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briefs

Former senator dies in Fla.

Times Staff Report

LEESBURG, Fla. — A former Kentucky legislator died last week in Florida.

Jerry Fonce Howell, of Leesburg, died approximately a week shy of his 91st birthday.

Howell, a 1932 Prestonsburg High School graduate, served as state senator from 1958 to 1960. He also served as state representative during the 1940s, holding a position as the Majority Floor Leader.

Howell operated a grocery and hardware store at Price for several years before taking a position as vice president of Citizens Bank in Jackson, where he developed Snowden Branch, an upscale housing area, and a shopping center.

A native of Dana, Howell worked as a Floyd County teacher and principal in Bosco, Wheelwright and McDowell. He also worked closely with Morehead State University, where he holds an honorary doctorate in public service.

Howell is survived by his son, Jerry F. Howell Jr., and his sister, Lassie Morgan.

Hall Funeral Home in Martin is in charge of the arrangements.

2 DAY FORECAST

Today Mostly cloudy
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Bishop's defense gets its turn today

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The prosecution finished presenting its case against Dwayne Earl Bishop on Tuesday after two more days of testimony.

Defense attorneys will begin telling their side of the story today and could have their work cut out for them.

The prosecution used the last two days of testimony to call on

several scientific experts, as well as introducing more evidence that depicted Carolyn Bishop as a frequent victim of violence meted out to her by her husband.

The testimony began on Monday with Det. Terry Thompson taking the stand to talk about his investigation into the Aug. 31, 2000, murder of Carolyn Bishop, who was last seen alive on the back of her estranged husband Dwayne Bishop's motorcycle that evening.

Thompson talked about gathering evidence and relayed that he arrived at the gas line access path, where Carolyn Bishop's body had been discovered, off Ligon Camp Road at 2:20 a.m. From there he proceeded to Carolyn Bishop's home and interviewed family members. He then proceeded to the Floyd County Detention Center, where Dwayne Bishop was lodged after having been arrested

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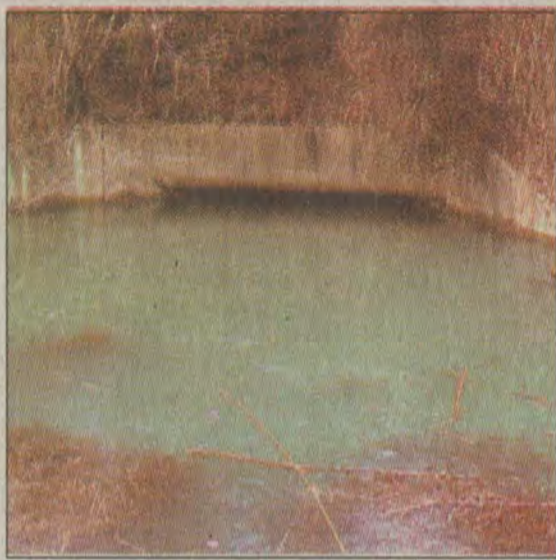
Det. Terry Thompson testified about the chain of evidence collection for the investigation of Carolyn Bishop's murder.

photo by Tom Doty



photo by Mary Music

Above: The beaver population is moving steadily upstream in Floyd County. While some local residents find the critters fun to watch, others are becoming concerned about possible flooding. Below: This boxed concrete culvert on Rice Branch is nearly hitting its limit, thanks to a family of beavers that call the structure home. Normally, there is supposed to be five feet of air between the surface of the water and the top of the culvert.



For beavers, it's home sweet home. But for some local residents, it's ...

A BIG DAM PROBLEM

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

RICE BRANCH — Plunk. Dip. Bubble. Bubble. They've been awful busy, neighbors say. They emerge every morning about daybreak, bright-eyed and not so bushy-tailed, ready to start their day. Plunk, they dip into the icy

water. They swim down, under, over to a tree or a sapling — a breakfast fit for a king. They nibble, their busy teeth chipping away, savoring the bark, then the pulp and the sap of it. It splashes into the water. Success. The broken tree becomes the newest addition their humble abode. Not bad for a morning's

work. It seems innocent enough, living a sustainable life through the natural world, but it isn't so innocent, neighbors say. Not so innocent at all. Beavers can cause a bit of a pickle in small creeks. That's what they've been doing, any-

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State says it's OK, so mom wants to know ...

Why can't teen stay home alone?

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

MARTIN — Should a high school freshman be left home alone after school?

That's a question many Floyd County parents haven't been asking, Debbie Halbert says.

Her son, Zack, 14, began spending a few minutes home alone after school each day when he stopped staying after school hours at a child care facility two years ago.

Halbert says her son's circumstances mirror those found throughout the county, where teenaged children walk home to empty houses and find ways to occupy themselves for up to an hour or longer before their parents make it home from

work each day. Halbert sees no problem with it. She considers her 14-year-old to be a responsible young man, one who can aptly stay home unattended for 10 minutes or less every day.

The Kentucky Department of Health and Family Services doesn't see a problem with it either, spokesperson Lisa Wallace said, provided that the child is mature enough to handle the responsibility.

"There's no law in Kentucky that specifies any age that a child can be or cannot be left home alone," Wallace said. "It's a judgment the parents have to make on their own, keeping in mind that they could be

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Honey Branch readies for first business tenant

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

HONEY BRANCH — Several years have passed since members of the Big Sandy Regional Industrial Development Authority tossed the idea of developing an industrial park at Honey Branch. Now, officials are anxiously awaiting the opening

of the site's first business. Schlumberger will hold a grand opening celebration at its new Honey Branch facility tomorrow, Thursday, Feb. 3.

