsburg campus. Members of the college community and the general public are invited to attend. Glenna's book is available at local bookstores, and she will be happy to sign copies that are brought to the reception.

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## Helping sickly plants get well

by RAY TACKETT

FLOYD COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT FOR AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

If the houseplants you just brought inside appear anemic, the cause may be an unfavorable environment in your home or disease problems.

The unfriendly plant environment could be the result of lower light, humidity or temperatures, drafts or improper watering or fertilization. These adverse growing conditions often lead to various diseases indicated by leaf drop, yellow leaves, death of leaf edge and tip and spindly growth.

To keep plants looking good, become familiar with each one's optimum growing conditions including light, moisture and fertility requirements.

If plants require high light intensity, clean the windows where these plants will be put to ensure that they receive the brightest light possible. The highest intensities generally are

found in south-facing windows that are not blocked by outdoor vegetation or awnings. Plants likely will need less water and fertilizer when grown indoors so reduce these accordingly.

Another cause of the sickly appearance could be that while outdoors the plants were infested with insect pests or infected with disease organisms. This initial problem may become severe when you bring the plants indoors because the disease or insect's natural enemies are not in your home. Diseases that spread from one plant to another usually are caused by bacteria, fungi, viruses and nematodes that come into contact with plants outdoors.

Black, brown or yellow spots may indicate a bacterial or fungal leaf spot disease. To combat foliar diseases, pick off and destroy affected leaves, leave plenty of space between plants, move them to a less humid area and do not wet foliage.

Viruses are moved to healthy

plants by insects and on human hands. To eliminate a viral problem, discard diseased plants.

Soil borne organisms cause root and stem-rot diseases, which usually occur under very wet soil conditions. Preventive measures are to avoid over watering plants and provide good drainage.

Common houseplant insect pests are aphids, mealybugs, white flies, scale spider mites and thrips.

Insecticides usually are not necessary on small infestations limited to a few plants. Dip a swap in rubbing alcohol to remove light aphid and mealybug infestations, or use tweezers or your fingernails to control them. Wash off mites by spraying plants with water.

Use a solution of two tablespoons of mild soap per gallon of water and a soft brush or cloth to eliminate heavy insect infestations. If you decide to use a conventional insecticide, always read and follow the manufacturer's label instructions.

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**NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE**  
In accordance with the provisions of KAR 350.093, notice is hereby given that AEP Kentucky Coal, L.L.C., P.O. Box 270, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for Phase III release on Permit Number 836-0296, Increments 13, 21 and 26, which was last issued on 5/13/02. The approximate acres for Increment 13 is 15.78, Increment 21 is 11.02, Increment 26 is 11.55. The operation is located 2.0 miles northeast of Hippo, in Floyd County. The proposed operation is approximately 1.0 mile northeast from Prater Fork Road and KY 850, and located 0.25 mile south of Turner Branch. The operation is located on the Martin U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The bond now in effect for 836-0296, Increments 13 is \$17,700, Increment 21 is \$7,700, Increment 26 is \$17,300. Remainder of these bonds is being requested. Reclamation work performed includes, grading and seeding completed on Increment 13 is 10/14/88, Increment 26 is 11/12/96. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by January 14, 2005. This is the

final advertisement of the application. A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 9:00 a.m., January 18, 2005, at the Department for Natural Resources, Floyd County Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by January 14, 2005.

**NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE**  
In accordance with the provisions of KAR 350.093, notice is hereby given that AEP Kentucky Coal, L.L.C., P.O. Box 270, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for Phase II release on Permit Number 836-5432, Increment 1, Increment 2 and Increment 3, which was last issued on 2/18/02. The approximate acres for Increment 1 is 17.00, Increment 2 is 16.00 and Increment 3 is 44.4. The operation is located 2.0 miles northeast of Hippo in Floyd County. The proposed operation is approximately 1.0 miles northeast from Prater Fork Road and KY 850 and located 0.25 miles south of Turner Branch. The operation is located on the Martin U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map. The bond now in effect for 836-5432, Increments 1 is \$12,600, Increment 2 is \$18,600 and Increment 3 is \$17,400. Remainder of the bond is being requested. Reclamation work performed includes, grading and seeding completed on Increment 1 11/10/94, Increment 2 is 11/10/94 and Increment 3 is 11/10/94. Written comments, objections and requests for public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by December 20, 2004. THIS IS THE FINAL ADVERTISEMENT OF THE APPLICATION. A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 9:00 a.m., on December 21, 2004. The Department for Natural Resources, Floyd County Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by December 20, 2004.

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5455 AMENDMENT #1**  
In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Consol of Kentucky, Inc., P.O. Box 130, Mousie, Kentucky 41839 has applied for an amendment to an existing underground coal mining operation located 2.7 miles Northeast of Handshoe, Kentucky in Floyd, Knott and Magoffin Counties. The amendment will add 1.4 acres of surface mining a total of 3,360.00 acres within the amended permit boundary. The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.3 miles Northwest from KY 2029's junction KY 7 and located on Plummer Branch of Raccoon Branch. The latitude is 37°29'46"N. The longitude is 82°52'55"N. The proposed amendment is located on the Handshoe, David and Martin U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute Quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Dallas Sparkman and Consol of Kentucky, Inc. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of public road State Route 7. The operation will not involve relocation or closure of the public road. The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Commonwealth of Kentucky/Floyd Circuit Court/Division No. IIC.A. No. 03-CI-1357 Bank of New York, as Trustee for the Certificate Holders of CWABS 1999-02 Plaintiff Vs. Audrey Stanley, Ricky Charles Stanley, unknown defendant, spouse of Audrey Stanley; unknown defendant, spouse of Ricky

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, Complex, U.S.127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601. This is the final advertisement of this application, all comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of this date.

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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

Charles Stanley; unknown defendant, spouse of Ricky Charles Stanley, on January 13, 1995; Central Financial Services, Inc.; Commonwealth of Kentucky Defendants Re-Notice of Commissioner's Sale BY VIRTUE of Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 9th day of July, 2004, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$43, 024. 06, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County courthouse door, South Central Avenue, Preston sburg, Kentucky (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 9th day of December 2004, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, located at 350 Right Fork Rice Branch, Banner, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning on an iron stake in John Burchett's line; thence with said Burchett line 108 feet in a northern direction to an iron stake; thence in a westerly direction a straight line 94 feet to an iron stake; thence in a southern direction 108 feet to a stake; thence in an easterly direction 94 feet to the beginning, being a lot 94 feet by 108 feet. Being the same property conveyed to Ricky Charles Stanley and Audrey Stanley by deed dated January 13, 1995, and recorded in Deed Book 397, Page 591. TERMS OF SALE: (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or \$5,000.00 of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment. (b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof. (c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2004, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds. (d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Com missioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate. Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein. Plaintiff's Attorney: Hon. Kerri L. Nunley Lerner, Sampson & Rothfuss P.O. Box 5480 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202-5480 513/241-3100 William S. Kendrick Master

Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653 (606) 886-2812

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5447**

1) In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Powell Branch Energy, LLC, P.O. Box 1514, Martin, Kentucky 41649, has applied for an underground coal mining and reclamation operation. This application proposes 4.10 acres of surface disturbance, and will underlie an additional 242.0 acres, for a total proposed permit acreage of 246.10 acres, located 0.4 mile southwest of Tram, in Floyd County. 2) The proposed operation is approximately 0.6 mile southwest from US 23 and 460's junction with Mare Creek Road, and located 0.01 mile east of Powell Branch. The latitude is 37°34'02". The longitude is 82°39'07". 3) The proposed operation is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the underground method of mining. The surface area is owned by ACIN LLC, and will underlie land owned by ACIN LLC, Stallard Martin, Clyde Blevins, Barbara Joann Campbell, Beulah Sloane, William Sloane, William Sloane & Barbara Campbell, Sherrie Renae Blevins, Ive lee Taylor, Marvin & Marie W. Lewis, James Ellis Blevins, George Robert Gardner, G.C. Blair, Clay Justice Estate, Pete Wilson Estate, Jessie Honaker Estate, Grady C. & Irene Tackett, Eugene & Julia Lawson and James A. & Archer B. Dale. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of public road, Powell Branch County Road. The operation will not involve relocation of the public road. 4) The application has been filed for public

inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ANNUAL AND FIVE YEAR PLAN**

The Housing Authority of Martin, is developing its Five Year Plan for the years 2005-2009, and the 2005 Annual Plan. The plan is available for review and comment at the Grigsby Heights office, located at 109 Raymond Griffith Drive #1101, Martin, KY 41649. The Authority's office hours are 8 a.m. to noon, and 1 p.m., to 5 p.m., except for being closed Wednesday afternoon. In addition, a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, January 4, 2005, at the Grigsby Heights Community Room, 109 Raymond Griffith Drive #1101, Martin, Ky. 41649. Anyone requiring assistance for sight or hearing impaired individuals may contact the agency at (606) 285-3681 (voice), or 1-800-648-6056 (TDD). If you require special accommodations or translation services, please advise the Housing Authority of Martin, 72 Hours in advance. The Housing Authority of Martin is an Equal Opportunity Agency.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that Robert Johnson, 3542 Ky. Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to construct a soil fill consisting of approximately 8,000 cu. yds. on the floodplain of

Levisa Fork of Big Sandy River. The property is located west of and adjacent to Ky. Rt. 1428, one-quarter mile north of its junction with Ky. Rt. 194, near the mouth of Cow Creek. 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 INTENT TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-0308**

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Motts Branch Coal Inc., P.O. Box 2765, 436 Daniels Creek Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, has applied for a permit for a surface mining and reclamation operation, affecting 269.6 acres and will underlie an additional 116.9 acres, located 4.5 miles northwest of Hueysville, in Floyd County. The proposed operation is approximately 1.8 miles northwest from Route 2029's junction with KY Route 7, and located in Plummer Branch and Raccoon Branch of Saltlick Creek. The proposed operation is located on the David and Handshoe U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The operation will use the contour strip, area mining, and high-wall/auger methods of mining. The surface area is owned by Ollie Jack Howard, et al., G.M.O. Forestry Fund 3, L. P., Effie Crager, Kenneth Wallace, Patrick Brian Ousley, Lowell Dean Shepherd, Glen Shepherd, Clinton Handshoe, Sylvia Warrick, Billy Tussey, Annie Handshoe, Elsie Wright, Thelma and Lurie Hoover and Knott Floyd Land Company, Inc. The operation will underlie surface area owned by Ollie Jack Howard, et al., G.M.O. Forestry Fund 3, L.P., Effie Crager, Kenneth

Wallace, Lowell Dean Shepherd, Clinton Handshoe, Sylvia Warrick, Annie Handshoe, Thelma and Lurie Hoover, and Knott Floyd Land Company, Inc. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of this application, all comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of this date.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5396 AMENDMENT #3**

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that McCoy Elkhorn Corporation, 1148 Long Fork Road, Kimper, Kentucky 41539-9703, has filed for an amendment to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located approximately 1.00 mile north of Broad Bottom, and approximately 1.00 mile east of Betsy Layne, in Floyd and Pike Counties. This amendment will add an additional 4.86 acres of surface dis-

turbance, but will not add any acres of underground mine area, making a total area of 3,750.25 acres within the amended permit boundary. The proposed amendment area is located approximately 3,700 feet due east of Pike/Floyd Hollow County Road's junction with U.S. Route 23 and/or U.S. Route 460, and located in Pike/Floyd Hollow. The proposed amendment is located on the Broad Bottom and Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by East Kentucky Energy Corporation. The currently approved operation will use the underground method of mining. This Amendment Application proposes to add Ventilation Access Roads "7" and "8" and the associated ventilation areas. This Amendment Application also proposes to bring under permit an area that was shown as a no mining zone that has been mined, and also to address underground pillared areas through a subsidence protection zone. The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Pikeville Regional Office, 121 Mays Branch, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501-9331. Written comments, objections, (or requests for a permit conference), must be filed with the Director of the Division of Mine Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601-4321.

