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Man leads police on high-speed chase

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG - Two men were arrested Saturday after allegedly leading authorities on a high-speed pursuit from Floyd to Perry County.

The driver, Brandon S. Fletcher, 18, allegedly endangered the lives of police officers when he exceeded speeds of 120 mph during the chase, which lasted all of 12 minutes, officials reported.

"That was the fastest trip I ever made to Perry County," said arresting officer

Dennis Hutchinson, of Kentucky Vehicle Enforcement.

Hutchinson said he was sitting near the Martin BP on Route 80 at approximately 12:30 Saturday morning when he clocked Fletcher's vehicle speeding by at 80 mph. "I hit the blue lights and he slowed

down, but then he kicked back and back on the road we went," Hutchinson said, "At one dip he was at 120 mph or more.'

While in pursuit, Hutchinson, accompanied by officer Thomas Gearheart, called

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One day before its grand opening, Food City opened its doors for the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce's "Business After Hours" open house. The new supermarket will open its doors to the public at 10 a.m. today.

Man's death being investigated

Board settles May Valley abuse lawsuit

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

LONDON - A lawsuit May Valley against Elementary School filed by parents who claimed their children were subjected to abuse from a special education aide was settled Friday at a mediation meeting in London.

The terms of the agreement call for no discussion by either party of the full terms agreed to though, both sides approved a short statement that was sent out local media outlets by Ned Pillersdorf, of the firm Pillersdorf, DeRossett and Lane, which represented the parents of the seven students who alleged mistreatment.

The terms of the final

by the appropriate administrative official.

The lawsuit was filed in September 2003 and charged staff at May Valley Elementary with ignoring abuse that was leveled at seven children who were in the school's Behavioral Disorder Unit. The suit noted that the abuses had gone on for some time and that parents had to continually report them to the prin-

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Woman sues board over fall

by MARY MUSIC

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Times Staff Report

PRESTONSBURG -Sentencing for a Floyd County man facing a sexual abuse charge has been continued until the end of the month, Circuit Judge John David Caudill ruled last week.

Christopher R. Lawson, 27, of Martin, was not sentenced as expected during motion hour Friday, a move, officials said, to coordinate his sentence with a Pike County case.

Lawson, originally indicted in July 2004 and charged with first-degree sexual abuse, was arrest-

ed Oct. 27, 2003, by Kentucky State Police Trooper Chris Collins after a complaint was filed against him by another Martin resident. He now faces a first-degree attempted rape charge and is charged as a persistent felony offender, which could lend him a stiffer penalty during sentencing.

According to the arrest citation, Lawson allegedly attempted to force a

female to have sex with Arkansas Creek, which is located about two miles outside of Martin.

Caudill rescheduled the sentencing hearing for Jan, 28.



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Times Staff Report

HUEYSVILLE - Kentucky State Police is investigating the death of a Hueysville man who died in his home this weekend.

Officials say that Walter Scott Slone II, 24, died of a possible drug overdose while sleeping at his Sage

STAFF WRITER

Allen Branch home early Sunday morning. He was pronounced dead at the scene by Floyd County . Coroner Roger Nelson at approximately 5:50 a.m.

Preliminary examination of the body did not rule out a cause of death, Nelson said.

According to him, microscopic

and toxicology tests should be completed in three to six weeks to determine the cause of death.

No foul play is suspected, said Scott Hopkins, information officer with Kentucky State Police.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

agreement include a monetary settlement for the families of the seven special education students who brought the suit, but the final amount paid has been termed confidential.

However, past open records opinions from the attorney general's office have held that settlements involving public agencies cannot be kept secret, and The Floyd County Times is filing an open records request seeking details of the settlement.

The suit also brought about a change in policy. In the future schools will have staff file an incident report on all occasions that require restraining students. This report will then be reviewed STAFF WRITER

GRETHEL - While one lawsuit against the school system came to an end last week, Supt. Dr. Paul W. Fanning and the Floyd County Board of Education are targeted in another lawsuit this week.

Prestonsburg resident Freda Boyd is suing Fanning and board members Carol Stumbo, Jeff Stumbo, Mickey McGuire and Dr. Chardra Varia for an accident that occurred at John M. Stumbo Elementary on Jan. 15, 2004. Former board member Glenna

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One arrested after car flees roadblock by TOM DOTY The checkpoint was set up on They opted to follow the vehicle

Route 979 and was being conducted by Kentucky State Police Trooper Sgt. Gary Tackett and Deputy Brad Hamilton. Tackett and Delmas Johnson, of the Floyd Johnson were watching traffic pro-County Sheriff's Department, made ceed through the area when they an arrest Sunday night when they spied a vehicle make U-turn about a spotted a driver act suspiciously as quarter-mile away, in an apparent attempt to avoid the roadblock.

and flashed their blue lights on it, which prompted the driver to take off. They pursued the vehicle onto Evergreen Lane, where it stopped and the driver and a passenger exited and continued to flee on foot.

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Jailed Knott judge-exec gets out of prison next week

by ROGER ALFORD ASSOCIATED PRESS

he was nearing a checkpoint.

PIKEVILLE An Eastern Kentucky politician is scheduled to be released from prison next week, but it was unclear Tuesday whether he would return to his \$65,000a-year job as judge-executive.

Knott County Judge-Executive Donnie Newsome, who has served 16 months for vote buying, is scheduled to be released from a federal prison in Manchester next Tuesday.

Newsome was originally sentenced to two years and two months in prison, but had time shaved off for testifying against two other men charged with election fraud. One of those men was described by prosecutors as the kingpin in a vote-buying conspiracy.

Steven Reed, an attorney representing Newsome, said nothing precludes his client from going back to work as Knott County's top government administrator as long as the appeal of his conviction is

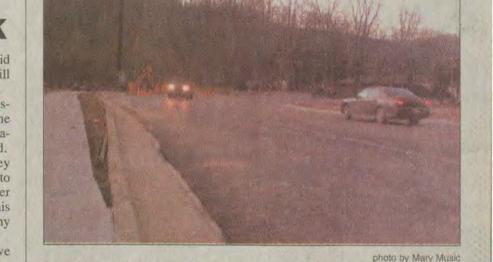
pending. However, Reed said he's not sure Newsome will choose to do that.

"I'm currently in discussion with Mr. Newsome regarding the legal ramifications of his options," he said.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Kenneth Taylor declined to comment on whether Newsome should resume his duties. "That's not within my purview," he said.

Deputy Judge-Executive Mac Combs, who has been

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After months of construction, all of University Drive in Prestonsburg was reopened to traffic Tuesday. Work crews spent neartly a year widening the road and rerouting its intersection with North Lake Drive.



Odds & Ends

WELLINGTON, New Zealand - New Zealanders are feeling sheepish over a new postage stamp that shows an ewe with powerful, curled horns - horns that in real life are found only on a ram.

Merino ewes, the type depicted on the stamp, have tiny stumps of horn if any at all, opposition National Party lawmaker Katherine Rich pointed out Tuesday.

"The stamp is an absolute impossibility," she grumped.

The subject is not being taken lightly in New Zealand, famous for its beautiful meadows full of gamboling lambs and the fact that its 40 million

sheep vastly outnumber its human population of 4 million.

The stamp shows the female sheep with two lambs.

"Given the sheep is a major icon of this country, you'd think they would have at least passed the stamp design by someone with knowledge of agriculture," Rich said.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Jan. 19, the 19th day of 2005. There are 346 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: Fifty years ago, on Jan. 19, 1955, a presidential news conference was filmed for television for the first time, with the permission of President Eisenhower.

On this date:

inventor of the steam engine, was born in Scotland.

the commander-in-chief of the Greenwich, Conn., in 1975, Confederate armies, was born in Stratford, Va.

In 1809, author Edgar Allan Poe was born in Boston.

In 1853, Giuseppe Verdi's opera "Il Trovatore" premiered in Rome.

In 1861, Georgia seceded from the Union.

In 1944, the federal government relinquished control of the nation's railroads following settlement of a wage dispute.

In 1966, Indira Gandhi was elected prime minister of India.

In 1970, President Nixon nominated G. Harrold Carswell to the Supreme Court; however, the nomination was defeated because of controversy over Carswell's past racial views.

In 1977, in one of his last acts of office, President Ford pardoned Iva Toguri D'Aquino, Actress Jean Stapleton is 82.

an American who'd made wartime broadcasts for Japan. In 1981, the United States and Iran signed an agreement paving the way for the release of 52 Americans held hostage for more than 14 months.

Ten years ago: Russian troops regained control of the presidential palace in Grozny, the capital of the breakaway republic of Chechnya.

Five years ago: Michael In 1736, James Watt, Skakel, a nephew of Robert F. Kennedy, was charged with bludgeoning to death 15-year-In 1807, Robert E. Lee, old Martha Moxley in when he also was 15. (Skakel was later convicted, and is currently appealing.) A dormitory fire at Seton Hall University in New Jersey killed three people and injured 62. Bettino Craxi, Italy's longest-serving premier during the postwar years, died in Tunisia at age 65. Actress Hedy Lamarr was found dead in her Orlando, Fla., home; she was 86.

> One year ago: John Kerry won Iowa's Democratic caucuses, while John Edwards placed second; Howard Dean, who finished third, delivered a fist-pumping, bellowing concession speech that was viewed as politically damaging. A freighter capsized near the western Norwegian port of Bergen, killing 18

Today's **Birthdays:** Actor Fritz Weaver is 79. Actress Tippi Hedren is 75. Former PBS newsman Robert MacNeil is 74. Movie director Richard Lester is 73. Singer Phil Everly is 66. Actor-singer Michael Crawford is 63. Actress Shelley Fabares is 61. Country singer Dolly Parton is 59. ABC newswoman Ann Compton is 58. Singer Harry McGilberry is 54. Singer Dewey Bunnell (America) is 53. Actor Desi Arnaz Jr. is 52. Comedian Paul Rodriguez is 50. Actress Katey Sagal is 48. Reggae musician Mickey Virtue (UB40) is 48. Actor Paul McCrane is 44. Actor William Ragsdale is 44. Tennis player Stefan Edberg is 39. Rock singer Whitfield Crane (Ugly Kid Joe) is 37. Singer Trey Lorenz is 36. Actor Shawn Wayans is 34. Rock singermusician John Wozniak (Marcy Playground) is 34. Actress Drea de Matteo is 33. Actress Marsha Thomason is 29. Actress Jodie Sweetin is 23. Actor Logan Lerman is 13.

Thought for Today: "Love is not consolation, it is light." - Simone Weil, French philosopher (1909-1943).

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Samuel Sakaria, admitted taking artistic license. "The males have the curly horns," he said. "I thought just to add a bit of a dynamic I'd just add in the male equivalent as opposed to the female."

STATELINE, Nev. – A Pennsylvania man is pretty happy he didn't stop to eat before hitting the slots here.

Stephen Phares was on a ski vacation when he hit a \$1.3 million jackpot Saturday night at Harveys Casino and Resort.

Phares, 42, said he wanted to go get dinner but was prodded by friend to play a progressive Wheel of Fortune MegaJackpot machine.

Now, he said, "I'm very happy we played."

The stamp's designer, artist manager from Holland, Pa., said he's not sure what he'll do with his winnings.

He said he'd like to invest in Lake Tahoe property. But he also sees his windfall as a chance to help others.

PETOSKEY, Mich. — John and Jennifer Dallos have quite a handful with their twins. But things are going to get a lot busier very soon.

Jennifer Dallos is expecting triplets in June.

pretty "We're much shocked," John Dallos said. "We have been up on this cloud, just in a haze. You lay down at night and wonder, How are we going to be able to do this? But you just know it's going to be great."

John and Jennifer Dallos, 31 The home mortgage branch and 28 respectively, hadn't even planned on having another baby. But they were open to the idea of another child.

"We did have two the first time, so we thought that maybe it wasn't in the cards for us to have more kids," Jennifer Dallos said. "We thought, if it happens, it happens."

Jennifer Dallos did not use fertility drugs.

'When we found out she was pregnant, we thought it would be nice to have another child," her husband said. "We didn't expect to have three."

Without using fertility drugs, the odds of having identical twins are about one in 250 births, said child care author Dr. Vincent Iannelli. The chances of having triplets without the help of fertility drugs are about one

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requesting them to place spike strips in the roadway to flatten the tires of the vehicle.

Fletcher drove a mile or more after his tires were flattened, Hutchinson said, then he slowed down and crashed into Gearheart's cruiser, causing at least \$2,000 in damages to the left front fender area.

Fletcher, who was taken to the Hazard ARH Hospital and released, was charged with 19 offenses related to the incident. He pleaded not guilty in district court yesterday to four counts of wanton endangerment, drunk driving, speeding 26 miles or more over the limit, reckless driving, two counts of failing to wear seat belts, no insurance, no registration receipt, not using a

marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, improper first-degree criminal mischief.

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scheduled a preliminary hearing authorities, who surmised that in the case for Jan. 26. Fletcher the man hiding in the garage still remains incarcerated under could be the same one they had under a \$10,000 cash bond.

The passenger and owner of Harold area. the vehicle was also charged by Gearheart Saturday. His citation had not been filed in district court as of yesterday.

Hutchinson said the men were both intoxicated and that they had been smoking marijuana. Both had been to Marlow's, he bust KSP made two months ago said, and claimed to have eluded authorities because they were "scared."

ahead to the Hazard State Police, turning signal, possession of The officers lost the men but that involved manufacturing recovered the passenger from the vehicle 90 minutes later. He had entered a garage to hide but lane usage, and two counts of spooked the owner. The subject locked the garage from the District Judge James R. Allen inside so the owner phoned the been chasing on foot in the

> Along with Deputy Glenn Wolfe they arrested the man, who turned out to be Tommy Shepherd, 30, of Paintsville. It was quickly established that Shepherd was wanted by KSP for his alleged role in a drug

Judge

Arrest

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methamphetamine. Shepherd was allegedly able to flee more successfully on that night when Trooper Chris Hicks was overcome by fumes emanating from Shepherd's vehicle which allegedly also contained the makings for meth.

Shepherd was lodged in the Floyd County Detention Center and charged with resisting arrest, disorderly conduct, alcohol intoxication and fleeing police.

Authorities suspect that Billy Shepherd, brother of Thomas Shepherd, was driving the vehicle. He is also wanted on several warrants.



Settled

allegedly told one parent, after several complaints, that she didn't believe her and that she was tired of hearing the complaints.

The suit stated that an aide, Marty Mullins, 33, was responsible for abusing the students through physical force, namecalling and locking them in a bathroom.

Criminal charges against

Fall

Slone and John M. Stumbo Elementary Principal Deresa Ray are also cited in the suit.

Boyd, represented by Pikeville attorney Glenn Martin Hammond, alleges that she "was caused to fall" while she was walking on the sidewalk of the school to attend a ball game. The accident was the result of an "unreasonable and dangerous condition," the suit alleges.

Boyd allegedly sustained severe injuries as a result of the fall and has continued to facility. Continued from p1

passed on to a grand jury. Those prison. charges are still being investigated and have not been pre- am, too," he said. sented to a grand jury yet.

mentioned that he had no idea a with his family. settlement had been reached in Friday he had yet to hear about counts of buying votes and it by Tuesday afternoon, though one count of conspiracy to Mullins were filed in District groups had also contacted him, probation for three years

suffer because of the accident.

pending dangers on the side-

walk.

and trial by jury.

suit yesterday.

managing the office in Newsome's absence, said local residents are happy that cipal, Carole Combs, who Court in August and were Newsome is getting out of

"They definitely are, and I

Combs said he believes When contacted about the Newsome will return to work matter Supt. Dr. Paul Fanning after spending some time

Newsome, who was senthe case. Though it happened on tenced in March on two he did note that other media buy votes, will remain on after his release.

Despite his conviction, Newsome has continued to draw his salary as Knott Continued from p1 County judge-executive.

In Kentucky, state law dictates that even convicted She says that Fanning and felons can't be removed from School Principal Deresa Ray office until their appeals are should have known of the exhausted. Newsome is appealing his conviction.

An FBI investigation into She seeks compensation the 1998 primary election in County, which previous election fraud con-

Newsome testified in the year to reconstruct the election fraud trial of Pikeville businessmen Ross Harris and Loren Glenn Turner, who were accused of

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buy votes.

offer that he had information Sundays in Lifestyles. that we may be interested

That information, which he provided in his testimony against Harris and Turner, was that the men gave \$25,000 in illegal contributions to his re-election campaign in 2002.

Harris was convicted on one count of conspiracy to commit mail fraud and to buy votes, three counts of mail fraud and one count of structuring withdrawals from a bank account to avoid federal reporting requirements. Turner was convicted of conspiracy to commit mail fraud and two counts of mail fraud.

They are scheduled to be sentenced March 14. Taylor said Newsome's

cooperation in the trials of the Harris and Turner warranted the reduction in his sentence.



photo by Tom Doty

helping finance a scheme to Leslie Shepherd, of Van Lear, holds up her prize for winning The Times' movie trivia contest. The next contest will be announced "He came to us with an shortly in "Movies From the Black Lagoon," which runs on

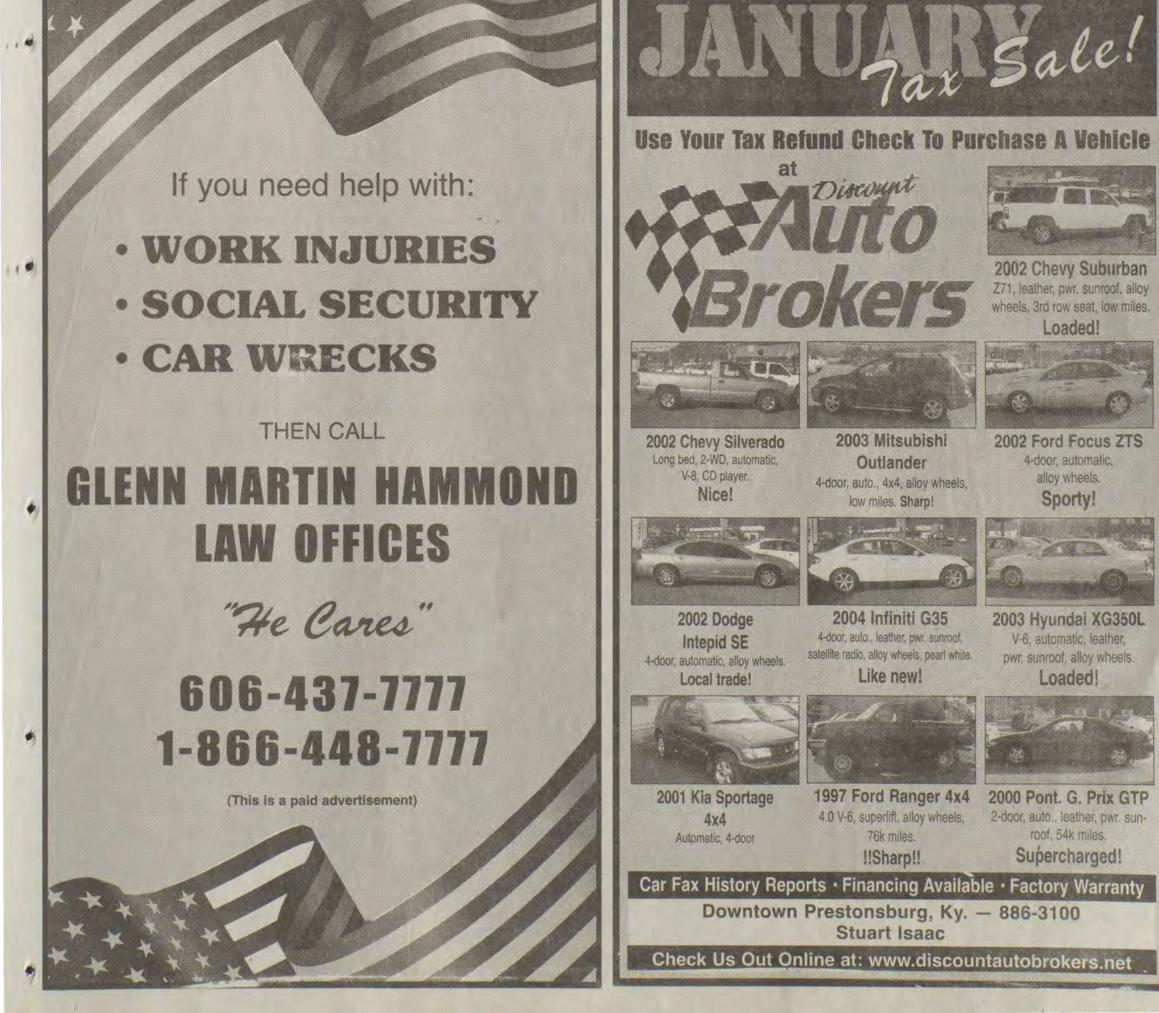


Knott

Fanning would not com- Newsome won, resulted in 12 ment as to the nature of the ictions. Work was completed last

school's gymnasium into a \$2.4 million "state-of-the-art"

in," Taylor said.



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Worth Repeating ...

"If you want to make enemies, try to change some thing."

-Woodrow Wilson

Amendment I

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people to peaceably assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

Embarrassing and costly

Our View

Knott County Judge-Executive Donnie Newsome is supposed to be getting out of prison next week, which will allow him to do something he hasn't been able to do the 16 months he has been behind bars - work in the office a jury said he obtained fraudulently.

We have to give Newsome credit for one thing: He is not one to give up easily. Despite being convicted of buying votes during his 2002 re-election campaign, Newsome has refused to resign his tainted office.

Other officials facing a similar situation might find such a feat daunting, but Newsome pressed on and managed to continue drawing his taxpayer-funded salary the entire time he sat in prison, even though the bulk of the responsibility for running the office had to fall to his assistant.

Had the events of this shameful story not transpired in our own backyard, we would have a difficult time believing it. Surely such hijinks couldn't happen, at least not today. Surely such antics could only take place in one of Mark Twain's tall tales.

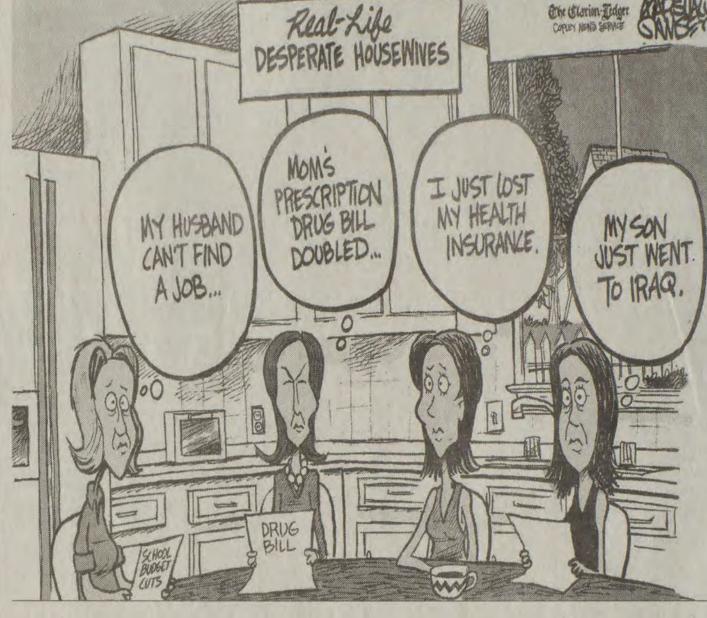
Surely not.

How can this happen? Well, in addition to Newsome's own apparent arrogance and disregard for his county's taxpayers, state law is also to blame. In Kentucky, a public official who is convicted of a crime and sentenced to prison is not forced to resign until after all of his or her appeals are exhausted.

But guilt or innocence is not really the question. Even an honest politician wrongfully convicted of a crime cannot carry out the duties of his or her office while sitting in a jail cell. Even if Newsome's conviction is later overturned, the people of Knott County were still cheated because they paid him for 16 months of public service he could not perform.

Obviously, this is a problem, and it is one that will repeat itself unless something is done. Because the criminal appeals process is so long, cases like Newsome's could become the standard, rather than the exception.

We believe there could be a simple solution. The legislature should act, this year, to mandate that an office is vacant the very minute its occupant is convicted of a felony. If that officeholder is later proved innocent on appeal, then he or she should be entitled to full repayment of salary and benefits for the remainder of the term he or she was forced to forsake.



Capitol Ideas Eliminating tax expenditures could equal fairness

by MARK R. CHELLGREN ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT - The Fletcher administration last week began its statewide sales tour for changes in the state budget office. Kentucky's tax code.

businesses and less on the poor - also have not put their plans to paper.

But if anyone wanted to look, a blueprint for a simpler version of the tax code is produced every other year by

The document is called the "Tax "We need a simpler tax system," Expenditure Analysis." It is a compila- tion drugs means \$251 million goes tion of each "exemption, exclusion or deduction from the base of a tax, a credit against the tax, a deferral of a tax or a preferential tax rate.

General Fund this year. Residential utilities are not subject to sales tax, though local governments can levy what amounts to a sales tax. Even so, the state is missing out on \$176.2 million this year, as a result, the report said.

The sales tax exemption for prescrip-

Addressing this embarrassing problem is the right thing to do, both morally and fiscally, and it will prevent our state from being held up as a laughingstock in the future.

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Gov. Ernie Fletcher told a crowded ballroom at Northern Kentucky University. "We need a fairer tax system."

Others in the administration, from Lt. Gov. Steve Pence to chief of staff Stan Cave, will carry similar messages. But as with all things, simplicity and fairness, especially when it comes to taxation, are in the eye of the beholder.

The late Rep. Joe Clarke of Danville, who was chairman of the House tax and budget committee for two decades, used to joke about most people's approach to tax policy: "Don't tax you, don't tax me, tax the guy behind the tree."

What there is a shortage of, right now, is anything to debate.

Fletcher has not yet said what his tax proposal will be, though he has indicated it will look much like the plan presented to the 2004 General Assembly. . tax are broad based and have been Similarly, a collection of public interest groups who gathered at the Capitol last week to promote a different approach to tax changes - more on the rich and

"Tax expenditures reduce revenues below what would be received if the tax were applied uniformly and broadly to all potentially taxable activity ...," the document goes on.

According to the most recent report, the various tax breaks that apply to the corporate income tax alone cost the state an estimated \$183.3 million during the 2003 fiscal year when total receipts from the corporate tax were \$430.6 million.

Breaks from the sales tax in 2003 amounted to \$2.2 billion when total receipts were only \$2.3 billion.

Some of the breaks from the sales extensively debated in the legislature.

For example, food is not subject to the 6 percent sales tax. The report said that will mean \$427 million less for the

uncollected.

But other breaks from the sales tax are more obscure and have been added over the years largely at the behest of special interests.

Big industry won an exemption from sales tax on equipment used in pollution control in 1974. The state is missing out on \$13.9 million as a result.

Motion picture companies that produce in Kentucky do not have to pay sales taxes, even though that means only \$100,000 in lost revenue - or savings to the company.

Sales by 4-H Clubs are exempt, meaning the state gets \$100,000 a year less than it might.

Even sales of twine and wire used for baling hay and straw are exempt. It means the state doesn't collect \$30,000 that it might otherwise.

Mark R. Chellgren is the Frankfort correspondent for The Associated Press.

Rails to Trails invites crime

Letter

I met with Keith Lovan, chairman of the Kentucky Rails to Trails council, Friday, Jan. 8, 2005, at the Big Sandy Area Development District, along with Judge-Executive Daniel of Johnson

Magoffin County and Judge-Executive Warrix of Breathitt County, as well several members of the Big Sandy ADD and others.

There is a reason why Kentucky ranks 47th in "Rails to Trails" development -Kentucky citizens do not want "Rails to Trails", especially people that own property next to the railroads right-of-ways.

Sept. 7, R.J Corman, the owner of the only railroad that currently runs though County, Judge-Executive May of Magoffin and one of the railroads in

Breathitt and Johnson counties, filed with the Surface Transportation Board (STB is the federal government agency that controls railroad issues and licenses railroads) to abandon that railroad. R.J. Corman is obligated to make as much money for their railroad as they possibly can and the railroad got very little business from their shippers.

Now the Kentucky "Rails to Trails"

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Abortion doesn't solve problems

Even now, as we observe "Sanctity of Human Life Week," radical abortion advocates continue to hammer away at the argument that ending abortion will cause all manner of social problems for our nation.

There is something wrong poverty, more child and

with this picture. Forty years ago they were clamoring that legalizing abortion would solve all our social problems. But today, after more than 30 years of legal abortion, and over 40 million children killed, every single social problem we faced when we began this grisly business is considerably worse.

We have more teenage pregnancies, forced abortion, more hunger, welfare, divorce, adultery, child and family abandonment, more women and children living in

spousal abuse, more deadbeat dads/moms, more gangs, drugs, more killings/suicides, more sexudiseases (more than 25 categories now, several lethal), more high school dropouts, abortionrelated cancers, more homelessness, and a generally more fractured and violent society.

So where's the payoff? The only answer from the abortion industry is that stopping abortion will make these problems worse. In short, they're asking us to ignore

the fact that these problems got worse when abortion was made legal, and blindly accept that they'll get worse if abortion is made illegal.

It is utterly preposterous. Perhaps it's time we acknowledged that killing people is a bad way to solve social problems. It's morally indefensible, and it apparently doesn't work. Moreover, it's the ultimate act of selfishness. After all, no one ever volunteers to die to solve a social problem, they only insist that others do!