Schlumberger, the multi-billion dollar oil field services company supplying technology, project management and information solu-

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State wants EMT to surrender license

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services is currently seeking disciplinary measures against a former Prestonsburg fireman who tested

positive last year for drug use. James Hager, of Prestonsburg, tested positive for methadone last year, after the city imposed urinalysis drug testing of its employees, reports say. According to a letter issued to the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical

services by Prestonsburg Fire Chief Gary Dotson, Hager resigned last February before action was taken against him by the city — one month after drug tests were administered to city employees. Dotson would not comment yesterday on the circumstances surrounding Hager's

resignation. He also refused to comment on Hager's service during the length of his employment with the city. Hager had been working for the fire department, where he also held a EMT cer-

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# Odds & Ends

■ **ANGLETON, Texas** — A Houston-area mother whose daughter's tardiness landed her in school detention wound up in jail over one of her son's unpaid fines.

Susan Manis was surprised last week when two Brazoria County deputies showed up at her home with a warrant for her arrest.

Manis and her husband, Steve, had recently spent an hour in detention with their 13-year-old daughter, who was late for class six times when the family's van wouldn't start.

"I'm wondering what's going to happen next," Susan Manis said Monday. "I'm 42 years old, and I've never had anything more serious than a traffic ticket."

Manis said she was handcuffed, put in a patrol car and taken to jail.

"I just cried at first," she said.

Her husband contacted a judge, who called the jail and ordered her release.

The warrant stemmed from Manis missing a monthly payment on fees and fines levied against one of her sons when he was a juvenile.

Because her son, now 19, does not have a steady job, she had agreed to send the court \$50 a month to pay off about \$10,000 in fines, fees and court costs he owes from three convictions.

"I accepted responsibility for them," said Manis, who agreed in court to make a payment by Thursday.

■ **RAPID CITY, S.D.** — A buffalo that escaped from an auction ended up in a dressing room at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center, where it spent a couple of hours staring into a mirror.

The buffalo jumped over a steel panel Sunday morning

during the Black Hills Stock Show & Rodeo, went down an alley and got into the dressing room reserved for visiting sports teams, said Brian Maliske, the civic center's general manager.

"The door happened to be unlocked and he pushed the door open and went in," Maliske said.

The crew conducting the Black Hills Classic Buffalo Sale decided to keep the animal locked in the dressing room for the rest of the auction. During its two-hour stay, it reportedly became fascinated with its image in a big mirror.

Once the sale ended, a rodeo crew member coaxed the buffalo out of the dressing room and back into captivity.

The animal never got into a public area, Maliske said.

■ **FORT WALTON**

**BEACH, Fla.** — The children at Ocean City Elementary say school stinks.

And they're right.

More than 70 have transferred from Ocean City Elementary because an aging and outmoded sewage treatment plant next door is emitting a foul odor.

"The smell affects us physically as well as the operation of our school," said Principal Debbie Boutwell. She said the school's budget is affected because out of 77 children who received zoning waivers not to attend the school, 70 cited the smell as the reason.

"We get roughly \$3,800 per student, so that's a lot of money that we aren't able to use for staffing," Boutwell said. "We have to write grants to get extra programs like PE and music."

She and her staff had hoped Okaloosa County, which operates the treatment plant just outside Fort Walton Beach, would close it soon. But officials last week said it will be another three years before that could happen.

"Relocating a sewage treatment plant is a really tough thing to do," County Manager Chris Holley said when he met with Boutwell and teachers. "Nobody wants it in their back yard."

■ **SYDNEY, Australia** — Roo rage is apparently on the rise in Australia, a post-graduate student studying the phenomenon said Tuesday.

Guy Ballard, a student at the University of New

England in the north of New South Wales state, began logging kangaroo attacks on humans after two such incidents in 1999 and 2002.

"We had thought there would be three to five attacks in the past two years but we've had 15 to 20 reports so far," Ballard said. "We are going to expand our research to better understand the context of the attacks."

He studied a small region between Coffs Harbor, a coastal town 300 miles north of Sydney and Grafton. Although such incidents are rare, Ballard said kangaroos can become aggressive and will attack if provoked.

"Now that more urbanized people are coming into contact with kangaroos they are starting to learn the lessons that rural Australians have known for quite some time," he said.

Ballard said an Eastern Grey kangaroo is about the same size as an average man and can inflict serious lacerations.

"It's about six feet tall with sharp claws and powerful hind legs. You wouldn't want to come up against that," he said.

Last year, there were two

reported kangaroo attacks in the Australian capital, Canberra, hundreds of miles south of Coffs Harbor. In one, a woman was attacked and in another, a woman said a kangaroo drowned her golden retriever in a pond. Officials blamed those attacks on a drought that had forced the marsupials into the capital in search of food and water.

■ **STOCKHOLM, Sweden** — The number of weddings performed at Stockholm's Arlanda Airport are taking off.

Spokesman Niclas Haerenstam said Monday such ceremonies increased by more than 30 percent last year compared with 2003. "It's mostly couples on their way to their honeymoon that take the opportunity to exchange rings at the airport," Haerenstam said.

Last year, 348 couples married at the airport, compared with 261 in 2003. The weddings took place either in the airport chapel or, more commonly, in a VIP room, where they can check in their luggage, order champagne

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## Today in History

### The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Feb. 2, the 33rd day of 2005. There are 332 days left in the year. This is Groundhog Day.

**Today's Highlight in History:** On Feb. 2, 1943, the remainder of Nazi forces from the Battle of Stalingrad surrendered in a major victory for the Soviets in World War II.

On this date:

■ In 1536, the Argentine city of Buenos Aires was founded by Pedro de Mendoza of Spain.

■ In 1653, New Amsterdam — now New York City — was incorporated.

■ In 1848, the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, ending the Mexican War, was signed.

■ In 1870, the "Cardiff Giant," supposedly the petrified remains of a human discovered in Cardiff, N.Y., was revealed to be nothing more than carved gypsum.

■ In 1876, the National League of Professional Baseball Clubs was formed in New York.

■ In 1882, Irish poet and novelist James Joyce was born near Dublin.

■ In 1897, fire destroyed the Pennsylvania state capitol in Harrisburg. (A new state-

house was dedicated on the same site nine years later.)