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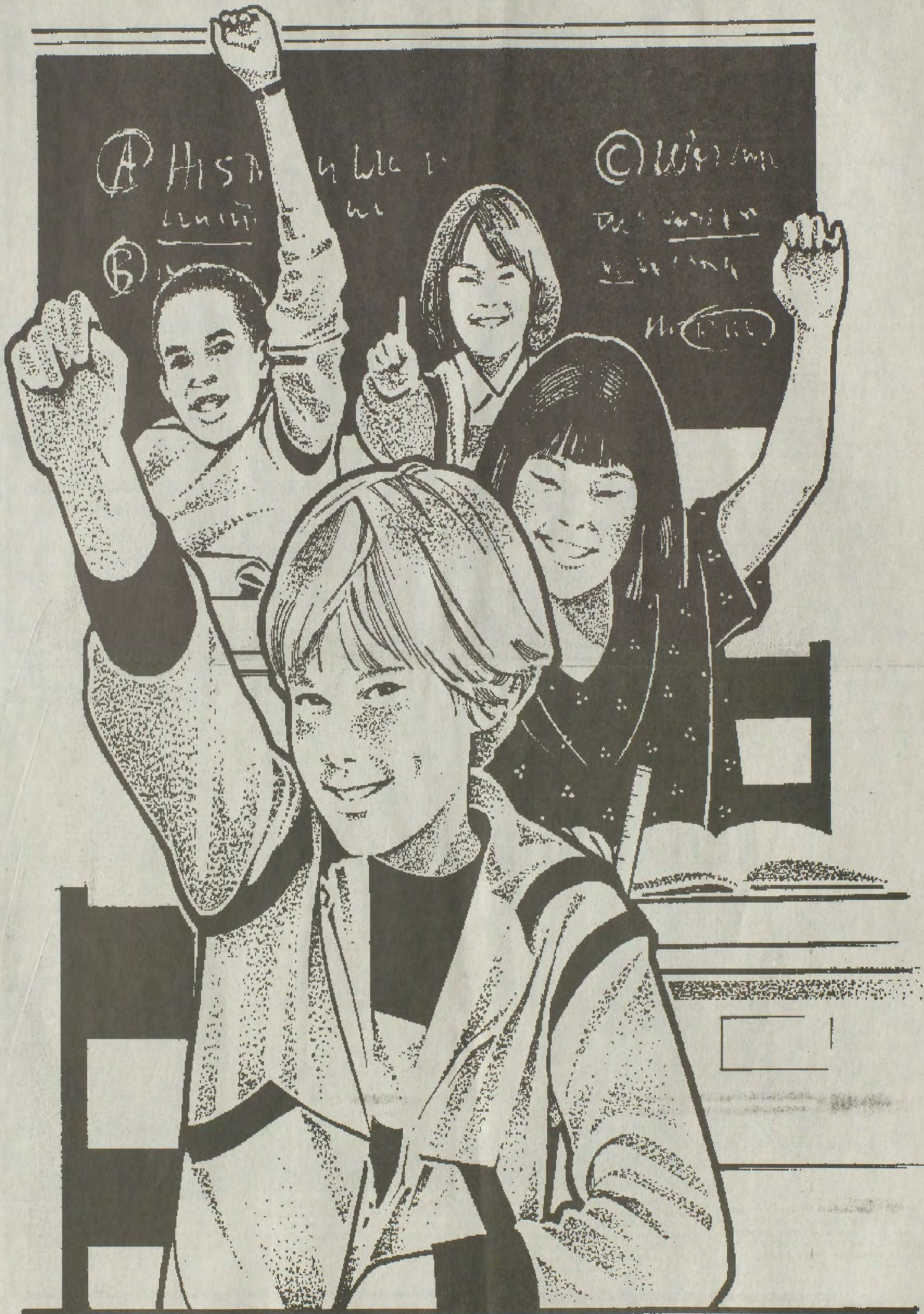
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# Adams Middle School



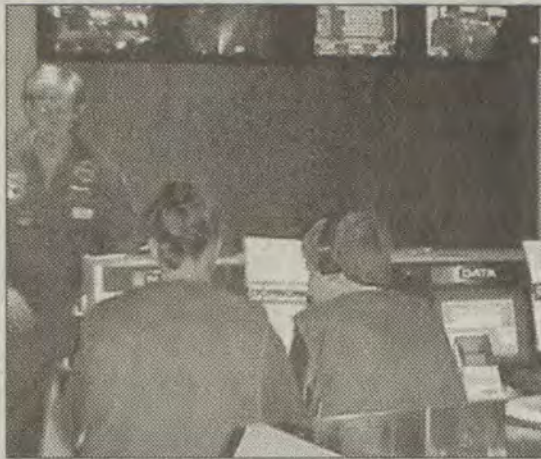
AMS 6th Grade Students wait anxiously to see if the launch of their probe is a success.



Kasey Moore, a member of the COM team, uses communication skills, along with Math and Science, to assist in completing a successful mission!



Commander Thornsby gives students some help on the Space Station.



6th Graders hard at work in Mission Control.



## Democratic Process at AMS

Mrs. Minix's 7th Grade Social Studies classes at Adams Middle School have been studying the Democratic Process. Each class elected students to represent Kerry, Bush, and Nader perspectives on pressing issues. Each class also elected moderators to conduct the questioning process. At

the end of each classes' debate, the student body voted for the President of the United States of America. Mrs. Minix's 2004 7th Grade Social Studies classes elected John Kerry by 59% of the vote. George Bush received 28% of the vote, and Ralph Nader had 13% of the vote.

## Challenger Center Visit

The AMS 6th grade students participated in a field trip to the Challenger Learning Center in Hazard, KY on October 26 and 27. To complete a successful mission, students used science and

math skills, plus some teamwork, to construct a simulated space probe, solve unexpected problems, and work together to simulate scientific experiments to explore the structure of a comet.

## Y CLUB



Y-Club members loading 2nd truck with food: Michelle Ellis, Leslie Bentley, Alyssa Allen, Seth Setser.



Y Club member Tyler Gayheart loading cans of food for God's Pantry.



Y Club members loading first truck with canned food.

Adams Middle School Y-club, Resource Center, teachers, parents, and staff worked together to help others. Everyone donated

canned food to help stock God's Pantry for the upcoming holiday season. Food collected one can at a time ended up totaling 2,333 cans of food

that will help families in need in the eastern Kentucky area.

## Adams Middle Starts FCA Chapter

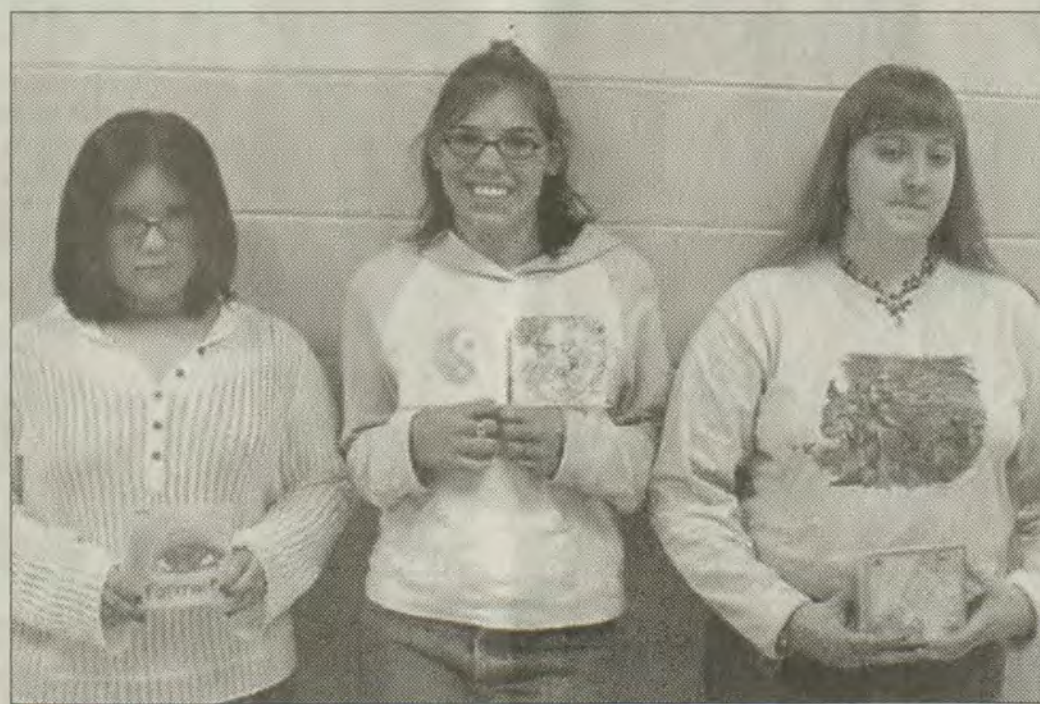
The Fellowship of Christian Athletes of Adams Middle School held their first meeting on November 5th. A total of 40 students & 3 adults were present. It was an enjoyable time by all. FCA is the largest inter-denominational, school-based, Christian sports organization in America. FCA focuses on serving local communities by equipping, empowering and encouraging people to make a difference for Christ.

FCA meets each Friday at 7:30am in the library at AMS. You do not have to be an athlete or Christian to attend, everyone is invited.

# Allen Central High School



Congratulations to Kayla Sheppard on being chosen to represent Allen Central High in the first "Class of Kentucky." The program is sponsored by WKYT-TV and affiliates, CHA Health and the University of Kentucky.



The Allen Central art program competed in a CD cover design contest. All art students were required to compete. They were allowed to be as creative as they wanted to be, even making up their own bands. The students voted for the winner and the top three from each class moved on to the final voting. In the end, there were 15 finalists in all, and first place went to Amanda Taylor, center. Racheal Delong, left, received second place and Angela Hunt won third.



Kortney Osborne, above, was the overall winner of the Domestic Violence Essay Contest and won a \$100 savings bond. Kemi Osborne picked up second place a received a \$50 savings bond.

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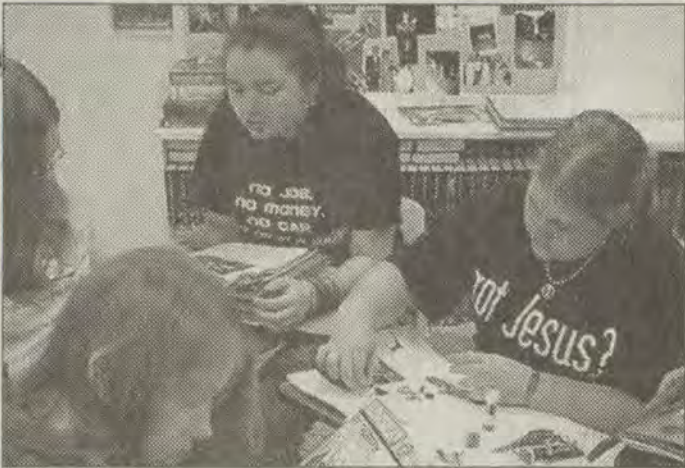
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# Allen Central High School

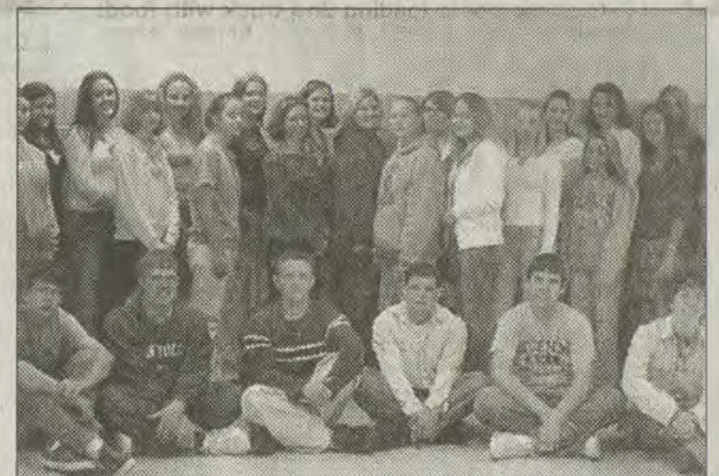


The English I classes at Allen Central High School made collages to represent short stories they had read the first nine weeks.



Future Educators of America

Mrs. Holliday's seniors recently participated in a pilgrimage to Canterbury to visit the shrine of St. Thomas a Becket. After careful reading and analysis of Geoffrey Chaucer's "The Canterbury Tales," students completed research notecards on each of Chaucer's 29 pilgrims. The students chose their favorite pilgrim and dressed up for a presentation in King Arthur's Court. The students stayed after school to work and transform the classroom into a festive depiction of the Renaissance period. Students gave detailed presentations of the pilgrims and touched on subjects such as chivalry, courtly love, Chaucer's time period and the religious issues of the times. Students enjoyed a turkey feast and dance the Pavan to Renaissance music.



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2004-2005

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| Lindsey Anderson         | <b>Sophomores</b> |
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| Bianca Hynes             | Stacia Crace      |
| Kemi Osborne             | Brittany Frasure  |
| Amanda Tackett-President | Alesia Hall       |
| Wes Tackett              | Melissa Noble     |
| Becky Thomas             | Tiffany Owens     |
|                          | Amanda Thacker    |
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| Nathan Crum              | Elizabeth Dingus  |
| Kara Greer               | Ashton Frasure    |
| Justin Jacobs            | Jackie Hall       |
| Brock Kidd               | Madeline Patton   |
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Allen Central High School football homecoming court. Congratulations to Rebecca Thomas, homecoming queen.