Danny Stamper Pikeville

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Health Extra

FDA advisers debate safety of allowing over-the-counter sales of cholesterol drug

by LAURA MECKLER ASSOCIATED PRESS

BETHESDA, Md. - Many Americans would reduce their chances of heart disease if a cholesterol drug now available only by prescription were sold over the counter, federal health advisers were told.

The drug also might wind up in the hands of patients who aren't supposed to take it, came the retort.

An advisory committee to the Food and Drug Administration began meeting Thursday to consider a request to sell a low-dose version of the cholesterol drug Mevacor directly to consumers for the first time. A recommendation was expected Friday.

Allowing over-the-counter sales for Mevacor would put a new sort of medication on drugstore shelves. Unlike treatments for coughs, colds and allergies, Mevacor is meant to prevent future heart disease, rather than treat existing symptoms. And while a cough or cold is apparent, the only way to know one's cholesterol level is to be tested.

Sponsors say over-thecounter Mevacor would help get needed treatment to millions of Americans who are at moderate risk of heart disease or need to lower their cholesterol but are not taking helpful drugs.

"It's clear millions of Americans ... are not yet receiving treatment after many years now at this," James McKenney, chairman of the industry-funded National Lipid Association, told the panel Friday. "Maybe it's a good idea to give consumers the opportunity to be more involved in their own health care.'

Part of the problem is consumer attitudes, said Jerry Hansen, a vice president at Johnson & Johnson-Merck

Consumer Pharmaceuticals Co., Mevacor is only meant for men cant the risk of damage to the a joint venture set up to market 45 and over and women 55 and over-the-counter versions of drugs whose patents were expiring.

He said many patients would benefit from Mevacor today but don't want to take a prescription drug because "they generally feel that a prescription is for someone who is sick." He said, over-the-counter drugs are for "someone who is healthy, like themselves."

Opponents worry that selling Mevacor directly could encourage patients to skip necessary doctor visits, where they might get important advice about changing diet and exercise.

"Individuals may lose sight for the need for lifestyle changes if they believe taking a pill will suffice," said Dr. Boisey Barnes of the Association of Black Cardiologists.

And there are questions about whether consumers will accurately determine whether the drug is right for them.

To answer that, Merck and partner Johnson & Johnson conducted a pair of studies. One tested whether consumers would understand the label; the other simulated a real-world situation and recruited potential users into a mock pharmacy to see who would buy and use the drug.

According to the label pro-

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older whose LDL - low-density lipoprotein, or "bad" cholesterol - count is between 130 and 170. They should also have at least one risk factor for heart disease, such as smoking, high blood pressure, family history of heart disease or an HDL - highdensity lipoprotein, or "good" cholesterol - count of less than

The study of label comprehension found that only 1 percent of people who said they could start using Mevacor "right away" were appropriate candidates for the drug.

The mock pharmacy found that of all the people who actually took the drug, just 10 percent met the label's criteria.

The companies used a looser standard in counting who took the drug appropriately. For instance, in the mock pharmacy study, they counted people who said they had talked with their doctors before taking the drug even though they didn't meet the criteria on the label. Under this definition, Merck said, 55 percent of those who took the drug did so appropriately.

The panel also heard concerns that women who are pregnant might take the drug. At issue was whether the label advising against it was sufficient fetus really is. Also of concern is that people

with liver disease, some of whom don't know they are sick, could be hurt if they take the drug.

There are also financial implications to the decision, although the FDA is not allowed to consider them. If the drug is sold over the counter, health insurance will no longer pay for it, shifting the cost from insurance companies to patients.

Mevacor was the first of the statin drugs, which lower cholesterol by limiting the buildup of artery-clogging fat deposits, reducing the risk of heart attack by about a third. Some \$14 billion in statins were sold in the United States last year.

The application was filed by Johnson-Merck whose officials have said they would charge about \$1 for each daily 20-milligram pill if over-the-counter sales are approved.

The FDA turned down a similar application for over-thecounter Mevacor in 2000.

Students spend little time getting exercise in P.E. classes, even as childhood obesity grows

by COLIN FLY ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASHVILLE, Tenn. -Lisa Lewis, a health professor, heard her two sons talk about how bad their high school P.E. class was, so she went to see for herself.

"It's been terrible," she said. The teacher was a basketball coach, and "that's basically all they did - play basketball between 40 and 50 kids." Many students just stood on the sidelines of the disorganized game.

Physical education experts say there's little accountability for P.E. teachers in most schools. They say the classes are often poorly run, and students don't spend much time in them anyway.

Nearly one-fifth of all high school P.E. teachers don't have a major and certification in

physical education, according to the most recent numbers from the National Center for Education Statistics.

Often the instructor is a coach more interested in winning games than in producing healthy students, experts say.

"That stigma that a coach cares more about the team than his physical education class does exist," said George Graham, professor of kinesiology at Penn State University.

"When a teacher or coach is doing that, it's really up to the principal to get in there and say, 'We want to win ball games, but the kids in P.E. deserve a good education too."

The lack of respect for P.E. also appears in the number of students required to take it.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports

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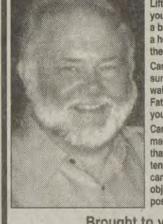
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Lifting heavy or awkward packages correctly is important, even for young people. However, as you become older, the potential for damage often increases. The elderly are more apt to sustain a back injury while lifting, because of decreased flexibility and strength. The best way to pick up a heavier object is by relying on the legs. Bend at your knees, not your back, so that your legs do the lifting.

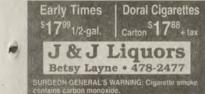
Carry objects close to your body at about waist level. If possible, set the package down on a surface between shoulder and knee height to avoid lifting it over your head. Do not twist at your waist. Instead, turn by pivoting your feet. Be careful moving heavy things when you are tired. Fatigue can cause you to move more awkwardly. Heavy loads pose the greatest risk, so know your limitations. Do not attempt to lift something beyond your ability.

Carrying bulky packages can also put added strain on the shoulders. The rotator cuff is primarily made up of four muscles that help support and move the shoulder joint. The muscles form tendons that surround the joint and move it front, up and back during regular daily activities. Lying over the tendons is a fluid-filled sac or bursa that helps lubricate and cushion the shoulder. The rotator cuff can become inflamed or even tear when misused through repetition or strain. Limit moving heavy objects or repetitive shoulder motions without warming up first, and rest the shoulder whenever possible. Correct posture is not an option when it comes to safe lifting. Use it every time.

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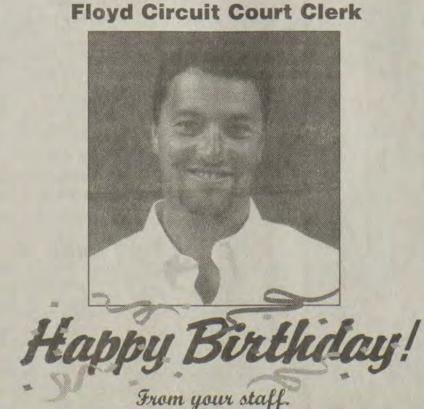
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- 1) Many businesses will be forced out of town-making Martin a ghost town for years before the project would be completed.
- 2) Many citizens with lung and health conditions will be adversely affected, not to mention the school children and hospital patients.
- 3) The large and heavy trucks moving regularly through town will cause a safety problem for citizens and all who need to come to visit the businesses, post office, school, and hospital. Also, the citizens whose homes are located on the highway and their children.

We need parking spaces to remain on Main Street so that business customers, visitors to the town, those who need to go to the post office for daily mail, those who visit the schools, and above all to accommodate the elderly and handicapped that need to park on our streets.

The streets are already full of water when it rains. Why does the mayor allow these conditions to exist? This only complicates and worsens the conditions of our town and streets if the Army Corps is allowed to haul their dirt and materials through town. There are alternate routes available and other solutions to the problem without running people and businesses out of Martin.

We oppose this plan to destroy Martin and will take action to prevent it with every legal and appropriate way!!

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Obituaries

Nancy Lou Hall

Nancy Lou Hall, 54, of Hi Hat, died Sunday, January 16, 2005, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Born December 27, 1950, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Estill and Carrie Webb Newsome. She was a homemaker and a member of the Tackett Fork Freewill Baptist Church at Beaver.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bobby Hall. Survivors include four

sons: William Michael Hall of Hi Hat, Bobby Hall Jr., of Beaver, and James Jamie Hall and John Christopher Hall, both of Price: two daughters: Debbie Gail Hall and Lola Lynn Hall, both of Price; two brothers: Clines Newsome of Beaver, and James Tackett of Michigan; three sisters: Laura Mae Hamilton of Pikeville, Shirley Fogle of Price, and Yvonne Renfro of Ohio: nine grandchildren; one greatgrandson; and eight stepgrandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by a son, Timothy Hall; a brother, Bob Webb; and two sisters: Lizzie Adkins, and Vassie Webb.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, January 20, at noon, at the Fork Freewill Tackett Baptist Church, at Beaver, with Larry Tackett officiating.

Burial will be in the Tackett Cemetery, at Melvin. under the direction of Funeral Nelson-Frazier Home, in Martin.

Visitation is at the church, with nightly services at 7 p.m.

(Paid obituary)

Sam Martin, Jr., age 66, of Martin, husband of

Sam Martin Jr.

passed away Monday, at January 17, 2005, at Medical Center, Ashland. Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

19, 1938, in McDowell, the Lack and Ella Clark son of Nora Newsome Hunter. He was a retired Martin, of Prestonsburg, and C&O Railroad, employee, the late Sam Martin. He was and a member of the Cow a construction manager, a Creek Freewill Baptist member of the Allen Baptist Church. Church, the Wayland Masonic Lodge, the Oleika Shrine, and served on the Floyd County Board of Health, Housing Authority two sons: Tony Hunter of Board.

In addition to his wife, and of mother, he is survived by daughters: one son, Sam Martin, III, of Hampton. Ollie Collins, Martin; one daughter, Violet Shirley Blair, Loretta Elizabeth "Beth" Rowe of Hunter, and Esther Blair, Prestonsburg; one brother, all of Prestonsburg, and Julius C. Martin of Brenda Prestonsburg; one sister, Paintsville; one brother: Phyllis Grigsby of Minnie; James three grandchildren: April Prestonsburg; and eight Martin, Dawn Elizabeth Rowe, and Robert great-grandchildren. Dustin Martin Rowe.

Martin Jr., will be conducted death by two sons: David Thursday, January 20, at 11 Arnold Hunter and Marvin a.m., at the Hall Funeral Thomas Hunter; one broth-Home Chapel, in Martin, er, McKinley Hunter; and with Clergyman Arnold two sisters: Virgie Goble Turner Jr., officiating.

Burial will follow in the Lucy Hall Cemetery, at conducted McDowell, under the professional care of the Hall the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Funeral Home.

Visitation is after 3 p.m., Wednesday, at the funeral Kenneth Burchett officiathome with Masonic services ing. at 7 p.m.

tions may be made to the Creek, Prestonsburg, under Allen Baptist Church build- the direction of Nelsoning fund, P.O. Box 541, Frazier Funeral Home. Allen, Ky. 41601.

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Aster Hunter

Aster Hunter, 92, of Cow Creek, Prestonsburg, died Margueritte Hall Martin, Monday, January 17, 2005, King's Daughters

Born November 22, 1912, in Floyd County, he He was born November was the son of the late

He is survived by his wife, Amma Mae Blackburn Hunter.

Other survivors include Ivel, and Aster Hunter Jr., Prestonsburg; Six Norma Auxier of Hunter of Celina grandchildren, and three

In addition to his par-Funeral services for Sam ents, he was preceded in and Nannie McCoy.

> Funeral services will be Thursday, January 20, at 11 a.m., at Home, in Martin, with Nathan Lafferty and John

Burial will be in the In lieu of flowers, dona- Hunter Cemetery, Cow

Visitation is at the funer-(Paid obituary)

Denzil (Stud) Martin

Denzil (Stud) Martin, 50, of Drift, died Saturday, January 15, 2005, at the U.K. Medical Center, in Lexington. Born June 22, 1954, in

Martin, he was the son of Dennis Martin of Drift, and the late Ada Osborne Martin. He was a disabled coal miner.

In addition to his father, he is survived by one son, Denzil Ray Martin of Drift; one daughter, Tiffany Nichole Martin of Prestonsburg; his exwife, Pauline Martin of Prestonsburg; his companion, Velma Henson of McDowell; a step-son, Michael Steven Henson of McDowell; four brothers: Tanzil Martin of Ashland, Ohio, Merlin Martin of Martin, Wade Martin of Drift, and Eddie Dean Moore of Oriental, Ohio; and three sisters: Reba Judd, Donna Setser, and Freda Martin, all of Prestonsburg.

In addition to his mother, he was preceded in death by one brother, Rasher Martin.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, January 18, at noon, at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Ted Shannon officiating.

Burial was in the Martin Cemetery, Stumbo Hollow, in Drift, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home. Visitation was at the funeral

home. (Paid obituary)

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Walter Scott Slone II

Walter Scott Slone II, age 24, of Hueysville, husband of Jerrica Banks Slone, passed away Sunday, January 16, 2005, at his residence.

He was born August 11, 1980, in Pikeville, the son of Walter Scott Slone of Wayland, and Vivian Lee Coker of Nashville, Tennessee. He was the stepson of Vicky King Slone. He attended the United Methodist Church, at Wayland.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by two brothers: Charles Nevan Slone of Garrett, and Byron Francis Slone of Florida; his paternal grandmother, Marie Slone of

Wayland; his maternal grandparents, Earnest and Douglas Sanders of Weeksbury, and many aunts and uncles.

He was preceded in death by one brother, James Robert Slone; and his paternal grandfather, Kermit Slone.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, conducted January 19, at 11 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Clergyman Brad Tackett officiating.

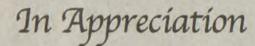
Burial will follow in the Bradley Cemetery, at Wayland, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Alice Goble Baldridge pallbearers listed

Alice Goble Baldridge, who died Thursday, January 6, 2005, were, active: John Preston, Steve Clark, Mike Murphy, John H. Gray, Johnny Ison, Danny Flannery, Nick Halbert, Warren Halbert, Hearl Dudley, Teddy

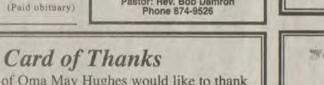
Pallbearers for the funeral of Shepherd, and Jimmy Castle. Honorary pallbearers were: Edward Goble, Charles Goble, Connely McCray, Clifford Schornak, Earl Warren, Willie "Red" Clark, Bill Robinson, Paul Hagans, Ray Prater, and Ermel Hicks.



We would like to express our gratitude for all the sympathy and compassion shown to us during the illness and upon the passing of our loved one, Allice Goble Baldridge. Your thoughtfulness and kindness will always be remembered.

Our deepest apprecation is extended to Mildred, Geraldine, Ella, Melva, Verna, the Rev. Robert Varney, the pallbearers, the Maytown First Baptist Church, the Hospice of Big Sandy, and Nelson-Frazier Funeral home.

The Family of Alice Goble Baldridge



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Tell her gently, whisper softly, she will listen, she'll be there.

Day by day as she grows older, she's the nation's guiding star.

Don't forget the prayers she taught us, you will need them where you are.

Though her hair has turned to silver, send her flowers sweet and fair.

Drop a card or send a letter, she'll be waiting, she'll be there.

When her eyes have closed in slumber, gently kiss her icy brow.

Fold her hands upon her busom, she will rest in Heaven, now.

When your days are dark and dreary, and your cross is hard to bear,

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The family of Oma May Hughes would like to thank all family, friends, and others, who helped during the illness and passing of our mother. Thanks to caregivers, Lois Evans and Yvonne Newsome for their years of dedication. Thanks to the staff at HRMC and at Riverview Health Care Center during her time there, and thanks to Dr. Roger Jurich for his care. We would also like to thank all those who had us in their prayers, those who sent flowers, and food, and those who consoled us by their presence, and with their words of comfort. A special thank-you to Randy Johnson, clergyman, and to Larry Brown and Barbara Meek for the music. We also would like to thank Carter Funeral Home for its efficient service.

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The family of Peachie Reffitt Pitts 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 Veronica Bolden and Hershel Baldridge 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.

THE FAMILY OF PEACHIE REFFITT PITTS

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The family of Cecil Ousley would like to acknowledge with heartfelt appreciation, all those who helped in any way during the recent loss of our loved one. Thank you all so much for the food, flowers, prayers, and all the acts of kindness shown to our family. We especially want to thank the Old Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for providing dignified and courteous service.

THE FAMILY OF CECIL OUSLEY

Card of Thanks

The family of Sarah B. Vance would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to all those friends, neighbors, and loved ones who helped to comfort us during our time of sorrow. Thanks to all those who sent flowers, food, or just spoke a kind word. We would like to send a special thanks to Clergymen Red Alley and Shane Akers for their comforting words, the Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church of the New Salem Association for all the kindness shown to our family, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their caring and professional service. All your thoughts and prayers will never be forgotten.

THE FAMILY OF SARAH B. VANCE

Card of Thanks

The family of Patricia Jean Saylor Duncan would like to express our appreciation to all those who helped in any way during the loss of our loved one. We thank you for the flowers, food, and all the kindness expressed. A special thanks to Clergyman Clinton "Buddy" Jones for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and to the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service. All your acts of kindness were a great comfort to our family.

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that in 2003, only 28 percent of high school students nationwide attended a daily P.E. class, but 38 percent watched television for three hours or more each school night.

While 71 percent of the nation's freshmen were in P.E. at least one day a week those numbers drop to 40 percent by the students' senior year.

Participation varies widely by state. In Tennessee, only 18 percent of seniors were enrolled in a P.E. class, while New York has better than 90 percent participation.

The National Association for Sport and Physical Education says Illinois is the only state that requires daily physical education K-12, while Alabama requires it for K-8.

In California, Kentucky, Maine, Missouri, New York, South Carolina and Vermont, accountability standards are being developed for health and physical education programs.

"Unless we hold physical education teachers accountable for the fitness of the student there's no way to evaluate who is good or who is bad because we're more concerned with math and reading," Lewis said. "There needs to be some sort of minimal national fitness standard - that would be a very easy thing to establish."

Some schools have done just that like the Victor Central School District just outside Rochester in Victor, N.Y.

Superintendent Timothy J. McElheran said his teachers are held to specific goals and judged like any math or science teacher would be.

"It's no longer the coach with the whistle around his neck," he said. "Our physical education teachers are highly trained professionals."

Victor's nationally recognized program includes rockclimbing, kayaking, crosscountry skiing, archery and aerobic dance as options for students.

"They take what they're doing very seriously," he said. Not all do, and a new feder-

al education law doesn't give schools much incentive. "The thought in some

schools is, 'If we eliminate P.E., then they will have more time to do better educationally,' but there's nothing to sug-"st that's the case," Graham said.

"Kids - just like adults at work - need breaks and they need time on their own."

Lewis has seen the poor state of physical education not only in her sons' school, but also at Middle Tennessee State University where she works. The school recently dropped requirements for health and P.E. from the core curriculum.

MTSU general education director Bill Badley said the P.E. requirement went from four hours to zero when the III Continued from p5

school decided to add classes to the core curriculum while lowering the total number of classes needed to graduate.

Lewis wasn't able to stop the changes at MTSU, but she was able to make a difference at her sons' school.

"I went to the class and actually helped the physical educator," Lewis said. "The non-athletes, they're the ones who need it most.

NASPE president Dolly Lambdin said the cuts in secondary schools and colleges intensify the problem that begins at a young age.

'Whatever belief we teach (children) in elementary school, middle school and high school, those beliefs will carry over in college," she said. "We can't continue the model (that) we have to fix things later. It doesn't work on your car and it doesn't work on your body. Physical maintenance is the key.

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CLEARFIELD, Pa. – Kate Stelnick may weigh only 100 pounds, but her appetite is remarkable

The college student from Princeton, N.J., is the first to meet a restaurant's challenge by downing its six-pound hamburger - and five pounds of fixins' - within three hours.

Stelnick didn't eat for two . days to prepare for the chal-

lenge. "I felt very full, but I was too excited that I actually ate it to notice," Stelnick said.

Stelnick, 19, made the fivehour drive to Denny's Beer Barrel Pub with two friends from The College of New Jersey on Wednesday, after they saw pictures of the monster burger, dubbed the Ye Old 96er.

Denny Leigey Jr., the owner of the bar 35 miles northwest of State College, had offered a

two-pound burger for years and conceived of the six-pounder after his daughter went to college and phoned him about a bar that sold a four-pounder.

But nobody had finished the big burger in the three-hour time limit since it was introduced on Super Bowl Sunday 1998. In addition to the meat, contestants much eat one large onion, two whole tomatoes, one half head of lettuce, 1 1/4 pounds of cheese, two buns, Continued from p2

and a cup each of mayonnaise, ketchup, mustard, relish, banana peppers and some pickles.

Stelnick did it all in two hours, 54 minutes.

Leigey said he was pretty sure somebody would meet his burger challenge, though he didn't have a petite woman in mind.

"I wouldn't have made it if I didn't think it was possible," Leigey said.

Man pleads not guilty to perjury charge

The Associated Press

LEXINGTON - An Eastern Kentucky man convicted of mail fraud last year pleaded not guilty on Tuesday to a perjury charge.

A federal grand jury returned an indictment against Loren Glenn Turner, 51, of Pikeville, earlier this month, alleging that he committed perjury last April while testifying

was investigating complaints of election fraud in eastern Kentucky.

Turner will stand trial on the perjury charge on March 7.

Turner was convicted in September of conspiracy to commit mail fraud and two counts of mail fraud in an alleged scheme to buy votes in a Pike County judicial race. His the mail fraud charges on March 14.

before a federal grand jury. That grand jury boss, Pike County businessman Ross Harris, was convicted at the same time of one count of conspiracy to commit mail fraud and to buy votes, three counts of mail fraud and one count of structuring withdrawals from a bank account to avoid federal reporting requirements.

They are scheduled to be sentenced on

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group is confident they will, which has proven to be an control the railroad right-of- impossible task for adjacent way left behind, once the rail- property owners. road tracks have been removed. This, despite the fact the people that own property that over 80 years ago when the railroad first acquired the railroad right-of-way, the agreement was, once the railroad stops using the land, the full use of the land would go back to the owners of the land and their successors. You would be right to assume that once the railroad is no longer using the land they were once granted for railroad purposes only, the use of the land would then go back to the adjoining property owners.

However, the Kentucky "Rails to Trails" group believes they now are more entitled to the use of this land than even the actual property owners. The way this happens is through an STB rule called "rail banking," where with the permission of the railroad, the Kentucky "Rails To Trails" group can legally take the land from the actual owners of the land for a trail as long as the railroad has the right to build a track back on the same rightof-way sometime in the future if they decide to, a very remote possibility. The owners of land can complain and threaten lawsuits all they want, but fact of the matter is Reversionary the only one that can be sued, Owners, (NARPO) a website once the trail has been granted dedicated to protecting the

Contrary to the wishes of adjoining the railroad, the Kentucky "Rails to Trails" group is moving full steam ahead with plans for removing the railroad and forcing on Magoffin, Breathitt and Johnson Counties residents the very expensive and potentially crime ridden Kentucky "Rail to Trails" project. Once the counties are the operators of the trail, the counties will have to come up with millions of dollars to build and maintain the trail.

The Kentucky "Rails to Trails" group paints a rosy picture for the trails. Some "Rails to Trails" handout folders show two little girls skipping hand in hand down the trail. The Kentucky "Rails to Trails" group doesn't want you to know about the huge liability the counties will assume, the tons of lawsuits. the huge property devaluation along the trails and yes, the crime associated with the trails

Crime rates along trails are much higher then you will be led to believe by the Kentucky "Rails to Trails" group. The National Association of Property

keeps track of the crime along trails nationwide. Just the month before R.J. Corman filed before an abandonment of their railroad, the NARPO website reported on the crimes committed on "Rails to Trails" nationwide. From August 9 to August 17 there were 14 crimes committed on the trails. From August 2 to August 9, there were 19 cases of what they consider crimes. From July 26 to August 2 there were 19 crimes. From July 20 to July 26. Six days before, another 10 crimes and this goes on and on. You can see the actual local newspaper accounts on the NARPO website.

example as a good trail is the Monon Trail in Indianapolis. I know the Monon railroad very well. I was the first contractor to start the removal of the Monon railroad in 1979.

One published report says, "This week on the Monon Trail, Channel 6 News (an Indianapolis TV station) wonders, we wonder, how much crime goes on around the Monon. The Indianapolis Police Department gave us to the National Association of some numbers. Now, since no Reversionary one keeps exact numbers Owners website and get the

about crimes committed on facts for yourself. The best business for more than 30 the Monon Trail, the closest they could give us is crimes committed within a quartermile of the trail. And here's what we found out. Police tell us that during the first five months of 2004, between Fall Creek and 6800 North, there was a lot of crime around that popular trail. Police count 143 property theft, 120 assaults, 57 burglaries, 46 stolen cars, 18 robberies, four rapes and two homicides."

Grant you, the Kentucky "Rails to Trails" group will argue this isn't Indianapolis, this is Magoffin, Breathitt and One trail often used as an , Johnson counties in Kentucky, low crime areas. Even so, the question is, is the Kentucky "Rails to Trails" group inviting even half the crime as Indianapolis is experiencing, acceptable to your community?

This is not fear mongering; these are facts. I suggest if you think that the Kentucky "Rails to Trails" program is harmless to the community, don't take my word for it, go Property

way to fight this crime being invited to your community, the NARPO website suggests, since the early 1980s. If you is find out which of the government officials is promoting the trail. Call the officials and let them know your community doesn't want more crime. This could be a change the and consideration in this matcommunity may have to live with for a very long time.

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New Morehead president begins tenure Tuesday

The Associated Press

JOHNSON CITY, Tenn. – Newly elected Morehead State president Wayne Andrews began his tenure Tuesday, but he's already impressed many in the college's community.

When Andrews discussed his goals at the school's traditional pre-semester convocation last week, "basically, he got a standing ovation," said Charles H. Morgan Jr., a faculty regent who served on the search committee.

Andrews, 56, comes to Morehead State from East Tennessee State, where he worked for more than 17 years. His legacy at the Johnson City, Tenn. school is symbolized by a monument on top of a physical education building: the Wayne D. Andrews Clock Tower.

The Morehead Board of Regents chose the New England native for their vacancy out of a field of 103 candidates, and gave him a four-year contract with a beginning salary of \$210,000.

Of Andrews' long tenure at East Tennessee, search committee member Gene Caudill of Morehead said: "I don't think there was any doubt in anyone's mind he was being groomed to be the president in Tennessee." East Tennessee State President Dr. Paul E. Stanton Jr. did not disagree. However, Stanton said that at age 60 he was not ready to retire, and that Andrews, the vice president, had been ready for several years to become a college president.

Stanton said he learned about the pending opening at Morehead after former president Ron Eaglin announced his Jan. 1 retirement.

"I talked to Wayne about it," Stanton said, "and I'm the one who nominated him. To my knowledge, Morehead is the only job he ever applied for."

In preliminary interviews, Andrews demonstrated a knowledge of Morehead, its history, and even members of the search committee, panel members said. "He always does his home-

work," Stanton said.

More to the point, Andrews knew how four-year universities operate, Morgan said, and dis-' played a "tremendous knowledge" of the Appalachian region and its students.

Search panelist Chuck Charles of Ashland, president of the Morehead Alumni Association, agreed.

"He was my first choice and sort of set the bar for everyone else." Charles said. Stanton said Andrews had been in leadership roles since he arrived in Johnson City from Illinois in 1987. Hired as chairman of the school's technology department, he became manager of student affairs, human resources, public safety and internal audits.

In recent years, Stanton promoted him to vice president of operations and chief operating officer. Andrews faced difficult decisions in many areas, one involving cuts of 70 members of the staff and faculty.

"He's very smooth and it's genuine, but he can make tough decisions," Stanton said.

Last week in Morehead, Andrews was settling into the president's office and was preparing to attend a chamber of commerce meeting. His wife,. Susan, a teacher in the Johnson City school system, said she will remain in Tennessee until the end of the school year.

Andrews and his wife both grew up in Spencer, Mass., a town of 8,000, about the size of Morehead.