■ In 1945, President Roosevelt and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill departed Malta for the summit in Yalta with Soviet leader Josef Stalin.

■ In 1971, Idi Amin assumed power in Uganda, following a coup that ousted President Milton Obote.

■ In 1996, dancer, actor and choreographer Gene Kelly died at his Beverly Hills, Calif., home; he was 83.

**Ten years ago:** President Clinton nominated Henry Foster Jr. to succeed fired Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders; however, Foster's nomination was later defeated in the Senate. The leaders of Egypt, Israel, Jordan and the Palestinians held an unprecedented summit in Cairo to try to revive the Mideast peace process.

**Five years ago:** Searchers recovered the cockpit voice recorder from the wreckage of Alaska Airlines Flight 261 in the Pacific Ocean, off the California coast.

**One year ago:** President Bush unveiled a \$2.4 trillion budget featuring a record deficit, as well as big increases for defense and homeland

security. Deadly ricin was discovered in offices used by Senate majority leader Bill Frist. Israel killed a leader of Islamic Jihad and three other militants in a Gaza raid. An 11-story apartment building collapsed in Konya, Turkey, killing 92 people.

**Today's Birthdays:**

Actress Elaine Stritch is 80. Actor Robert Mandan is 73. Comedian Tom Smothers is 68. Rock singer-guitarist Graham Nash is 63. Actor Bo Hopkins is 63. Television executive Barry Diller is 63. Country singer Howard Bellamy (The Bellamy Brothers) is 59. Actress Farrah Fawcett is 58. Actor Brent Spiner is 56. Rock musician Ross Valory (Journey) is 56. Model Christie Brinkley is 51. Actor Michael Talbot is 50. Actress Kim Zimmer is 50. Rock musician Robert DeLeo (Stone Temple Pilots) is 39. Rock musician Ben Mize (Counting Crows) is 34. Rapper T-Mo is 33. Actress Lori Beth Denberg is 29. Singer Shakira is 28.

**Thought for Today:**

"Absence is to love what wind is to fire; it extinguishes the small, it inflames the great." — Bussy-Rabutin, French soldier and writer (1618-1693).



The Touchstone Energy ALLA CLASSIC and Big Sandy RECC, a Touchstone Energy Cooperative are proud to announce that Casey McMillan of Besty Layne High School has been awarded a Touchstone Energy ALLA Classic scholarship.

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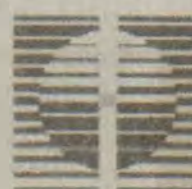
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**Beavers**

way, at Rice Branch, where a family of three (or more) wood-chipping culprits have constipated a culvert in a residential area.

It makes Becky Ratliff worry about the spring rains that are sure to come.

"We are being attacked by beavers, that's what I told my cousin and we laughed about it," she said. "What do you do?"

Ratliff and her neighbor, David Rice, have been in contact with the state Department of Highways and the state's Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

No answers there, they say. They are left watching the small family of tree murderers give way to their daily routine in a once-creek-now-pond near their house that keeps getting deeper and deeper.

The creek, Rice Branch, feeds through two culverts and eventually rounds its way into Prater Creek and the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy.

One of the culverts, the new beaver abode, was, at one time, five feet deep, Rice said. It runs underneath a section of Route 1426 at Banner. The opening of the boxed concrete culvert now lacks approximately 4 inches before it is completely closed off on one side, the side facing Ratliff's and Rice's property.

The other culvert, as of yet unadulterated by the beavers, lies approximately 1,000 feet away and is completely debris free.

Rice said the state highway department cleaned out the mess left behind by beavers two years ago. Now, he says, they don't want to mess with it.

But that isn't right, Frank Castle, Floyd County maintenance engineer, said. According to him, the department is working with their equipment rental contractor, J & M, to fix the Rice Branch beaver problem within the next couple of weeks. They plan to tear down the dam with heavy equipment, just as they

did at the same location two years ago.

"It's a recurring problem that's tough to do this time of year," Castle said. "We had men wading chest deep in the water at this time of year."

The recurring problem mimics others throughout the area, Castle said, like one currently at Salt Lick on Route 7, where beavers have caused considerable problems for property owners.

Unlike his neighbor, Rice says isn't too worried about the possibility of flooding this spring. He enjoys watching the beavers each night and each morning almost as much as he enjoys watching them keep his hillside cleaned off.

"Saves me a lot of work," he said.

He does, however, regret that he won't be able to plant a garden this year.

Rice, a 35-year native of Banner, says beavers weren't possible cohabitants of Rice Branch when he was a child.

Things change, wildlife biologist Jayson Plaxico, says.

"I started working here in 1996," Plaxico said. "There were no beaver complaints along the Big Sandy River. Folks might as well plan on every watershed in the county having a beaver population. From the highest coal mine pond, you find them all the way down to Dewey Lake. They're here."

Plaxico says beaver complaints have risen over the past several years in the 10 surrounding counties he oversees through his position at Fish and Wildlife.

"I do so many beaver complaints," he said. "They're certainly passing my total damage complaints of deer."

Beaver populations expanded upstream during the drought of 1999-2000, Plaxico said. During that time, colonies of beavers were able to establish sturdy dams because flooding didn't push them out.

Now the issue is on the forefront, especially for coun-

ty residents who are staring at the problem.

The solution? Lethal control is a possibility, Plaxico said, with state laws giving residents the right to terminate the problem and sell their skins for a profit.

Another possibility lies in the hands of the state's nuisance wildlife cooperators, who are paid (by the customer, not the state) to remove annoying creatures causing catastrophes in residential areas (<http://fw.ky.gov/nuisancelookup.aspx>).

Fees for the service vary, beginning at approximately \$30, Plaxico said.

If residents don't want to murder the tree murderers, they have yet another option, one Plaxico says is rarely thought about in our community. Corrugated pipe could be placed through the beaver dam, allowing water to pass through unnoticed by the busy beavers. The project, depending on the price of the pipe, could cost less than \$50, Plaxico said.