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# Allen Central Middle School



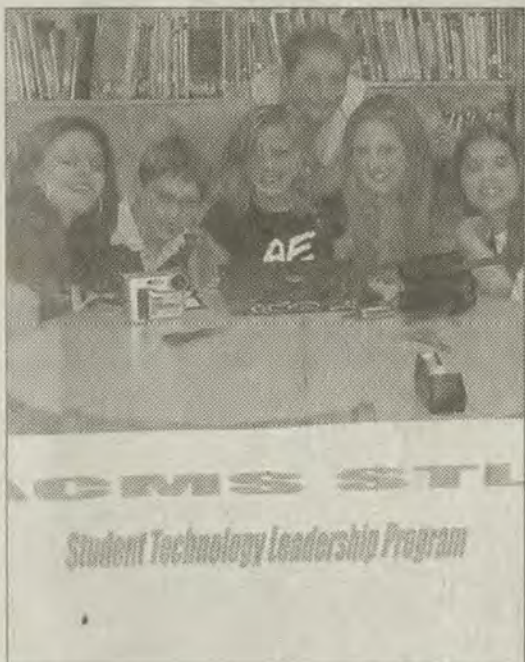
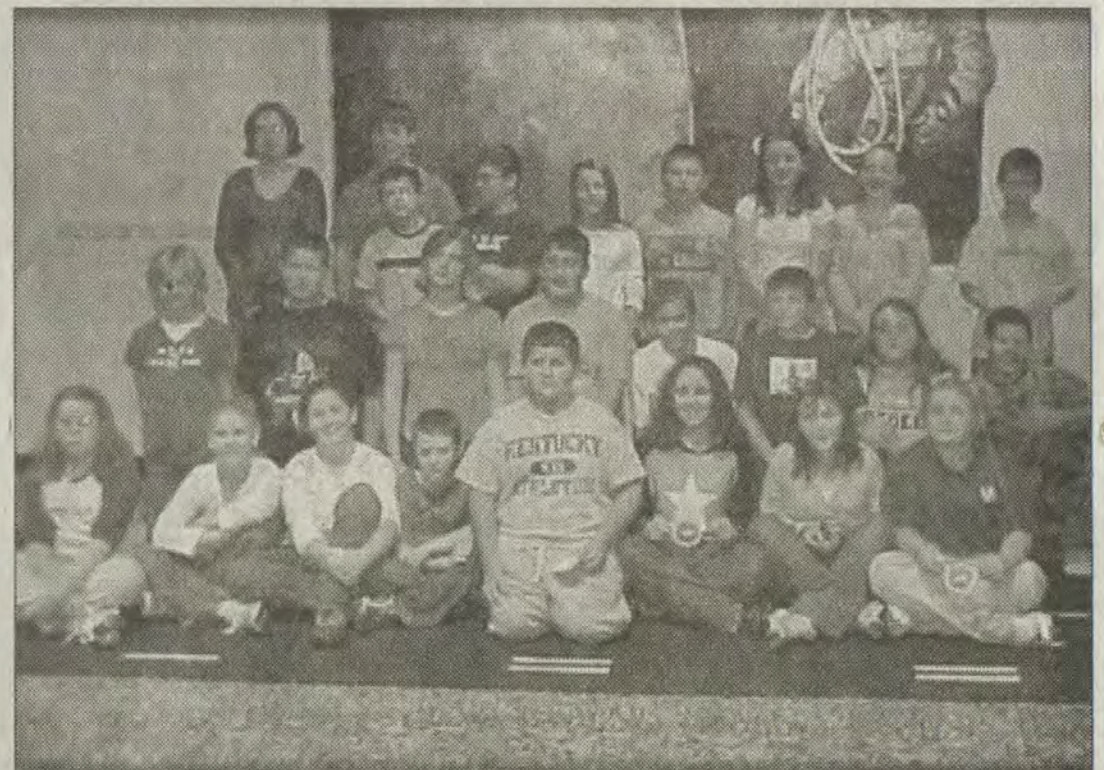
Miss Hannah Howard was named ACMS Football Homecoming Queen for the 2004-2005 school year.



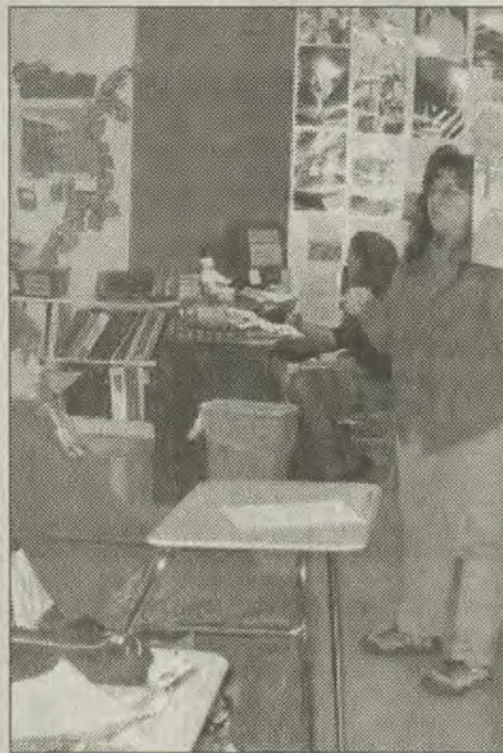
Whitney Ousley was awarded first place in the Red, White and Blue Day essay contest "What Freedom Means to Me."



Allen Central Middle School 8th grade athletes and parents were honored for the dedication to Rebel Pride.



Allen Central Middle School Students under the supervision of Brian Handshoe, technology resource teacher, are participating in STLP. The mission of the Student Technology Leadership Program (STLP) is to advance individual capabilities; to motivate all students; and to create leadership opportunities through the use of technology.



Mrs. Angie Mullins' guest speaker, Michelle Goble, entertained and educated the students about the environment.



Allen Central Middle School 6th grade students took part in a simulated space mission at the Challenger Center in Hazard.

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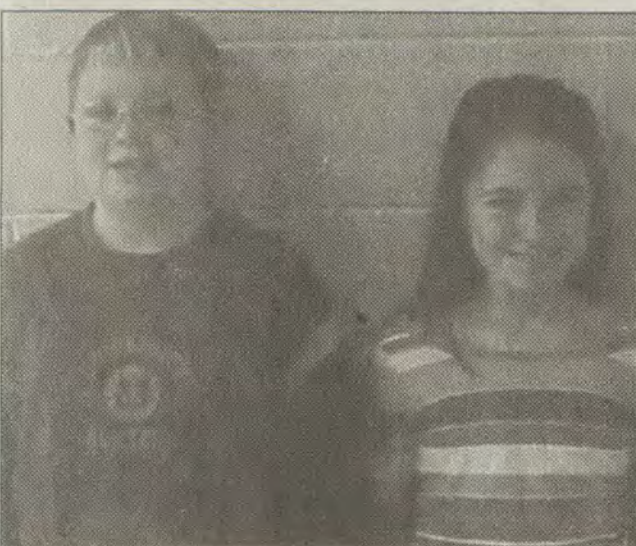
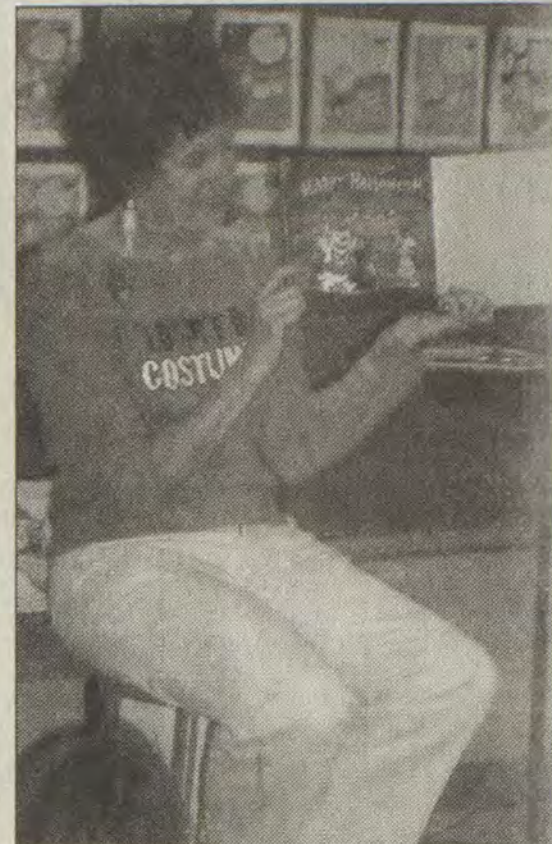
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# Allen Elementary School

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Two members of the Allen Elementary academic team placed in written assessment during the first academic meet of the year, held at Duff Elementary. Zachary Rowe placed second in math and Callie Conn placed fifth in arts and humanities. The quick recall team also won both of their matches against Stumbo and Prestonsburg elementaries.

Media specialist Janice Mitchell and her daughter Jerri visited Mrs. Rita Crisp's second-grade class at Allen Elementary during their Halloween celebration. Ms. Mitchell read the book, "The Hallo-Weiner," by Dav Pilkey. Ms. Mitchell's granddog "Fischer" came to the class dressed as the Hallo-Weiner.

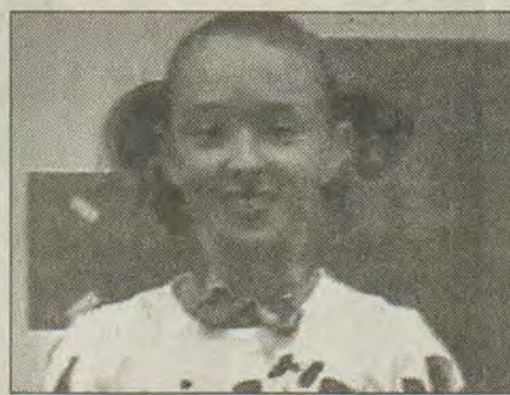


2004 Allen Elementary All-County Choir Participants  
 Back row, left to right: Mr. Bell (director), Emily Marsillett, Sasha McKinney, Victor Holbrook, Brittany Miller, Samantha Williams and Josh Park. Third row: Ashley Stewart, Whitney Hamilton, Lakyn Collins, Shaunda Burchett, Devin Clifton, Whitney Lewis and J.T. Adkins. Second row: Megan Shepherd, Erica Meade, Alyssa Johnson, and Kristy Rudder. Front row: Emily Bryant, Shayna Newhouse, Laken Keathley, Sarah Hall, Laura Isaac and Austin McNeil. Not pictured, Matthew Conn.



The Allen Elementary Junior Historical Society Club attended the annual conference April 1-3 in Frankfort. While there, they toured the State Capitol and met with state Rep. Chuck Meade. Pictured, front row left to right, are Tammy Noble, Cody Meade, Adam Gearheart, Andrew Noble, Alex Noble, Tanner Keathley, Heather Miller, Emily Bryant, Sabrina Mullins, Megan Shepherd, Kayla Snodgrass and Kathryn Ousley. Back row, left to right, are Rep. Chuck Meade, Terry Keathley, Nick Yonts, Savannah Boyd, Stephanie Calhoun, Ashleigh Robinson, Emily Holbrook, Janet Shepherd (KJHS sponsor) and Jackie Meade.

# Betsy Layne Elementary



Students celebrating American Indians with other students filming.



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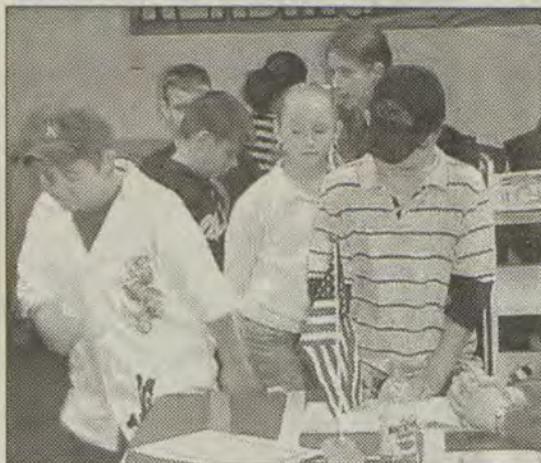
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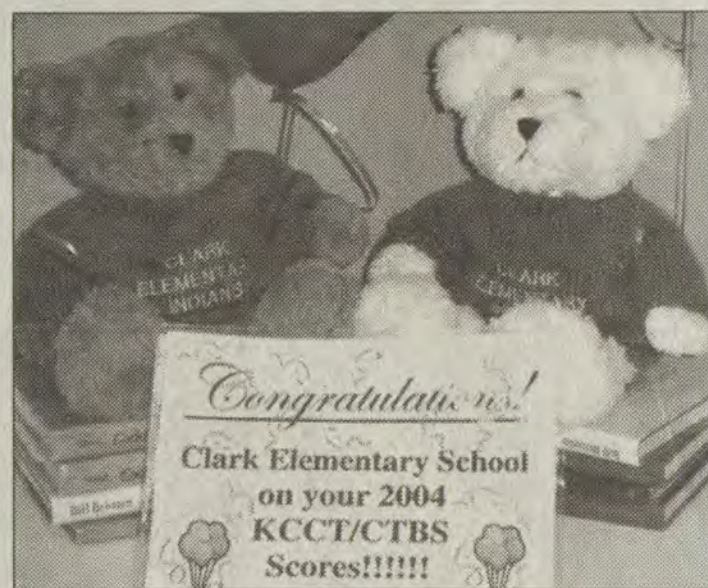
"Where Everyday is a Sale Day"

# Betsy Layne Elementary



Students voted using a real voting machine. After a brief discussion with Chris Waugh students signed the register and voted. Classrooms also elected class presidents. Fourth-grader Garran Newome was elected classroom president but has every intention of becoming president of the United States. He knows all the presidents in order and can give you any information about elections that you want to know.

# Clark Elementary



## Clark Elementary says 'No'

Red Ribbon Week at Clark Elementary educates students about the dangers of drugs and helps teach them to say no to drugs. All staff, students, volunteers and community helped to make the week a success. The students helped decorate with ribbons on doors and in trees, they wrote messages for balloons, they decorated bags, they wore red and they pledged to say no. Parents attended a "Connect with Parents" meeting and helped with the balloon launch. Lola Ratliff presented the TWYSSA program to the fifth-grade students during the week. Thanks to Food City for letting us reach the community through grocery bags decorated in the art classes. Students really enjoyed the last event, when red balloons with messages inside are released to travel everywhere.