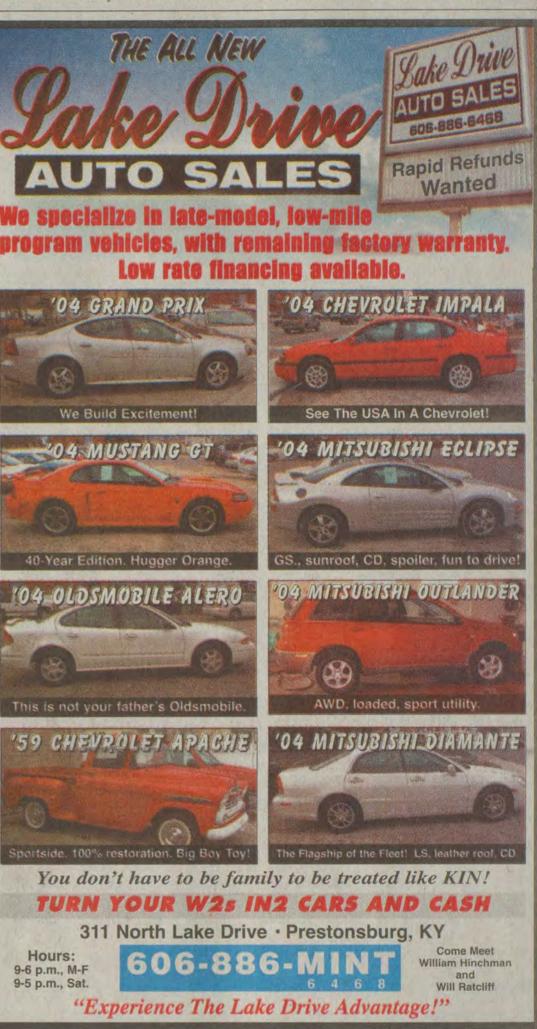
Andrews credits Stanton with helping prepare him to become a college president. He said he had not been looking for a job, but told Stanton he was interested in the Morehead post. "I thought this school, this location, would be a perfect place for me," he said.

After 11 days on the Rowan County campus, Andrews said he mostly had been reading about Morehead's history and had embarked on a listening tour.

"I've told the staff I'm going to start with the faculty and I'm going to meet with every academic department to start, and follow up with the administration," he said. "And I'm going to go by myself. I'm just going to go and listen."

Already, he has heard complaints from students and members of the staff and faculty that the Morehead administration seemed "disinterested," he said. Other priorities include achieving funding parity with other regional universities to avoid raising tuition, and state authorization for capital projects that include replacing or renovating old dormitories.

"I'm a great believer in having a small number of things to work on – and really working on them," Andrews said.



Critics say coal trucks should face tougher regulations

The Associated Press

PIKEVILLE — As fatalities on Kentucky's highways have increased over the last few years, critics say better regulation of coal-hauling trucks could have helped prevent deaths.

Since 2000, at least 53 people have died and 536 have been injured in accidents with trucks licensed to haul coal, according to the Lexington Herald-Leader. The newspaper analyzed federal Department of Transportation data from January 2000 through August 2004. Total highway deaths in Kentucky have increased over each of those years, peaking at 955 in 2004, according to the newspaper.

"The safety factor is nonexis

truckers obey the law.

Bill Caylor, president of the Kentucky Coal Association in Lexington, said truckers can take steps, such as improving rear lighting. But he said motorists are mostly at fault when they rear-end coal trucks.

"We had record numbers of fatalities last year," Caylor said. "You don't point your finger at somebody else. You got to figure out how to get these people to drive safer."

During that time, there were 704 accidents involving trucks licensed to haul coal. But records don't indicate whether the trucks were full, empty or hauling something other than coal at the time.

Roy Crawford, a Whitesburg

Crawford said many truckers fail to clean grime off lights and reflectors. At night, that makes it hard for some drivers to judge a truck's distance.

Industry backers acknowledge that some truckers don't maintain their vehicles well, but they say most abide by the law.

Greg Higgins, who owns a trucking company in Pike County, said more drivers are compliant because newer rigs come with required lighting.

"The trucks of today are way ahead of where they were at 10 years ago," he said.

Officials say they saw improvement in enforcement over the past year, after Gov. Ernie Fletcher's administration started strictly enforcing truck-

tent with the coal industry," said Joey Stidham, an accident reconstructionist and former state trooper.

But industry backers sharply dispute that assertion, noting that studies have consistently shown commercial truckers are rarely at fault in fåtal accidents. Researchers and state police say that poor seat-belt use is the major factor and that most

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engineer, said rear-end accidents with coal trucks — like the kind his son, Guy, was killed in in 1994 — should be among the most preventable.

"The most tragic thing to me is they are all preventable if the trucks were just legal," said.

Despite a 2001 law setting a \$250 ticket from police or Vehicle Enforcement for inadequate or inoperable lighting,

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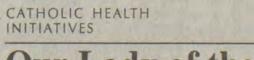
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Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's note: To announce your community event, you may handdeliver 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

John W. Hall Lodge 950 to confer F.C. degree

John W. Hall Lodge 950 F&AM will hold its regular meeting, Saturday, January 22nd, at 7 p.m. The Fellow Craft degree will be conferred on Terry Spurlock. Dinner will be served, and all Masons are encouraged to attend.

Floyd County Historical and Genealogy Society

The Floyd County Historical and Genealogical Society meets the 3rd Monday of each month at the Samuel May House at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Prestonsburg High School Class of 1994 reunion

Prestonsburg High School Class of 1994 reunion being planned for February. Please contact Patricia Garrison at 606-874-6004, Cory Reitz at 859-338-6956 or John Stout at 859-433-3610

JWT Auditions

Jenny Wiley Theatre will hold auditions for its upcoming season on Fri., Jan. 28, from 5-9 p.m., and Sat., Jan. 29, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Mountain Arts Center. Auditonees should prepare a short monolouge and brief musical selection, total time not to exceed 2 minutes. Pianist provided. Taped accompaniment and a cappela singing not acceptable. Bring comfortable alternate clothing for basic dance combination. Many non-singing opportunities also available. More info., call 886-9274.

Beauty Pageant

The "Stars of Tomorrow" Beauty Pageant will be held on Saturday, January 29, at 2 p.m., at the Pikeville Independent Elementary School, in Pikeville. Registration will be from 12:30-1:30 p.m. Payment deadline is Jan. 18. Call 432-5718 for info.

Girl Scout Cookies!

Donate a box of cookies to "Operation Cookie Drop" through the Floyd County Girl Scouts to our local National Guard Unit. Call 1-800-475-2621 to support your local Girl Scouts p.m. and soldiers.

Big Sandy 4-H Club

Is seeking new members! Do you like to have fun? Meet new people? Help your community? Then join our club! For more info., contact Chuck Stamper at 886-2668.

Basic Computer Training

To be taught by Ray Tackett at the Martin Community Center, located on Route 80, at Martin, on Feb. 4, 11, 18; March 4, 11, 18; and April 1, from 1-3 p.m. Cost - \$7. This is an 8-week training series designed for those who have little or no experience using computers. Space is limited - call 886-2668 today to register!

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.

Auxier Lifetime Learning Center

•GED classes - Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Later times may be arranged - call office to make arrangements.

•Craft/Sewing Club Mondays, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

·Creative Sewing - Mondays, 6-8 p.m.; Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 12

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

Free Body Recall classes

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

'Earn While You Learn' The Big Sandy Area C.A.P.

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.

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.

And, learn about how you can stay home with your own children and still earn an income by caring for other children. Find out more by calling Cheryl Endicott at 886-1280, or 888-872-7227 (toll free).

Floyd County Extension Homemaker Club Meetings

Allen: 1st Monday, 7 p.m., at Christ United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

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

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

Martin: 1st Tuesday, 6 p.m., Martin Church of Christ. Evening Quilt Group: 4th

Thursday, 6 p.m., Extension Office

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

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

Prestonsburg: 2nd Tuesday, 1:30 p.m., Extension Office. South Prestonsburg: 3rd Tuesday, 7 p.m., Home of members (call 886-2668 for info.) Extension Club

Announcements

The Newbee's Quilt Group will meet on Jan. 27, from 6-8 p.m., at the Extension office. Lesson will include a slide show and hands-on demonstration of color coordination, presented by Nan Tournier. All interested quilters are invited to attend. Meeting may be canceled due to inclement weather.

Homemaker Leader Training "Growth Choice" will be held on Jan. 25, at 10 a.m. Learn skills for creating happiness and blessing others. Public invited. More info., call 886-2668

"Looking For a Support Group?'

 Alzheimer's Association Caregiver 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 - 24hour 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.

•US TOO! Prostate Cancer Survivors Support Group - For all men with prostate cancer and their families. Group meets the 3rd Thursday of each month, at 6 p.m., at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville.

•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.

•Domestic Violence Hotline - 24hour Crisis Line manned by Certified Domestic Violence counselors. Call 886-6025, or 1-800-649-6605. Remember. "Love Doesn't Have to Hurt." Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children - Free, confidential assistance for unplanned pregnancy concerns. Talk with someone who cares about you and your baby. Call 1-800-928-5242. •Disabled? - You may be eligible for grant money to assist in your daily living. For an application or more information, call 886-4326. •A.S.K. (Adoption Support for Kentucky) - Support group for all adoptive parents (public, private, international, and kinship care), foster parents and all others interested in adoption. To meet the 2nd Thursday of each month, at Pizza Hut, in Prestonsburg. For more information, contact Nelva Skaggs, adoptive parent liaison, at 🦉 Blueboy@foothills.net.

•East Kentucky S.T.A.R.S. Homeschoolers -Will hold o n t h m ly meetings at the Paintsville Recreation Center. For more information, call Trudy at 889-9333, or 297-5147. Everyone welcome. •Narcotics Anonymous (NA) -Each Wednesday, from 7-8 p.m., in the Atrium Conference Room, 2nd floor, May Tower, Pikeville Methodist Hospital. For more info., contact Chris Cook at 606-433-1119 christophercook@hotmail.com.

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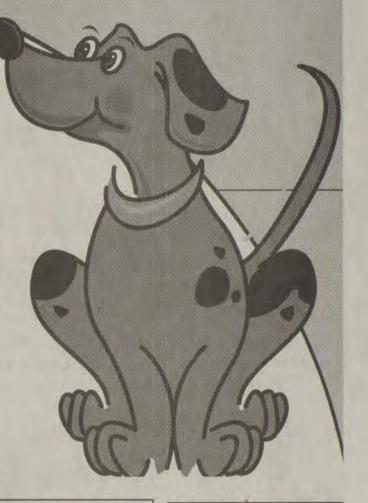
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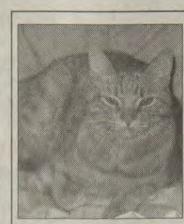
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PRESTONSBURG

Shelves are stocked in preparation for today's opening of the new Food City Superstore in Prestonsburg.

Customers will get their first look at the 40,000 square foot facility (located on Route 1428/University Drive) when the doors open this morning.

"We have certainly enjoyed serving the residents of Floyd County through our existing location and we're very excited to be bringing a new state-ofthe-art Food City to Prestonsburg," said Steven C. Smith, president and chief executive officer of K-VA-T Food Stores, Inc., Food City's parent company.

The new store includes a bakery/deli, complete with a hot food bar and sit-down café, and Food City Floral Boutique, offering a large assortment of fresh-cut and silk floral arrangements, bouquets, a varidays a week.

The new store also includes a video department stocked with the latest releases and classic favorites, seafood and expanded meat departments, featuring top quality meats and certified Angus beef. Expanded grocery, frozen food, produce and health and beauty care departments are included as well.

The new Prestonsburg location offers the added convenience of a Food City Pharmacy, where a registered pharmacist will be on hand to meet prescription needs and answer health related questions. And, customers can stop by the Food City Gas N' Go for top quality gasoline at highly competitive prices.

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Customers will be able to move quickly through the checkouts, thanks to six traditional lanes and two express lanes. And the location is the first in Kentucky to feature an attractive new interior design concept, featuring large department signage and a new storewide color scheme.

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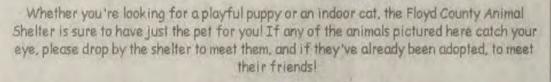
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Safety measures can prevent home heating fires

FRANKFORT - Recent has working smoke and carbon house fires involving children in Western Kentucky and an elderly woman in a south-central city prove that warming your home in the winter can become tragic because of heating equipment failure and human error. But preparation and maintenance can save lives by preventing or providing early warning of a house fire.

Last month in Munfordville, a father and his 11-month-old son died from carbon monoxide and smoke inhalation as result of an early morning fire from a wood stove.

Later that same day in a Bowling Green house, a 6-monthold boy died and his 7-year-old brother was injured in a fire that local officials say was likely caused by an overloaded circuit and an electrical heater.

And in Greensburg last week, a gas heater ignited an 81-year-old woman's nightgown. She suffered fourth-degree burns over most of her body and died.

After a week of mild weather, families may be turning up the heat this weekend to combat the cold. Next week's lows are predicted in the single digits.

According to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), heating equipment is the nation's No. 1 cause of home fires during the winter months. Such fires are preventable with proper maintenance and preventative measures, said Patrick Flowers, a regional coordinator of the Weatherization Program, part of the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

"No matter your heating system, always make sure your home monoxide detectors," he said.

Some families remove batteries during cooking or forget to replace them regularly. "Test the detectors monthly," Flowers said. "It's a basic early warning system that too often fails because of human disregard."

When fires start overnight in a home where there is no working smoke detector, families - especially those with children, senior citizens and people with disabilities face a greater risk of injury or death.

The NFPA recommends changing detector batteries yearly.

"Preparation and education could have kept so many of these tragedies from occurring," said Kentucky State Fire Marshal Al Mitchell. "Kentucky firefighters partner with community businesses to provide free smoke detectors to nursing homes and citizens who can't afford to purchase them for their homes. Constant awareness and education are the keys to decreasing accidents and fatalities.'

Low-income Kentuckians can get help to heat their homes safely and efficiently from the state Weatherization Program, which inspects heating systems and insulation and checks for various household safety issues.

"Safety is the No. 1 priority of our inspectors," Flowers said. Even homes that don't meet eligibility requirements will get a smoke detector and a carbon monoxide detector, he said.

The U.S. Department of Energy and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services fund the program through the cabinet, which partners with 22 of the

state's 23 community action agencies (CAAs) and the Louisville Metro government to administer the work in every county. Local weatherization teams, contractors or utility crews will do the work.

The program helps 2,200 households and 5,000 Kentuckians each year.

Flowers said weatherization coordinators remind families with space heaters to allow proper clearance. "We go into homes where there is furniture, carpet or piles of clothes right next to the system," he said.

Storing fuel inside the house is another common mistake, Flowers said.

A power failure introduces a new set of safety concerns.

"If you're burning candles and running an emergency heater, a main concern is oxygen deprivation," he said.

Any fuel-burning appliance or device can produce high levels of carbon monoxide, and the potential for poisoning is greater in the winter when homes are tightly sealed

If possible, choose appliances that vent fumes to the outside. But if your gas or kerosene heater is unvented, use proper fuel and carefully follow device instructions. Don't sleep in an enclosed space with such space heaters.

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Follow these heating tips from the American Red Cross and the National Fire Protection Association to protect your family this winter.

Fireplaces

Have your chimney inspected by a professional every year. Creosote, a chemical substance that forms when wood burns, builds up in chimneys and can cause a fire if the chimney is not properly cleaned.

Always protect your family and home by using a sturdy screen when burning fires.

Remember to burn only wood — never burn paper or pine boughs, which can float out of the chimney and ignite a neighboring home. Never use flammable liquids in a fireplace. If you are purchasing a factory-built fireplace, select one listed by a testing laboratory, and have it installed according to local codes.

Wood Stoves

Be sure your wood or coal stove is labeled by a recognized testing laboratory and meets local fire codes. Follow manufacturers'

and maintenance.

Chimney connections and flues should be inspected at the beginning of each heating season and cleaned if necessary.

Burn only wood, and be sure the stove is placed on an approved stove board to protect the floor from heat and hot coals. Be sure to check with your local fire department and check local codes before installation.

Space Heaters

Place space heaters at least 3 bustible, including wallpaper, bed-

feet away from anything com-

room or when you go to bed. Don't leave children or pets unattended with space heaters. Make sure any gas-fueled

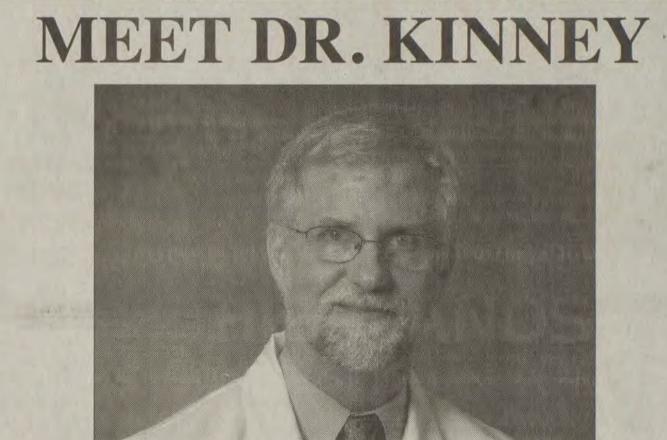
heating device is adequately ventilated. Unventilated gas space heaters in bedrooms or bathrooms must be small and well-mounted. Never use liquefied-petroleum gas heaters with self-contained fuel supplies indoors.

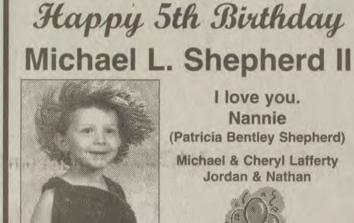
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operating when you are not in the

Don't dry wet gloves or other clothing over space heaters. Make sure everyone knows this is a fire hazard.







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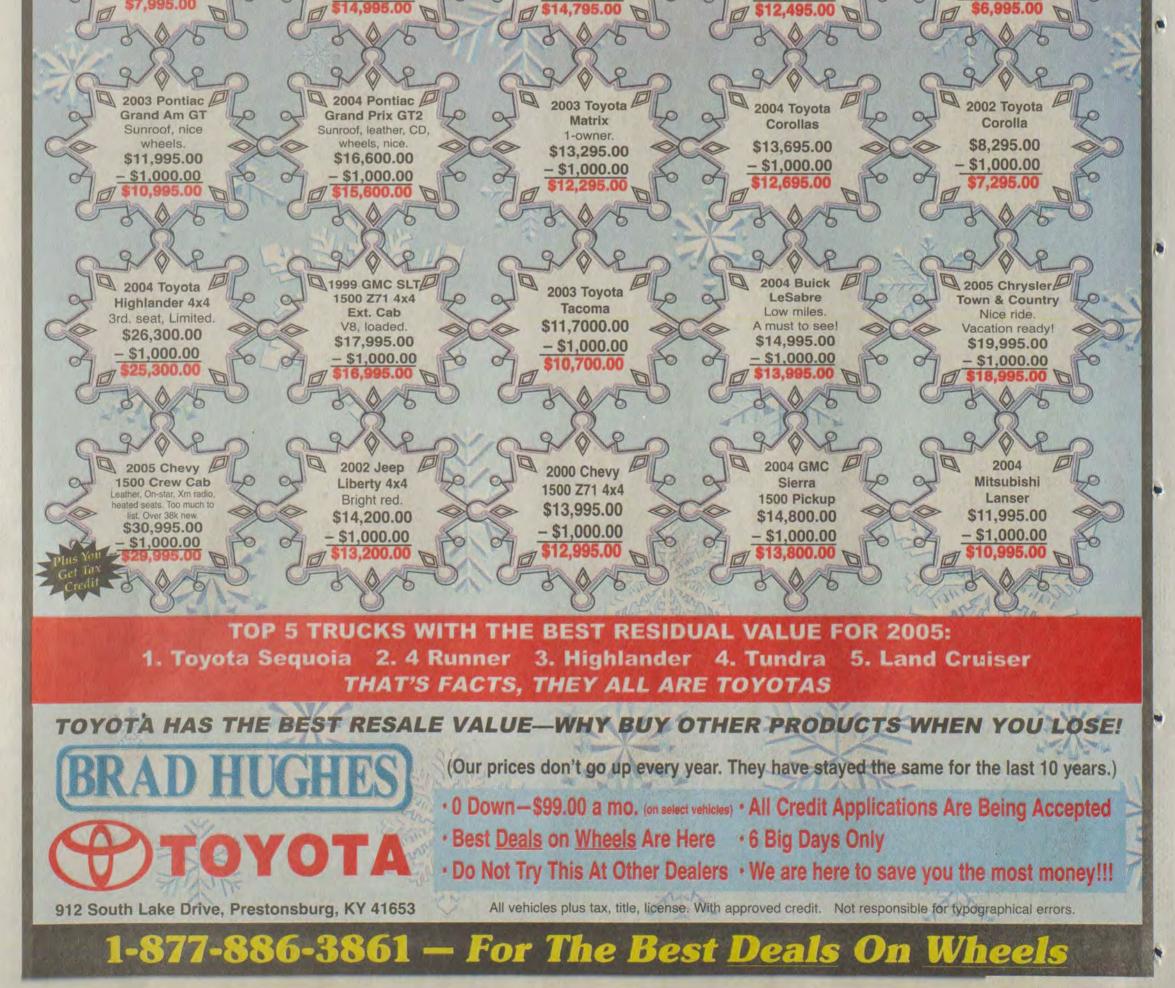
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by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT - Prestonsburg's girls went into South Floyd Friday night looking to grab a 58th District win. The Blackcats did just that and in impressive fashion, too. Prestonsburg beat South Floyd, soundly - to the tune of a 82-39 thumping. Prestonsburg, which improved its record to 8-9, grabbed back some 58th District momentum.

Senior guard Molly Burchett led Prestonsburg in scoring with a gamehigh 19 points. But she wasn't alone several of her Lady Blackcat teammates minute frame.

provided points. Amber Whitaker 14. Meaghan Slone, keeping up her place as one of the 15th Region's top young scorers, added 12 points.

Prestonsburg got out to a big lead and kept it. The Lady Blackcats held a 30-10 advantage at the end of the first quarter and led 54-15 at halftime. Things didn't get much better for South Floyd (4-6) in the third guarter, either. The Lady Blackcats outscored South Floyd in each of the first three quarters.

In four quarters, Prestonsburg averaged just over 20 points per eight

On defense, Prestonsburg didn't scored 16 points and Kelly Key added allow South Floyd many good looks at the basket.

> Tab Trammell, a senior who leads South Floyd in both scoring and rebounding, led the Lady Raiders against Prestonsburg. In the loss to Prestonsburg, Trammell scored 13 points - exactly one-third of her team's points. Kayla Hall finished with eight points and Courtney Blocker chipped in five.

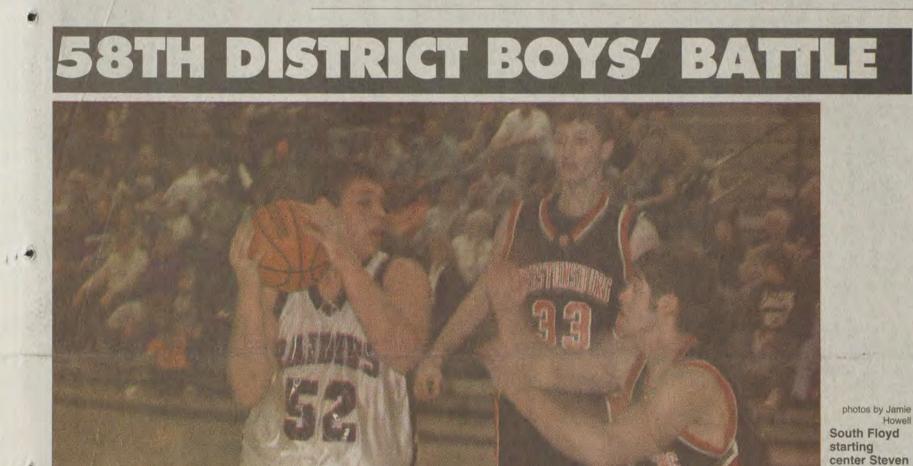
> Prestonsburg remains in the middle of the 15th Region field. Besides 15th Region frontrunners Magoffin County,

> > (See BLACKCATS, page six)



photo by Steve LeMaster Prestonsburg senior guard **Molly Burchett** tried to work her way through the defense of South Floyd's Candice Hall (20) and Miranda

Gregory (11).



Left: Becky Thomas (Allen Central),

Right: Kim Clark (Betsy Layne)

Daniels' double-double leads Betsy Layne past Allen Central



recorded a doubledouble in Friday night's win over Prestonsburg. Pictured defending for Prestonsburg are Blackcats Jesse Chaffin (11) and Sean Leslie.

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by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - With a win over Allen Central Friday night, Betsy Layne remained perfect against 58th District opposition. The senior contingent was again strong for Betsy Layne. Senior center Kristal Daniels scored 10 points and pulled down 11 rebounds, earning another doubledouble, and senior guard Kristen Smith scored 13 points and handed out seven assists to lead Betsy Layne to a 46-42 win.

Daniels done her damage before fouling out. In other Ladycat offense, Kim Clark scored eight points and Candice Meade tossed in seven.

Host Betsy Layne led at the end of every quarter. The Ladycats, after leading by one point at the end of the first quarter, led 30-17 at halftime. Betsy Layne had to overcome a near scoreless third quarter. Breann Akers, who tossed in six points, scored Betsy Layne's only two points of the third quarter. In a low-scoring third quarter, Allen Central outscored Betsy Layne 9-2 and crept back into the game, within four points of the homestanding Ladycats.

Becky Tackett added two points for Betsy Layne.

For the Ladycats, the most recent win over

(See BETSY LAYNE, page six)

. Mason Hall's three-point connection lifts Raiders

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT - When the game was on the line Friday night, South Floyd turned to junior sharpshooter Mason Hall. And it wasn't just any game, either. South Floyd played host to Prestonsburg Friday night. At stake was an allimportant 58th District win. After trailing for much of the game, Prestonsburg battled back. The Blackcats evened the game at 57 late in the fourth quarter. South Floyd got possession of the basketball with just over one minute remaining and decided to hold for just one shot. The gamble paid off. Hall hit his fourth three-pointer of the game and gave South Floyd a three-point lead that held up and ultimately gave the Raiders a 60-57 victory over the visiting Blackcats.

For the game, Hall hit four three-pointers, including two in the fourth quarter. Hall scored a game-high 15 points, nine of which came in the final quarter. Hall finished the game four-of-six from beyond the arc.

Steven Stanley and Ryan Johnson joined Hall in double figures. Stanley scored 14 points and Johnson, after being held scoreless in the opening quarter, netted 11. Stanley also had a game-

high 12 rebounds.

The Raiders beat Prestonsburg without senior forward Burnett Little, who did not play against the visiting Blackcats.

South Floyd led 16-13 after one quarter and took a 31-19 lead into halftime. Before

(See RAIDERS, page six)



County tournament gets underway

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

The Floyd GRETHEL -Boys' Basketball County Tournament got started Monday night as John M. Stumbo Elementary School began serving as the host site. On the first night of the tournament, A-teams from Adams and Allen Central middle schools posted wins. In a C-team tournament game, Betsy Layne eliminated Mountain Christian Academy (MCA).

Adams 61, Allen 48: In an opening round victory for Adams, Seth Setser scored a game-high 15 points, Kyle Hall pushed in 11 and Austin Gearheart added nine.

Allen struggled from the free throw line, hitting just nine-of-23 attempts. Adams hit four-of-11 attempts from the stripe.

Bryant Tibbs led Allen with 20 points. Greg Dawson scored 10 points and Kenny Mullins added eight. Brandon Woods ended the game with five points and Joshua Head tossed in three. Nick Yonts finished with two points.

In other scoring for Adams, Allen Craynon and Michael Burchett scored six points apiece. Matt Sword and Alex Stumbo scored four apiece and Chris Schoolcraft, Josh Craynon and Anthony Hallon had two each.

Allen Central 68, MCA 22: Blake Meade hit 10 field goals and scored 20 points to lead Allen Central to an opening round win

(See COUNTY, page six)



Rebels rough up Tug Valley

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

WILLIAMSON, W.Va. - Allen Central's first win in 2005 came Saturday over a West Virginia opponent. The Runnin' Rebels traveled to Williamson for the Kentucky/West Virginia Shootout. In late-November, Allen Central hosted its annual panorama and Tug Valley played in it. The West Virginia team beat Prestonsburg in the event hosted by the Runnin' Rebels. On Saturday, Allen Central beat Tug Valley 60-46. Playing on the road in another state didn't seem to phase Allen Central. The Rebels led at the end of every quarter and put Tug Valley away in the second half.

Ryan Hammonds led Allen Central in scoring with a game-high 21 points. Wilfredo Dominguez added 16 points as two different Rebels reached double-figures.

Every starter scored for Allen Central Ryan Collins had eight points and Tim Griffith added seven. Rounding out the starting five, center Josh Martin flipped in two points.

Allen Central (2-13) doubled Tug Valley up in the first quarter, leading 16-8 at the end of the opening frame. After a second-quarter rally by Tug Valley, Allen Central took a 28-27 lead into halftime. The Rebels connected on 11 free throws in the third quarter and outscored Tug Valley 23-7 to build their biggest lead of the game.

John Dinger led Tug Valley with 13 points. Among 10 different players who scored, Dinger was the only Tug Valley player to reach double figures.

No. 19 Louisville 69, No. 18 Cincinnati 66

by JOE KAY ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI - Taquan Dean took No. 19 Louisville on quite a ride, then got one himself.

Dean scored 25 points on Saturday, leading the Cardinals' furious comeback from a 17point deficit to a 69-66 victory over No. 18 Cincinnati in one of the most remarkable games in the long-standing rivalry.

After Jihad Muhammad's long 3-point attempt smacked harmlessly off the backboard to end the game, Dean climbed onto the shoulders of forward Ellis Myles and rode off the court, his mouth open in amazement.

"I knew my teammates would step it up eventually," from behind the arc. "We've Louisville ahead to stay 67-65.

been in that situation before. We just looked at each other and said, 'We're going to win this game.' We didn't look at each other once and look down."