And if residents are really worried, they can waiver toward one general rule of thumb, Plaxico said: "It's not just about taking care of the problem, you've also got to

prevent it from happening down the road. I always tell folks to keep a look out and remove the dam when they first start to see them instead of waiting until two or three years down the road. If they tear them down when they first start building, then the beavers will see that they can't build there. The earlier you can control or prevent the problem, the better."

Castle said the highway department may hook up with the Department of Fish and Wildlife to find a viable, long-term solution to the beaver problem in the county.

"It gets pretty expensive when you're renting equipment to fix the problem, then it comes back six months or a year down the road," he said. "It costs a lot of money to go in there. We may be able to get some help from Fish and Wildlife ourselves."

The Fish and Wildlife Department has no way to determine the number of beaver habitats in the county, Plaxico said.

Additional information can be found at the department's website or at University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Offices in Floyd County.

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**EMT**

since April 1990, city personnel clerk Debbie Haywood said.

Mary Jennings, spokesperson for the Emergency Medical Services Board, said that Hager entered an agreed order with the board last year in which he got five years probation on his EMT license and agreed to pay a \$500 fine.

Now, the board wants Hager to relinquish his license.

They've amended the order, requesting the voluntary surrender of Hager's EMT certificate. The amended order was entered as fact yesterday onto the board's disciplinary section of their website, but that was an accident, Jennings said.

After answering an open records request from The Times yesterday, Jennings requested that the information provided on the website be changed until the amended agreed order is offi-

cially entered in the case. It has not yet been finalized, she said.

A complaint form was filed against Hager after Dotson contacted the Emergency Medical Services Board last year. Hager resigned from his position or Feb. 10, 2004, one day before Dotson filed the complaint.

Brian Bishop, executive director of the board, claimed Hager was "unfit to practice" as an EMT.

He later worked with Respond Ambulance, but is no longer employed with the company, workers say.

Hager, who could not be reached for comment, signed the first agreed order in September, voluntarily relinquishing his certificate during the length of his probationary period. He also agreed to random drug testing.

His EMT certificate expires in December, Jennings said.

**Business**

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tions for customers working in the international oil and gas industry, has extensions in 100 different countries.

The company, formerly located on Route 114 in Prestonsburg, decided to relocate the business to Martin County last year.

Doing so brought an additional 25 jobs to the table this year, with another 10 jobs expected to be available as the business expands new service lines this year, officials said.

Schlumberger's move initiated extensive development at Honey Branch, where water, wastewater, gas, electric and communication lines have been recently installed. An access

road was also constructed through a portion of the park.

Various organizations in Floyd, Johnson, Martin and Pike Counties worked together to make Schlumberger's relocation possible.

The ceremony will be held inside the Honey Branch Regional Industrial Park off Airport Road in Debord at approximately 11 a.m. tomorrow morning.

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# Viewpoint

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Worth Repeating ...

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

—Woodrow Wilson

## Guest View

### Hocking the family silver

A family that spends more than it earns year after year is headed for trouble. Mom and Dad will run up their credit cards, then borrow away their home equity and hock the family silver. Next comes bankruptcy.

The economy of nations works very differently from that of families. But the basic lesson is the same: A country that spends much more than it brings in year after year is risking serious pain.

The United States is doing precisely that now. We've been running a trade deficit for two decades - buying more from foreigners than we sell to them. But the deficit has gotten much worse in recent years, and it hit a monumental \$631 billion last year. That equals 5.4 percent of all that America produces.

In effect, foreigners are shipping us valuable goods and we're sending them little green pieces of paper, or their electronic equivalent. For now, they're using many of those dollars to buy U.S. assets: stocks, factories, real estate and lots of American debt.

In effect, America is hocking the family silver. Those foreign purchases are a claim on American labor, profits and taxes in the future. That's not a pleasant thought.

The situation is made worse by our ballooning federal budget deficit. The Congressional Budget Office expects it to hit a record \$448 billion this year, up 9 percent from last year. Since President George W. Bush took office, federal debt has been growing much faster than the economy that must service it.

Asian nations now are among the top buyers of U.S. Treasury debt. So, when you write your check to Uncle Sam on April 15, think of it as paying interest to China. After all, government debt must be repaid with interest through Americans' taxes.

In effect, we're running America on the "buy now, pay later" plan. We're extracting a sort of reverse inheritance from our children. We'll spend their money now; they'll pay our debt later.

The Bush administration's tax cuts account for about half the federal budget deficit. Those cuts were heavily tilted toward the rich, through cuts in upper tax brackets and on dividends and capital gains. The Bush theory holds that such cuts encourage wealthy people to invest, creating jobs. Instead, Uncle Sam is borrowing back that tax-cut money to fund the deficit.

So, any investment oomph from tax cuts goes poof. Worse, the government is competing against private industry for capital. Over the long term, that tends to drive interest rates up, slow the economy and cost jobs.

Normally, big foreign trade deficits have an automatic correction mechanism. The debtor country ships so much money abroad that the price of its currency falls. That slows the flow of imports, while making a country's exports cheaper. Gradually, the trade deficit shrinks.