## Clark Celebrates CATS Scores

Clark Elementary received Congratulations from the school district for a CATS 2004 index of 86.5. This index is a leap of 9.1 points from last year and surpasses the state performance expected goal of 77.4.



## IT'S FOR THE BIRDS ...

by Daphne Cook

Ms. Key's students were studying about birds and decided to make bird feeders last week. They used peanut butter, toilet paper rolls and birdseed. Spreading the toilet paper with peanut butter and sprinkling the birdseed on it was a lot of fun. Then they hung them in all the trees at Clark. They made them so that the birds would live longer.



## Congratulations Steven Howard

Steven won the Wal-Mart Red, White & Blue coloring contest. Steven represented Clark Elementary in the K-1 category, and was awarded a certificate for winning at the county level.



Bethany Thornsbury was the winner of the 20-inch television at the Fall Festival.

## Fall Festival

Special thanks to all who donated or helped at the Fall Festival:

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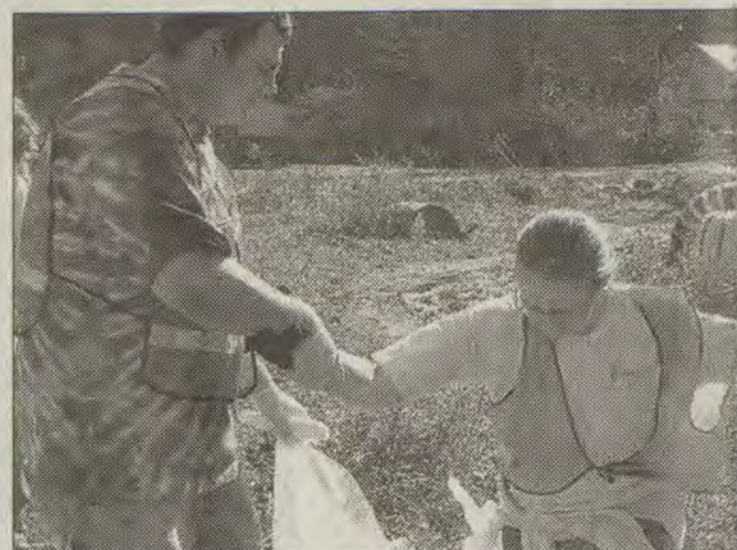
# The David School



David School seniors Edith Marsillett and Steven Taylor patrol Route 404, collecting trash.



Teacher Erica Ash, with students LaDonna Hall, Brandy Justice, Brittany Crum, Jonathan Crager and Brandon Slone, participating in the Adopt-A-Highway program in David.



Junior Jonathan Meadows, helping David School teacher Melissa Caudill, who went out of her way to clean up garbage left in a park in David.

## Adopt-A-Highway Program

Every fall and spring, students and staff of The David School take one morning away from the indoor classroom and devote the time to outdoor cleanup.

For years, The David School has participated in the Adopt-A-

Highway program. On cleanup day, students and staff gather as soon as school begins and prepare for the morning long activity. After being issued disposable gloves and bright orange vests, the group walks out to the road in front of The David School and begins the cleanup effort on a two-mile stretch of Route 404.

Over the years, items ranging from fast food restaurant bags to washing machines to car tires have been gathered up by students and

staff and disposed of properly.

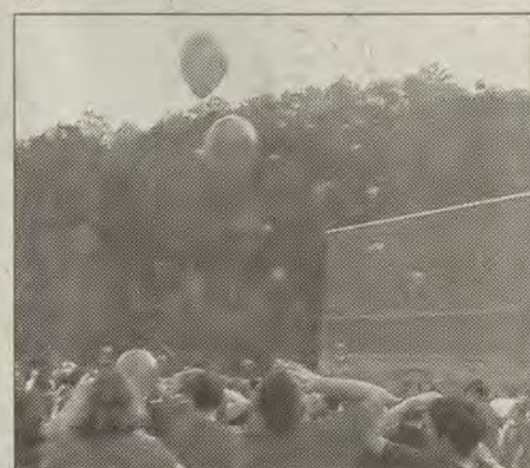
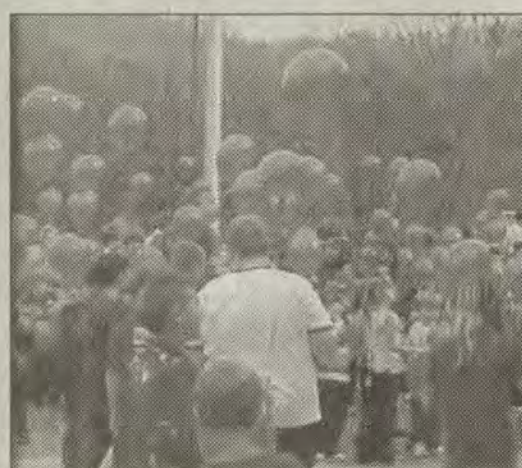
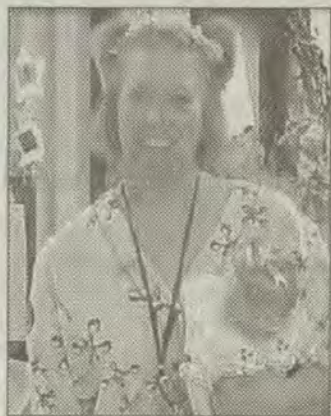
When asked what he has learned from the Adopt-A-Highway program, senior Josh Nelson said, "It makes me think twice before I decide to toss a pop can out of my car. Instead I wait until I get somewhere to throw the can away."

The David School will continue its Adopt-A-Highway program with the next scheduled cleanup being in March.

# May Valley Elementary

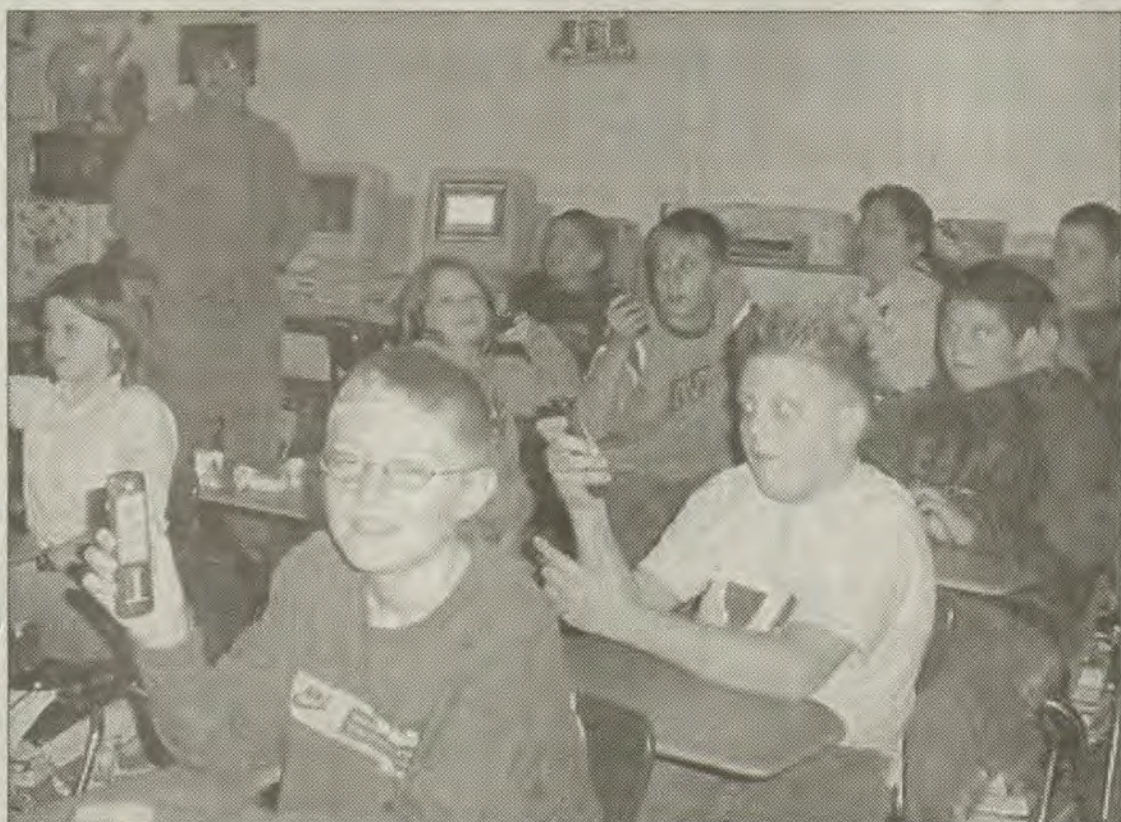


Staff and students alike dress and have fun with costumes



During the Red Ribbon Celebration sponsored by the Family Resource Center staff and students released red balloons with messages inside that were written by the students asking anyone that found them to contact the school. One day after the release a lady from Rural Retreat, Virginia called and said that she was proud to hear that the students at May Valley were being "Drug Free". She wanted them to follow their hearts and they would never go wrong.

# Duff Elementary



Duff Elementary fifth grade students in Mrs. Karen Bentley's Math class enjoy taking a Geometry pre-test using the Classroom Performance System (CPS). The CPS is a wireless response system that uses infrared technology to communicate between a handheld response pad and a receiver unit.



May Valley Family Resource Center, held a canned food drive to benefit the needy in the community and offered a Pizza party for the classroom bringing in the most cans for the second week. Ms. Jennifer Hopkins' class enjoys the pizza for winning with 1,238 cans collected. Giovanni's of Martin donated the delicious pizzas.



Carol Jo May from Our Lady of the Way Hospital demonstrates the importance of good hygiene to Mrs. Anita Huff's class. The students learned about how to brush their teeth and keep their bodies clean. The Hygiene program was sponsored by the Family Resource Center.



May Valley Intermediate classrooms were treated to a special Nutrition Program from the Floyd County Health Department and sponsored by the Family Resource Center. The presenter was Cheryl Younce.

## To the Students of Floyd County:

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Carol Stumbo, Chair of the Floyd County Board

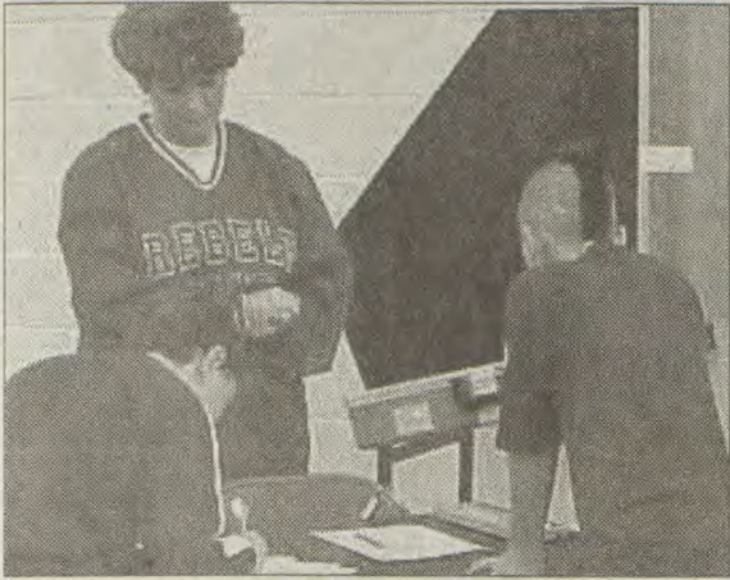
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# May Valley Elementary



Students at May Valley Elementary 3rd, 4th and 5th grades were allowed to sample the honor of voting in a presidential election year. Floyd County Clerk, Chris Waugh set up a voting machine for the students to have a mock presidential election. The students were also allowed to vote the election of the May Valley 4-H officers. The experience gave the students a renewed belief that their vote does really count.



Carol Jo May of Our Lady of the Way Hospital spoke to students at May Valley Elementary on how to be safe during Halloween and gave them a special Trick-Or-Treat bag. The safety program was sponsored by the Family Resource Center.

# McDowell Elementary



LEFT: Intermediate Christmas Through the Eyes of a Child winners: Tyler Howell, Ricky Stegall, Donathan Cook, Brandon Marson, Dustin Tackett, Taylor Turner, Tashia Gayheart, Korri Hall and Brianna Losinger.