The Cardinals (14-3, 3-1 Conference USA) got shoved around and trailed by 17 points in the first half, rattled by Cincinnati's unrelenting manto-man defense. Louisville found its composure, asserted itself inside and showed more poise when it mattered.

"The toughest part is we had the lead and weren't able to sustain it," said James White, who had 15 points for Cincinnati. "Anytime we get a team down like that, we've got to finish them off.

There were three ties in the final 4 minutes before freshman said Dean, who was 7-of-13 Juan Palacios' tip-in put

Cincinnati's Jason Maxiell missed the first of his two free throws with 45 seconds left.

Louisville then ran down the shot clock, and Francisco Garcia (14-2, 3-1) couldn't do better passed out of a double team to Larry O'Bannon, who sneaked unguarded under the basket for the deciding layup with 11 seconds to play.

"It was just a defensive said breakdown," Nick Williams, who led Cincinnati with 18 points. "Somebody lost their man. It shouldn't have happened. But the game shouldn't have come down to that."

Garcia was the main target of Cincinnati's defense, and went only 2-of-13 from the field with seven points. He finished with six assists, including the pass that decided the game.

"Francisco made an unbelievable pass on the backdoor play," Louisville coach Rick Pitino said. "That shows how special he is."

After a timeout, Cincinnati than Muhammad's long, desperation shot that was well off the mark and broke the rivals' recent pattern. The home team had won the last seven games in their series.

Myles, the Cardinals' leading rebounder, had only six rebounds and five points, twice shot air balls on free throws, and had to play tentatively after picking up his fourth foul with 8:18 to play. It barely slowed the Cardinals, who had 11 more rebounds in the second half out of their zone defense.

O'Bannon added 18 points for Louisville, which won despite shooting a season-low 37.5 percent from the field.

The Bearcats' biggest problems came from the free throw line, where they went only 17of-30. Maxiell, a 64 percent shooter from the line, was only 7-of-13.

"It's demoralizing," Bearcats coach Bob Huggins said. "Down the stretch we got the ball where we wanted it to go, and we were 1-of-4 from the foul line. It de-energizes you."

Cincinnati had the energy flowing early.

Playing in front of their biggest home crowd of the season - there hadn't been a sellout in the 13,176-seat arena until Saturday - the Bearcats set a bump-and-grind tone that knocked the conference's most accurate shooters off their mark.

The Bearcats ran off to a 10-0 lead, surprising the Cardinals pushing the pace. by

No. 9 Kentucky 76, Georgia 55

Muhammad hit a 3 and a fastbreak layoff after stripping Myles of the ball.

In the opening minutes, the officials repeatedly stopped the game to calm it down.

Cincinnati's Eric Hicks swung his elbows emphatically after a rebound and smacked Myles in the chest, driving him backward. Referee Ed Hightower stopped play at one point to warn Myles and Hicks about shoving and trash talking.

The physical play got the desired result: Louisville became tentative and missed 13 of its first 15 shots. The Cardinals' shooters lead the conference at 49.1 percent.

White's 3-pointer gave Cincinnati its biggest lead, 25-8. Louisville never got closer than 10 points before the break.

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N.C. State 76, No. 8 Georgia Tech 68

by KEITH PARSONS ASSOCIATED PRESS

RALEIGH, N.C. - With the game slipping away, and quite possibly the season. Ilian Evtimov caught a pass from Engin Atsur at the right time in just the right spot for North Carolina State.

"All the credit goes to him," Evtimov said. "He got me the ball."

Evtimov made that clutch 3pointer on his way to 17 points, and N.C. State beat No. 8 Georgia Tech 76-68 on Sunday night to snap a four-game losing streak.

Five players scored in double figures for the Wolfpack (11-5, 1-2 Atlantic Coast Conference), who hadn't won since narrowly getting by Columbia last month. Cameron Bennerman finished with 16 points, and Hodge had 12 of his 14 in the second half, but Evtimov scored the biggest points.

The Yellow Jackets (11-4, 2-2) scored 12 straight to get to 64-61, and N.C. State patiently ran its Princeton-style offense until Evtimov got an open look that his absence doesn't make a from beyond the arc. He difference when we are out on swished the jumper to increase the court, coach Paul Hewitt the margin to six with 2:14 left, and the Wolfpack hung on from there.

Bethel already on the sidelines with colitis, the Wolfpack didn't have senior Levi Watkins (flu) for this one. That left them with eight scholarship players, and only seven played.

It was enough, with freshmen Andrew Brackman and Gavin Grant taking advantage of the increased playing time. Brackman scored 12 points _ including nine of the first 11 for N.C. State _ and added six blocks, and Grant had a careerhigh 13 points.

Jack had 16 points and Isma'il Muhammad added 12 for Georgia Tech, which still missed guard B.J. Elder. He sat out his fourth straight game with a sore left hamstring, leaving the team without its second-leading scorer.

Without him, the Yellow Jackets lost for the second time in five days during a trip to Tobacco Road. They were routed 91-69 at North Carolina earlier this week.

'B.J. is definitely one our best players, and you can't say

With point guard Tony to get within three. Jack started the run with a playground throwing an maneuver. inbounds pass off the back of Jordan Collins and then scoring as he was fouled.

> Muhammad followed with consecutive baskets, including a reverse dunk, to make it 64-61 before Evtimov made his 3.

"Playing hard defense and somebody hits a 3-pointer, it makes you want to shut down in a way," Georgia Tech point guard Jarrett Jack said. "But we fought hard to the end.'

No. 5 Duke 80, Virginia 66: At Durham, N.C., J.J. Redick scored 20 of his 28 points in the second half to help Duke beat Virginia.

Shelden Williams added 16 points, 11 rebounds and nine blocks for the Blue Devils (13-0, 3-0 Atlantic Coast Conference).

Sean Singletary scored 19 points to lead the Cavaliers (9-5), who fell to 0-4 in the league for the first time since the 1998-99 season.

No. 13 Boston College 73, West Virginia 53: Jared Dudley scored 21 points and Craig Smith added 20 in the Eagles eighth straight road win.

by PAUL NEWBERRY ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATHENS, Ga. - Kentucky wasn't in a sympathetic mood against outmanned Georgia.

Not after what happened last season.

Patrick Sparks scored 15 points against his former coach, and the ninth-ranked Wildcats cruised to a 76-55 victory over Georgia on Saturday.

(12-2. Kentucky 3-0 Conference) Southeastern remembered getting swept by the Bulldogs a year ago, including a stunning defeat at Rupp Arena. Georgia lost four key players from that team, leaving a talent-deprived roster that had no chance of duplicating the feat.

"You've got to remember: They beat us twice last year," Kentucky sophomore Shagari Alleyne said. "That was motivation enough for me."

Chuck Hayes added 13 points and 11 rebounds for the Wildcats, who led by as many as 30 points.

Georgia (6-8) dropped to 0-4 in the SEC for the first time since 1998, when the Bulldogs opened league play with five straight losses.

Kentucky's dominance was most evident on the boards, made it 57-31. where the Wildcats held a staggering 44-18 rebounding edge. Georgia didn't have anyone with more than three rebounds. Assists were another telling statistic. Kentucky had 19, led by Sparks with five. That was as many as Georgia had as a team five players with one each. "It was a challenge for us to stay focused," said Hayes, who became the 52nd player in Kentucky history to reach 1,000 points in his career. "I think we handled it pretty well. We just had a little slippage for a minute or two." Sparks began his career at Western Kentucky, playing for Dennis Felton. When the coach moved to Georgia, Sparks transferred to Kentucky, his choice of schools all along.

and outside shooting. He got going in this one with an early 3pointer, the first of three shots he would hit from beyond the arc.

Sparks didn't get a whole lot of pleasure from beating his former coach.

"We're still friends," the junior guard said. "He's in a tough situation. His players are in a tough situation. The whole situation is bad."

Hayes wasn't too fired up, either, even though the senior now has 1,006 points.

"It had to come sooner or later," Hayes said. "I guess I'm on the back page of the media guide now with the other 1,000point scorers."

Freshman Ramel Bradley chipped in with 14 points for the Wildcats, who shot 56 percent (30-of-54) from the field.

Georgia kept it fairly respectable in the first half, going to the locker room with a 35-23 deficit. But the Wildcats began to blow it open early in the second half, dunking at will against the Bulldogs.

During a 17-2 spurt that turned it into a full-fledged rout, Kentucky scored 10 points on dunks. Sparks set up a couple of slams with perfectly placed lob passes, and the 7-foot-3 Alleyne barely had to jump on a jam that 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 30-54 13-19

Georgia had only six scholar-

The Wildcats' biggest lead was 68-38.

Levi Stukes led Georgia with 18 points, and Channing Toney was the only teammate in double figures with 10.

After losing four seniors from the team that swept Kentucky a year ago, the big question around Athens is whether the Bulldogs can win an SEC game this season.

They played respectably in losses to Tennessee and Mississippi, but the other two conference games have been ugly: a 20-point defeat at South Carolina and the expected blowout by the Wildcats.

Kentucky improved its lead in the series against Georgia to a staggering 103-21.

"I guess the (score at the) end of the game showed which team played much harder," Stukes said.

And which team was clearly better.

KENTUCKY (12-2) -Rondo 4-7 0-1 8, Sparks 5-9 2-2 15, Azubuike 4-8 0-0 8, Morris 2-3 3-6 7, Hayes 5-7 3-5 13, Stockton 0-1 0-0 0, Moss 0-3 0-0 0, Bradley 5-7 4-4 14, Carrier 0-1 0-0 0, Obrzut 0-0 0-0 0. LeMaster 0-0 0-0 0, Perry 2-3 0-0 4, Alleyne 3-4 1-1 7, Thomas 76.

GEORGIA (6-8) – Gaines 3-

"I just did what I'm supposed to do," Evtimov said. 'The pass came on time, on target, and I just have to make it."

With a road trip to Virginia Tech and Maryland looming, another loss would have left N.C. State 0-3 in the conference for the first time in four seasons.

"We looked pretty desperate to me," Hodge said. "We just went out and gave it our all. We got the win, and I love to win, so I don't even want to talk about the past now."

In other games involving ranked teams, it was: No. 5 Duke 80, Virginia 66; No. 13 Boston College 73, West Virginia 53; and Wisconsin 62, No. 15 Michigan State 59.

said. "At the same time, we know we have the personnel to win this game.' At least this one was a bit more competitive. After Hodge

made two free throws to give N.C. State a 64-49 lead, Georgia Tech rallied, thanks to some heads-up coaching from Hewitt.

Hodge got that chance at the line after drawing an offensive foul from Jack, and during a timeout minutes later, Hewitt lobbied hard with referees Reggie Cofer and Terry Moore that Hodge simply flopped.

It worked. On the next Wolfpack possession, Hodge fell out of bounds after a shove from Jack but no foul was called, giving the ball to the Yellow Jackets.

They took advantage of the opportunity, using that 12-0 run for the Spartans (10-3, 2-1).

The Eagles (14-0, 3-0 Big East), one of four unbeaten teams in Division I, extended the best start in school history and won their first three conference games for the first time under eighth-year coach Al Skinner.

Mike Gansey scored 14 points for West Virginia (11-3, 1-2), which has lost three of four after starting the season 10-0.

Wisconsin 62, No. 15 Michigan State 59: Kam Taylor scored the go-ahead basket with 37.3 seconds left and Wisconsin (12-3, 3-1 Big Ten) ran off the final 11 points to extend the longest home winning streak in Division I to 38 games

Paul Davis scored 20 points

After sitting out a year, Sparks claimed a spot in the Wildcats' lineup with his passing

ship players in uniform, its plight epitomized when four walk-ons were on the court for a short stretch in the first half. While those players managed to do a decent job at the defensive. end, they had little hope of scoring against the taller, quicker Wildcats.

While Felton knew what his team was up against, he wouldn't excuse the huge margin on the boards.

"We still have to find a way to do better than that," he said. "We have to make up for it in aggressiveness and tenacity. We were too passive pretty much right out of the gates."

Kentucky led all the way, building a 12-2 lead just 5 minutes into the game. From that early deficit, the Bulldogs never got any closer than seven the rest of the way.

7 1-5 8, Stukes 7-17 2-4 18, Newman 2-4 1-2 5, Toney 1-6 7-8 10, Bliss 2-3 0-0 4, Idrissi 4-6 0-0 8, Williams 0-0 0-0 0, Brophy 0-3 0-0 0, McAuley 0-0 0-0 0, Wainscott 0-1 0-0 0, Womack 0-0 2-2 2, Greavu 0-0 0-0 0, Waldrop 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 19-47 13-21 55.

Halftime-Kentucky 35-23. 3-Point goals_Kentucky 3-13 (Sparks 3-5, Rondo 0-1, Azubuike 0-1, Hayes 0-1, Carrier 0-1, Moss 0-2, Bradley 0-2), Georgia 4-18 (Stukes 2-9, Toney 1-2, Gaines 1-3, Idrissi 0-1, Brophy 0-3). Fouled out-None. Rebounds_Kentucky 44 (Hayes 11), Georgia 18 (Newman 3, Idrissi 3). Assists Kentucky 19 (Sparks 5), Georgia 5 (Gaines, Toney, Newman, Bliss, Brophy 1). Total fouls-Kentucky 19, Georgia 17. A-9,014.

Crawford returns to Kentucky team

by MURRAY EVANS ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON - Freshman guard Joe Crawford, who left with decision-making that Kentucky's basketball team last week in a dispute over playing

time, has rejoined the team, coach Tubby Smith said Monday.

Crawford is and "back on the team, with some sanctions," Smith said during a telecon-Smith ference. would not specify the sanctions, but said Crawford is working out with the team.

Smith wouldn't say if the 6-foot-4,

210-pound Crawford would play Wednesday, when the ninth-ranked Wildcats (12-2) visit Mississippi.

"We'll deal with it when we get to it," Smith said.

Smith said the decision to

"Whenever you're dealing affects the welfare of an individual and a team, it's never easy, he said.



Joe Crawford

allow Crawford to return to the team was a difficult one.

Smith said Crawford might make a public statement about his situation at an unspecified Smith time. not allowed the Wildcats' freshmen to with speak reporters since the team's pre-

season media

day. A call to Crawford's home in Detroit on Monday morning wasn't immediately returned. Crawford, a jewel of

Kentucky's most recent recruit-

ing class, left the Wildcats on January 10.

He was averaging 13.3 minutes a game for Kentucky, the sixth-highest total on the team. But Crawford's playing time had diminished in the two games immediately before his departure. He played four minutes in a win over South Carolina on Jan. 5 and a season-low three minutes in a loss to No. 2 Kansas.

Through 12 games, the former high school McDonald's All-American was averaging 3.8 points and 2.4 rebounds per game. Kentucky is 2-0 without Crawford, having beaten Southeastern Conference rivals Vanderbilt and Georgia.

Mark White, who coached Crawford at Renaissance High School in Detroit, told the Lexington Herald-Leader that Crawford and his parents spoke with Smith on Saturday and that Crawford returned to Lexington from Detroit on Sunday.

If Crawford had not returned to Kentucky, he likely would have forfeited two seasons of eligibility, starting with the sec-

ond half of this season. His violation of the letter of intent he signed with Kentucky would result in an automatic forfeiture of one season unless Kentucky gave him a release, something school officials said they probably wouldn't do. Under NCAA rules, he must sit out a year after transferring before becoming eligible, even if Kentucky did release him.

Still, after Crawford's decision to leave Kentucky became known, seven schools requested a copy of Crawford's tran-Kentucky: from script Michigan State, Clemson, Arizona, Kansas State, Pittsburgh, Oklahoma and Illinois.

If Crawford finished the semester at Kentucky, he could transfer without penalty and have three seasons of eligibility remaining.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

TOP25

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The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' men's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Jan. 16, total points based on 25 points for a firstplace vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and last week's ranking:

Record Pts Pvs 1. Illinois (58) 18-0 1,759 1 2. Kansas (13) 13-0 1,710 2 3. Wake Forest 15-1 1,612 4 13-0 1,525 5 4. Duke 1,442 5. Oklahoma St. 13-1 6 6. North Carolina 14-2 1,439 3 7. Syracuse 17-1 1,407 7 8. Kentucky 12-2 1,267 9 9. Boston College 14-0 1,154 13 10. Washington 15-2 991 14 11. Gonzaga 13-3 876 16 12. Georgia T. 11-4 867 8 13. Arizona 14-3 841 17

Record Pts Pvs 14. Louisville 14-3 788 19 15. Texas 13-3 778 10 16. Connecticut 10-3 734 12 17. Mississippi St. 15-3 669 11 18. Oklahoma 13-2 511 25 19. Michigan St. 10-3 500 15 20. Cincinnati 14-2 442 18 21. Pittsburgh 12-2 419 20 22. Alabama 13-3 383 23 23. Iowa 13-3 222 24 24. Wisconsin 12-3 209 25. Marquette 14-2 145 22 Others receiving votes: George Washington 54, UCLA 49, Texas A&M 37, Miami 30, Charlotte 29, Florida 27, Maryland 27, Utah 24, S. Illinois 22, Notre Dame 18, Pacific 15, UTEP 12, Oregon 10, N.C. State 6, Vermont 6, W. Michigan 6, Old Dominion 5, Massachusetts 4, Nevada 2, Bucknell 1, St. Mary's, Cal. 1.

Bears cruise to 16th win

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PKEVILLE - Thirteen different Pikeville College Bears played at least 10 minutes and all of them scored as they knocked off Ohio State-Marion 96-19 Friday night.

The Scarlet Wave, with only five players, hit only 19.6 percent from the floor and turned it over 30 times in the loss.

The Bears (16-2), meanwhile, ripped the nets to the tune of 61.1 percent and hit 7of-11 (63.6 percent) from the

arc in the first half to jump out four assists. to a 53-9 lead at the break.

Three Bears hit double figures, led by Walter Harris and Ben Valentine with 14 points each. Valentine, a freshman from Nelson, New Zealand, had nine rebounds to tie Micah Oden for team honors. Oden, a sophomore from Jenkins,



added nine points.

Senior B.J. Townsend, coming off knee surgery, had a productive 12 minutes. He scored eight, had five assists and four

steals. **OSU-Marion** was led by Eddie Okungbowa with right points and eight rebounds. Teammate Dustin Martin added six

Jarell Jones added 11 and points and six boards.

Marchev leads Bears to easy win

Hall adds seven points, five rebounds, six assists

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE The Pikeville College Bears blis-

tered the nets to the tune of 64.5 per-Saturday cent afternoon to roll to a 91-34 win over Ohio State-Marion. addition, In Pikeville was 11of-23 from the arc (47.8 percent). They didn't, however, beat the bushes from the line;

the Scarlet Wave, with only only two Bears in double figfive players in uniform, weren't called for a personal foul in the entire game.

Asen Marchev

It completed the weekend sweep over the Scarlet Wave, giving the Bears four straight wins heading into Thursday night's Mid-South Conference

opener against second-ranked Lindsey Wilson. Pikeville (17-2) had a near perfect game from freshman

> Asen Marchev. The native of Sofia, Bulgaria, had 22 points on 10-of-10 shooting. He added five boards, two assists and two steals in 15 minutes of play. Only a turnover sullied an otherwise stellar performance.

He was one of ures; senior B.J. Townsend, coming back off knee surgery, added 10.

All 14 players who saw action got at least 10 minutes of play, and 11 of them scored. Nine players had at least six points.

South Floyd High School graduate Michael Hall, a Pikeville College freshman, had the best game of his young college career. In 21 minutes of work, Hall scored seven points, pulled down five rebounds and dished out a game-high six assists.

The Bears also dominated the glass against the under-Scarlet manned Wave. Pikeville had 39 boards with no player grabbing more then five; Marion finished with 18.

Marion got 16 points from freshman Dustin Martin, who also had six steals. Freshman Eddie Okungbowa tossed in 12.

Pikeville will play next on Thursday against Lindsey Wilson in a game slated for an 8 p.m. opening tip. Midweek doubleheaders begin at 6 p.m. with women's play, with the men scheduled for 8.

Lady Pats bounce Breathitt

TIMES STAFF REPORT

HINDMAN - After beating Dunbar 52-43 Saturday at Lafayette in the Martin Luther King Classic, Knott County Central's Lady Patriots returned home Monday night, playing host to 14th Region rival Breathitt County. The Lady Patriots led 35-21 at halftime and cruised to a 65-54 win. Junior forward Heather Martin senior guard Tiffany Johnson scored 26 points and led the

Region Girls' All "A" Classic.

Fleming-Neon will now play Owsley County tonight in the second round of the tournament. Owsley County beat Cordia 58-36 earlier in the week in another opening round matchup.

Lee County 60, Wolfe County 55: Lee County went 18-for-22 from the free throw line and got 15 points from in a 14th Region All "A" win

the opening round of the 14th 60: In a game played Saturday evening, Brittany Manns pumped in a game-high 37 points and Michaela Howard added 10 to help Magoffin County (12-4) to a five-point win over perennial 15th Region contender Belfry (10-6).

In the scoring department, four different Belfry players reached double figures.

BOYS' BASKETBALL -Hazard 54, Breathitt County 47: Two of the 14th Region's top

Kentucky's Elliott named SEC player of the week

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON - Kentucky freshman center Sarah Elliott scored 15 points, was the first

was named the Southeastern Conference's women's basketball player of the week Monday, the first player for the Wildcats to receive the honor since November 2003.

Coming off the bench. Elliott

averaged 12.5 points and 6.5 and 5.8 rebounds per game rebounds and shot 50 percent and shooting 59.3 percent from the field as Kentucky from the field.

Williams named MSC player of the week

She's

hitting

46.8

percent

from

the

floor

Sarah Elliott

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - Her team has the longest win streak in the league, and for her stellar play, she has been rewarded. It's a good time to be Selena Williams.

The senior from Johnson Central High School in Paintsville was named Player of the Week by the Mid-South Conference after her efforts last week in wins over Southern Virginia University Virginia Intermont and College.

points and five rebounds per game in the victories. She added an average of four steals, 2.5 assists and half a

The Lady Bears ran their record to 13-6 with last week's wins. Pikeville knocked off Southern Virginia on Jan. 11 by a 63-43 final. Williams had 13 points and eight rebounds in the decision. Two days later, she had 13 more points in a 75-49 win over VI.

13.1 points and 6.1 rebounds



Morehead men's team loses to Austin Peay

TIMES STAFF REPORT

CLARKSVILLE, Tenn. -Morehead State and defending OVC Champion Austin Peay battled to the final horn on Saturday. Austin Peay's Levi Carmichael broke a 65-65 tie with a three-pointer with 24 seconds remaining in the game, and the Governors won 69-65.

Earlier in the week, the Eagles lost to Tennessee Tech.

Austin Peay was led by center Zac Schlader who scored 18 points, grabbed 10 rebounds and blocked four shots. Maurice Hampton had 15 points, and Anthony Davis had 11 points.

Reed led the Eagles with a game-high 22 points. Chad McKnight scored 15 points and pulled down a game-high 14 rebounds. Ramon Kelly scored 13 points, and Kevin McDonald scored a career-high 10 points for Morehead State.

Tennessee Tech 78, E. Kentucky 64

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

COOKEVILLE, Tenn. -Willie Jenkins scored 22 points as Tennessee Tech beat Eastern Kentucky 78-64 on Saturday to remain unbeaten in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Jenkins scored four consecutive 3-pointers in a 19-4 Tennessee Tech (9-6, 4-0) run that put the Golden Eagles up 61-37. Jenkins started the run with a 3-pointer at 12:17 in the second half, and it was capped at 7:26 by two Milone Clark free-throws.

Eastern Kentucky (10-5, 2-2) answered with a 17-5 run that started at 7:04 to pull within 12 at 66-54. Alonzo Hird sparked the run by hitting two freethrows, with Zach Ingles scoring eight points and Hird finishing with a field goal at the 3:14 mark.

The Golden Eagles shot 52 percent from the field while holding Eastern Kentucky to 39 percent.

For Tennessee Tech, Derek Stribling scored 17 points, Anthony Fisher 15 and Clark finished with 10.

The Colonels were led in

a n d 32.6 percent from the arc. In addition, she is shooting 74.7 percent from the free throw line. Pikeville has won eight

Williams averaged 13 straight dating back to its Dec. 12 loss at Morehead State, and has won 10 of 11 since the end of November.

block per game. the Conference round-robin on Thursday night when they host Lindsey Wilson College. Game time is slated for 6 p.m., with the men's teams to follow at 8.

then travel to Jackson, Tenn., Williams, an all-conference to play Lambuth University on Saturday. The opening tip is per game this season, leading set for 3 p.m. EST.



beat No. 18 Georgia and

Mississippi last week. The win

The 6-foot-6

honor. She is aver-

aging 11.2 points

her team in both categories.

Selena Williams

The Lady Bears will begin

The Pikeville teams will

rugged Mid-South

Kentucky

to

over Georgia, in which Elliott

Patriots to the win. University of Kentucky signee Kasi Mullins-Galloway tossed in 17.

The victory over Breathitt County was Knott Central's seventh straight win. The Lady Patriots (14-2) led 20-11 at the end of the first quarter and went on to maintain a lead at the end of every period.

Senior forward Collette Cole guided in 25 points and pulled down nine rebounds for visiting Breathitt County (6-7). 14th Region Girls' All "A" -

Fleming-Neon 56, Letcher 22: Fleming-Neon went on a 16-2 run at the end of the first half and began play in the second half on a 12-4 run on its way to a victory over host Letcher in

over Lee County

Forward Lori Fletcher led Wolfe County in scoring with a game-high 21 points.

Johnson Central 69, Pike County Central 66 (OT): For the Pike County Central Lady Hawks, the losing skid continued Monday night. The Lady Hawks, playing at home, dropped a game in overtime to the visiting Johnson Central girls.

Senior guard Alice Daniel paced Johnson Central with 22 points.

Pike Central sophomore Haley Ratliff led her team in scoring with a game-high 29 points. Ratliff fouled out in the overtime session.

Magoffin County 65, Belfry

basketball teams squared off Saturday and defending All "A" state champ Hazard came out on top. In the winning effort, three different Hazard players scored in double figures. Justin Hicks paced the Bulldogs with a game-high 18 points.

Jacob Hundley led Breathitt County in scoring with 16 points.

Lawrence County 64, Belfry 60: Senior Doug Howard scored a game-high 24 points Saturday, but it wasn't enough to lift Belfry to the win over Lawrence County. Five players scored for Lawrence County. All five players scored over 11 points. To pull out the win, Lawrence County outscored Belfry 24-2 in the final quarter.

PRESTONSBURG - The time for Little Leaguers to take the field is quickly nearing. Prestonsburg Little League has scheduled signups for the month of January

Prestonsburg Little League will hold signups at Music-Carter January 27 from 6-8 p.m. Signups will also be held from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Adams Middle School on Saturday, Jan. 29.

PRATER - Harold-Allen-Prater Little League is set to hold signups for the 2005 season. HAP Little League signups will be held on Saturday, Jan. 22 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and again on Sunday, Jan. 23 from 1-5 p.m. Signups will be held on Saturday, Jan. 29 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and again on Sunday, Jan. 30 from 1-5 p.m. All HAP Little League signups will be held at the

HAROLD-ALLEN- Dome in Betsy Layne.

scoring by Ingles with 18. Hird scored 13 points and Michael Haney added 10.

Garrett Christian improves to 17-0 TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - Garrett Christian improved to 17-0 over the weekend, winning three games at the Kentucky Basketball Academy (KBA).

Garrett posted wins over Jordan Christian Academy, Galiean Christian and Nelson County.

A breakdown of the three games follows.

Garrett 92, Jordan Christian 53: Garrett led 35-11 at the end of the first quarter and held a 23-point lead at halftime en route to the victory.

Ryan Slone led Garrett in scoring with a game-high 24 points. Tyler Slone tossed in 16 points and Peter Youmans added 10. Eleven different Garrett players scored. Matthew Potter, who scored four points, dished out a game-high nine points. Adam Milam scored seven points and had a gamehigh eight rebounds.

Garrett 89, Galiean 59: Ryan Slone scored 23 points, Matthew Potter scored 17 points and handed out 10 assists, and Robbie Vanderpool tossed in 10 points as the Warriors won easily over Galiean. After leading 21-15 at the end of the first quarter, Garrett pulled away from its opponent. Shane Feltner scored nine points for the Warriors and David Franklin flipped in eight.

Garrett 93, Nelson County 72: Shane Feltner scored 18 points on nine field goals to lead Garrett over its Nelson County opponent. Ryan Slone and Brian Vanderpool both had 16 points apiece for undefeated Garrett Christian. In other scoring for Garrett, Robbie Vanderpool scored 13 points and David Franklin added 11. Adding to a balanced Warrior scoring effort, Matthew Potter and Tyler Slone both had eight points apiece.

Blackcats outlast Pikeville in OT battle

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - Host Prestonsburg overcame a 13point halftime deficit and beat visiting Pikeville in overtime Saturday, 56-54. Both teams were deadlocked at 48 at the end of regulation.

Prestonsburg junior forward Sean Leslie hit some clutch free throws in the overtime period and ended the game with 20 points, leading the homestanding Blackcats to the win.

It was an uphill battle most of the way for the Blackcats. After holding an early lead in opening period, the Prestonsburg had to play from behind in a big way.