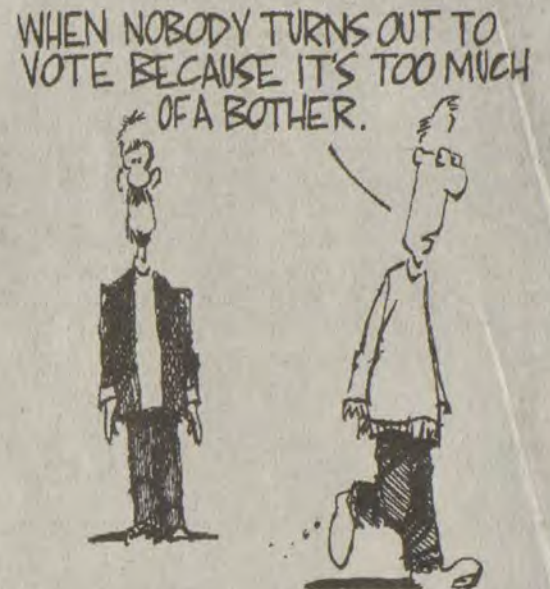
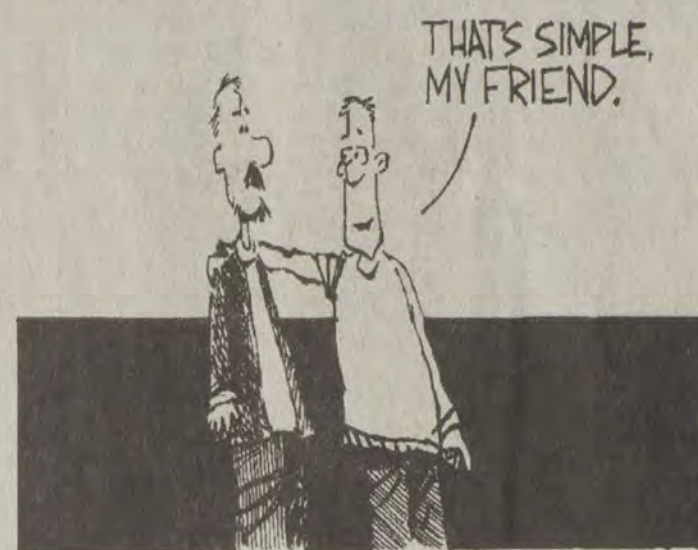
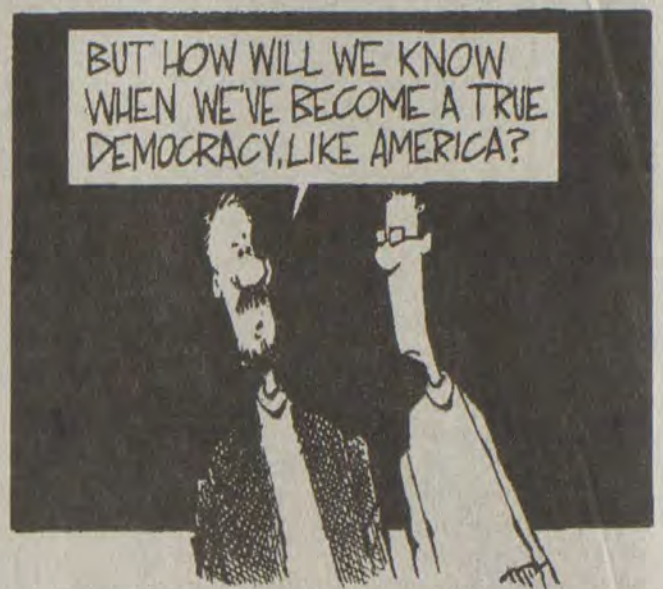
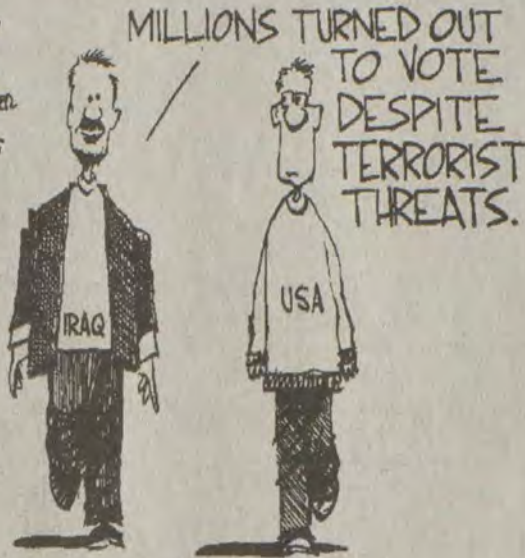
That took a while to happen in America, but it's under way now. The dollar has dropped 15 percent against a mix of major currencies since 2002. We are now seeing the effect in terms of rising industrial production in the United States. But the dollar's drop has been uneven. It's down heavily against the euro, less against the Japanese yen and not at all against the Chinese yuan. The Chinese account for a quarter of our trade imbalance. They, like some smaller Asian nations, peg their currencies to the dollar at an artificially cheap level. This keeps Chinese factories humming at the expense of America, and there's little we can do about it except complain.

A gentle decline for the dollar helps the United States. The danger here is that the decline will become a rout. If foreign investors lose confidence, they'll bail rapidly out of dollar-denominated assets. Down goes the stock market while up goes interest rates and inflation. Recession, here we come.

Such unpleasantness is possible but not probable. After all, the American economy is still growing faster than Europe's, making it a better investment choice for foreigners. And Asian investors have been buy-

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## Capitol Ideas

### Lundergan wants critics to give him a chance

by JOE BIESK  
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FRANKFORT — Back in charge of the Kentucky Democratic Party, Jerry Lundergan wants any naysayers to judge him on performance.

Lundergan, by his own admission, has taken over as chairman at a time when the state's Democratic Party is in debt, and morale among its faithful has dipped.

Democrats have suffered a series of recent political defeats: they lost their decades-long stranglehold on the governor's office, lost ground in the House and have been unable to regain control of the state Senate. Lundergan wants to reverse those fortunes.

"The finances are gone, there's no money here. Now, if my critics want to run the party that way, then so be it," Lundergan said last week. "But myself, as a lifelong Democrat, I'm not going to allow my party to be run that way."

Lundergan is a veteran of Kentucky's political scene. During the 1980s, he served in the House and had a previous stint as the state Democratic Party chairman.

While he does not have a criminal record, Lundergan's reputation may have a blemish. In 1989, he was convicted of breaking a law that prohibits

Kentucky legislators from doing no-bid contract work for the state. Lundergan's conviction, however, was later overturned because he was prosecuted for a felony and not a misdemeanor.

Lundergan — who is not getting paid for his party work — has set what are perhaps lofty goals for the party.