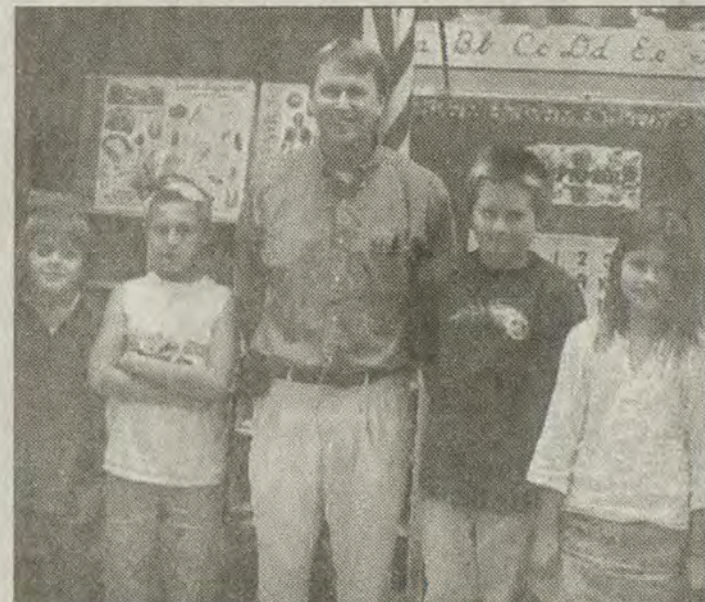
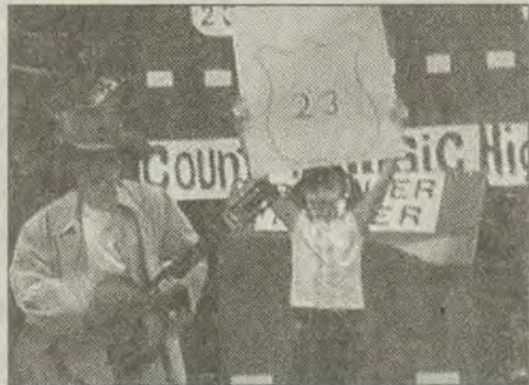
RIGHT: Primary Christmas Through the Eyes of a Child winners: Taylor Knott, Codi Salisbury and Marley Collins

## P1 and P2 students make 'Bunny Cakes'




County winner for the essay contest, "What Freedom Means to Me" in the recent Red, White and Blue Festival.

## Tribute to Country Music Highway



The P-4 classes at McDowell Elementary participated in a unit on elections and government. As a culminating performance, the class was visited by County Clerk Chris Waugh. He brought in a voting machine and all the P-4 students got to vote for class president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. They also voted for U.S. president and George W. Bush was victorious. Pictured from left to right are Vice President Blake Dean, President Sebastian Lemaster, County Clerk Chris Waugh, Treasurer Corey Thornsbury and Secretary Shelby Reffett.



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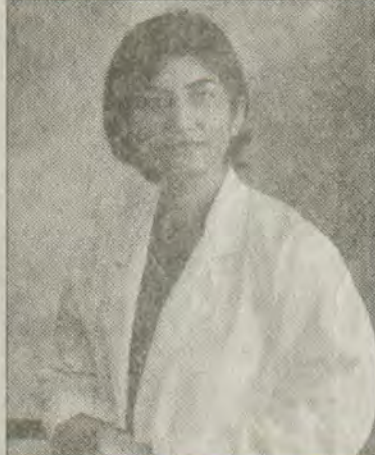
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# Mountain Christian Academy

## MCA honor roll

Mountain Christian Academy released its Honor Roll for the first quarter of the academic calendar.

Regular honor roll status is afforded to children with a Grade Point Average of 3.00, while High Honors go to children who are A students with an average of 94 percent or higher.

Third Grade: Brandy Crum, Destiny Hall, Presley Jones, Chase Perkey, Caitlin Slone, Colt Vance, Seth Williams and Dalton Williamson.

Fourth Grade: Sarah Akers, James Allen, Manvir Bhagrath, Aaron Castle, John Gullett, Sam Kilburn, Kristin Kirby, Tori Nairn, Jonathan O'Bryan, Sha Quesenberry, Christi Rose and Casey Thompson.

Fifth Grade: Charles Jacob Bartley, Chad Combs, Ashley Heywood, Cameron Love, Laiken Maggard, Katie Mullins, Jeremy Ousley and Nick Stumbo.

Sixth Grade: Andreea Gabor, Josh Gray, Minus

Helton, William Andrew McCormick, Kes Moore, Rebekah Potter, Marisa Sammons and Leigh Williams.

Seventh Grade: Tyler Hall, Miles Heywood, Zachary Lemaster, Tyler Newman, Seth Perry and Megan Williams.

Eighth Grade: Whitney Hackworth, Elizabeth Kilburn, Katy Petry and Shane Poynton.

High Honors

Third Grade: Shawn Quesenberry and Maggie

Wilkes.

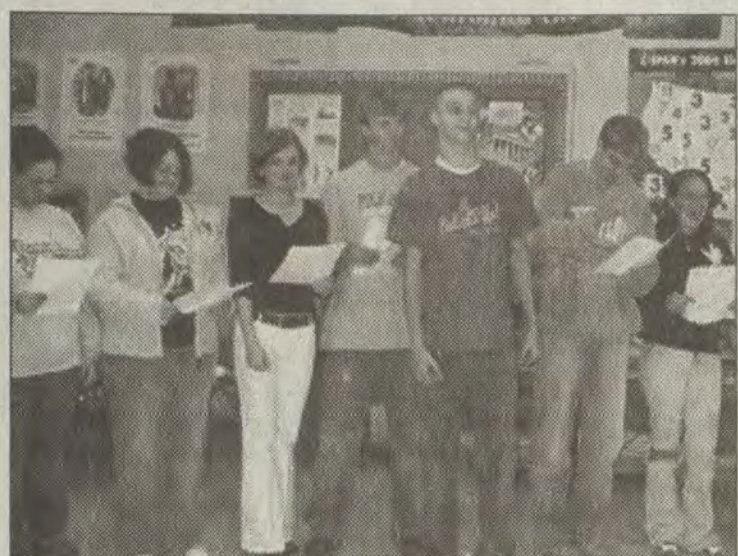
Fourth Grade: Alex Davis, Ian Hall, Esha Narola, Anisah Rafi and Wade Vierheller.

Fifth Grade: Swathi Gutti and Aanchal Saraf.

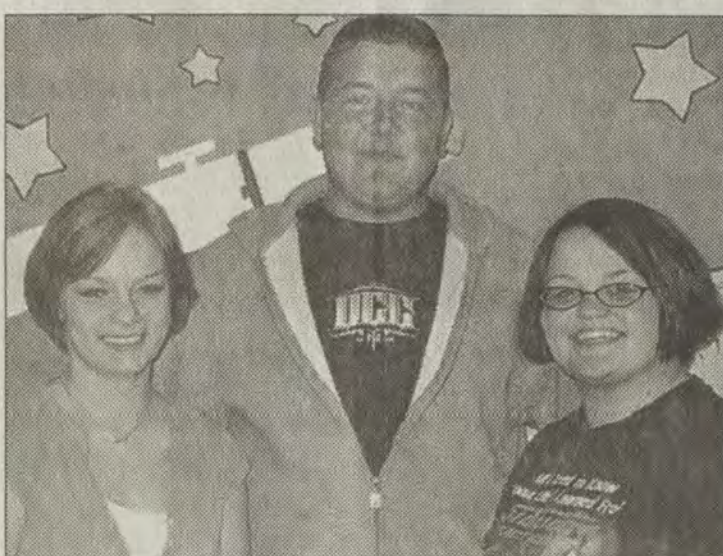
Sixth Grade: Harmeet Bhagrath, Shikha Sachdeva and Kathleen Smith.

Eighth Grade: Julia Burchett, Elizabeth Davis, Maegan Leslie, Taylor Moak and Warren Vierheller.

# Opportunities Unlimited



A group of students from Mrs. Kidd's English classes performs a Poetry Alive presentation for their fellow students.

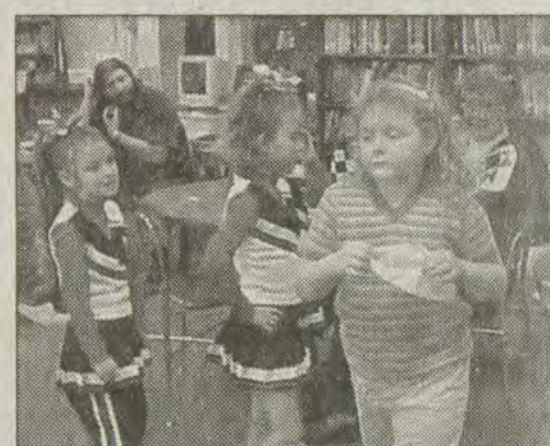


April Collins, Josh Meade, and Amber Clay served as "Precinct Workers" for the mock-election held by Mr. Martin's history class, just prior to the recent Presidential election. We were very pleased with their sincerity and professionalism.



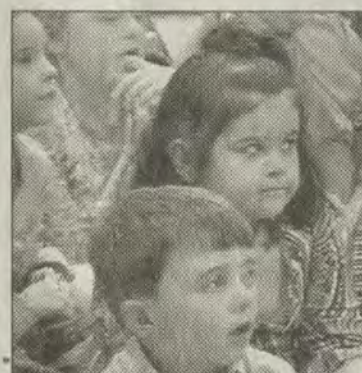
Daniel Meadows reads intently as Mrs. Mynhier's class has a discussion about our local current events. Several of our teachers incorporate our local paper into their studies.

# Osborne Elementary



During the month of October, the Family Resource Youth Service Centers and The UK Cooperative Extension Service Agency collaborated and offered a reading program called FRED (Fathers Reading Every Day). On the evening of October 22, Chuck Stamper, Nadine Hicks and the Family Resource Center staff met with several families in the W.D. Osborne Elementary Library. The orientation lasted about 40 minutes. It looks like this program may be successful countywide. I want to thank all the people who have put their time and effort into this program. Hopefully next year it will be an even bigger success! Cissy (Rainbow Junction FRC).

Each morning, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Daniels', Mrs. Vance's and Mrs. Johnson's primary classes begin with The Pledge of Allegiance. They salute our flag and end by singing the Star Spangled Banner. Our primary teachers also take this time to go over important details and events happening in America with them.



Kim Sanders, with Our Lady of the Way Community Education, gave a presentation on Halloween safety to our students in grades K-3. The children watched a video with McGruff the Crime Dog, and then answered questions about safety. Each child was given a trick-or-treat bag, compliments of Our Lady of the Way.



Garry Boothe, who is sponsored by Union Construction Workers, presented our students with a program about "Attitude Is Everything!" Mr. Boothe used magic, puppets, balloons and any other resource at his disposal to help get the message across to our children. He stressed the importance of the "I-can attitude", "saying no to drugs," "don't ever let anyone take your smile away." He talked about bullies and ways to deal with them. He brings a very powerful message. He includes staff and students in his presentation and keeps his audience captivated. We are thankful we were able to have him in our school this year. We are very grateful to the Union Construction Workers for sponsoring his program.

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# The Piarist School

## Piarist Y-Club

by Nicole Helton

The Piarist School Y-Club in Martin has been very busy this year.

The 28 members have been working hard within the community and have already accomplished a lot this year. The group has also been hard at work preparing for the Kentucky Youth Assembly.

Nineteen members of the Y-Club went to Louisville for the Kentucky Youth Assembly, where members learned about the process of state legislature. The meeting took place November 21-

23. All group members have participated actively in making this goal a possibility.

The Y-Club has also been active in community service. So far, the group has participated in two safe trick-or-treat programs in both Floyd and Magoffin counties. Within the school, the activities have included helping the cross country meet at Jenny Wiley.

# Prestonsburg Elementary

Brayden Hall is helping his teacher nail the back to a new bookshelf that was replaced after flood damage to the classroom. Brayden is a Kindergarten student at Prestonsburg Elementary.



PES students are shown digging sweet potatoes in their school garden. Shown left to right are Austin Newsome, Charlie Joseph, Hannah Hackworth, Andrew Combs, Clay Lemaster, and Leanna Goble.



PES students are shown with harvested sweet potatoes grown in the school garden. Shown left to right are Austin Newsome, Hannah Hackworth, Charlie Joseph, Andrew Combs, Leanna Goble, and kneeling, Clay Lemaster.



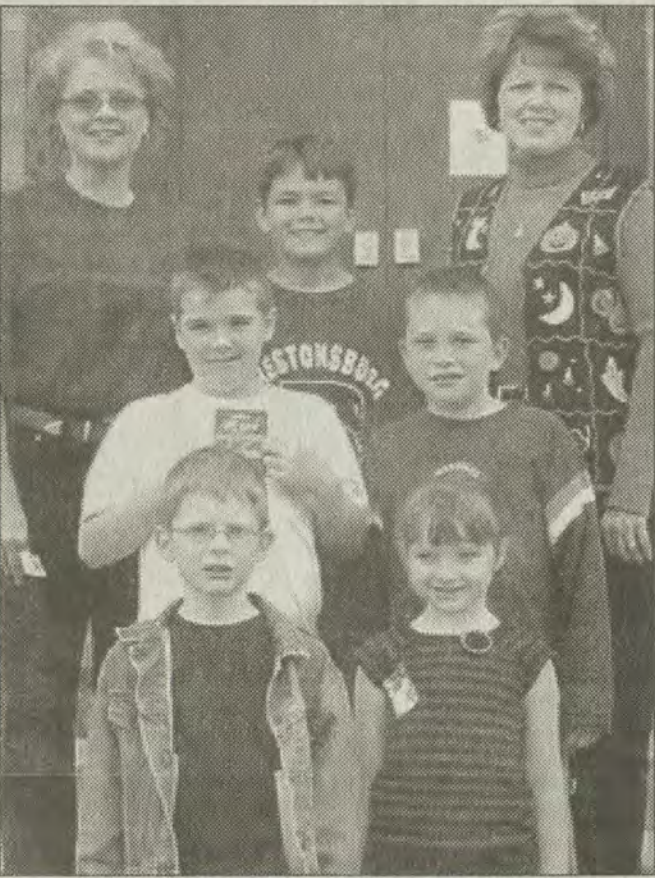
Shelby Blackburn, Andrew Noble, Elizabeth Collins, and Sara Shepherd hold one of the several bags of trash picked up at the Trimble Branch Park located behind Prestonsburg Elementary. The PES PRIDE Club helps by keeping the park clean with frequent clean-ups.