Pikeville got out to a quick, successful start and led 14-5 at the end of the first quarter. After trailing by 13 points at halftime, Prestonsburg, for the most part, owned the final two periods, outscoring Pikeville 21-14 in the third quarter and 12-6 in the final period to force the game into an extra session.

Leslie and fellow junior Brooks Herrick each had a three-point field goal apiece for the Blackcats.

Joe Blackburn scored nine points for the Blackcats and John Mark Stephens chipped in eight. Senior guard Trevor Compton, who fouled out in the fourth quarter, Kyle Ousley, and Michael Stephens, all had four points apiece for host Prestonsburg. Herrick ended the game with three points, while Jesse Chaffin and Lewis

Barnett both had two apiece. Senior forward Jesse Parrish led Pikeville with 20 points, sharing game-high honors with Prestonsburg's Leslie. Robert Shurtleff, another senior forward for Pikeville, added 17. Pikeville guard Jacob Sword added eight points.

The Prestonsburg boys' team was back in action at home last night, hosting 58th District rival Betsy Layne.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL Pikeville 54, Prestonsburg 41: The host Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats had their opportunities against Pikeville, but in the end, fell short

Pikeville held a slim 17-15 lead at the end of the opening quarter. The Lady Panthers, thanks to some chots made late in the second

quarter, led 28-22 at halftime. Pikeville stretched its lead out even more when it outscored Prestonsburg 16-11 in the third quarter.

Shawna Howard led Pikeville (10-4) in scoring with game-high 18 points. Samantha Howard added 11 points. Megan Harris ended the game with eight points.

Seven different Lady Panthers scored points in Saturday night's win.

Senior Molly Burchett led Prestonsburg in scoring with a game-high 20 points. Amber Whitaker flipped in nine points for the Lady Blackcats and Meaghan Slone followed with eight points.

Darcey Hicks and Kelly Key each County this week in action at had two points apiece.

Allen Central in the 15th Region Pikeville is back in Floyd Girls' All "A" Classic.





Prestonsburg Lady Blackcat bench looked on during Saturday hight's game against visiting Pikeville.



Betsy Layne taps rival Rebels

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - In a rematch of a 58th District contest played earlier in the season on the home floor of the Runnin' Rebels, Betsy Layne hosted Allen Central Friday night in vet anoth-

er key 58th District matchup. The Bobcats, playing at home and fresh off a win over South Floyd, another district foe, carried a fourpoint lead into halftime against visiting Allen

Central. In the second half, Betsy Layne took over and ran its way to a 73-58 win over the Rebels.

After scoring a game-high 46 points in the win over South Derek Case added 13. Case hit Floyd, senior Preston Simon a team-high three three-point

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

University of Kentucky cheer-

leaders won an unprecedented

Championship Sunday night at

Disney's Wide World of Sports

in Orlando, Fla. It is their sec-

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led Betsy Layne in scoring for a second straight game, netting 21 points on six field goals, two three-pointers and a perfect three-for-three free throw shooting effort.

Host Betsy Layne turned its play up in the second half. But the homestanding Bobcats

> came out and played well in the opening, getting off to a good start against the visiting district foe.

"I thought our kids played well," said Betsy Layne Coach Brent Rose. Our defensive intensity really picked up in the second half

and it allowed us to get some easy baskets. In other double-digit scor-

ing for the Bobcats, Brandon Kidd scored 14 points and

ond straight title and 10th in

championship in 1985, 1987,

1988, 1992, 1995, 1996, 1997,

1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002,

2004 and 2005, far more than

The cheerleaders had

The UK squad has won the

the last 11 years.

any other school.

field goals.

Brandon Thacker added eight points for Betsy Layne and Nathan Lafferty flipped in seven. Pat Stapleton and Trai Witt both finished with five points apiece.

For the game, Betsy Layne hit five three-point field goals and converted on eight-of-12 free throw attempts.

The Bobcats outscored Allen Central in every quarter.

After being held scoreless in the opening quarter, Wilfredo Dominguez led Allen Central in scoring with a game-high 19 points. Ryan Hammonds scored 17 points and Tim Griffith netted 12. Ryan Collins scored eight points for the Rebels and Justin Jacobs added two.

Allen Central also hit five three-pointers. Similar to Betsy Layne's effort from the free throw line, Allen Central hit on seven-of-11 free throw attempts.

The UK Dance Team placed

sixth in the 15-team finals of

the dance competition.

Bentley hits school record 11 threes

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MIDDLESBORO - In an 89-78 win Friday night over Middlesboro, Shelby Valley High senior Kris Bentley did much more than lead his team to a win. In a victory over the Yellowjackets, a group out of the 13th Region, Bentley set a school record, hitting 11 threepointers. Bentley finished with 37 points as the Wildcats improved to 12-2.

In a 16th Region game played at Fairview High School, Derrick Endicott, a 6-8 senior center, scored 18 points to lead the visiting Bulldogs (8-2) over the host Eagles.

Justin Hutchinson led the Eagles (8-6) with 18 points and Cody Black added 12 points and 13 rebounds.

In a game at Johnson Central High School, a game played between rivals Johnson

Central and Paintsville, the visiting Tigers prevailed. Paintsville pulled away, beating the Golden Eagles 86-73. Paintsville got one of its

most balanced team efforts to date. Freshman Landon Slone led the Tigers in scoring with 28 points. J.D. VanHoose added 25 points and 10 rebounds.

Matt Hensley scored 17 points and Shane Grimm netted 14.

For Johnson Central, sophomore Jamie McCarty scored a game-high 35 points and was one of only two players to reach double figures. Tony Hatfield finished with 11 points. Josh Stapleton and Tyler Whitaker each had eight points apiece.

In the girls' basketball game played Friday night between the two schools, Johnson Central returned the favor, beating Paintsville 64-56.

Kentucky AP prep polls

LOUISVILLE - The top teams in the Kentucky Associated Press high school basketball polls, with first-place votes, records, total points and previous rankings:

R. School	Red	TP	Pvs
1. Lou. Trinity (9)	19-1	90	1
2. Lou. Jeffersontown -	16-2	69	2
3. Lex. Henry Clay -	15-1	61	5
4. Scott Co	11-2	59	3
5. Lou. Ballard -	13-2	50	4
6. South Laurel -	13-3	48	6
7. Pendleton Co	12-3	39	7
8. Lou. PRP -	13-5	25	9
9. Lex. Bryan St	10-3	13	
10. Somerset -	12-2	8	
Others receiving votes	: John	Hard	in 6.
Lou. Manual 5, Callow	ay Co.	5. Bi	shop
Brossart 4, Bullitt East	4. Oldh	am C	0.3

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	GIRLS		
R.	School	Rcd	TP
1.	Lex. Catholic (9)	14-0	90
2.	Scott Co	12-1	71
3.	Lou. Christian A	10-1	69
4.	Rockcastle Co	11-2	63
5.	Lou. Sacred H	10-2	54
6.	Christian Co	11-0	31
6.	Clinton Co	11-2	31
8.	Henderson Co	10-4	19
9.	Boone Co	14-0	16
10	Elizabethtown -	11-4	13

Others receiving votes: Lou. Ballard 9, Woodford Co. 7, Lou. Assumption 6, Mercer Co. 4, Paris 4, Lex. Tates Creek 3, Harrison Co. 2, Cov. Holy Cross 2.

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Trinity	
2. Jeffersontown	
B. Pleasure Ridge Park	
4. Henry Clay	
5. South Laurel	
5. Ballard	
7. Pendleton County	
3. Scott County	
. Bryan Station	
10. DeSales	
11. Bishop Brossart	
2. DuPont Manual	
3. Montgomery County	
14. Male	
15. Bullitt East	
16. Henderson County	
17. John Hardin	
18. Covington Catholic	
19. Holmes	
20. Elizabethtown	

Clark, Louisville tennis team claims wins

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE - The University of Louisville men's tennis team opened up the 2005 spring season Friday with a doubleheader sweep, defeating Wright State 7-0 and Murray State 7-0. The Cards extended their win streak at the Bass-Rudd Tennis Center to 30 matches.

In the Wright State match, the Cardinals swept the double point as Jakob Gustafsson and Jeremy Clark defeated Quincy Jones and Lance Koetter 8-3 at the top seed. At the No. 2 spot, Slavko Radman and Damar Johnson beat Wright State's Craig Smith and Dan Sundersingh 8-2. Louisville's Mark Kennedy and Jhonny Berrido completed the doubles sweep with an 8-3 win over Kevin Teufel and Scott Hayden at No. 3.

Louisville also swept the singles points as Johnson defeated Jones 7-5, 7-5 at No. 1. Radman posted a 6-1, 6-1 win over Koetter at the two Intercollegiate spot. Clark topped Smith 6-3, Association and will travel to

Sundersingh 6-0, 6-1 at No. 5 and Louisville's Tony Teufel closed out the singles lineup with a 6-3, 6-3 win over

Hayden at No. 6. In the Murray State match, the Cardinals began with a doubles sweep. Clark and Gustafsson teamed to beat Fadi Zamjaoui and Yuri Pompeu 8-3 at No. 1, while Radman and Johnson defeated Craig Jacobs and Clayton Clark 8-2 at No. 2. Octavian Nicodim and Tony Teufel topped Jeff Lester and Hunter Gerlach 8-3 at the No. 3 spot.

The Cards swept the singles points in stright sets with Radman defeating Zamjaoui 6-4, 6-4 at No. 1. Johnson beat Pompeu 6-0, 6-2 at the No. 2 seed. Clark topped Lester 6-0, 6-1 at the three spot. Nicolas Houard picked up a 6-0, 6-0 win over Jacobs at No. 4. Teufel topped Gerlach 6-0, 6-0 and Nicodim defeated Clark 6-0, 6-0 at Nos. 5 and 6 respectively.

The Cardinals (2-0), are currently ranked No. 39 in the Tennis

NASCAR: Television broadcast schedules set for 2005

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

NASCAR and its television partners announced the full 2005 broadcast schedules, including an unprecedented 38 prime-time races, live coverage of all 99 events from the NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Series, NASCAR Busch Series and NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series and the first NASCAR-sanctioned points race in Mexico.

The upcoming season will mark the fifth year of NASCAR's successful partnership with NBC, TNT, FOX, FX and SPEED Channel. Since the partnership was established in NASCAR NEXTEL Cup." 2001, the total number of

Series races as well as three non-points events. The first half of the season features five prime-time events, including a NASCAR NEXTEL Cup race on Mother's Day weekend.

Broadcast of that race, the Carolina Dodge Dealers 500 on Saturday, May 7 at historic Darlington Raceway, begins at 7 p.m. ET on FOX.

NBC and TNT will begin their second-half coverage with the Pepsi 400 from Daytona International Speedway on July 2 at 7 p.m. ET. The action will continue to build to race No. 26, the cutoff for drivers to qualify for the "Chase for the

That race, the Chevy Rock

City for the Mexico 200 at the famed Autodromo Hermanos Rodriguez road course, with the broadcast beginning at 3 p.m. ET.

round.

NBC and its cable partner, TNT, broadcast their first NASCAR Busch Series race on July 1 from Daytona International Speedway. The Winn-Dixie 250 presented by PepsiCo is scheduled for a 7:30 p.m. ET start on TNT.

NBC also will cover the return of the NASCAR Busch Series to Watkins Glen International for the first time since 2001, on Aug. 13, starting at 2 p.m.

The 2005 NASCAR Busch Series season will end on Nov.

UK Cheerleaders win 14th national title advanced to the finals of the competition based on a tape submitted to the UCA in November. They one of 16 teams to compete in the final

households tuning in to NASCAR events has increased each year.

According to Nielsen Media Research, 196 million households tuned in to watch NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Series events in 2004, a 2 percent increase from the previous year.

The NASCAR Busch Series drew 52 million households in 2004, up 8 percent from 2003. The NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series had 10.5 million households, a 22 percent jump over the 2003 mark.

FOX will kick off the 2005 NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Series season with the broadcast of the 47th annual Daytona 500 beginning at 1 p.m. ET on Feb. 20.

FOX and FX will air the first 16 NASCAR NEXTEL Cup

& Roll 400 at Richmond International Raceway, will air Sept. 10 at 7 p.m. ET on TNT.

Texas Motor Speedway will host its first Chase race Nov. 6; the broadcast starts at 3 p.m. ET. The season ends with the Ford 400 on Nov. 20 at Homestead-Miami Speedway.

The NASCAR Busch Series will be broadcast via a split schedule with FOX and FX during the first half of the season, and NBC and TNT during the second half. FOX's season begins with the Hershey's TAKE 5 300 at Daytona International Speedway on Feb. 19 at 1 p.m. ET.

FOX also will broadcast the first NASCAR Busch Series points race held outside the United States.

On March 6, the NASCAR Busch Series will be in Mexico 19 as part of Ford Championship Weekend at Homestead-Miami Speedway. The season finale will be broadcast on NBC.

For the third consecutive season, SPEED Channel is the exclusive home of the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series.

he season-opening race at International Daytona Speedway, the Florida Dodge Dealers 250, will be the first of 16 prime-time races. It airs Feb. 18 at 8 p.m. ET.

Atlanta Motor Speedway, one of three tracks to host a pair of events in 2005, will shift its March 18 World Financial Group 200 from afternoon to a start of 9 p.m.

Texas Motor Speedway's Silverado 350K on Nov. 4 will be held at night - 9 p.m. ET as it was from 1999 to 2001.



photos by Jamie Howell In a loss to Betsy Layne, Matthew Ison (42) led the MCA C-Team with a teamhigh 11 points.

CONTINUING TO LOOK AHEAD: In A-team play, following a win over Mountain Christian Academy, Allen Central Middle advanced on in the Floyd County Tournament.

6-7, 6-2 at No. 3. Berrido posted a 6-2, 6-2 win over Wright State's Teufel at the No. 4 seed. Gustafsson defeated Jan. 23.

Tulsa, Okla., where they will face No. 60 Tulsa on Jan. 22 and No. 32 Oklahoma State on

MSU cheerleading squads claim titles

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD - Morehead State University's coed varsity and all-girl cheerleading squads claimed the title in their division at the College National Cheerleading Championships held Jan. 14-17 in Orlando, Fla.

The Universal Cheerleading Association-sponsored competition was held at Walt Wide Disney's World of Sports. This is the fourth

time that both squads have won top honors in the same year.

In the 2005 competition, the coed squad won its fourth consecutive and the University's 20th national title between the two squads. Overall, the all-girl team has taken the national title five times, and the coed an unprecedented 15 times.

This was the first year Tony Nash, MSU staff assistant to the dean of students, has coached the University's cheer squads.

Members of the national team for this year's coed squad were: Brian Babcock, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; Ashley Bartram, Beckley, W.Va.; Clay Clark, Stafford, Va.; Norris Domingue, San Jose, Calif .; Molly DuChemin, West Alexandria, Ohio; Alicia Gifford, W. Farmington, Maine; Crystal Justice, Pikeville; David Lathey, Hamilton. Ohio; Jenna Littleton, Flemingsburg; Laurel Long, Chillicothe, Ohio: Brian McColpin. Wichita, Kan.; Josh McCurdy,

Meridian, Idaho: James Moore, Shepherdsville Chris Rangel, Newport, Wash .; Mo Rodriguez. Escondido, Calif.; Runski, Alex

Ashburn. Va.; Ryan Saegert, Fayetteville, Ga.; and Traci Smith, Phillipsburg, N.J. Members of

the national team for this year's allgirl squad were: Kim Alderman, Morehead:

Meghan Barnwell, Springfield. Brennan, Va.; Jennifer Louisville; Brittany Brown, Sharpsville, Pa.; Lindsay Bryan, Catlettsburg; Michelle Carbone, Massapequa Park, N.Y.; Morgan Carroll, Fitchburg, Wis.; Crystal Crawford, Ashland; Micaela Davis, Hurricane, W.Va.; Dara DeHart, Farmers; Heather Findley, Sharpsville, Pa.; Kandice Hamilton, Pikeville; Marika Jones, East St. Louis, III.; Brandi Kratzer, Mount Sterling; Casey McCowan, Cynthiana; Nikki Miller, Bonnyman; Kirby Ogden, Anderson, Ind.; Jennifer Orr, Knoxville, Tenn.; Allyson Robertson, Ashland; Dionne Spence, Charlotte, N.C.: Katie Trimble, Pikeville; and Lyndsey Young, Spokane, Wash.

Michelle Rupert of Ashland is the squad's trainer.

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Fletcher youngest champion at **201 Speedway**

by CHRIS BELCHER 201 SPEEDWAY

SITKA - The 201 Speedway threw the final checkered flag on its 21st season of dirt track racing action last September and as a new racing season draws nearer, racers and fans are invited to attend the annual awards banquet to be held at the Holiday Inn in Prestonsburg on Feb. 12, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Over the following weeks, each champion in every division of acing at 201 will be highlighted in this newspaper, leading up to the awards banquet. Of all the champions, one has the distinction of being the youngest champion in the history of the 21-year-old racing facility. Eighteen-year-old Robert "Taco" Fletcher overcame a 285-point deficit on the July 4th weekend to capture his first Late Model championship ever at the 201 Speedway, winning the title by 70 points over a field of veteran racers from Kentucky and West Virginia. Fletcher began his racing career at the age of six when his father Tom started him in go-cart racing in Alexandria,

Minn. Young Fletcher competed County High School, where he in cart racing until the age of 14 when he began in- a Four-Cylinder at the 201 Speedway.

Four-Cylinders, From Fletcher went to Bombers for half a season and at the age of 16, his father, who had raced in the old Sportsman division, which is now Late Models, purchased a Late Model chassis. The younger Fletcher had always wanted to compete in the Late Model division. He raced in every event at the 201 Speedway last season, finishing in the top-five 14 times, and taking the checkered flag in two heat races. Fletcher competed in a Limited Late Model, which is basically a Late Model without the aluminum racing engine, until the Battle of the Bluegrass race at 201 on the 4th of July weekend, when he unveiled a full Late Model.

During the 4th of July Weekend, Fletcher trailed in the championship standings by 285 points, but with consistent topthree finishes locked up the championship by 70 points. Fletcher attended Lawrence

played football his freshman and sophomore seasons, and was voted MVP on the high school wrestling team.

Several businesses helped the Fletcher race team with sponsorship in the 2004 racing season. Beadie Blackburn Engines and Racing Fabrication, T & T Car Audio, Mirror Image Web Design, C & S Signs and Graphics, and Ot Kelly's Garage all sponsored the Taco Fletcher race team. This season, Fletcher will race a 2005 Audie Swartz chassis, with the body fabrication by Beadie Blackburn. The motor will be a Fisher racing engine.

The entire Fletcher race team extends thanks to all the sponsors and fans who supported it in the 2004 season and looks forward to the upcoming season at 201 Speedway. Fletcher, along with champions in every division will be recognized next month at the annual awards banquet to be held at the Holiday Inn. Next week, 201's Super Bomber champion, Glen Patton of Pikeville, will be highlighted

Patriots and Steelers get rematch; Eagles and Falcons set in NFC

by BARRY WILNER ASSOCIATED PRESS

PHILADELPHIA - The Philadelphia Eagles have been here often. It's not where they want to stay.

The Eagles advanced to their fourth straight NFC championship game Sunday with a 27-14 romp past the inept Minnesota Vikings. They will also host their third conference title game in a row, a league record, when they meet Atlanta on Sunday. The Falcons routed St. Louis 47-17 on Saturday.

For the next week, Eagles fans will wring their hands, furrow their brows and deal with the angst of Philadelphia's last three failed attempts to make their first Super Bowl since 1981.

"We are excited about this win, but we are excited about moving on," Donovan McNabb said after throwing two touchdown passes.

The AFC championship matchup is a rematch of a Halloween game in Pittsburgh, when the Steelers beat the Patriots. This weekend, New England took apart Indianapolis 20-3 and Pittsburgh survived against the New York Jets 20-17 in overtime.

In October, Pittsburgh won 34-20 to end the Patriots' record 21-game winning streak. The Patriots beat the host Steelers in the 2001 AFC title game, then won their first of two Super Bowls in the last three years.

"We played our best 30 minutes of football in the second half," coach Bill Belichick said of Sunday's domination of

Indianapolis and league MVP terbacks so well? Peyton Manning. "Ran the ball, converted third downs, played good defense."

The Eagles are 4 1/2-point favorites, while the visiting Patriots are 3-point choices. Both games feature the top two seeds in each conference.

NFC: The last time the Falcons (12-5) met the Eagles (14-3) in the postseason two years ago, Philadelphia won a night game 20-6.

Back then, the Falcons were coached by Dan Reeves and were coming off a historic victory at Green Bay, the first team to win a postseason road game against the Packers. These Falcons have the NFL's top rushing offense, with quarterback Michael Vick and RBs Warrick Dunn and T.J. Duckett, and new coach Jim Mora has revamped and revitalized the defense.

"This is a totally different team than was here, with a different feel and a different look," Pro Bowl linebacker Keith Brooking said. "But it is similar in the sense that we are making plays when we need to."

Philadelphia has made the big plays all season and did so again Sunday even without All-Pro receiver and sparkplug Terrell Owens. The Eagles play the run pretty well, but do they have the right personnel to deal with the mercurial Vick?

"They're doing a good job with ball control," All-Pro safety Brian Dawkins said, "so we're going to have our hands full, especially with their quarterback.

And how well can the Eagles protect McNabb against a defense that pressures quar-

"We're confident and loose," said do-everything running back Brian Westbrook. "We don't have any reason not to be loose."

AFC: Judging by their play this weekend, the Patriots (15-2) seem ready for another Super Bowl trip, and the Steelers (16-1) seem lucky to be alive.

"It definitely tests your faith," running back Duce Staley said after the close call.

But Pittsburgh was plucky enough to survive, and underestimating such a well-coached and physical team would be a mistake.

The Steelers will need their hard-driving running game featuring Staley and Jerome Bettis to be at its peak. Offensive Rookie of the Year Ben Roethlisberger struggled against the Jets, and the Patriots bring even more confusing looks and experience in pressure games.

Not that coach Bill Cowher fears Roethlisberger has been unmasked.

"Ben is unflappable. He does display a calmness. ... You still have a sense that he's going to get it done," Cowher said.

It's the same sense everyone should have about New England, which was supposed to have problems matching up with the high-flying Colts. The nasty weather certainly helped the Patriots, but they so befuddled Manning that if the game had been played on the Jacksonville beach in August, it might not have mattered.

"We rattled them all game," linebacker Tedy Bruschi said. "That's what we do best."

Newman ready to contend for title

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. -Ryan Newman knows he needs to be more consistent to win his first NASCAR Nextel Cup championship.

"We basically struggled last year through the last 10 races," Newman said during a break in preseason testing Thursday at International Davtona Speedway. "We've looked super strong at some points and lots of great things happened to us, but you have to put 36 together.'

He wants to have the kind of season enjoyed two years ago by champion Matt Kenseth and in 2004 by second-place finisher Jimmie Johnson.

Kenseth won only one race, but had 25 top-10s and failed to finish only two twice on the way to the title in 2003. Last year, Kurt Busch won the first 10-

man, 10-race Chase for the Cup

Johnson, who won a season- led the most laps. We led a lap in high eight races. Newman wound up sixth in

the points in each of his first two years in NASCAR's top series, but had a problem last season with his finishes. He led qualifiers for the third straight year with nine poles, but won only two races after leading the circuit with eight victories in 2003.

"We've had the punches, but we've also got punched a few times," he said.

Ryan Newman was 16th during the first week of preseason testing at Daytona.

Newman is optimistic because his Penske Racing South Dodge team showed plenty of strength in the final 10 races last year, even though it had little luck and he finished seventh in points.

"Aside from finishes, we in the odd-number positions. were the most dominant car in

every race except Darlington, where I was getting ready to pass Kurt Busch and blew a right front tire."

Newman also pointed to a crash in Kansas, a broken hose clamp in New Hampshire and several mechanical problems late last year.

"We put it together sometimes and struggle to put it together sometimes," he said. "That's the part we've got to work on, the part we struggle at. We know we can be a contender, but we have to prove it to everybody else.

Thursday was the last of three days of testing this week on the 2.5-mile Daytona oval for teams that finished the 2004 points race in even-number positions. Testing begins Tuesday for those who finished

The season opens Feb. 20



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finish by just eight points over the last 10 races," he said. "We with the Daytona 500.

Pittsburgh 20, N.Y. Jets 17, OT

Indianapolis or New England

AFC vs. NFC, 7:30 p.m. (ESPN)

NOT PEYTON'S PLACE: Patriots 20, Colts 3

by JIMMY GOLEN ASSOCIATED PRESS

FOXBORO, Mass. - Corey Dillon is surrounded by the trappings of success: the Super Bowl banners hanging in Gillette Stadium, the gaudy championship rings on his Patriots teammates' fingers and, most of all, the satisfied looks on their faces as they report to work each day.

"I just knew he would have a good game," fullback Patrick Pass said Sunday after Dillon ran for 144 yards to help New England advance to the AFC title game with a 20-3 victory over Peyton Manning and the Indianapolis Colts.

"He wanted a taste of what we went through the past two out of three years.'

The only thing between the Patriots (15-2) and a third conference title in four years are the Pittsburgh Steelers, who beat New England on Halloween when Dillon was out with a thigh injury.

"I'm certainly glad Corey's going to be there," quarterback Tom Brady said. "I know he's glad he's here - he's told us that a bunch of times. And we're glad to have him."

Dillon played the first seven years of his career with the woeful Bengals, racking up big yards but also growing disenchanted through the years of losing. Before the Patriots traded a second-round draft pick for him in April, Dillon had to convince them that he wasn't a malcontent.

don't grab those guys and say, 'Thank you,'" Dillon said. "I'm serious. They'll tell you, too. They're probably a little annoved by me doing it.

"I do it just to let them know I appreciate them believing in me. I'm just ecstatic about being in this situation."

Dillon's teammates are, too. Linebacker Ted Johnson said after the game he was heading to the souvenir stand to buy a No. 28 jersey. And so are the New England fans, who chanted "Corey! Corey!" as the clock wound down.

Dillon carried 23 times including rushes of 27 and 42 yards - and also led the team with five catches. Most importantly, he helped the Patriots run off 14-, 15- and 16-play drives - their three most time-consuming drives of the season to dominate the time of possession 37:43 to 22:17.

That earned him the nickname "Clock-killin' Dillon" from one teammate. And it left NFL MVP Manning on the Colts (13-5) bench, trying to keep warm in the blowing snow and 16-degree wind chill while he waited for a chance to rally his team.

"It was an excellent run, a fine year," Manning said. "But when you finish with a loss in the playoffs, you can't be happy about it. Eventually, it will be our time. ... All I can think about right now is losing this game."

It was the second year in a row that the Patriots made Manning look ordinary. Last year in Foxboro, Manning threw four interceptions in a "There's not a day goes by I 24-14 AFC title game loss.

42 passes on Sunday for 238 yards and an interception, giving him a quarterback rating of 69.3 - about half his regularseason record-setting mark of 121.1. It was the first full game this year that Manning, who had an NFL record 49 touchdowns, didn't throw one.

Manning, accustomed to the climate control of the RCA Dome, is now 0-7 in Foxboro. Brady is 7-0 in the postseason.

"I think our defense is what made this game successful," said Brady, who was 18-for-27 for 144 yards and a touchdown and also ran in another TD from the 1. "Three points to one of the best offenses in the history of football is incredible."

New England led 6-0 on Adam Vinatieri's field goals of 24 and 31 yards in the second quarter. Indianapolis scored on Mike Vanderjagt's 23-yard field goal on the last play of the first half.

When Brady threw a 5-yard touchdown pass to David Givens to cap a third-quarter drive that lasted 8:16, Manning had to make his remaining possessions count against the hardhitting defense. He didn't - and Brady followed with a 94-yard drive that ended with his sneak.

The Patriots were without Pro Bowl defensive lineman Richard Seymour, who was and starting cornerbacks Ty Law and Tyrone Poole, who are on injured reserve. But the Patriots' defense still stifled the NFL history.

The Colts led the NFL in gotten better."

Manning completed 27 of turnover margin this season, but they forced none and they gave away three - Tedy Bruschi recovered two fumbles and Rodney Harrison forced one and picked off Manning in the end zone on the Colts' last series.

> "They played very well. There's nothing magical," Patriots coach Bill Belichick said. "They rushed them. They jammed them. They tackled them. They covered them."

> The season ended for the Colts right where it started. They lost the opener in Foxboro 27-24 when Vanderjagt missed a 48-yard field-goal attempt in the final minute. The Colts have lost six straight to New England and nine straight in Foxboro.

And for the Patriots, the road to the Super Bowl again runs through Pittsburgh, where they won the AFC title in 2002. The Steelers paid them back with a 34-20 victory on Oct. 31, but New England will bring Dillon along this time.

The three-time Pro Bowl selection ran for 1,635 yards during the regular season - a career high, a franchise record and the third-most in the NFL. His 12 rushing touchdowns were also a personal best, as were his nine games this season with 100 yards or more.

"He came in and worked sidelined with a knee injury, hard," Brady said. "He's a great leader and he's got a great attitude. I don't care what someone's reputation is. When you come to this team, fifth-highest scoring team in you fit in. Corey had a great attitude coming in, and it's just









photos by Steve LeMaster

Host Prestonsburg and Pike County Central were among the wrestling teams that visited Prestonsburg Saturday for the Josh Francis Memorial Duals. The Prestonsburg wrestling team is gearing up for a trip this weekend to the annual WSAZ Invitational Wrestling Tournament.