First, he says Democrats are focusing on winning all the local county judge-executive seats in the state. He's planning to follow that up by regaining the House seats Democrats lost in the November 2004 election, and regaining control of the state Senate.

To do that Lundergan has also set an ambitious goal of raising \$1 million in his first year as chairman. However, fund-raising is a bit more challenging these days, he said.

There's no longer a Democrat occupying the governor's office — an instrumental "silver bullet" to help party fund-raising, he said. Thus, Lundergan's spent a large chunk of his time "dialing for dollars," he said.

"My job is to give (Democrats) the feeling that we are moving in the right direction so they will want to reinvest in their party," Lundergan said.

Then Lundergan wants to restore some of the luster to the Democratic Party's Frankfort headquarters, which is located along Interstate 64.

Eventually, Democrats could use their headquarters — which he says is the party's "biggest asset" — to further promote the party and house its political staff, Lundergan said.

"We've got to be smart and utilize our asset to its fullest potential," Lundergan said.

Democrats across the state need to unite and focus their efforts against Republicans.

State Republican Party chairman John McCarthy said the GOP would continue its political efforts and not take anything for granted.

"It's important that the Republican Party of Kentucky continues to stay focused on trying to improve the lives of every person in Kentucky," McCarthy said. "The worst thing you can do in politics is ever underestimate your opponent."

Still, Democrats can rebound, Lundergan said.

"I have that feeling in my body that I am the right guy," Lundergan said. "Because I happen to be a person of long-range planning, I happen to be a person of strong convictions. And when I set my mind to do something, my past record will show that I normally succeed in getting that done."

Joe Biesk is a statehouse reporter for The Associated Press.

## Letters

### Social Security a bad idea

Much has been written about Social Security these days, so here are my thoughts. Social Security was a bad idea from the very beginning. True Social Security, Medicare, as well as welfare, were good things when they first began. To many older people and truly indigent people, these programs were a godsend that made their lives easier in their waning years.

Why do I think Social Security was a bad idea? Because people thought that when they retired, they would be receiving their full salary. Instead, they received only a percentage of their previous salary. I personally think that allowing each individual to invest in their own retirement account is a good idea. However, a percentage should be held back from employment checks for those who can't or won't invest in private funds. Most people I've talked to like the idea of managing their own money.

For those who blame President Bush,

Social Security and Medicare were a mess during Carter's presidency. Social Security and Medicare are solvent today until 2010, dare I say it, because of President Reagan and the Republican Congress. I am glad Congress and the president are starting now rather than later to find a solution.

In the office where I worked, I met a lot of older people who had just retired that were shocked to learn they weren't going to receive their full salary they were earning. All had worked hard all their lives to raise and educate their children. If it wasn't for their children contributing funds each month, they could never have made it.

Those people coming out of World War II and the Depression saved as much money as possible, took advantage of all retirement funds, but with the start of Social Security, a large percentage stopped saving.

Medicare in some ways is a good program. If all these medical programs were to combine, there's no reason we couldn't have a national health program. Of course, Americans will not like national health because they are used to getting medical treatment and tests ASAP. For example, elective surgeries such as

cataracts, knee and hip replacements, the average waiting list is five years in countries with national health.

Part B Medicare is about \$56 a month. Then it is up to the individual to buy their own supplemental insurance, average of about \$150 extra. Then if a person needs to be hospitalized, there is \$876 up to 60 days. If a person is readmitted to the hospital with a different diagnosis, then they're responsible for another \$876. That's a lot of money out of pocket! Medicare only pays 80 percent of what they allow. Even paying insurance/Medicare premiums, the patient will be in debt up to the hilt just for being ill.

The reason medical treatment is so expensive is purely and simply because of insurance companies and lawyers. A letter in The Floyd County Times recently was against tort reform. Every time someone's family is awarded millions, after he or she has smoked four packs of cigarettes a day and dies of cancer, for instance, our insurance premiums skyrocket. Tort reform does not prevent lawsuits in the true cases of incompetence or malpractice.

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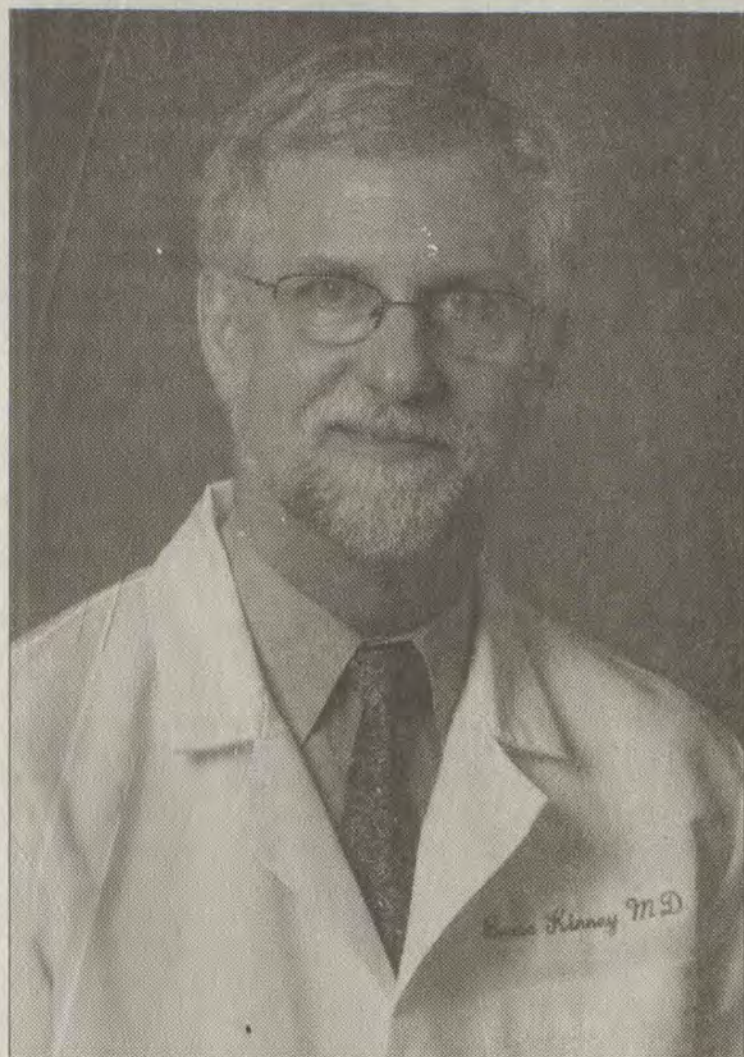
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# Health Extra