Natasha Burchett is showing off one of the many gourds grown in the garden at Prestonsburg Elementary. The garden is a part of the PRIDE program at the school.



Stephen Goble and Tyler Shelton are part of the Prestonsburg Elementary PRIDE Club. The two boys are helping with a campus clean up by cleaning up the area around the wetland area at the school.



### Second month perfect attendance

Prestonsburg Elementary School recognized their second month perfect attendance students during an assembly in the school auditorium. Student names were placed in a drawing per grade level. Ten dollar gift certificates donated by the Prestonsburg Elementary PTA were awarded to the students.

Kayla Cobern, kindergarten  
Jacob McIntosh, first grade  
Lela Peppi, second grade  
Jordan Marcum, third grade  
Clay LeMaster, fourth grade  
Regan Wills, fifth grade

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Jacob Carpenter, first grade  
Dylan Tomblin, second grade  
Jeffery Tackett, third grade  
Clay LeMaster, fourth grade  
Charlie Joseph, fifth grade

## First Nine Weeks Honor Roll

### First Grade

Mrs. Stewart's Homeroom  
A Honor Roll: Rama Alhoms, Brandon Blackburn, Catherine Garza, Brittany Hall, Harvey Poston, Muna Shakhshiro  
B Honor Roll: Aaron Bertrand, Allison Collins, Dakota Collins, Amber Feltner, Brennan Goble, Bryce Hancock, Chase Martin, Zackary Owens, Joshua Shepherd

Mrs. Collins' Homeroom  
A Honor Roll: Jacob Carpenter, Jaden Clark, Madison Stricklin, Ethan Wright  
B Honor Roll: Kaitlyn Branham, Jaco Collins, Hannah Craft, Amber Marsillett, Grace Powers, Tyler Reynolds, Ryan Rice, Kyle Salyer, Courtnea Wireman, Jonathanyates

Mr. Tackett's Homeroom  
A Honor Roll: Dustin Blair, Zachary Blanton, Kaleight Kendrick, Tasneem Khattab, Tanner Rorrer, Scott Stapleton, Emily Williamson  
B Honor Roll: Alexander Campbell, Chester Davis, Jeffrey Goble, Caitlenn Halsey, Shelby Hitchcock, Hannah Hunt, Caitlyn Johnson, Jonna Ousley, Madelyn Ousley, Devon Pinson, Austin Ratliff, William Salisbury, Jonathan Spradlin, Cameron Wells

Mrs. Walker's Homeroom  
A Honor Roll: Tate Greene, Hannah Little, Wyatt Martin, Grant Minix, Jordan Slone  
B Honor Roll: Kaitlyn Allen, Kaitlyn Fraley, Tanner Hall, Courtney Lafferty, Darian Marsh, Jacob McIntosh, Makayla Minix, Dylan Slone, Paul David Stanley

### Second Grade

Mrs. Hunt's Homeroom  
B Honor Roll: Cody Smith, William Wallen, Tiffany Clifton, Angel Riley, Grace Boleyn, Miles Goodman, Bradley Hall, April Ratliff, Mariah Ratliff, Susanna Johnson, McKenzie Collins, Clay Slone, Shaelynn Hicks, Dustin Moore, Cody Goble, Laken Hayden, Angela Owens

Mrs. Petry's Homeroom:  
A Honor Roll: Christian Kelley, Arron

Bates, Hanaan Alimam, Chastity Couch, Megan Scott  
B Honor Roll: Paige Akers, Bethany Lowe, Kyle Branham, Madison Moore, Kelley Owens, Logan Hall, Brittini Wright

Ms. Turner's Homeroom  
A Honor Roll: Lauren Davis, Sarah Ratliff, Summer Shepherd  
B Honor Roll: Taelor Blevins, Savannah Campbell, Zachary Colemean, Kennedy Conley, Keiona Craft, John Dillon, Emma George, Jeremy Gregory, Cody Hackworth, Amber Kidd, Steven Little, Grant Martin, Ronnie Newsome, Katie Porter, Alexis Younce

Mrs. Stumbo's Homeroom  
A Honor Roll: Tyler Bays, Alyvia Hall  
B Honor Roll: Lauren Click, Nicholas Collins, Joshua A. Crider, Caitlin Kaessinger, Kelli Marsillett, Wesley Moore, Emily Mullins, Bobby Murrell Jr., Lela Peppi, Makayla Silcox, Catherine Spurlock, Brittany Waddles, Gabriel Walker, Makayla Wells

### Third Grade

Mrs. Turner's Homeroom  
A Honor Roll: Christian Lafferty, Rachel Layne  
B Honor Roll: Austin Bailey, Cathryn Calhoun, kaitlyn Campbell, Kaylee Collins, Galen Greene, Allison Hale, Brandon Hicks, Tyler Honeycutt, Samantha Lafferty, C.J. Ousley, Stratton Rorrer, Destinee Stewart

Mrs. Justice's Homeroom:  
A Honor Roll: Weston Martin  
B Honor Roll: Griffin Baker, Christopher Jacob Blair, Gavin Blanton, Kendra Gambill, Ashleigh Hayton, Austin Holbrook, Brittany Jones, Aaron Meade, Jessica Powell, Traci Spradlin

Mrs. Conn's Homeroom  
A Honor Roll: Jordan Bach, Ike Hawkins  
B Honor Roll: Shayla Bray, Joshua Coahran, Johnathan Boyd, Eric Collins, Mitch Fields, Jackie Goble, Allison Hackworth, Kendra Hayden, Destiny Olcott, Coty Shortridge, Britney Sparks, Marissa Thompson

Mrs. Wells' Homeroom:  
A Honor Roll: Kayanna Mullins  
B Honor Roll: Heather Bailey, Cody Bradley, Ashley Case, Corey Conley, Aaron Crider, Mikka Fraley, Samantha Hall, Seaton Hall, Kierra Shelton, Jeffery Tackett, Madison Wright, Shane Hall

### Fourth Grade

Mrs. Cornett's Homeroom  
A Honor Roll: Bethany Scarberry, Trey Stapleton, Elizabeth Collins  
B Honor Roll: Nick Hites, Andrew Combs, Colton Boleyn, Brianna Holbrook, Cody Holbrook, Austin Sloan, Brittany Stone

Mrs. Minix's Homeroom:  
A Honor Roll: Elizabeth Vaughn  
B Honor Roll: Allyson Branham, Savannah Bryant, Paige Caudill, Phillip Whitten, Nathan Armstrong, Hannah Spurlock, Elexius Spurlock, Morgan Nunnery, McKinley Minix, Caitlyn Horne, Amber Hayden, Morgan Haywood, Anna Hall, Rachel Dingus

Mrs. Goble's Homeroom  
A Honor Roll: Derek Newsome  
B Honor Roll: Austin Blanton, Royce Compton, Chelsea Dickerson, Rachael Hall, Hannah Hitchcock, Jonathon Murrell, Andrew Noble

### Fifth Grade

Mrs. Holland's Homeroom  
B Honor Roll: Amber Childers, Anthony Collins, Drew Diddle, Joseph Jamerson, Kim Jarrell, Amanda Phillips, Amy Rice, Stella Spears

Mrs. Combs' Homeroom  
B Honor Roll: Cole Allen, Lisa Bray, Leanna Goble, Victoria Hampton, Charlie Joseph, Jessica Lafferty, Jessica Russell, Kristany Setser, Rheagan Wills

Mrs. Shepherd's Homeroom  
B Honor Roll: Evan Bays, Hannah Hackworth, Terri Celeste Hall, Emily Hammonds, Matthew Mickale Roberts, Zachary Romans, Ashton Sizemore, Hayley Slone

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# Prestonsburg Elementary



Coty Shortridge, Ike Hawkins, Allison Hackworth, find the pumpkin to be a little slimy, but continue on with their experiment.



Brittany Hayden, Shayla Newsome, Joshua Coahran, and Marissa Thompson, take time out from their hard work to smile for Mrs. Conn's camera.



Eric Collins, Jessica Romans, Johnathan Boyd, Britiney Sparks, really get into their task of counting and estimating pumpkin seeds. They are in Mrs. Conn's 3rd grade class at PES.



Jordan Bach, Kendra Hayden, Shyanna Newsome, and Aaron Sanders, in Mrs. Conn's 3rd grade are excited to be counting pumpkin seeds for an experiment.



Mitch Fields, Destiny Olcott, Jackie Goble and Nick Gibson in Mrs. Conn's 3rd grade are busy completing an experiment.



The students in Prestonsburg Elementary PRIDE Club are pleased that there seems to be less trash on the playground when they did their scheduled clean up in October. The students assisting were Shelby Blackburn, Amber Childers, Elizabeth Collins, Andrew Combs, Nikki Ellis, Leanna Goble, Stephen Goble, Hannah Hackworth, Celeste Hall, Victoria Hampton, Amber Hayden, Charlie Joseph, Clay Lemaster, Andrew Noble, Clara Potter, Kristany Setser, Tyler Shelton, Sara Shepherd, Ashton Sizemore, Hayley Stone, Jamie Wallen, Rheagan Wills, and Katie Young.



The students at Prestonsburg Elementary were surprised by the number of gourds gathered from the school garden. The gourds were picked twice with double the amount shown here. The students who helped pick them were Shelby Blackburn, Natasha Burchett, Amber Childers, Cheyenne Clifton, Andrew Combs, Nikki Ellis, Leanna Goble, Hannah Hackworth, Celeste Hall, Emily Hammonds, Victoria Hampton, Amber Hayden, Charlie Joseph, Clay Lemaster, Austin Newsome, Andrew Noble, Chad Ousley, Clara Potter, Kristany Setser, Tyler Shelton, Sara Shelton, Ashton Sizemore, Hayley Stone, Jamie Wallen, Rheagan Wills, and Katie Young.

# South Floyd High School



## South Floyd Boys' Varsity Cheerleaders

Front row: Tara Little and Tera Addis. Second row: Whitney Tackett, Kim Patton, Christina Berger, Whitney Howell and Morgan Thornsberry. Third row: Stephanie Fraley and Allie Hall. Top: Jessica Howell and Bianca Bailey.

## Hayes sets record

Colby Hayes, a ninth grader at South Floyd High School, has been playing varsity golf since he has been in the fifth grade.

"I've always known I would be a South Floyd Raider even when I was attending Stumbo Elementary," Hayes said.

The district tournament, a two-day event, helped Hayes advance to the state tournament. After the first day Hayes had one over par and was tied for the lead. On the second day of the tournament Hayes was still tied for the lead and had to play a sudden death playoff. A Prestonsburg Junior beat Hayes in the first hole of sudden death.

"It was the first hole of sudden death and my competition had a birdie, a birdie is always hard to beat in a playoff," Hayes said.

Colby is the first golfer from South Floyd High to ever qualify for the state tournament. Hayes shot a 79 to lead all freshmen in the state tournament.

Congratulations to Colby Hayes on his success this season, and expect to see more of this avid golfer in the future.

Colby is the son of Kim Hayes and the late Chris Hayes of Teaberry.



Colby Hayes, 15th Region individual representative, KHSAA State Golf Tournament, Bowling Green, Oct. 7.

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# South Floyd Middle School

While studying measures of central tendency, students in Mrs. Michelle Hall's eighth-grade exploratory class had the opportunity to perform their rendition of "The M, The M, The MMMR Rap." Pictured in this group are Coretta Trammell, Ethan Gayheart, Jill Vance, Stephanie Conn, matraca Bentley, Brittany Hall and Tabatha Hill.



Mrs. Isaac's eighth-grade social studies class studies Native American cultures



## South Floyd Middle Elects Student Council

Every year at SFMS, a new Student Council is elected. Two representatives from each homeroom in the seventh and eighth grades serve on the council. These students are nominated and voted on by their homerooms.

Eighth-graders are also allowed to serve as officers — president, vice president, treasurer and secretary. Each homeroom nominates a representative to run for the election.

This year, the election was held on Tuesday, Oct. 26. The winners are Kody Little as president, Ronsheena Ray as vice president, Brandi Frasure as treasurer and Kayla Slone as secretary.

Homeroom representatives are as follows:  
8-1: Brandi Frasure and Chelsie Hunt.

- 8-1: Kody Little and Kerry Meade.
- 8-3: Sheena Ray and Zach Brown.
- 8-4: Trista Damron and Allison Daniels.
- 8-5: Matraca Bentley and Stephanie Conn.
- 7-1: Brenna Bates and Jordon Burke.
- 7-2: Ashley Thomas and Nick Osborne.
- 7-3: Laken Maggard and Dakota Hall.
- 7-4: Nick Johnson and Laken Hall.

Activities planned for the Student Council include the October candy drive, the November canned food drive and gifts for Head Start in December.

Anybody with ideas for activities can call Denise Isaac.



# Stumbo Elementary



Stumbo Elementary Choir members were asked to sing the National Anthem for the Board of Education Meeting held at Stumbo Elementary on October 25. Choir members that sang are: Ashley Gillespie, Amanda Newsome, Amberly Hall, Olivia Stapleton, Morgan Tackett, Kaneatha Bryant, Edna Williams, and Courtney Taylor.