Betsy Layne

Allen Central's Lady Rebels completed a regular-season sweep. In an early-season meeting back on Dec. 10, 2004 at Allen Central, Betsy Layne rolled to a 63-40 win. The latest win over Allen Central was Betsy Layne's 10th victory of the season.

The Ladycats hit 12-of-16 free throw attempts and connected on 17 field goals.

Neither team hit a three-

falling short, Prestonsburg put up

a determined come-from-behind

effort, outscoring the host

Raiders 20-13 in the third quarter

put South Floyd back on the

winning track. In a road game

at Betsy Layne on Tuesday,

Jan. 11, South Floyd came up

Blackcats, South Floyd hit on

nine-of-19 free throw attempts:

Prestonsburg struggled severely

from the free throw line, hitting

A bright spot for Prestonsburg

As a team, in the win over the

short, losing in overtime.

just eight-of-22 attempts.

The win over Prestonsburg

and 18-16 in the final period.

Raiders

point field goal.

Becky Thomas, Allen Central's highly-touted senior center, hit seven-of-10 free throws and finished with a game-high 19 points. Yumekia Hunter and Alanna Cline followed with seven points apiece for the Lady Rebels and Elizabeth Dingus added six. Completing the Allen Central scoring, Mara Biliter finished

was the play of junior Brooks

Herrick. Herrick saw action in

the first quarter of Friday's game

against South Floyd. After not

producing any points in the first

half, Herrick fueled a second-

half Prestonsburg rally, scoring

14 of Prestonsburg's 38 second-

half points. Herrick finished the

contest with a team-high 14

points. He led Prestonsburg's

long-range shooting barrage with

Prestonsburg had one last

Ethan Johnson, who got a

shot to tie Friday night's game,

but saw a long-range prayer from

near midcourt go unanswered.

a trio of made three-pointers.

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with three points.

The Lady Rebels hit 14 of 23 free throws.

Both Betsy Layne (10-4) and Allen Central (4-8) will return to action tonight in the Girls' 15th Region All "A" Classic. In the first game of the evening, host Allen Central will take on Paintsville. In the nightcap at 8:15 p.m., Betsy Layne will take on Sheldon Clark

start Friday night as South Floyd (6-11), began the game

with a three-guard lineup,

scored nine points. Ryan Little

also had nine points to go along

with 11 rebounds. Wes Hall

scored two points and rounded

and eight rebounds for

Prestonsburg. Jesse Chaffin

scored 11 points and had nine

rebounds, giving Prestonsburg

three players with over 10

points. Michael Stephens and

Trevor Compton each had nine

points and John Mark Stephens

chipped in two.

Sean Leslie added 12 points

out the South Floyd scoring.

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and Pikeville, only Belfry and Phelps have better records than

does Prestonsburg. In a return game scheduled for later this season, Friday, Feb. 4, South Floyd will pay a visit to Prestonsburg for a boys-girls

Blackcats

Betsy Layne, Johnson Central doubleheader.

Before playing host to Prestonsburg this past Friday night, South Floyd entertained Piarist Thursday night. The Piarist game resulted in a 78-48 win in favor of the host Lady Kaiders.

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South Floyd is now 2-2 over its last four games. The Lady Raiders will return to action tomorrow night against Pikeville in the 15th Region All "A" Classic. Tip-off for the South Floyd-Pikeville game is set for 6:30 p.m.



The South Floyd Middle School boys' basketball team finished Floyd County Conference regularseason play a perfect 12-0. When the South Floyd High boys' basketball team hosted Prestonsburg Friday night, the SFMS boys' team was recognized. The SFMS boys are in action this week, playing in the Floyd County tournament. Tonight, South Floyd will face Adams.

County

over two-time defending county champ Mountain Christian Academy. Meade was the only Runnin' Rebel to score over nine points. But the Allen Central supporting cast numbered many. Eleven different Allen Central players scored.

Josh Prater added nine points for Allen Central and Justin Jackson chipped in eight. Chris Stumbo scored six points and Johnathan Shepherd tossed in five.

Tyler Hall hit three threepoint field goals and led MCA with a team-high 12 points. Tyler Newman scored eight points and Shane Poynter hit for two.

Allen Central led MCA 23-2 at the end of the first quarter.

C-TEAM - Betsy Layne 54, MCA 23: In a C-team tournament game, Betsy Layne held MCA to just one point in the initial period and raced its way to a 31-point win.

Nathan Martin led Betsy Layne in scoring with a gamehigh 14 points. Derek Tackett had 10 points, giving Betsy Layne two players in double figures. With 10 different players scoring, the Betsy Layne offensive output was balanced. Casey Adkins and Jason Case each had eight points apiece. Nick Conn had four points and Andrew Roberts chipped in three.

five points and Joseph Kidd netted four. Alex Davis chipped in three points for the Falcons. Play in the county tourna-

ment picks back up tonight.

Adams sweeps Stumbo

TIMES STAFF REPORT

GRETHEL - The Adams Middle School Blackcats traveled to John M. Stumbo Friday to face the Mustangs. Adams won in C-, B- and A-team games.

In the first game, the Adams Middle School C-Team Blackcats defense created 17 first half steals as Adams led 19-4 at halftime and went on to win 32-10. In a very balanced scoring attack, Nathaniel Fraley and Joseph Jamerson led Adams with seven points each. Wil Allen added five points and Seth Carter scored three. Caleb Petry, Warren Blackburn, Michael Ousley, Frankie Conn and Charlie Joseph each scored two points for Adams. Landon Hall led Stumbo with six points while Kannon Newsome and Terry Hinkle each scored two points to round out the scoring for the Mustangs.

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Adams B-Team rolled to a 45-17 win after leading 28-8 at halftime. Michael Burchett scored 14 points to pace Adams and Austin McKinney followed, pumping in 12. Josh Craynon added seven points, Brad Stanley and Anthony Hallon each scored four points and Brad Hicks and Seth Carter each scored two to round out the scoring for Adams.

Ricky Newsome led Stumbo with seven points. Josh Hall and Jake Tackett added three points each and Keith Hamilton and Micah Slone each scored two points to round out the Mustang scoring.

In the final game of the night, the Adams Middle School A-Team dominated from the beginning to win 62-34.

Kyle Hall led the balanced Adams scoring attack with 12 points. Michael Burchett pitched in 11 points.

Allen Craynon, Christopher Schoolcraft, Austin Gearheart,



Matthew Ison led MCA with 11 points. Jacob Bartley scored

In the second game, the

Alex Stumbo and Josh Craynon each scored six points for Adams. Seth Setser, Matt Sword and Austin McKinney each scored three points. Stumbo was led in scoring by Casey Tackett who netted 14 points.

Jonathon Burchett scored eight points for Stumbo, Jordan Hall added six points, Jeremy Tackett had four points and Kyle Hamilton scored two.

Adrienne Slone finished with

held scoreless in the final quar-

ter, got eight points from

time defending 15th Region All

County rival and then-tournament host South Floyd for last

Piarist (0-11), which was

Betsy Layne is the three-

The Ladycats beat Floyd

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Phelps wins All 'A' opener

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN - The Girls' 15th Region All "A" Classic got underway Monday night at Allen Central High School with Phelps pitted against the Piarist School. Phelps, coached by former Alice Lloyd College head coach Denise Campbell, led from beginning to end Monday night. The Lady Hornets had little trouble against Piarist and rolled to a 62-17 win.

Samantha Slone led Phelps (8-5) with 14 points. Sasha Fields had 11 points and a game-high 14 rebounds and



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(Wednesday's games) Allen Central vs. Paintsville, 6:30 p.m. Betsy Layne vs. Sheldon Clark, 8:15 p.m.

(Thursday's games) South Floyd vs. Pikeville, 6:30 p.m. Shelby Valley vs. Phelps, 8:15 p.m.

SEMIFINALS

(Friday's games) Allen Central-Paintsville winner vs. Betsy L .- Sheldon Clark winner, 6:30 p.m. South Floyd-Pikeville winner vs. Shelby Valley-Pheips winner, 8:15 p.m.

CHAMPIONSHIP

(Saturday's game Semifinal winners, 7 p.m.

Racing authority fines, suspends prominent thoroughbred owner

by MURRAY EVANS ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON

Thoroughbred owner Ken Ramsey, a finalist for the Eclipse Award for outstanding owner, was fined and suspended Monday by the Kentucky Horse Racing Authority for attempting to illegally influence another owner.

Ramsey tried to pay the owner to scratch a horse from a Dec. 31 race at Turfway Park in Florence so that Ramsey's horse could run, authority chairman Bill Street said.

The racing authority fined Ramsey \$25,000 and suspended him from racing for seven days, starting Tuesday. The suspension will be nationwide, Street said.

Street said the fine matches the largest ever imposed by the racing authority or any of its predecessors. Ramsey must pay it by Jan. 31.

The racing authority voted 10-1 to accept a settlement with

Ramsey. Connie Whitfield, who voted against it, said she thought the punishment should have been more severe.

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In the settlement reached between Ramsey's attorney, Burt J. Travis, and the racing authority, Ramsey acknowledged violating a state law that prohibits influencing any person to interfere with "the orderly conduct of a race or race meeting."

Street said Ramsey offered money to another owner to scratch her horse so that Ramsey's horse, Ken's Cat, could run in the race. Ken's Cat had been one of two horses excluded from the race's 12horse field, which had been determined by lot, Street said.

The owner reported Ramsey's actions to track stewards, and the racing authority later took over the investigation. The Eclipse Awards, the

highest honors in horse racing, will be presented next Monday in Beverly Hills, Calif.

4-year-old filly brings top price during final sales session

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON - A 4-year-old filly brought \$80,000 Saturday to top the final session of Keeneland's Horses of All Ages Sale.

Vic Hanson bought Two Bayou, by Two Punch out of Bayou La Batre, from the consignment of Brookdale Sales,

as agent for Flatbird Stable. Keeneland sold 165 horses during Saturday's final session for \$1,197,400, an average of \$7,257. There was no compara-

ble session last year. Keeneland sold 1,361 horses during the six-day auction for \$53,418,000, the third-highest gross in the history of the auction.

During a five-day sale last year, 1,258 horses and two stallion seasons brought \$49,362,600. This year's average, \$39,249, was up slightly from \$39,225 last year. Two horses brought \$1 million

or more during the sale, topped by the \$1,350,000 paid for Cozzene's Angel, the 11-year-old dam of multiple Grade I stakes winner

Toccet. She is pregnant to Pulpit. Keeneland also cancelled the July Selected Yearling Sale for the third straight year. Yearlings that would have sold in July will be offered during the September yearling sale.

Track officials have said that buyers and sellers prefer one sale for yearlings.



Reds sign Dunn, Kearns to 1-year deals

by JOE KAY ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI - The Reds avoided arbitration with two of their cornerstone players on Monday, agreeing to a \$4.6 million, one-year contract with outfielder Adam Dunn and a \$930,000 deal with outfielder Austin Kearns.

The moves left right-hander Ramon Ortiz as the only Reds player eligible for arbitration. The Reds got Ortiz, 31, from the Angels on Dec. 14 for a minor league pitcher.

Dunn and Kearns were eligible for arbitration for the first time, putting them in line for large salary increases that the Reds had factored into their budgeting. Dunn made \$445,000 last year and Kearns got \$400,000.

"The process is such that it's all about projecting where you envision their salary for the coming year," general manager Dan O'Brien said. "There's always an element of the unknown. But when it's all said and done, I think the fairest gauge is whether or not both parties are pleased. I'm happy to report that the answer is yes, they are."

agreement with Ortiz, who made \$3.3 million in the final season of a three-year deal. The Angels had a contract option for 2005 at \$5.5 million, but bought it out for \$100,000 in November. They then traded him to the Reds, who plan to put him in their rotation.

"It's a little early to handicap that one," O'Brien said of their contract talks. "Let's just say there's a lot of work to do to reach an agreement."

raise because he's been healthy and more productive than Kearns, 24.

homers, 102 RBIs, 105 runs and 108 walks. He also set an NL record by striking out 195 times. The 46 homers rank fourth in franchise history.

Kearns missed 84 games during two stints on the disabled list for a broken forearm and an injured thumb that required surgery. Kearns hit .230 in 64 games with nine homers and 32 RBIs. He also missed half of the 2003 season because of a shoulder injury that required surgery.

The Reds weren't close to an

Dunn, 25, got the bigger

Dunn hit .266 with 46

Bears make huge leap; Lady Bears get first mention

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - Thursday night's conference opener will be between two top 15 teams after the newest NAIA Div. I poll was released.

Pikeville jumped eight spots from 22nd to 14th after winning four times last week in what was a topsy-turvy week for ranked teams.

Meanwhile, the Lady Bears' eight-game winning streak has them getting votes for the first time this season.

For the men, losses by Mid-South Conference teams Georgetown and Cumberland allowed them to make their move. In actuality, the ranking adjustment gets Pikeville a little closer to the rest of the teams with similar records; after last week's games were in, Pikeville was 22nd with two losses. The next team with two or fewer losses was then-sixth-ranked Biola, Calif.

The Bears have won four straight since their overtime loss to Martin Methodist on Jan. 7. They opened the season with six consecutive wins and the setback to Martin Methodist ended a string of seven wins in a row.

Meanwhile, the Bears will host second-ranked Lindsey Wilson Thursday to open Mid-South Conference play. The Blue Raiders are now 17-1 and winners of 11 in a row. They're picking up one of the dozen firstplace votes.

Mountain State (W.Va.) University remains atop the poll at 19-1 with 10 first-place nods. Southern Polytechnic (Ga.) is third and got the other first-place vote. Oklahoma Christian remained fourth.

Georgetown's loss allowed Biola to move up to fifth and began the roller-caster ride for ranked teams. Robert Morris (III.) jumped up four spots to sixth, while Mobile (Ala.) bolted up nine places to seventh. Trevecca Nazarene (Tenn.) remained eighth, with LewisClark State (Idaho) up six places to ninth and McKendree (III.) up four spots to 10th.

Cumberland (Ky.), which lost to top-ranked Mountain State, dropped only one place to 18th, while Georgetown is 19th. Of teams 20-25, with three teams tied for 25th, only No. 22 Texas Wesleyan was in the poll last week. Among those tied for 25th is Brescia, Ky., at 12-4.

On the women's side, Pikeville was one of three teams getting four votes. The Lady Bears, Auburn-Montgomery (Ala.) and Montana State-Northern are tied for 29th.

Pikeville was 3-5 after their Nov. 27 loss to Union College, and had lost five of six. Since then, they've ran off 10 wins in 11 games with their only setback coming on Dec. 12 at NCAA Div. I Morehead State University.

In their first eight games, the Lady Bears were averaging 62.9 points per game while giving up 67.4. But since November faded to December, they have averaged winning 67.7 to 57.7

Union (Tenn.) University is the unanimous No. 1 pick; the nation's only unbeaten team is 16-0 on the season. Vanguard (Calif.) University is unanimously picked second, followed by Houston Baptist University, Oklahoma City and The Master's (Calif.) fifth.

The second five are Southern Nazarene (Okla.), Point Loma Nazarene (Calif.), Freed-Hardeman (Tenn.) and Xavier (La.) tied for eighth with Brewton-Parker (Ga.) 10th.

Georgetown's losses to Central State (Ohio) and Brescia knocked them from fifth to 11th, while Cumberland (Ky.), which lost to Martin Methodist, fell two spots to 15th.

Pikeville's Thursday-night opponent is Lindsey Wilson, and the Lady Raiders moved up one place to 18th. They will bring a 14-3 worksheet to Pikeville. It will be their first game since a Jan. 8 win over 21st-ranked Trevecca Nazarene.

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POISON OAK

Sounds from 'the attic

Just to prove it pays never to give up on the daily paper before every article is at least

briefly

just stumbled onto a bit of trivia that I found

very interesting. Did you know that if termites enter base-

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ment below the frost-line,

they can con-



Clyde Pack

tinue feeding all winter long? Well, they can, so don't say you haven't been warned.

I'm not particularly concerned about wintertime termites, but from past experiences suffered at the hands (make that jaws) of these minikin vermin, I've some definite opinions about termites in general. Like, it ought to be a law that they should be required to use jackhammers, especially since they don't have yellow trucks to drive haround, or little flagmen to delay traffic; if we could hear them, at least we'd know they were there. As it is, though, the little critters can literally eat us out of house and home without our even suspecting they're within a hundred miles of us.

Despite the feeling of nauseousness at their discovery, we were fortunate, if one can by any stretch of the imagination say that finding termites can be termed fortunate. Anyway, a random check of our property was prompted a few years back by a neighbor's finding his house all but

(See OAK, page three)

BLHS student honored with WYMT-TV academic scholarship

Casey McMillan, a Betsy Layne High School student, has been selected from among 88 nominees throughout KHSAA

a \$1,000 WYMT-TV Mountain Classic Scholarship. The scholarship, based on academic and scholastic achievement, is made Regions 13, 14, and 15, to receive possible by proceeds and dona-

tions collected through the annual WYMT-TV Mountain Basketball Classic Tournament. Casey is the daughter of Kevin and Juliann McMillan, of Dana.



Casey McMillan



photo by Kathy J. Prater **Traveling from** Cow Creek to John's Creek in her father's wagon as a young child, the author, accompanied by her parents, came upon many scenes of

KIM'S KORNER Dreamin' along

Recently, during a conversation with the Sales Reps. here at the paper, they were asked to present their "wish list" for their department for 2005.

For the most part, their wishes were reachable, while others were def-Pinitely dreams.

Taking that dream concept further, discussions led to what would be absolutely awesome in this town, or

even

entire county.

For instance,

wouldn't it be

just awesome

to see our

empty busi-

ness spaces FULL?

Winn-Dixie

building

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the



Kim Frasure

one were to put a oh, let's say, a "Chuckie Cheese" resturant in there, then not a parent far and wide could shop Wal-Mart ever again without a visit to Chuckie Cheese's.

Years ago, when our daughters were teens, I used to dream of putting in a place where they could go and dance, a place with video games, hamburgers, hot dogs, something for them to do other than pile up in some local parking lot to socialize - or sneak off and travel the distance to West Virginia just to hit the dance floor.

A true honest-to-goodness place for "Teens" to have some good, clean fun.

I remember a conversation held recently in regard to the skate boarders we all see frequently around town. There have even been complaints about these kids skating on the sidewalks, and in the streets. Wouldn't it be nice if they had their very own special place with ramps and such, where they could practice their talent - and skating is a talent regardless of what

A Wagon Ride is Bumpy

by Imogene Caldwell

My daddy, Glen, was a fox hunter. And if there was anything he ever loved any better than Mother, it was his fox hounds.

Daddy would travel miles away from home to meet up with his longtime fox hunting buddies to embark with them on races that would last sometimes two nights in a row, or longer.

Now, when I was a little girl maybe 10 years old or so - Daddy let Mother and me go with him to Uncle Floyd's house on Upper John's Creek, to a hollow called Gulnare. This was all the way up into Pike County.

Daddy made a big wooden box that would fit into the back of his wagon. That's where he put old Cloie and Old Jake, his fox hounds. The hounds would ride all the way to Gulnare on this trip with Daddy, Mother and I to Uncle Floyd's and Aunt Polly's house.

Mother packed us a lunch to eat on Buffalo Creek. along the way and we also took along a few pillows to sit on (those wagon seats were hard and bumpy). We took a quilt to put over our legs and feet.

Daddy had the horses fed and hitched to the wagon by four o'clock that morning. Mother had prepared a breakfast of ham and red-eye gravy and hot biscuits. I didn't mind having to get up so early (three o'clock) that particular September morning because we were going on an adventure that not many little girls would ever experience.

We were soon on our way - a long time before daylight still, but we were already traveling. The dogs were all excited and my heart was in my throat. Mother's eyes were sparkling and her smile kept getting broader as we pulled out of the barn yard and headed down the creek to a narrow little road that went across the mountain and down the other side to Home Branch,

The ride across that mountain was one I'll always remember. Sometimes the wheels had to roll over rocks and then drop down into ruts and then back up again. We held on to the sides of the wagon seat with all our might.

Daddy held the reigns in both hands to steer the horses and his feet on the brakes because if the horses stopped for a second, the wagon would roll backwards. He had to let the horses rest often and when they stopped, you could see their sides go in and out and the breath coming from their nostrils. Daddy knew how much his team could take and he watched them closely so as to not let them get too tired.

That's how the first part of our journey went, but soon we were going down the other side of the mountain road. The brakes were working, the horses weren't pulling, Mother was laughing, and I was as happy as a lark.

It was daylight now and I could see all the things around me. Smoke coming from chimneys, chickens flying down from their roosts, men standing in their yards - stretching and looking toward the sky to see what sort of day was beginning to dawn.

Mother was looking everywhere, Daddy was calling hello to all the people and I was feeling hungry.

From here on, the road was mostly in the creekbed. The horses stopped every now and then to take a cool drink of water and Mother would take a ham and biscuit sandwich from the big basket - one for Daddy, one for me, and one for herself.

We would all take a drink of water from the big gallon fruit jar that Mother had brought along, and soon we would be on our way again. We traveled up banks, down again into the creek, then around the side of the hill -

(See WAGON, page four)

CRITTER CORNER Defining the Problem

by Dr. Carol Combs-Morris, DVM

"Only 42% of cat guardians and 39% of dog guardians are aware of the pet overpopulation problem". Can this possibly be true? I found this quote from the Massachusetts SPCA survey of 1993, and it reinforced an article I read somewhere recently. The article basically said that people who work with animals all the time don't realize that many pet owners, let alone John Q. Public, have no idea that a problem even exists.

If that's true, then it means that much of what we say falls on deaf ears, because the average person may have no concept of the scope or even the existence of pet animal overpopulation. I am probably preaching to the choir here, because most people who

take time to read this column already know what's going on. But maybe, just maybe, someone who would normally never read this is sitting in a hospital lobby, or in a parking lot waiting to pick the kids up after practice, or is killing time before the ballgame comes on TV. For whatever reason, someone may be reading a pet article for the first time. This one is for you.

Please stay with me. This is depressing, this is heartbreaking, but this is real. Ignoring it will not make it go away. In fact, the only way for us to get control of the problem is to understand it. So I am not going to go into graphic details; I just want to present the facts. Trouble is, the numbers are so high that it is difficult to



This is "Chopper." Chopper is a two year old Beagle owned by William Miller, of Prestonsburg. The family writes: "Chopper is loved very much by his family. He loves to play fetch and dig holes in the yard."

School Calendar

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

Jan. 19 - Youth Services Center Advisory Council will meet, 4 p.m., in library. All invited to attend.

Feb. 10 - "Connect with Kids" parent meeting will be held at Clark Elementary, at 8:30 a.m. AMS parents and guardians are invited to attend.

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; Assistant - Sheila Allen.

Allen Central Middle School

Turn in Food City receipts and General Mills box tops to home room teachers!

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 Dept. is at the school each Tuesmeet 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

Feb. 10 - "Connect with Kids" parent meeting, 8:30 a.m. 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 Currently immunizations. 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.

Floyd County Health day. Services include 6th grade school entry physical; kindergarten, Head Start and wellchild 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.

Dept. nurse at school every a.m.-4 p.m., and later by Creek Family Resource Center

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

McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center

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

Mountain Christian Academy

Now accepting applications for enrollment for Kindergarten for the 2005-06 school year. Call 285-5141 for more information.

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 Floyd County Health Center is open weekdays 8 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

**School is participating in the "Apples for Students" program. Please turn in your Food City receipts to office or send with a student. Thanks!

Committee sign-ups may be done through the Youth Services Center office.

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

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 cen-

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 years and Preschool age 2-4. Daycare hours: 7 a.m. to 5:30

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Ten Years Ago January 18 and 20, 1995

A dispute between city leaders at Wheelwright, and Otter Creek Correctional Facility respresentatives, concerning the minimum security status of that facility appears to have been resolved. At Monday's Wheelwright City Commission meeting, commissioners tabled a discussion concerning the city's deed with prison officials, but expresed concern about the classification of offenders housed at the facility, and the employment of local residents...A reduction in bond was denied, Tuesday, for a Floyd County man charged with 86 counts of sexual abuse. Earl Rogers, 55, of Toler Creek, was charged last July, apparently in a sealed indictment, for allegedly sexually abusing five different juveniles ... An election for a parent representative to Pre-stonsburg's site-based council has been canceled due to the Floyd County Board of Education's decision to postpone action on the ouster of Clarence Risner. At the January 9, school board meeting, the board tabled a vote on removing Risner and Ira Joe Tussey, a parent representative on the Adams Middle School council...Floyd County assistant common-wealth attorney Dan Rowland apologized to 13 jurors about comments he made in reference to their verdict last week in the Tammy DeRossett murder trial..."In a sense, you're preaching to the choir here," Bob Meyer, with Big Sandy Area Devel-opment District, told frustrated members of the Prestonsburg-Floyd County Public Properties Corporation at its meeting, Tuesday afternoon. Several members of the corporation became upset at the meeting when Meyer reported that the Farmers Home Administration, had asked him who was going to manage the center, and suggested the city appoint a separte commission that has a majority of city council members sitting on it...An attorney for Floyd County's judge-executive and county court clerk has responded to civil suits against the two seeking their ouster for improperly filing performance bonds, and the governor is expected to put the issue on the legislature's special session agenda...It appears that the District Three magistrate's seat will remain in the family, with Thursday's appointment of the wife of the magistrate who resigned. Governor Brereton Jones has appointed Marietta Adams, wife of Tommy Neil Adams, to fill her husband's post on the Floyd Fiscal Court...It looks like Floyd County will once again be in the spotlight concerning education reform, with a Prestonsburg attorney taking on the fight for parents' rights to serve on school councils. Attor rights to serve on school councils. Attorney Larry Brown will represent council members Clarence Risner and Ira Joe Tussey, who have been deemed ineligible, because their wives are employed in the school district...For the past four months the Wheelwright Fire Department has been the recipient of trailer-truck-loads of

goods that range from clothes and samples of makeup, to building supplies and office furniture...Kentucky State Police are investigating the death of 8-month-old Andrew B. Johnson, of McDowell, son of Margarita Dye, who fell into a 24-quart cooker of mop water. The infant was flown to the U.K. Medical Center, Wednesday. He died Thursday morn-ing...Floyd County's Fiscal Court meets today (Friday), and the hot topic of discussion is expected to be the status of the E-911 service...Kentucky State Police trooper David Watkins, from Floyd County filed suit Thursday, in Floyd Circuit Court, alleging his transfer from the Pikeville post to Bowling Green was improper...A blueprint for teaching math and science, being formulated by a science consortium, could add up to improved test scores for students in Floyd County classrooms....There died: John Spencer Fulks, 77, of Dwale, Monday, January 16, at St. Joseph Hospital, Lex-ington; Marion Akers, 86, of Honaker, Thursday, January 12, at his residence; Harlis "Peanut" Slone, 67, of Bypro, Sunday, January 15, at McDowell Appalachi-an Regional Hospital; Mollie Gearheart, 82, of Attica, Ohio, Tuesday, January 17, at her home; Maggie Ball Kelly, 90, of Trenton, Michigan, formerly of Prestonsburg, Wednesday, January 11; Truly Prater, 67, of Left Fork of Abbott Creek, Friday, January 13, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Myrtle Helen Martin, 88, of McDowell, Friday, January 13, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Hollie Reynolds Robinson, 78, of Langley, Thursday, January 12, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Lue E. Fitch, 69, formerly of Fairborn, Ohio, Sat-urday, January 14, at Mercy Medical Cen-ter, Springfield, Ohio; Clifton Horn, 82, of Paintsville, Wednesday, January 11, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center; Bobby Gene Hall, 41, of Galveston, Friday, January 13, at his residence; Kather-ine Sue Tuttle, 44, of Milan, Michigan, formerly of Topmost, Monday, January 16, at Saline Community Hospital in Saline, Michigan; Hollie Reynolds Robinson, 78, of Langley, Thursday, January 12, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

Bartlett, 23, plead guilty to robbing Jeffery Scott Blair, 20-month-old son of Jerry's Restaurant and Tackett Furniture. Richard and Sandra Ward Blair, Jan. 7, at They received three-year pen terms on each count...There died: William M. "Bill" May, 86, of Goble-Roberts, Friday, at home; Zella Slone, 62, of Craynor, Friday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; John Fields, 78, of Dwale, last Wednesday; Taulbee Branham, 67, of Water Gap, Friday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Bradas Parsons May, 84, of Langley, January 11, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Bess Stephens Wells, 82, of Auxier Road, Thursday, at Highlands Regional Mediucal Center; Alvin Bruce Branham, 59, of Martin, last Thursday, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Myrtle Bailey, 89, of Hueysville, last Wednesday, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Samantha Gayheart, infant daughter of Terry and Linday Gayhart of McDowell, January 8, at her home; Mary L. Laf-ferty, 85, of Endicott, Sunday, at High-lands Regional Medical Center; Columbus E. Lawson, 75, of Honaker, January 9, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

a Russell hospital; Dock Blevins, 84, of Weeksbury, Saturday, at the McDowell Hospital.