## Dr. Bruce Kinney, OB/GYN, to open an office practice at HRMC



Dr. Bruce Kinney, OB/GYN, will open an office practice at Highlands Regional Medical Center on February 16, 2005. Dr. Kinney is Board Certified by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology and is a Fellow in the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Dr. Kinney is from Canton, Ohio. He received his Bachelor of Science Degree from Roberts Wesleyan College in 1973; his Masters of Science from the University of Akron in 1979; graduated Medical School at Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio in 1983; completed his OB/GYN Residency at Aultman Hospital in Canton, Ohio in 1987; became Board Certified by the American

Board of OB/GYN in 1989; and completed a Fellowship in OB/GYN in 1990. He served as the Chairman of the Department of OB/GYN at Massillon Community Hospital, served on the Credentials Committee and the By-laws Committee; and was President-elect of the Massillon Community Hospital. Dr. Kinney has worked in a private group practice, North East Ohio OB/GYN Associates, in Ravenna, Ohio (near Canton) from February 2003 to the present.

Dr. Kinney is an experienced Obstetrician and Gynecologist. His Fellowship training in OB/GYN gives Dr. Kinney added medical expertise in the management of pregnancy, labor, and post-labor care as well as added expertise in the treatment of gynecological diseases and

disorders related to the female reproductive system. When asked about his relocation to the area and opening his practice, Dr. Kinney said, "We found this beautiful community to have a progressive hospital and a wealth of resources. We have been amazed by the hometown friendliness and have felt welcomed from the start. We are eager to start anew and become productive members of your community while serving your OB/GYN needs at Highlands Regional." Dr. Kinney believes that regular check-ups, patient education, and preventative care are of key importance to good health for women of all ages.

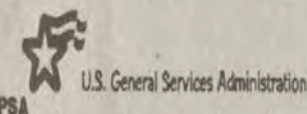
An open house for Dr. Kinney will be held Feb. 14 from 1 to 3 p.m. in his office, Suite 2129, in Highlands Medical Office

Building. The public is invited to attend. Dr. Kinney's first day of office practice will be Wednesday, February 16. Appointments are being accepted at his time and can be made by calling 886-7456.

Dr. Bruce Kinney, a board-certified and fellowship trained OB/GYN, will offer experienced care and the added medical expertise of fellowship training in the management of all aspects of pregnancy and gynecological care.

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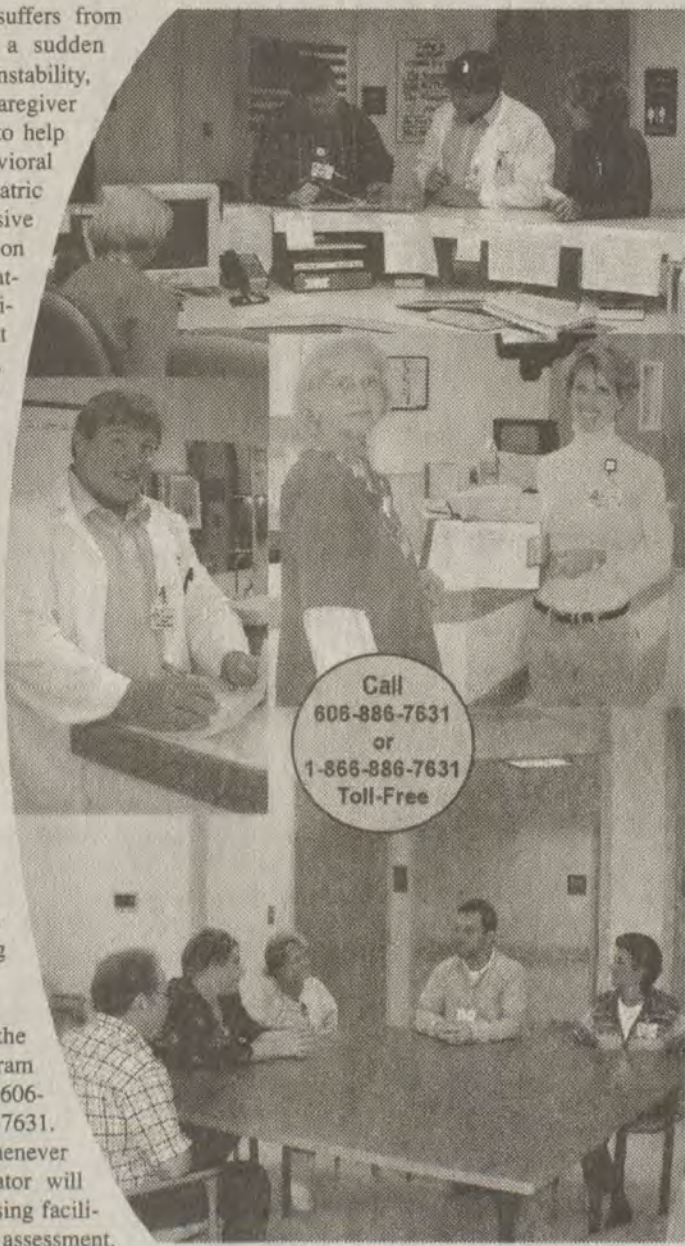
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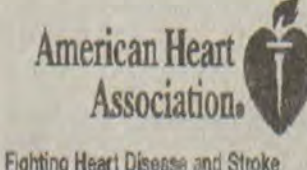


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# Obituaries



## Jerry Fonce Howell

Jerry Fonce Howell, 90, died January 27, 2005, in Leesburg, Florida.