Five Stumbo Elementary Choir members were selected to sing the National Anthem at the start of each evening of the elementary girls basketball county tournament hosted by Stumbo Elementary. The singers are: Courtney Taylor, Kaneatha Bryant, Amanda Newsome, Olivia Stapleton, and Nichole Hamilton. Photo taken by Keturah Tackett.

# Kid Scoop.com

This Week: Thanksgiving

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## The Pilgrim Game

Can you separate **FACT** from **OPINION** about life with the Pilgrims? Play this Kid Scoop game with a friend!



1. Players take turns picking up cards.
2. Read the card aloud. Tell if what it says is a **fact** or an **opinion**.
3. If correct, lay the card on the correct ship and move your marker the number of spaces.
4. If incorrect, player loses a turn.
5. Take turns until the first player reaches the Thanksgiving turkey.

Remember: A fact can be measured. An opinion tells how people feel.

CUT OUT A GAME MARKER FOR EACH PLAYER.



**Extra! Extra!**

### Thanksgiving Scavenger Hunt

Look through the newspaper and find:

- A turkey photo
- Something you are thankful for
- The word "Thanksgiving"
- A word that can express an opinion
- A 3-digit number

Standards Link: Language Arts/Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

How many leaves can you find on this page?

**GAME CARDS:** Cut out these cards and place them face down. (To make them sturdier, paste them on construction paper.)

<p>1 The most important rule Pilgrims had to obey was to go to church on Sunday. <b>9 SPACES</b></p>	<p>2 Chief Massasoit brought 90 Indian braves to the first Thanksgiving. <b>3 SPACES</b></p>	<p>3 Plymouth was a beautiful place to build a village. <b>10 SPACES</b></p>	<p>4 The Pilgrims were thankful for their Indian friends. <b>6 SPACES</b></p>	<p>5 The Pilgrims sailed to America on the <i>Mayflower</i>. <b>4 SPACES</b></p>	<p>6 The Indians felt sorry for the Pilgrims. <b>5 SPACES</b></p>
<p>7 The Pilgrims left England for America in 1620. <b>5 SPACES</b></p>	<p>8 The Pilgrims were afraid in the new land. <b>5 SPACES</b></p>	<p>9 The Pilgrims liked the food on the ship. <b>9 SPACES</b></p>	<p>10 The Pilgrims ate turkey at the first Thanksgiving. <b>4 SPACES</b></p>	<p>11 Pilgrim children had a lot of fun. <b>7 SPACES</b></p>	<p>12 The Pilgrims lived in small houses. <b>10 SPACES</b></p>
<p>13 Squanto taught the Pilgrims how to find and grow food in America. <b>7 SPACES</b></p>	<p>14 The Pilgrims and the Indians feasted for three days at the first Thanksgiving. <b>6 SPACES</b></p>	<p>15 One baby was born on the voyage to America. <b>5 SPACES</b></p>	<p>16 Pilgrim boys and girls stuffed mattresses with pine needles, corn husks and feathers. <b>8 SPACES</b></p>	<p>17 It took seven hours to cook a turkey over a fire. <b>6 SPACES</b></p>	<p>18 The place the Pilgrims called Plymouth was called Patuxet by the Indians. <b>6 SPACES</b></p>

FACTS: 2, 5, 7, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18.  
OPINIONS: 1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12.

Can you find your way through the turkey's tail feathers?

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

### Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

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O	T	I	O	S	A	S	S	A	M

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

### BEYOND Kid Scoop

Make new fact and opinion cards using sentences you find in the newspaper. Cut out some sentences that are facts and some that are opinions. Glue them onto heavy paper for cards. Play the Pilgrim Game using your new cards.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Identify fact and opinion in expository text; read from a variety of sources including the newspaper.

### What do you get after eating too much turkey?

ANSWER: Dessert.

## Weekly Writing Corner

### I Am Thankful

I am thankful for grass, trees, hills, bushes and flowers. I am thankful for birds, cats, dogs, bears, rabbits, foxes and all the other animals. And I am thankful for everything else.

Rheannon, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

I am thankful for my friends. They help me if something is hard. When I am sad they cheer me up. When I cut my leg once, my friends took me to the office.

Ryan, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

I am thankful for my family. If I didn't have a family I wouldn't have someone to hug when I feel sad.

McKenna, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

I am thankful for cats because they are soft and nice to me. They are fun to play with and fun to watch.

Cara, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

I am thankful because I have a nice and loving family and I have tons of friends. But I'm really thankful because I have everything I need to live.

Kathleen, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

I am thankful for long books. I am thankful for a quiet place to read. I am thankful for my puppy.

Maiya, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

I am thankful for my friend, Tanner. He is funny and laughs at my jokes. He sits behind me in school.

Jesus, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

I am thankful for my horses and my dog. Also, I am thankful for my mom and dad.

Letty, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

I am thankful for electricity. Without it we would find it hard to live in the way we do now. I'm also thankful for running water.

Nick, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

I am thankful that I can go to such a great school and learn. I am thankful that I can play sports. I enjoy that more than anything. I am thankful that people care about me.

Taylor, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

## Write On!

### I Am Thankful

Deadline: Dec. 19, 2004  
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I Am Thankful  
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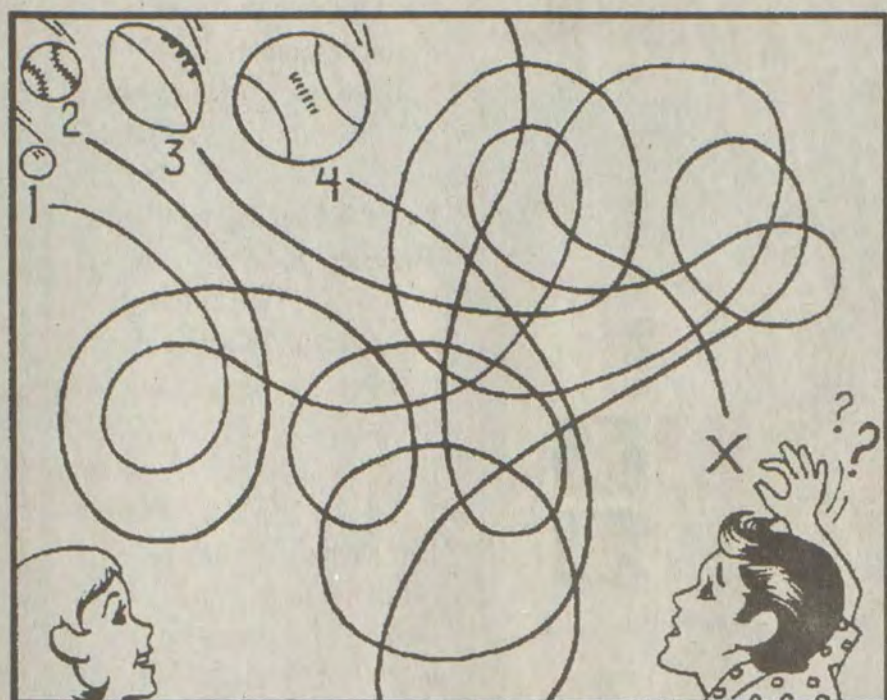
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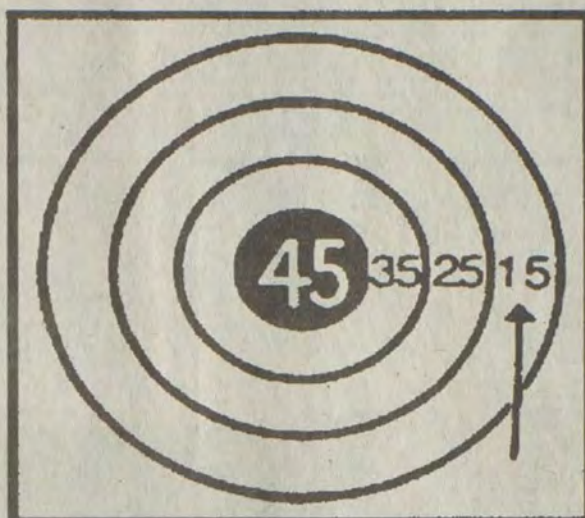
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**TOSS-UP!** Comin' atcha...Pick a ball and see if it is the one to be caught. Trace through maze lines to find out.

## Junior Whirl

by Hal Kaufman



### FIVE-SHOT CHALLENGE AT ARCHERY TARGET

LET'S say three members of an archery club meet for a match and are challenged to score a total of 125 in exactly five shots at the target at left.

Oddly, all three may succeed with no two shooting the same combinations of numerical scores.

Just for fun, see if you can puzzle out at least one way of scoring 125. That is to say, find one way of totaling 125 in five shots.

Shooting 45, 25, 25, 15, 15 is one way; 45, 35, 15, 15, 15 is another; 35, 25, 25, 25, 15, 15 is another.

**CHARM SCHOOL!** Quickly, rearrange letters of the word CHARM to form another word. Answer in 30 seconds.

Form the word MARCH.

**HATCH-IT JOB!** Take the word HATCH, surround it with four appropriate words and you have a word square. That is, a cluster of words that reads the same across and down.

Definitions:

1. Cook up a scheme (HATCH, in place).
2. Home sweet home to an eagle.
3. Worn out from overuse, as a phrase.
4. Given a summons to appear in court.
5. Pays attention to another's words.

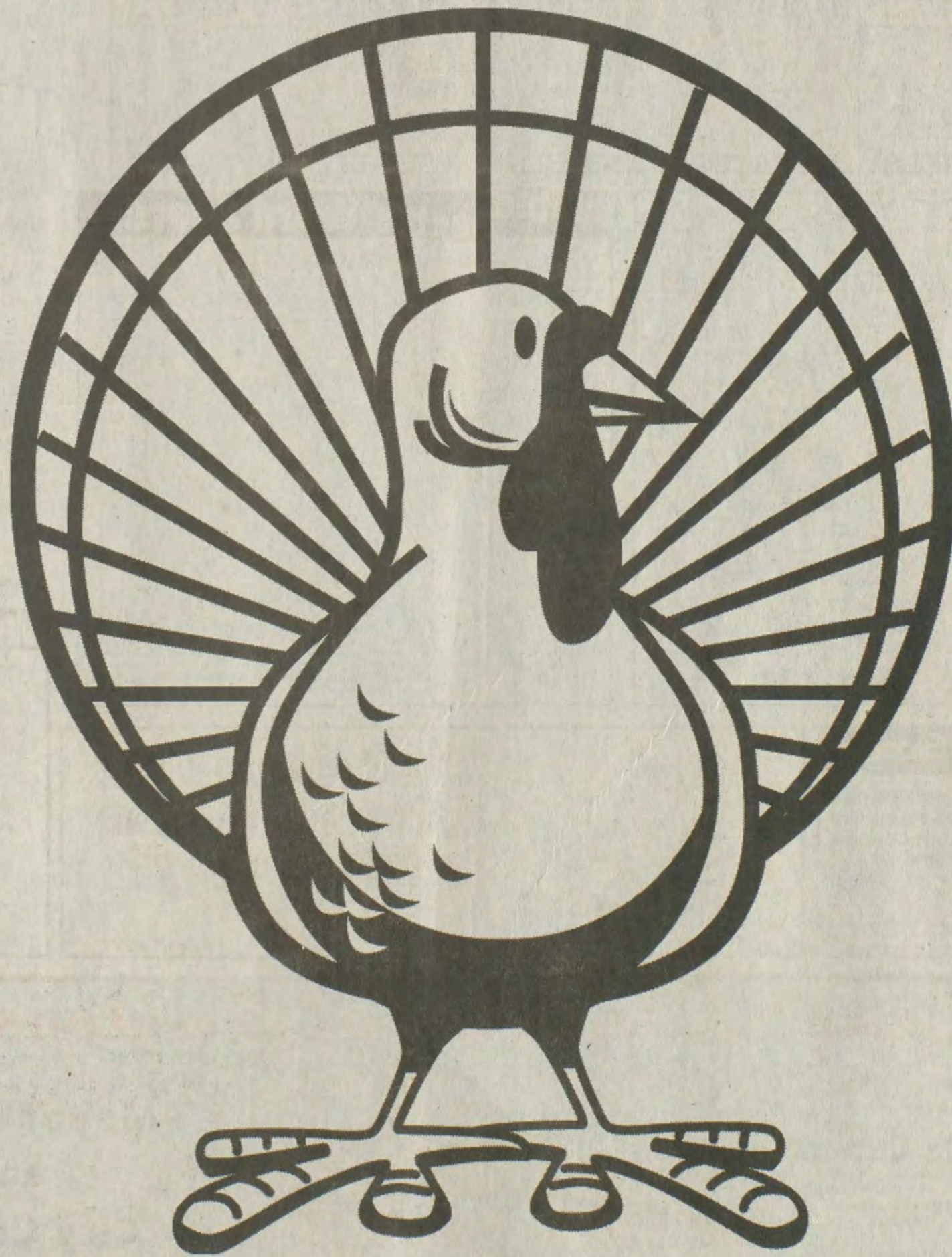
How quickly can you complete the task?

1. Hatch. 2. Aerie. 3. Title. 4. Cited. 5. Heads.

	1	2	3	4	5
1	H	A	T	C	H
2	A				
3	T				
4	C				
5	H				

**SOUND BITES!** You've heard of a pride of lions, exaltation of larks, etc. Here are some sound-related family ties: A blast of horns, rustle of leaves, pound of nails, jabber of wockies. Any to add?