Forty Years Ago January 14, 1965

The additional \$7,000 needed by the City of Prestonsburg to complete its urban renewal projects have been made avail-able by the Community Facilities Administration, Congressman Carl D. Perkins wired The Times last week...Ernest Gene Marsillett, 36, formerly of West Prestons-burg, was killed Sunday afternoon, by a bullet from a .38-calibre revolver at the home of his father at Fritz, Magoffin County...Registration for the spring semester of the Prestonsburg Community College, which began, Tuesday, indicates little if any, drop in the number of stu-dents enrolling for work...The 24 indictments returned by the Floyd Circuit Court grand jury, last week, represents the lowest output of true bills to be voted by a grand jury, here, within the memory of officials, it was said this week...There died: Mrs. Ollie Hall King, 44, formerly of the Grethel section of this county, Friday, at Lutheran Hospital, Cleveland, from accidental carbon monoxide poisoning; Adrian Collins, 56, of Prestonsburg, Monday, at the home of a son in South Shore, Ky.; Mrs. Hettie Howell, 65, of East McDowell, Friday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Clifford Wilburn, 53, of Amba, Dec. 30, at the Wilburn, 53, of Amba, Dec. 30, at the Pikeville Appalachian Regional Hospital; Mrs. Bureda T. Yates, 36, Floyd County native, last Wednesday, at Ann Arbor, Michigan; Lawrence L. Lynch, 72, of Martin, Sunday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, there; Mrs. Minnie Amburgey Smith, 77, of Bypro, Tuesday, at the Pikeville Appalachian Regional Hospital; Lee Wallen, 65, of Wheelwright, last Thursday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Mrs. John H. Felty Sr., 49, of Tucson, Arizona, formerly of Allen, 49, of Tucson, Arizona, formerly of Allen, January 3, in Arizona.

Twenty Years Ago January 16, 1985

Alvis Randall Frasure, 39, was convicted of reckless homicide in the murder of Larry Wilson, and it was recommended that he serve a 5-year term in state penitentiary. Charges against Wilson's ex-wife, Linda June Wilson, were ordered dismissed by Circuit Judge Hollie Conley...If plans of the Eastern Kentucky Wildlife Federation are carried out, an animal shelter to serve Floyd County could be in operation as early as February 1...The Floyd County School System ended the school year with a \$145,872 general fund surplus...Two Prestonsburg men, Charles Brown, 26, and Terry A.

Thirty Years Ago January 15, 1975

The \$593,775 bid offered by Akers & Akers, Dana contractors, was the lowest of three offered on the construction of the McDowell physical education-lunchroom structure, and its acceptance was voted last week...The Floyd Circuit Court's grand jury report, signed by Joseph G. Jacobs, foreman, said drug violations are increasing and that the problem "has penetrated our elementary schools."...The first snowstorm of the winter struck here, Sunday morning, depositing the heaviest accumulation of snow seen in the area in years...Skyrocketing operational costs have been cited by representatives of 17 Kentucky school systems, including Floyd County's, as the main reason or their deficit budgets during the 1973-74 school year...Born: To Dr. and Mrs. Nor-ris McCormick Langford Jr., of Louisville, their second daughter, Addie Brook, December 22, at St. Anthony's Hospital, Louisville. Mrs. Langford is the former Jan Collins of Prestonsburg...There died: Maude Spears Clark, 83, of the Auxier Road, Jan, 4, at a nursing home, here; Lucrecy Bays Vaughan, 62, of West Prestonsburg, last Tuesday, at a hospital, here; Della Thornsbury, 47, of Topmost, Saturday, at a Jenkins hospital; Malcolm V. Ferguson, 47, Sun-day, at his home at Martin; Grace Marrs, 83, native of Prestonsburg, Sunday, in a Detroit nursing home; Martha Wells Slone, 59, of Hindman, Friday, Jan. 3, at a Hazard hospital; W. J. (Red) Harrington, 65, of Lorain, O., formerly of Paintsville, Jan. 5, in Lorain; Raymond Howell, 65, of Auxier, Thursday, at a hospital, here; Willie (Bill) Hall, 78, of McDowell, Saturday, at the McDowell Hospital; Melvin Shepherd Sr., 54, of the Goble-Roberts Addition, last Tuesday, at a hospital, here;

Fifty Years Ago January 13, 1955

Judge Bert T. Combs, of the Kentucky Court of Appeals, Tuesday, announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for Governor...Estimates made by biolo-gists of the State Department of Fish & Wildlife Resources, place the number of Kentucky and largemouth bass in Dewey Lake, at between 7,000 and 8,000, eight inches or more in length ... Prestonsburg has lost its popular and highly successful football coach, D. T. (Doc) Ferrel, to Owensboro High School, it was learned Thursday night...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johns Archer, son William

School

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 Lifelong Learning Center: Tue., Thur. - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Contact: Lucille Fuchs - 886-0709.

Martin Extended Educa-

Korner

Continued from p2 tion 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., 10 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.

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you may think, just try it somedream some more - how about time and you'll see. Archer a Red Lobster, or a Friday's, or Park was an idea brought up in maybe a Rally's? And how this particular conversation, come we don't have a Shonfor an area for these skate ey's or a Bob Evans? boarders to have fun. And why not, it would get them out of We've got the spaces. How the streets and off the sidenice it would be to see them all walks and give them a place full and prospering. just for skate boarding. Okay,

we're really dreaming here!

Oh, to dream! Til Next Week - May Your While we're at it, let's Dreams Come True, God Bless!

Where's our JC Penny's?

D.A.V. Chapter 18 raise flag at Highlands Terrace

was conducted on December 7, 2004, at Highland Terrace, in Prestonsburg, by the Disabled American Veterans Chapter 18. The flag was sent tol on September 10, 2004.

A flag raising ceremony to the housing complex to resident, Eleanor Robinson, from Congressman Harold Rogers. The flag sent to Mrs. Robinson was flown over the U.S. Capi-

Critter

make them seem real. Until you have seen them first-hand, it is hard to think of them representing individual animals.

Did you know, that in the United States, we kill around 350 healthy, adoptable animals EVERY MINUTE? Now don't go blaming the shelters for that. Those animals are the lucky ones. They were given a chance for adoption, and many found new homes. As for the others, they were cared for and well-fed and their lives were humanely ended. We don't have statistics on the others that were abandoned, lost, or otherwise unaccounted for. Litters of puppies are set off beside the road. (Sometimes this is done by misguided owners who fantasize that they will toddle off to find good homes. Other times it is done by a person who just wants them out of sight and out of mind.) Barn cat populations get out of hand and go feral. Roaming dogs join up to form packs that are more wild than domesticated. Many of these animals live short, miserable lives and meet a violent death.

The sheer reproductive ability of our domestic pets is staggering. For every person born today in the country, seven puppies and kittens will also be born. This discrepancy makes it obvious that there are just not enough homes to go around. Most dogs go through two heat cycles per year, producing an average of 6-10 puppies per litter. In six years' time, one female dog and her offspring can theoretically produce SIXTY-SEVEN THOUSAND dogs. Cats are even more prolific-able to produce three, and sometimes four, litters per year with 4-6 kittens per litter. That has the potential to become FOUR HUNDRED AND TWENTY THOUSAND cats within seven years.

So what, you say-you don't I ask for the privilege of not being born ... even have a pet. It doesn't concern you. Well, actually it of a home and a master to protect me, does-on the average, it costs around \$100 to capture, house, to enjoy life ... feed, and eventually kill a not to be born until my body is precious homeless animal. Guess whose taxes pay for this? And if you've ever had your garbage knocked over by stray dogs or

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endured the sound of roaming cats fighting and mating under the house, you've been affected directly by the problem.

So, now that you're aware of this, what can we do about it? Obviously, responsible care of our own pets is the first step. Don't let them roam, and have them fixed. In fact, spaying and neutering as many animals as possible is the single most effective thing we can do-shut down those kitten and puppy factories!

Public education is important, too. So now that you're conscious of the problem, make others aware-talk about what you can do to help. Call your local shelter, rescue organization, vet's office, or just the neighborhood "cat lady". You'll be surprised at the number of ways you can be of assistance. They can put you in touch with programs and organizations you may not have even known existed. You don't have to scoop poop or deal with injured or homeless animals if it distresses you too much. You can help with a fundraiser, drive your elderly neighbor to the vet to keep her cat's spay appointment, drop off a book of stamps or some copy paper to the SNOOP folks. You might be able to transport a furry passenger with you on your next trip for the TRAIN organization. Buy a Spay/Neuter license plate for your vehicle instead of a regular one. Borrow a live trap and help the man down the road catch the feral cats he's been feeding so he can have them fixed (so they don't turn into 420,000 felines!)

If we know about a problem, we can face it, and if we face it we can fix it. It's going to take time and it's going to take cooperation, but we can do it. We have to, if we call ourselves humane.

not to be born until you can assure me and the right to live as long as I am able

and men have ceased to exploit it because it is cheap and plentiful

author unknown





Welcome, baby girl!

Taylor Nicole Hamilton was born on January 4, 2005, to proud parents Toby and Shonna Hamilton, of Galveston, at 6:28 p.m., at the Pikeville Medical Center. She weighed 7 Ibs., 8 oz., and was 21 inches long. She is the granddaughter of Larry and Joy Hall, of Printer, and Ernest and Emma Hall, of Galveston. She is the niece of Brandy and Aaron Tackett, Jodi and Jim Adair, Leigh Ann Hamilton, Brian Hall, Jamie Hall, and Chris and Katrina Hall, who are all overjoyed with her arrival. She is the newest little cousin of Brooklyn Nicole Tackett.





Pajama Day at BLES

class at Betsy Layne Elementary Day" by wearing their pajamas book, "The Polar Express."

Mrs. Miller's kindergarten to school where they enjoyed an Shown here in their p.j.'s are: tany, and Kimberly. Front row, afternoon treat of hot chocolate

Back row, left to right - Morris, recently celebrated "Pajama and a special reading of the Johnathon, Dustin, Bradley, Seagar, Brandon, Jordan, Brit- sa, Cheyenne, and Dereck.

left to right - Brianna, Jamie, Macie, Austin C., Sabrah, Talis-

Oak

devoured. Our damage wasn't all that bad, but the subterraneans did have a good start on the hors d'oeuvres of our dwelling, and appeared to be about ready to begin the main course.

We got a few estimates and hired an exterminator. Hopefully, the healthy dose of chemicals he applied quelled their appetite for pine and particle board. It all makes you wonder, though, just what other unseen creatures lie hidden away to which the homeowner is subject to fall prey.

After having seen what lives beneath the floorboards and inside the walls. I'm afraid to imagine the number of creatures of unknown name and description that might have taken up residence in our house. Furthermore, I can only guess the source of the scratch, scratch, and scurrying in the attic above my bed that is audible only at 2 a.m., when the house is perfect-Iv quiet and I'm suffering from

insomnia.

"It's just the house settling," I tell myself.

I'm not very convincing, though, and deep down what I'm thinking as I stare upward into the blackness is that it's a family of large possums, or ever worse, a pack of industrialstrength rats running back and forth in celebration of finding a new home, while all the time contemplating just how long it'll take for them to gnaw

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through the ceiling. With daylight, however, the scurrying begins to sound a tad more benign, actually resembling sounds expected from perhaps a single, tiny mouse.

Maybe someday I'll climb up there with a flashlight and see if I can find a dropping or two and, once and for all, identify those pesky little nocturnal visitors.

Then again, since I probably couldn't tell who dropped what, maybe I won't.

Welcome, baby boy!

Alex Joseph Begley was born on November 10, 2004, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, to proud parents Larry Joe and Rhonda Begley, of Lackey. He weighed 7 lbs., 12 oz. He is the maternal grandson of Donald and Freeda Horne, also of Lackey. His paternal grandparents are Larry and Suzette Begley, of Hazard. His family is overjoyed with his arrival.



Graduates beauty college

Leigh Ann Hamilton recent- She is currently residing in Lexly graduated from the East Ken-Beauty College, tucky Pikeville. Leigh Ann is the daughter of Joy and Larry Hale, and the late Phillip Hamilton.

ington, where she is furthering her career by studying the art of color specialization. Her family sends a warm congratulations on her achievements!

Yesterdays

Thomas, Jan. 10, at Prestonsburg General Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cottrell, a son, Fred, Jan. 5, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Yancy Ligon Clark, of Montgomery, W.Va., a daughter, Lynn, Jan. 11, at a Montgomery hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Lloyd Gunnells, a daughter, Jan. 11, at the Paintsville Hospital...There died: Will Oney, 85, Wednesday, at West Garrett; Mrs. Phoebe Alice Scalf, 90, Thursday, at the home of a daughter, on Mare Creek; Alice Mae Mosley, three years old, of Wheelwright, Tuesday, at Good Samaritan Hospital, Lexington.

Sixty Years Ago January 11, 1945

A step toward relief of the acute housing shortage in Prestonsburg was taken with the announcement, this week, by Harry Malkin, of the Capitol Lumber Company, here, that he had gained government agency approval of construction of 10 houses. The following Floyd servicemen were reported this week as casualties: Killed in action-T-Sgt. Carl F. Castle, of Martin; Pvt. Alvin Nelson, 20, of Dwale; missing-Pvt. John H. Spur-lock, of Printer, and Pvt. John B. Thornsbury, of Pyramid ... Prestonsburg remained this week without free express delivery, after C. L. Hyden, denied a raise by the American Express Company, made deliveries only at the expense of the consignee...Mrs. Ben Norris resigned, effective Jan. 1, as Floyd County registrant of vital statistics. Mrs. Marvin Ransdell has been named to succeed her..."Mother"

Geddes, who accompanied her daughter, Alice Geddes Lloyd, to Knott County, 30 years ago, to found the Caney Creek Community Center at Pippa Passes, is dead at the age of 90. She was buried at Pippa Passes in accordance with her request: "Let me settle where my shoulders dropped their load."...There died: Henry Blackburn formerly of Prestonsburg, last Thursday, at Veterans' Hospital, Breakville, O.; W. M. (Bud) Compton, 70, Saturday, at Firebrick, Kentucky.

Seventy Years Ago January 11, 1935

The grand jury, Tuesday, voted murder indictments against four Floyd men...Hauley Hughes, 28, was shot and

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killed at Hueysville, Sunday...Identity of the hit-run driver whose auto struck and killed five-year-old Joe Edd Gunnell of Tram, last Friday, is being sought ... A delegation of officials and citizens was promised, Tuesday, that grade and drain construction of about 10 miles of the Left Beaver Creek road will be advertised for bids within two weeks...The home of Dr. Charles Bond, at Fallsburg, was destroyed by fire last week ... There died: Sherman Nunnery, 61, Friday night, at his home here; Mrs. Margaret Auxier May, 72, Sunday night, at her home in Prestonsburg; Larce Burchett, 43, of Sugar Loaf, Sunday, at a Paintsville hospital; A. L. Stephens, 74, Floyd native, December 23, at Clayton, Oklahoma, 46, years after his removal to that state; Terry Gene Branham, 11 months, of Boldman, December 20, at a Pikeville hospital.

Wagon

all the time bumping, hanging on the best we could and always, laughing.

This is how the miles rolled along and the day grew shorter. The trip from our house to Uncle Floyd's was long - about twenty miles or so. But around six o'clock that evening, we pulled into the barnyard at my uncle's house. We were now in that branch called Gulnare.

Uncle Floyd and his boys were waiting to help Mother down from the wagon, to help Daddy unharness his team of horses and to help feed and water them and board them in nice. clean stalls. Finally, the horses would get a rest, and so would we. I could have gone to sleep right then and there, but I didn't want to miss out on anything. I had never been to Aunt Polly's house before and I had never seen her big family all together at one time.

Aunt Polly stood in the kitchen door and announced that supper was ready and for everybody to come and eat before the food got cold. Aunt Polly was a tiny lithe woman with happy eyes and a dimple in her chin.

There wasn't much furniture in Aunt Polly's dining room. The one thing I saw first was the long, long table that went clean down one side of the room. Behind the table was a long bench that reached the length of the room. There was also a bench on the other side of the table but there were also ing room, so when the dishes were cleared away all the men and boys went outside to get ready to go hunting. I could hear them talking and laughing as they cleaned and filled their lanterns and carbide lights, tied their dogs to leads and prepared to go to the hills.

The women and girls all went into Aunt Polly's bedroom to sit down. Aunt Polly had a fire burning in the fireplace and eight or ten cane-bottomed chairs sitting around the hearth. The rest of us sat on the sides of the two beds, or on the floor. The women talked and giggled as they visited with one another and reminisced. As for me? I fell back on the bed and I must have gone to sleep because the next thing I knew, Mother was shaking my shoulder and saying, "Wake up - it's time to go to bed."

Aunt Polly lit another coal oil lamp and led the way to another bedroom where Mother and I were going to sleep. Daddy would be in the hills all night. Maybe all day, or even longer. One of Aunt Polly's girls slept in the bed with Mother and I.

Now, here is where I want to tell you about that night in one of Aunt Polly's other bedrooms. And here is where the story begins: The lamp lit up the room just enough for me to watch the shadows shimmer and shake on the walls. No light reached into the dark corners or behind the chair or bed.

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soon, she was asleep, but Mother and I hardly slept at all and it wasn't long before we heard Aunt Polly call from the kitchen - "Breakfast is ready!"

I wiped the frightened tears from my cheeks and followed Mother into the big dining room with a timid smile on my face. Mother squeezed my hand and said, 'We made it, didn't we?" The plain fact was, I had never been close enough to a coffin to touch it, let alone sleep right next to one!

Pansy is dead now but her sister-in-law, Tom's wife, told me a few days ago that Mr. Blankenship died several years ago and he was buried in his beautiful coffin, but moths had eaten up his suit and they had bought him another one almost like the first.

When the hunters came in that morning, they were tired and hungry. Aunt Polly had their breakfast ready. All the hunters were fed and so were all the dogs. Instead of Daddy sitting down to rest and nap for a while, Mother took him aside and the next thing I knew, Daddy's team was harnessed up and ready to go. Mother and I were already in the wagon seat with a lunch that Aunt Polly had put in a shoe box on the floor by our seat.

On that long, bumpy trip back home, my head was in Mommy's lap and my heart was at peace. After dark, I was tucked into bed close to Grandma and dreams of being home again were in my head.

Spring 2005 MAC Matinees *

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adjust to his new home and its

inhabitants. Discovering that the

fate of most pigs is the dinner

table, Babe devotes himself to

becoming a useful member of

the farm by trying to learn how

to heard sheep. Despite the

skepticism of the other animals

and the kindly but conventional

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two chairs - one at either end of the table. One chair was for Uncle Floyd, the other was for Aunt Polly.

That table would provide room for twenty people to eat, and there were that many eating there the night we were there.

Aunt Polly knew how to cook because I can't remember ever eating so much in my life - everything tasted so good! She had cooked fifteen squirrels with gravy, hot biscuits and hoecakes were piled high. There were shuck beans, pork ribs, and bowls of stewed potatoes. I would have to write an entire page to tell you everything there was good to eat on that table, but I have to mention the apple pies. Those apple pies made the whole day of traveling a pure joy! There were twelve of them on the side board across the room from where we were eating.

The men all talked about the upcoming race. Uncle Floyd explained where they were going to go and where they would turn their dogs loose. Mother talked with Aunt Polly and a few of the girls. As for me - I ate, I listened, and oh! how sleepy I became!

Aunt Polly didn't have a liv-

I could see the chambers sitting just under the side of the bed. There was some large piece of furniture sitting along the wall beside the bed on the side where I was going to lay. Pansy, Aunt Polly's girl, was in the middle of the bed, and Mother was on the outside. That piece of furniture was covered over with one of Aunt Polly's quilts. My heart was in my throat and I kept hoping Mother wouldn't blow out the lamp because it would really be dark then. Before she blew out the light, I turned to Pansy and asked what was under the quilt. Pansy, very calmly, told me, "That's Grandpa Blakenship's coffin that he's going to be buried in when he dies. His suit is all ready for him, too."

Now there I was - so near to that "thing" that I could have reached out and touched it. I wanted to go home!

Grandpa had his coffin made in England, from solid walnut wood. A man there had made it just for him and it cost Grandpa about two hundred dollars. Grandma lined the inside with silk.

"Mommy," I said, "Can I sleep in the middle?" Pansy traded places with me and We went again to Aunt Polly's house when I was all grown up and had a husband and children of my own. Kenneth, my husband, planned a hunting trip with Uncle Floyd's boys.

Early one Saturday morning, Kenneth got up and took our Chevrolet to the gas station and got it's tank filled with gas. I remember gas cost 39 cents a gallon at that time. By the time he got back, I had our two children up, fed, and dressed. Judy and Jim were excited to be be going to Uncle Floyd's house. They had heard a lot about Uncle Floyd and Aunt Polly, the fox hounds and those wonderful apple pies! The trip to John's Creek this time was still bumpy, but we traveled a little faster in our Chevrolet than Daddy's horses and wagon could go.

Well, just guess where the children and I ended up sleeping that night while Kenneth was out chasing foxes? My little Judy (all grown up now) can tell you all about trying to sleep in that dark room with me - the coffin sitting there so close that she could reach out and touch it. Yes, she, too, said to me, "Mommy, can I sleep in the middle?"



The author came to know of fox hunting through her father and relatives as a young girl. Later, her husband, Kenneth, also enjoyed the sport.

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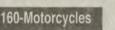
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(b) The property amendment area is from Route 2029's Charles a credit against said shall be sold subject approximately 0.5 junction with KY to any easements the bid and no bond and restrictions of State Route 850's in Plummer Branch Stanley; shall be required of record in the Floyd junction with Brush and Raccoon Branch of Ricky shall only be obligat- Office, and such right and located north of of redemption as may exist in favor of the Creek. Master United States of The Commissioner and America and/or the amendment is locat- 7-1/2 minute quadany real estate taxes record owners there- ed on the Martin rangle maps. The assessed against the of. U.S.G.S.

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as Trustee for the IN Certificate Holders of McDOWELL Partially CWABS 1999-02

Being the same property conveyed to A Ricky Charles Stanley and Audrey Stanley by deed the dated January 13, County 1995, and recorded in Deed Book 397, Page 591.

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the 3rd day of TERMS OF SALE February, 2005, at (a) At the time of the hour of 9:00 a.m., sale, the successful the bidder, if the other described real estate. than the Plaintiff, located at shall either pay cash Kentucky or \$5,000.00 of pur-Route 142, Martin. chase price, with the Floyd balance on credit for Kentucky, and more thirty (30) days, and particularly described required to execute a as follows: bond with good sure-

That certain tract or ty thereon for the parcel of land situatunpaid purchase ed on Main Beaver price of said property, Creek, Floyd County, if any, bearing inter-Kentucky, and being est at the rate of Lots No. 42, 43, 44, twelve percent (12%) 45, 46, 66, 67, 69, per annum from the and 70, in the E.M. date of sale until Moore paid, having the force Company and effect of a Subdivision of the

Harry Branham farm. (b) The property Being the same shall be sold subject property conveyed to to any easements Frankie D. Webb and and restrictions of Terry L. Howell on record in the Floyd May 8, 2000, by deed Clerk's recorded on May 12, 2000, in Deed Book 447, Page 108, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

TERMS OF SALE (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the bal- coal erty taxes for the ance on credit for reclamation operayear 2004, and all thirty (30) days, and tion, located 0.5 mile subsequent years which are not yet due bond with good sureand payable. Any and ty thereon for the all delinquent Floyd unpaid County, Kentucky, price of said property, acres of surface disreal estate taxes will be paid from the sale twelve percent (12%) (d) In the event the per annum from the acres, making the Hueysville, in Floyd Plaintiff is the purdate of sale until total area within the County.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5461 Amendment No. 2 In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that CONSOL of Kentucky Inc., P.O. Box 130, Mousie, Kentucky, 41839, has applied for an amendment to an existing underground mining and

required to execute a northeast of Hippo, in for a surface coal Floyd County. The amendment will add purchase an additional 0.0 if any, bearing inter- turbance and an est at the rate of additional 1,609.3 acres of underground

Dexter Dale Reffit and Billy E & Susan Reffitt. The amendment Division of Permits application has been #2 Hudson Hollow. filed for

Department for 40601 Natural Reources. Division of Reclamation Enforcement's ments, objections or Presto'nsburg Regional 3140 South Lake received within thirty Drive, Prestonsburg, (30) days of today's 41653. Kentucky date. 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.

advertisement of this 436 Daniels Creek application; all comments, objections, or Kentucky 41502, has requests for a permit conference must be bond release on perreceived within 30 days of this date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-0308 In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that approximately 1.5 Motts Branch Coal Inc., P.O. Box 2765. Road, Pikeville, and

applied for a permit latitude is 37°30'45" mining and reclama- 82°53'06" tion operation, affecttional 186.9 acres. located 4.5 miles northwest

This is the final Mine advertisement of the and application. All comrequests for a permit Office, conference must be

NOTICE OF **BOND RELEASE**

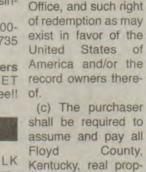
Permit No. 836-5429 Increment No. 10

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Motts Branch Coal This is the final Inc., P. O. Box 2765, Road. Pikeville. applied for Phase 1 mit number 836-5429, Increment No. 10, which was last issued on 10/09/91. The application covers an area of approximately 866.39 acres, located 2.9 miles northeast of

Hueysville, in Floyd County. The permit area is mile northwest from

Ky. Rte. 2029's junc-436 Daniels Creek tion with KY Rte. 7, located in Kentucky 41502, has Saylers Branch. The The longitude is

The bond now in ing 269.6 acres and effect for Increment will underlie an addi- No. 10 is a certificate of deposit and a bond pool type in the of amount \$34,500.00 Approximately sixty



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(60) percent of the for a more complete original bond amount description of said in the amount of lots. \$34,500.00 is included in the application property conveyed to for release

which was completed in October 2004.

Results thus far achieved are; area is stable and the post mining land use has been established.

comments, tions, and requests or informal confer- required to execute a the ence must be filed bond with good sure- County Division of Field unpaid Hollow, 9:00 a.m., at the Judgment. Department for Surface Regional 3140 South Lake County Suite Drive, 6. Prestonsburg.

mal conference is of. received by February 18, 2005.

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT

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the bid and no bond Clerk's Office.