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Newspaper reading adventures for little learners!

# My Kid Scoop™

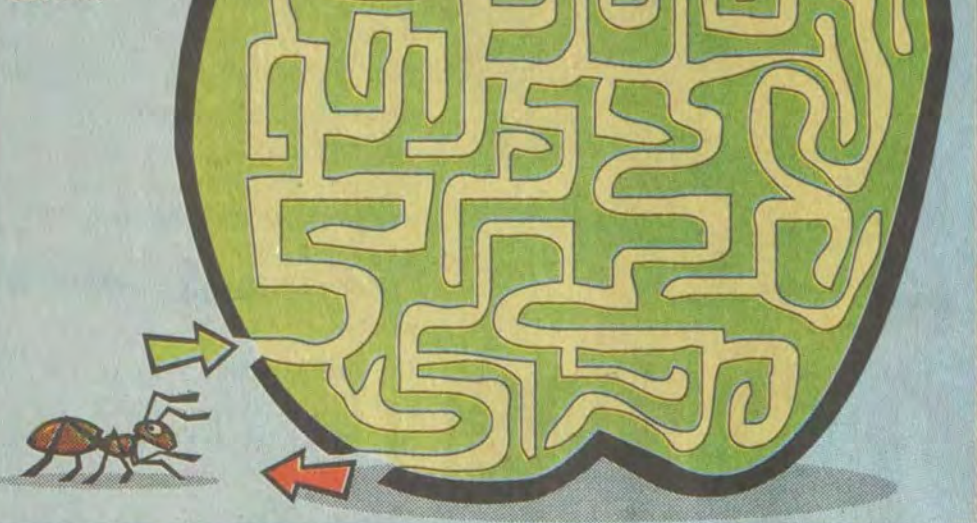
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My name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Learning Buddies:** Spell your child's first name, using the lines to write large letters. Use an uppercase letter for the first letter in the name and lowercase letters to spell the rest. Have your child trace the letters with a finger, crayon or pencil.

## Apple Maze

Help Andy Ant find his way through the apple maze, starting at the GREEN arrow and ending at the RED arrow.

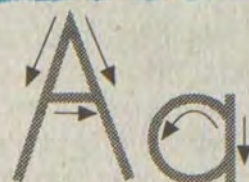


## My Rhyme Time

Ann! Ann!  
Come quick as you can!  
There's a fish that TALKS  
In the frying pan!

## My Letters

A is for Apple  
a is for apple



**Learning Buddies:** Read the two phrases aloud. Have your child read with you. Trace the uppercase and lowercase letter A. Say the letter as you trace it.

How many pictures can you find on this page that start with the sound that the letter A makes in the word apple?

## My Numbers

How many ?

How many ?

How many ?



**Learning Buddies:** Trace and say the number. Read the questions. Touch and count to find the answers.

## My Sentence

**Learning Buddies:** Read the first part of the sentence aloud. Ask your child to think of a way to finish the sentence. Write your child's words in the lines. Read the entire sentence to your child while pointing out that reading is done from left to right. Older children may want to trace all or some of the letters in the sentence.



The alligator sat on \_\_\_\_\_



### Sunday

**Letter Identification**  
With your child, look through the newspaper to find pictures of things that have the same sound as the letter A in apple.

### Monday

**Math Play**  
Point to the number 1 in the newspaper. Have your child say the number and, if it's large enough, have your child trace the number.

### Tuesday

**Animals, Animals**  
Look through the newspaper for pictures of animals. Put them into groups such as birds, fish, insects, mammals, reptiles and amphibians.

### Wednesday

**Have AT It!**  
Cut out the letters a and t from the headlines. Then cut out the letters h, p, c and s. Show your child how you can spell the words hat, pat, cat and sat simply by changing the first letter in front of the at.

### Thursday

**Ankle Count**  
Show your child his/her ankle. Then look through the newspaper to find and count all the ankles you can see.

### Friday

**My Animal**  
Look at the animals in today's newspaper. Ask your child which animal he/she would like to own. Discuss how to care for this animal. Focus on basic needs such as food, water and shelter.

### Saturday

**Action!**  
Select a picture in today's newspaper. With your child, act out what is going on in the photograph. Act out what is going on in one of the comic strips.



My Kid Scoop comes out once a week, but you can use the newspaper every day to prepare your child for success in school. Each daily activity focuses on a specific learning readiness skill. Step by Step Success 1. Read the activity instruction aloud. 2. Show how to do the activity by doing it yourself first. 3. Ask your child to copy what you do.

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HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.

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## Rational Numbers

Using the clues, simple arithmetic, and a little logic, place a single digit (0 to 9) in each empty box in the diagram. To help you get started, one digit has been entered in the diagram.

- ACROSS**
- 1-Down times 16-Down
  - Consecutive digits in ascending order
  - The last digit is the sum of the other digits
  - Eight times 15-Across
  - The first digit is three times the last digit
  - Consecutive digits in ascending order
  - Four times 14-Down
  - The last digit is the sum of the other digits
  - The first digit is the sum of the other digits
  - Six times 9-Across

- DOWN**
- Four less than 16-Down
  - Five times 4-Across
  - 4-Across minus 11-Down
  - Nine times 17-Across
  - Consecutive digits in descending order
  - Three times 3-Down
  - Six more than 10-Across
  - Eight times 2-Across
  - 7-Across minus 2-Down
  - Consecutive digits in descending order



## Rational Numbers answers

1	3	5	7	
7	8	9	0	
	4	1	5	
4	2	5	6	
3	1	7	8	
	1	2	4	4
3	5	8		
1	5	3	2	
1	8	6	1	

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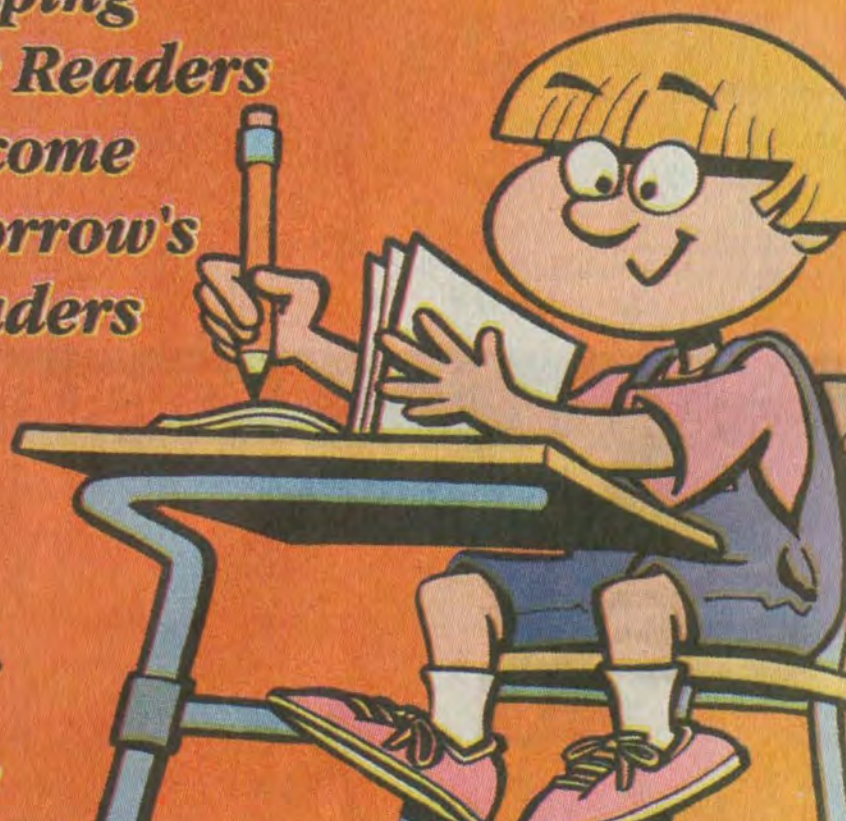
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## An American Legend

North American poetry and illustrations depict Santa in his red jacket and pompom-topped cap, travelling in a sleigh pulled by eight reindeer. He is known to climb down chimneys and leave gifts in stockings children set out on the fireplace's mantelpiece.

Santa Claus received his name from the Dutch legend of **Sinter Klaas**, brought by settlers to New York in the 17th century. In America, the old Dutch legend evolved quickly because of the press. As early as 1773, the name "St. A. Claus" was coined in newspapers. Popular author Washington Irving gave Americans detailed information about the Dutch version of Saint Nicholas. In 1809, he published his "History of New York" under the pseudonym Diedrich Knickerbocker. In this version, Irving described the arrival of the saint on horseback on the Eve of Saint Nicholas.

This Dutch-American Saint Nick became fully Americanized in 1823 when the poem "A Visit from Saint Nicholas" ("The Night Before Christmas") by Clement Clarke Moore was published. It included the names of the reindeer; Santa's laughs, winks and nods; and the method by which Saint Nicholas, referred to as an elf, returns up the chimney. (Moore's phrase "lays his finger aside of his nose" was drawn directly from Irving's 1809 description.)

In 1881, the image of Santa Claus was further elaborated by the American illustrator Thomas Nast. He depicted a large and jolly Santa for Christmas issues of *Harper's* magazine during the 1860s to 1880s. Details such as the North Pole workshop and the naughty-and-nice list were added. Santa became human-sized instead of elf-sized in Moore's poem.

In 1925, newspapers revealed that Santa Claus lived in Finnish Lapland. It was there he got the reindeer to pull his sleigh. In 1927, Markus Rautio, a popular radio personality, further revealed that Santa Claus lives on Lapland's Korvatunturi (Ear Fell). The fell, on Finland's eastern frontier, resembles a rabbit's ears. According to the legend, the "ears" are, in fact, Santa's. He uses them to hear if the world's children are being nice.

Santa is assisted by a busy group of elves, who have their own history in Scandinavian legend.

A series of illustrations for Coca-Cola advertisements were introduced in 1931 by Swedish artist Haddon H. Sundblom. In modern versions of the Santa Claus legend, only Santa's workers are elves. Rudolph, the ninth reindeer, with a red and shiny nose, was invented in 1939 by an advertising writer for the Montgomery Ward Company.

Since the 1950s, Santa has "lived" in Napapiiri, near Rovaniemi, Finland. Letters from children around the world are delivered to the official Santa Claus village post office there. Korvatunturi mountain, where Santa lives, is off-limits to people.

Merry Old Santa Claus by Thomas Nast was first published in *Harper's Weekly* on January 1, 1881.



An antique Pere Noel figurine from France



Germany's version: Der Weihnachtsmann



## Historic Roots

Over the centuries, customs from the Northern Hemisphere came together and created Santa Claus — the ageless, timeless, immortal white-bearded man who gives out gifts on Christmas and always returns to the North Pole.

When looking for the roots of Santa Claus, we must search into the past. Santa combines many different legends, myths and traditions.

The Christian-era Santa Claus legend comes from Bishop Nicholas of Smyrna (Izmir), in what is now Turkey. He lived in the fourth century A.D. and was generous and loving to children. He often brought joy to poor children by throwing gifts into their windows.

The Russian Orthodox Church later raised St. Nicholas to a position of great esteem. It was in his honor that Russia's oldest church was built.

The Roman Catholic Church honored Nicholas for helping children and the poor. He became the patron saint of children and seafarers. His name day is December 6.

In Protestant areas of Germany, St. Nicholas became known as **der Weihnachtsmann**.

In England, he's called **Father Christmas**.

In France, he is **Pere Noel**.

St. Nicholas made his way to the United States with the Dutch immigrants, and, with the help of the American press, began to be referred to as Santa Claus.

# Santa Claus



In England, Father Christmas goes from home to home on a white donkey.



St. Nicholas from the "St. Anne Altarpiece."



Black Peter spanked bad children with a switch.



The Russian Santa, Ded Moroz, is a tall, slender gentleman who would wear long, lavishly adorned robes. He travels in a troika, a decorated sleigh drawn by three horses, and is assisted by Snegurochka (the Snow Maiden).



## Black Peter

Today, children who misbehave are told that Santa will bring them coal or sticks at Christmas. Long ago, during his annual rounds, Santa had an accomplice named Black Peter. This legend was born in ancient Europe. Santa gave toys to good children, and Black Peter gave coal and a spanking with a switch to the naughty ones.

Even though Santa Claus no longer travels with Black Peter, he doesn't bring presents to bad children.

## Christmas Elves

In pagan Scandinavia, people believed that house gnomes guarded them against evil. Mostly benevolent, gnomes could turn nasty if not properly treated. When Christmas became popular as a festive season during the mid-1800s, Scandinavian writers recast gnomes as the mischievous but true friends of Father Christmas.

Santa's elves are the children of Gryla and Leppaludi, their father and mother. Some say there are 13 elves, some nine, some six. Regardless, they are clever and tireless helpers.

**Bushy Evergreen** invented the magic toymaking machine.

**Shinny Upatree** is Santa's oldest friend and helped to establish the secret village in Lapland.

**Wunorse Openslae** looks after Santa's sleigh and cares for the reindeer.

**Pepper Minstix** guards the secret location of Santa Village.

**Sugarplum Mary** heads the Sweet Treats kitchen. She also assists Mrs. Claus.

**Alabaster Snowball** is keeper of the naughty-and-nice list.

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