DIVISION NO. I C.A. NO. 03-CI-978 U.S. Bank, N.A. as Trustee, Successor by merger by Firstar N.A. Bank. Successor in interest to Firstar Bank Milwaukee, N.A., as trustee for Salomon Brothers Mortgage Securities VII, Inc., Floating Rate Pass-Mortgage Through Certificate Series 1999-NC5 Plaintiff VS Anthony Swiger. Fran Swiger, United States of America, Commonwealth of Kentucky, Division of Collections, Department of Revenue Cabinet, County of Floyd Defendants **Re-NOTICE** OF COMMISSION. ER'S SALE BY VIRTUE OF Renewed Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 29th day of November, 2004, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the abovestyled action, in the principal sum of \$51,519.90, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County courthouse door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg Kentucky, (behind Floyd the new County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 27th day of January, 2005, at the hour of 9:30 a.m., the and following described real estate, located on Walnut Street, Tram, Floyd in Kentucky, County, and more particularly described as follows: Being Lot Nos. 97, 99 and 17 1/2 feet of Lot No. 100, adjoining Lot No. 99, in the unknown heirs or Riverside Addition to devisees, if any, of Tram, Floyd County, Earl D. Shannon and Kentucky, as shown their unknown spousby map of said addi- es, if any; Floyd tion filed in the Floyd County, County Office, to which refer- spouse, if any, of ence is hereby made Zada Shannon

NOTICE OF Being the same ER'S SALE Anthony Swiger and Reclamation work Fran Swiger, by a Judgment and Order Commissioner and Henry M. Reed III, performed includes: deed dated August of Sale of the Floyd any real estate taxes backfilling, final grad- 26, 1999, of record in Circuit Court, entered assessed against the ing, and seeding to Deed Book 439, on the 15th day of real estate. achieve the approved Page 209, in the November, 2004, in post mining land use, Office of the Clerk of the Floyd Circuit ments made on date County, Court, in the above of sale take prece-TERMS OF SALE (a) At the time of with interest, costs sale, the successful and fees, I shall probidder, if the other ceed to offer for sale This is the final than the Plaintiff, at the Old Floyd advertisement of the shall either pay cash County courthouse PSC application.Written or \$5,000.00 of pur- door, South Central objec- chase price, with the A v e n u e . Plaza balance on credit for Prestonsburg, for a public hearing thirty (30) days, and Kentucky, (behind new with the Director, ty thereon for the Center), to the highpurchase est bidder, at public Services, #2 Hudson price of said property, auction, on Thursday, Frankfort, if any, bearing inter- the 27th day of Commissioner Kentucky 40601, by est at the rate of January, 2005, at the February 18, 2005. twelve percent (12%) hour of 9:15 a.m., the A public hearing on per annum from the following described the application has date of sale until real estate, located at been scheduled for paid, having the force 204 Cow Hollow February 21, 2005, at and effect of a Road, Drift, Floyd County, (b) The property and more particularly Mining shall be sold subject described as follows: Reclamation's to any easements The property locat-Prestonsburg and restrictions of ed at Drift, Kentucky, made by James D. Office, record in the Floyd up in Cow Hollow, Office, and such right stake on the right ness of entertainof redemption as may hand side of the Kentucky 41653. The exist in favor of the county road and run- More. The nature of hearing will be can- United States of ning in a north direc- the business will be celled if no request America and/or the tion 88 feet to a fence Pool for a hearing or infor- record owners there- post which is in line Video (c) The purchaser the foot of the hill. 231.070, the Floyd shall be required to Thence running a County Attorney shall assume and pay all west direction around investigate whether County, the foot of the hill 126 the applicant lacks Kentucky, real property taxes for the in a east direction fol- ter, or whether the year 2004, and all lowing the edge of applicant will obey subsequent years the county road to the laws of the which are not yet due the beginning. This is Commonwealth in and payable. Any and forming a triangle the operation of the all delinquent Floyd shaped lot. This lot business, or whether County, Kentucky, conains a five room the applicant, within real estate taxes will dwelling with bath the last two (2) years be paid from the sale and carport. (d) In the event the property conveyed to has been convicted Plaintiff is the pur- Orville Mitchell, Jr., in Kentucky of mainchaser of the above and Shana Mitchell, taining a public described property his wife, by deed nusiance. Pursuant for an amount equal dated December 13, to KRS 231.080 any to, or less than, its 1995, and recorded first lien, it shall take in Deed Book 391, oppose the permits

COMMISSION-By virtue of Final the styled action, in the dence over printed principal sum of \$63,233.34, together Floyd Justice Kentucky, Clerk's starting with a steel of the proposed busiwith a small bush at Pursuant feet. Thence running good moral charac-Being the same ing the application a credit against said Page 696, in the shall file with the

Defendants

shall be required of 2005, in writing, alle-TERMS OF SALE gations that show (a) At the time of cause as to why the sale, the successful application shall not the fees and costs of bidder, if the other be granted. Said writthan the Plaintiff, ten information shall Commissioner, and shall either pay cash be signed, dated, and any real estate taxes or 10% of purchase reflect the current assessed against the price, with the bal- address of said perance on credit for son providing the announce- thirty (30) days, and information. required to execute a Pursuant to KRS bond with good sure- 231.080, a hearing dence over printed ty thereon for the has been scheduled purchase for February 17, price of said property, 2005, at the hour of if any, bearing inter-2:30.p.m., or as soon Kristen J. est at the rate of thereafter as same twelve percent (12%) can be heard before per annum from the the Floyd County date of sale until Judge/Executive at paid, having the force the Floyd County and effect of a Justice Center, 2nd Judgment. floor, The property Prestonsburg, (b) William S. Kendrick shall be sold subject Kentucky. The Floyd M a s t e r to any easements C ounty and restrictions of Judge/Executive record in the Floyd shall hear evidence County Clerk's Office in support of, or in and such right of opposition to the redemption as may granting of the perexist in favor of the mit. United States of Hon. Keith Bartley America and/or the Floyd County record owners there-Attorney of. (c) The purchaser NOTICE OF shall be required to BOND SALE assume and pay all The Floyd County Floyd County and School (Kentucky) City of Prestonsburg, District Finance Kentucky, real prop-Corporation, will until erty taxes for the 11:00 a.m., E.S.T., on year 2005, and all January 27, 2005, subsequent years receive in the Offices which are not yet due of the School and payable. Any and Facilities all delinquent Floyd Construction County and City of Commission, 229 W. Prestonsburg, Main Street, Suite Kentucky, real estate 102, Frankfort, taxes will be paid 40601, Kentucky from the sale procompetitive bids for ceeds \$4,320,000 of its (d) In the event the School Building Plaintiff is the pur-Refunding Revenue chaser of the above Bonds, Series of described property 2005, dated February for an amount equal 2005, maturing to, or less than, its May 1, 2005, through first lien, it shall take 2016. a credit against said Specific information lien for the amount of in Preliminary Official the bid, and no bond Statement available

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shall be required of from Ross, Sinclaire (606) 874-9003. the Plaintiff, and it & Associates, Inc., at 4. This notice will 122, and located 0.50 shall only be obliged www.rsamuni.com. to pay court costs, the fees and costs of

Anv announcematter contained herein Plaintiff's Attorney: Hon, Thomas D. Murphy, II Ackerson & Yann, One Riverfront

401 West Main Street Suite 1200 Louisville. KY 40202 William S. Kendrick Maste P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653 PUBLIC NOTICE

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Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application for a permit to operate a place of entertainment, has been Johnson. The name ment is Donuts and Tables and Games, to KRS prior to the date of filperson desiring to lien for the amount of Floyd County Court County Clerk no later than February 17,

Tax exempt and in the Floyd County BUT NOT bank eligi-Master ble. Book Entry. Bond & Tax Counsel. Floyd County (Kentucky)

> School District Finance Corporation Paul by s/ Dr. located. Fanning Secretary

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO RELOCATE GRAVES

Jerry Banks is the owner of certain property located at Sage Allen Branch (formerly known as licensed Motts Branch and Allen General Branch) of Salt Lick Right Beaver in Floyd Creek County (Deed Book 289, Page 434). He relocation is planned had discovered an to take place on or abandoned cemetery after March 21, 2005. on his property which contains two (2) identifiable graves and possibly four (4) unmarked graves. It

is his intention to relocate these graves with the assistance of Knott Floyd Land Company due to mining operations on his property. The identifiable graves are: Bobbie Shepherd and Wanda Hicks. Permission to relocate the grave of Bobbie has been granted by tion, located 0.50 her next of kin. The mile west of Hi Hat, in only other identifiable Floyd County. The grave is that of Wanda Hicks, born 1926 and died 1927. All reasonable efforts have been made to the total area within contact Wanda Hicks'

determine if there are other graves in this ation is approximatelocation. 1. The cemetery has no known official name. It is located on Sage Allen Branch, approximately one mile up Sage Allen Branch on the left

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run each Wednesday Fork Times for a period of Creek 60 days from January 12, 2005. At the expi- ation is located on ration of 60 days the notice, Jerry Banks U.S.G.S. will petition the Floyd minute quadrangle Vester Fiscal Court to grant map. The surface Carl Butler & Patricia new acreage is authority to relocate area to be disturbed Mosley, Julia Marie affected by the transthe graves whose is owned by The next of kin cannot be Elkhorn 5. The graves operation will underrequiring Fiscal Court lie land owned by approval to be relocated will be relocated at a perpetual Land care cemetery in Floyd County, and Gayheart, Green & Hellen will be marked by appropriate headstone and footstone. The relocation will be Hamilton, Gayheart, supervised by a funeral Michelle director who will have Ronnie & obtained the appro-Blevins, priate permits from Delores the Health Services Cabinet, Department of Vital Statistics. The

NOTICE OF **INTENTION TO** MINE

Pursuant to Application

Number 836-0306 In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, 544 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg. Kentucky, 41653, has applied for a permit for an underground Shepherd coal mining opera-& proposed operation, will disturb 40 surface acres, and will under-Land lie 2,736 acres, and the permit boundary next of kin and to will be 2,758.5 acres. The proposed operly 0.50 mile west of KY Route 979's junc-

Stumbo. mile west of the Left Birdie Collins, Evan Ashland of Beaver Collins, Frasure, The proposed oper-McDowell Wilson, Ed Mosley Coal Jr., Elizabeth Hall, Company, LLC, The Tony & Jamie R. Newsome, Trip Hall, Danny The Elkhorn Coal Tackett, Danny Ray Co., LLC, Progress Tackett, Company, Osborne Eneropro, Inc., Day Dwayne Gavheart. Moore. Lonnie Akers, Millard Newman, Caudill, Lizzie Ann Eugene Alvin Mosley, Ricky & Kent & Rita Dye, Blevins. Mildred Kennel Ernest & Jared Hall Blevins, The application has William Howell Heirs, Myrtle Paige, Virbil & inspection at the Jean Hall, Hank Jr. & Department Natural Resources. Velvie Osborne, Anthony Newsom. Prestonsburg Woodrow Caudill, Regional 3140 South Lake Benji Caudill, Elanor Pike, Garlis Caudill, Drive, Prestonsburg Troy & Mary Howell, Kentucky Teddie Howell, Bee Written comments, Howell Estate, Teddy Howell, Rita Varney, objections Billie J. Isaac, Guy & requests for a permit Flotine Jones, Perley conference must be filed with the Director, Howell Heirs, Emmit Blevins Estate, Freda Divison of Bentley, Juanita Knott, Jack Akers, Hollow, U.S. 127 Pink & Esta Elliott, South. Kentucky 40601. Lesley & Joyce Hamilton, Charles T. and Janet G. Vance, NOTICE OF Laura Caudill Heirs. INTENTION McKinley Osborne TO MINE

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Heirs, Burton Farris Pursuant to Estate, Dessie Horn, Application Brenda Slone, Neil J. No. 898-5054. Linda Mitchell Transfer William E. & Mahalia In accordance with Mae Clay, Progress 405 KAR Corporation. notice Mike Tackett, Effort given that Reynolds Estate, Elkhorn Karen K. Addis. Company. Marcettea Newman, Ashland Pete & Minnadel Ashland. Caudill, Polly Tackett 41101, intends to Estate, Meredith & transfer permit num-Genieve Slone, Billy

German ber 898-5054 to LCC Gale & Kentucky LLC. 2000 Drive Moses Ashland, Kentucky II. Vester 41101. The new per-Gayheart, Carl Butler mit number will be & Gale B. Birdie 898-4256. The oper-Collins, Evan Collins, ation disturbs 499.17 7 1/2 Moses Frasure, II, surface acres, and Gayheart, underlies 0 acres. No fer.

> The operation is located 2.3 miles west of Pikeville, in Alma Pike and Floyd County. The opera-Pink tion is approximately ,60 mile northeast Heirs. Newman, from KY 1384's junc-Orbie Newman, Irene tion with CR 1552 Johnny road, and along Dog Winston Fork of Hurricane David Creek. The latitude is Ed 37°29'09" and the Mosley Jr., James longitude IS 82°35'18". The operation is located on and the Pikeville U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quad been filed for public rangle map.

> The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Mining Surface Reclamation and Enforcement's Pikeville Regional Office, 121 Mays Branch Road Pikeville, Ky. 41501 Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director. Mine Division of Permits Permits, #2 Hudson #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. South. 127 Frankfort, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of

OPERATION COOKIB DROP Donate a box of Girl Scout Cookles to **Operation Cookie** Drop Girl Scouts. Wilderness Road Council 800/475-2621

East Kentucky Utilities, Inc. NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that East Kentucky Utilities, Inc., is seeking approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission, Frankfort, Kentucky, for an adjustment of rates to become effective on or after 02/08/2005, in the total amount of \$153,110 on an annual basis. The proposed rates reflect an increase in revenues of approximately 18.9 percent to East Kentucky Utilities, Inc. The proposed amount of increase per customer is as fo lows:

the Plaintiff and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the Master real estate. Anv ments made on date of sale take prececontained unpaid matter herein. Plaintiff's Attorney: Hon. Mudd Lerner, Sampson & Rothfuss P.O. Box 5480 Cincinnati, Ohio 45201-5480 513/241-3100 Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653 (606) 886-2812 COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY **FLOYD CIRCUIT** COURT **DIVISION NO. II** CASE NO. 04-CI-00328 Bank Deutsche Trust National Company as Trustee under the Pooling Servicing Agreement Series

Plaintiff Orville Mitchell, Jr.; Shana Mitchell; the unknown spouses, if Betty of Shannon Tackett and Donald Ray Shannon; the Kentucky; Clerk's and the unknown

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dence of Jerry Banks, and has been abandoned for many years.

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2. This notice is to request assistance from anyone having knowledge of persons buried in this location or the names of their next of kin. 3. If you have any information about persons buried in this location, please contact George Adkins at Knott Floyd Land Company, P.O. Box Pikeville. 2765. Kentucky 41502

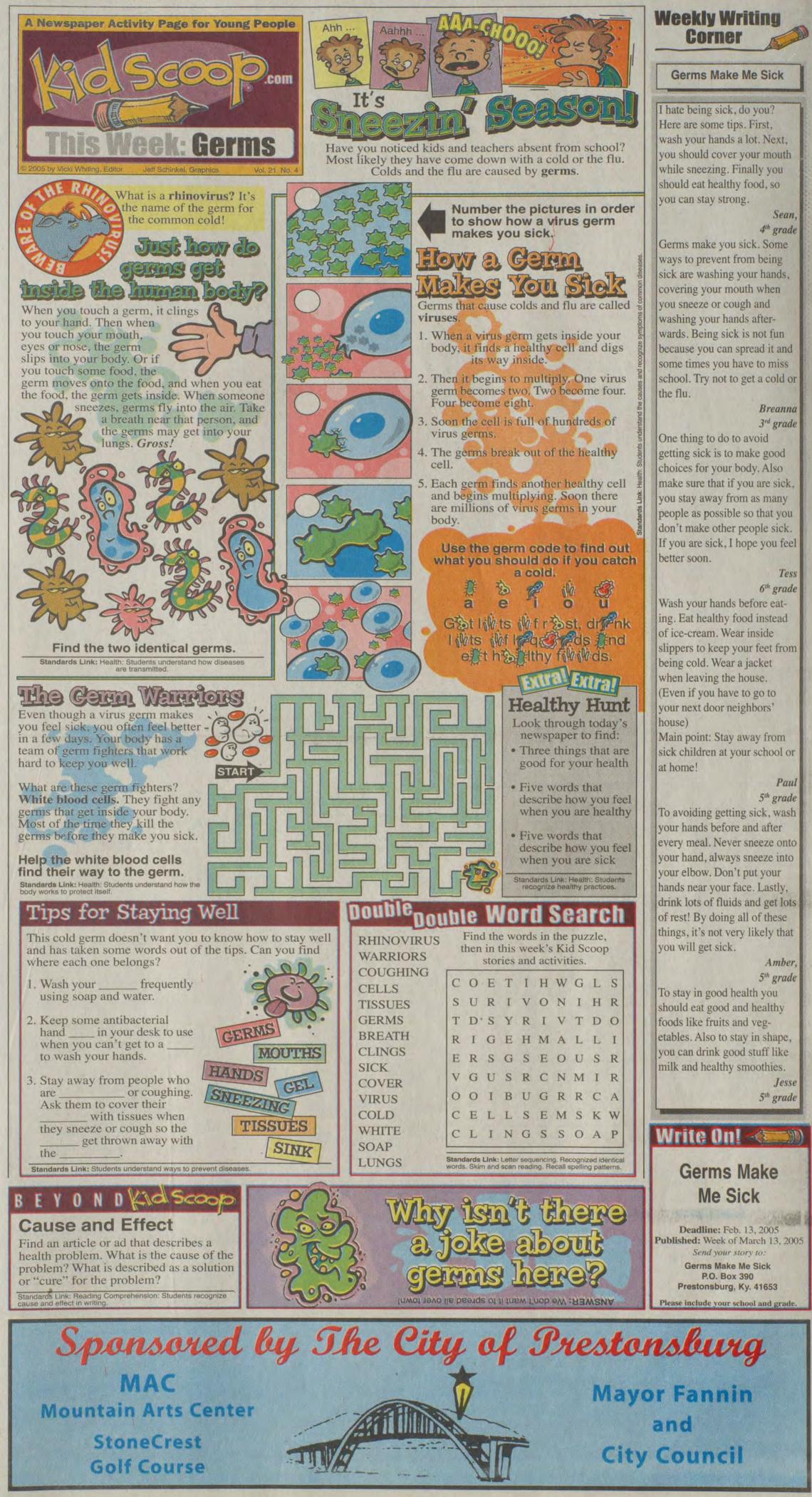
Existing	Proposed	Dollar Amt. of Increase	Percentage Increase
\$13.6140	\$17.0902	\$3.4762	25.53%
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The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by East Kentucky Utilities, Inc. However, the Public Service Commission may order rates to be charged that are higher or lower than the rates proposed in this notice.

Any corporation, association, body politic or person may request leave to intervene by motion within thirty (30) days after notice of the proposed rate changes is given. A motion to intervene shall be in writing, shall be submitted to the Executive Director, Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40602, and shall set forth the grounds for the motion, including the status and interest of the party movant.

Copies of the application may be obtained at no charge from East Kentucky Utilities. Inc., P.O. Box 408, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Upon request from an intervenor, the applicant shall furnish to the intervenor a copy of the application and supporting documents.







Written by Bob Rouse **Illustrated by Frank Yates**

CHAPTER 2

The story so far: Faced with losing their school, a team of students and their teacher try to win a scavenger hunt. The prize: a rap star's school-sized mansion!

Last week's clue:

You gotta travel to the capital city of insurance, I'll get you there for free - you have my assurance. Then send me back a photo of two houses side-by-side, In each of them a famous writer used to reside. One thing the famous books they wrote did insure, Was that the treatment of black citizens was in for a cure.

"Where can we get a copy of today's paper?" Mr. Sanchez asked excitedly, and then answered himself. "I'll go to the school library!'

"It's OK, Mr. Sanchez," Myron said, holding a copy of the Limestone Ledger. "We get papers delivered here."

"Of course we do," said the principal. "Let's look for the clue - it will be front-page news!'

Ms. Roosevelt was at her computer, reading FreeZee's e-mail. "Check 'Personals' in the classified ads, Mr. Sanchez. But FreeZee wants us to form a scavenger hunt team first," she said as she hit the "print" command. "We're to draw the names of four fourth-graders."

"What about adult supervision?" Mr. Sanchez asked excitedly. "And parents' permission?"

"I'll get permission for the kids." Ms. Roosevelt said calmly. "FreeZee wants me to lead the team. We'll start next week, while the school is closed for repairs."

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The following Monday, Ms. Roosevelt and four fourthgraders gathered in a meeting room at the Twin Rivers Airport. As instructed, they had no luggage and no money.

"Is there a special plane to take us?" Myron asked. He was still giddy over making the team.

"Are we supposed to wear the same clothes the whole time?" asked Nathan, who took a break from soccer to be on the team. "I sweat a lot, you know."

"Do we get to meet FreeZee?" said Latisha as she scooted her chair away from Nathan's. "He's the main reason I want to do this.

As Latisha spoke, the door opened and in walked FreeZee himself, followed by another man carrying two armloads of backpacks.

"Weep no more, my lady," the rapper said to Latisha. "You all are in for a big time."

FreeZee's friend delivered a backpack to each student and to Ms. Roosevelt. A sixth backpack was left at FreeZee's feet.

"Cool! My name's on it," Latisha said as the kids examined the gold, stitched letters on the black backpacks.

Amber Tally, a girl with long red hair who hadn't said two words since the group gathered, pointed at the extra backpack. "Somebody else?" she asked (in two words).

'That bag goes with the team." FreeZee said. "It's your toolbox, loaded with a laptop, camera phone, and other gadgets."

"Hey, I've got a cell phone, too" Myron said, fishing it out of a backpack pocket.

FreeZee flashed a big grin. "Yeah, y'all have phones for calling home, cool clothes with

my logo, and personal stuff even deodorant," he said, looking at Nathan. "I'll get you fresh clothes at every stage of the game - as long as you keep winning.

Ms. Roosevelt looked at her students. "Boys and girls, if winning keeps me from doing laundry, I say, 'Go team!"

"One more FreeZee thing," said. "I'll be in the studio sometimes while you're traveling, so I've asked my main man, Sluppy D, to keep an eye

on y'all. Slup?

FreeZee's friend stepped forward. A pale man, he had small, purple sunglasses and a soul patch on his chin (and poor posture, Ms. Roosevelt noted). "Hey yo kids, I'm your man behind the scenes," he said and then narrowed his eyes. "So let's keep it that way. You got my number in your phones. Y'all be cool.'

"Don't get so excited, bro," a laughing FreeZee said, turning to the team (while handing Ms. Roosevelt a credit card). "You'll have money to get you places and a computer for research, but use your own brains to solve the clues. Get me the answers before 9 p.m. If you get brain freeze, the game is over. Have fun!'

With that, FreeZee and Sluppy D left.

During the next half-hour, the students broke down the

"Capital city of insurance - that's Hartford, Connecticut," Nathan said with confidence. "My mom went there for training, and it's the state capital.'

Myron gave up trying to find an Internet link on the laptop, but Latisha plugged in a wireless network card she Kentucky Press Association

found in FreeZee's toolbox and logged on. "How'd you do that?" Myron asked.

"It's a WiFi world," Latisha replied.

Ms. Roosevelt watched as the four students crowded around the laptop screen, shouting out ideas.

'Search for 'Hartford' and 'author!'"

"And 'house!"

"No, use 'home.""

While Nathan and Ms. Roosevelt bought plane tickets to Hartford, the others surfed the Net - and solved the clue. As they boarded their flight, Myron shared the students'

> findings with Ms. Roosevelt: Harriet Beecher Stowe lived next door to Mark Twain in Hartford.

"In Uncle Tom's Cabin. Ms. Stowe showed the world how awful slavery really was, and so did Huckleberry Finn, but in a different way," Myron said. "Mark Twain's book came out 33 years after Uncle Tom's Cabin."

"What'd you do, like, memorize those Web sites?" Amber asked, shaking her head.

"Um, yeah, pretty much," Myron answered cheerfully.

It took the team less than an hour to get from the Hartford airport to the two houses on Farmington Avenue. Ms. Roosevelt used a camera phone to send a picture of the houses to FreeZee's phone, along with a text message describing the location and the authors' names. It was 5:15 p.m.

Within minutes, FreeZee sent a reply message:

U GOT IT. NU CLU N TDA'S HC. GL/HF.

"Whaaat?" Ms. Roosevelt yelped. "What's this?"

Each week, a rap clue for the story's scavenger hunt will appear in The Floyd County Times. Look for it in today's Classifieds section.

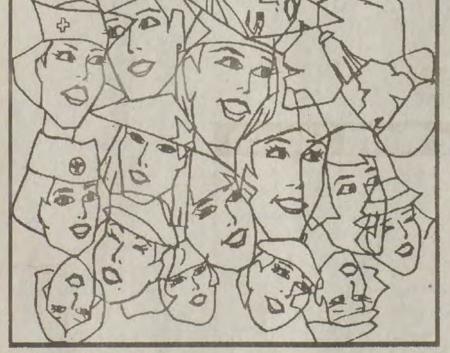
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CLIP & SAVE EACH CHAPTER IN YOUR CHAPTER BOOKS, AVAILABLE FROM THE FLOYD COUNTY TIMES



HEADS UP! Our artist says there are at least 17 faces in this drawing. Turn it every which way to find them.

SO BE IT! Find a country whose name begins with each of the following two-letter words: 1. SO___. 2. BE___. 3. IT__. Time limit: 30 seconds each. 1. South Africa (or did you say Somalia?). 2. Belgium. 3. Italy.

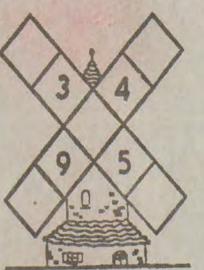
TWO ARMS! Numbers 1 through 9 are to appear in the arms of this windmill, right, so that the sum in each direction will be 23.

In addition, numbers at tips of the arms also are to total 23.

Each of the digits 1-9 is to be used just once. Hint: Number at center is necessarily a low one. Use a high number and it's 23 skiddoo.

How quickly can you find an arrangement that produces the suggested result?

> respective bottom tips. Place 1 at center; 8 and 7 in respective top tips; 2 and 6 in



MOVING IN CIRCLES **CRITTER-WISE**

OUR explorer friend, at left, finds himself in an unusual setting - surrounded by names of real or imagined long-ago critters.

While these names are not readily apparent, they may be found by adhering to an everyother-letter spelling pattern. Their individual whereabouts are as follows:

Outer circle: Pterodactyl, Megatherium.

Middle circle: Behemoth, Mastodon.

Inner circle: Gryphon, Mammoth.

Starting with initials, and proceeding via alternate letters, see if you can spell out names. Use up all letters in the process.

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World of Wonder

EXPLORING THE REALMS OF HISTORY, SCIENCE, NATURE & TECHNOLOGY

Who was Sojourner Truth?

Sojourner Truth was born Isabella Baumfree around 1797 in New York. She was one of the earliest female abolitionists. Abolitionists believed that the United States should eliminate slavery. Sojourner was passionate in her support of the abolitionists because she herself had once been enslaved.

A case for freedom

In the 1820s, a young Sojourner had escaped from her New York owner after being treated brutally and sold away from her family. By the 1840s, she had become a powerful speaker against slavery. Many in her audiences were moved to tears by accounts of what black slaves endured at the hands of cruel masters. She told of slaves forced into submission by beatings - sometimes with spiked sticks or chains - and how, as a teenager, she had been taken into a barn by her master and tied up by her wrists. He then tore the shirt from her back and whipped her until she bled.

She also spoke of the poor, cramped living conditions many slaves endured — they were crowded into cabins with no privacy. Often they were overworked, starved and wore threadbare clothing. Audiences heard Sojourner describe the humiliation of the auction block, where black men and women were often stripped to stand before buyers. They would be searched for signs of whip or shackle marks --- indicating that they had been repeatedly punished. Slaves would be inspected like livestock. Their teeth, muscles and other body parts were examined according to what the buyers' needs were.

"Children, who made your skin white? Was it not God? Who made mine black? Was it not the same God? Am I to blame, therefore, because my skin is black?"



Frederick Douglass William Lloyd Garrison

Frederick Douglass was one of the leaders of the abolitionist

movement, which fought to end slavery before the Civil War. Douglass was asked by the

The abolishionists

American Anti-Slavery Society to tour and lecture. He became recognized as one of America's first great black speakers. In 1847, he began publishing the North Star, an anti-slavery newspaper.

William Lloyd Garrison was publisher of the Liberator, an anti-slavery newspaper. In the very first issue he stated, "I do not wish to think, or speak, or write, with moderation ... I am

> in earnest - I will not equivocate - I will not

excuse - I will not retreat a single inch and I will be heard."

For more than three decades, from 1831 until after the end of the Civil War in 1865, Garrison wrote eloquent, passionate anti-slavery articles and spoke out for the rights of black people in America.

John Brown would not be deterred from his mission of abolishing slavery. On Oct. 16, 1859, he led 21 men on a raid of the federal arsenal at Harpers Ferry,

Va., with a plan to arm slaves with the weapons he and his men seized. He was thwarted by local farmers, militiamen, and Marines led by Robert E. Lee. Within 36 hours of their attack, most of Brown's men had been killed or captured.

Horace Greeley held great influence over public opinion before and during the Civil War, and used his newspaper, The New York Tribune, for this purpose. At first he believed that the differences between the North and the South could be settled peacefully. Shortly before the war, Greeley dropped his pacifist role. After the war began, he disagreed with Lincoln's conduct of it and urged emancipation of slaves

ojourner Truth Courageous Voice for Freedom

> Many slaves were forced to live in crowded, unsanitary conditions.

Cotton plantations were one of the main reasons slaves were owned in the South before the Civil War. Harvesting cotton (left) was hard, timeconsuming work.

A special calling

In 1843. Isabella took the name Sojourner Truth, believing she had received a message from God, and became a traveling preacher.

Sojourner was self-educated. Her speeches revealed great love and knowledge of the Bible. Her quick wit gave her the ability to turn unkind words from others against them. Facing a heckler who told her that her anti-slavery talk was heeded as much as a flea bite, Sojourner said, "Perhaps not, but Lord willing, I'll keep you scratching."

Sojoumer had many political causes. President Lincoln honored her at the White House in 1864 for her efforts. She strongly supported women's right to vote. During the Civil War, she gathered supplies for the black volunteer regiments. She was appointed to the National Freedman's Relief Association in 1864, where she worked to improve conditions for black Americans.

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Winning equality

During the Civil War, Sojourner Truth also fought for desegregation on public transportation in Washington, D.C. She refused to accept segregation, and had the segregated car removed from the streetcar system. She brought traffic to a halt on a local street when a driver refused her passage. With the support of the crowd. Sojourner forced the driver to carry her. During her life, she repeatedly challenged injustice wherever she saw it. Sojourner lived a long, productive life. She spoke before Congress, and for two presidents. Sojourner is best remembered for a speech she gave at a women's rights conference in 1851, where she noticed that no one had addressed the rights of black women. At the address she said, "Dat man ober dar say dat womin needs to be helped over carriages, and lifted ober ditches and to have the best place everywhere. Nobody eber helps me into carriages, or ober muddpuddles, or gibs me any best place. And ain't I a woman? Look at me. Look at my arm. I have ploughed and planted and gathered into barns, and no man could head me! And ain't I a woman?"

Sojoumer met with President Lincoln at the White House in 1864.

The Underground Railroad

Most abolitionists endorsed a secret movement that helped slaves to freedom. The Underground Railroad included hidden routes. Stations were homes with lights in the window, where a safe hiding place was. Some slaves were hidden in barns or behind secret wall passages. Leaders who knew the way were called conductors. Station masters were free people of color or wealthy white benefactors. Food, shelter or money for the escaping runaways was provided along the way. From 1800 until the end of 1865, more than 40,000 slaves made their way along the Underground Railroad to

freedom.

before Lincoln was ready to make that step.

> Horace Greeley

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Sojourner's grave in **Battle Creek**, Mich.

Accomplishment

Sojourner lived long enough to see her people brought to freedom. But she never stopped her efforts to win equality for them. Up until her death, she continued to speak out for her race. She died in 1883 and was buried in Battle Creek, Mich.

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