Born at Dana, Floyd County, on February 4, 1914, he was the son of John Allen and Louisa Rice Howell.

Eight of his siblings preceded him, as did his wife, Buena Ramsey Howell.

He is survived by his only offspring, Jerry F. Howell Jr. (Lois); his sister, Lassie Morgan (Troy); and numerous nieces and nephews.

He graduated from Prestonsburg High School in 1932, and attended Morehead State University, Georgetown College and Western Kentucky University. He subsequently was a teacher and principal in Floyd County, at Bosco, Wheelwright and McDowell.

Jerry was a State Representative from 1942-1948, and served as Majority Floor Leader. He was also a State Senator from 1958-1960. In the 60's, he served as an Agricultural Stabilization Committeeman and as the first chairman of the Middle Kentucky River Development District, and was on the board for many years.

In business, he was a grocery and hardware store operator at Price. While vice president of Citizens Bank of Jackson, he

developed upscale housing in Snowden Branch and a shopping center. For a time, he owned the Jackson Times. He was a long-time member of the Board of Directors of Investors Heritage Life Insurance Company and Kentucky Investors, a sister corporation. He also actively bought and sold coal and natural gas properties.

He was a two-time member of the Board of Regents of Morehead State University, serving a stint as chairman, from the 60's through the 80's. He was a Mason and a member of the Kiwanis Club, the Natural Bridge Park Association.

Kentucky Advocates for Higher Education, and other civic organizations in the Jackson area. He was a member and Deacon of the First Baptist Churches of Jackson and Leesburg. He was a member of the Breathitt County School Advisory Council, and began the annual honors awards ceremony for the county school system. He held an honorary doctorate in Public Service from Morehead State.

Hall Funeral Home of Martin is in charge of arrangements.

Visitation will begin at 11:00 a.m., and the funeral service at 1:00 p.m., both at the First Baptist Church in downtown Jackson on Wednesday, February 2, 2005. His pastor, Reverend Vaughn Rator, will officiate.

Burial will be in the Howell Family Cemetery on Prater Creek, Dana, in Floyd County, following the service.

Pallbearers: Marcus (Gabby) Mullins, Gary Campbell, Lew Warrix, Shaun Howell, Jeffrey Howell, and Kent Boyd. (Paid obituary)

## Amanda Renea Caudill

Amanda Renea Caudill, 25, of Topmost, died Friday, January 28, 2005, at St. Joseph Hospital East, in Lexington.

Born July 25, 1979, in Hazard, she was the daughter of Terry and Wilma Slone Caudill of Topmost. She was a graduate of Knott Central, and a member of Montgomery Southern Baptist Church, in Emmalena.

In addition to her parents, she is survived by her grandmother and step-grandfather: Esta Johnson Reynolds and Acie Reynolds of Prestonsburg; a sister and brother-in-law, Tera and Kevin Collins of Topmost; uncles: Ricky Caudill, Jerry Caudill and Crit Caudill; aunts: Loretta Blanton, Henrietta Conley, and Edith Ritchie; and several cousins.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents: Johnny Caudill, and Vertist and Monnie Slone.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 31, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Curtie Hall, and others, officiating.

Burial was in the Elmo (Eck) Thornsberry Cemetery, at Mullins Branch, in Kite, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home, with nightly services at 7 p.m. (Paid obituary)

## Dorothy Ruth Jordan

Dorothy Ruth Jordan, 77, of Youngsville, North Carolina, died Sunday, January 23, 2005, at Duke University Hospital, after suffering a massive heart attack.

She was the wife of Wayland native Paul Jordan Sr., journalist, civil servant and author. They had been married for more than 50 years.

She was born in Marion County, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Wright.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a son, Paul Jordan Jr., and his wife, Gayle, of Wake Forest, North Carolina; and a sister, Ella Lyons of Lebanon.

Funeral services were at 11 a.m., Thursday, January 27, at the Chapel of Wright Funeral Home, with burial at the Millstone Cemetery, near Halifax, Virginia. (Paid obituary)



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## Bertha Martin

Bertha Martin, age 88, of Dema, widow of Wayne Martin, passed away Sunday, January 30, 2005, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Medical Center.

She was born February 14, 1916, in Floyd County, the daughter of the late Johnny Turner and Eliza Justice Turner. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Caney Fork Regular Baptist Church, in Raven.

Survivors include four sons: Wayne (Julie) Martin Jr., of Umatilla, Florida, Columbus (Vickie) Martin of Bevinville, and Ronald (Sylvia) Martin, and Ricky Martin, both of Dema; three daughters: Shelby (Charles) Cassell of York Haven, Pennsylvania, Mable (Melvin) Hall of Prestonsburg, and Brenda Fayé (Robert) Jacobs of Pippa Passes; one brother, Langley Turner of Paintsville; one sister, Sylvia Ashley of Strongsville, Ohio; 14 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, and four great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by two sons: Donald Martin and Charles Martin; two brothers: Oscar Turner and Lummy Turner; and an infant sister and brother.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, February 2, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with the Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will follow in the Whitt Martin Cemetery, in Dema, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home, where nightly services were held at 7 p.m., each evening. (Paid obituary)

## Hazel C. Slater

Hazel C. Slater, 93, a former resident of The Pines at Glenwood for three years, passed away at 9:26 p.m., Saturday, December 11, 2004, at the Marietta, (Ohio), Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

She was born January 28, 1911, in Betsy Layne, to Malcom and Lucinda Mullett Crum. She was a 1929 graduate of Betsy Layne High School and attended Pikeville College. She was a member of the Canonsburg (Pennsylvania) U.P. Church. She had spent most of her life in western Pennsylvania, where her husband had been employed by the Pittsburgh Consolidated Coal Company for 47 years.

She is survived by one son, Larry K. Slater and his wife, Sharon, of Marietta; her granddaughter, Julie Hammons and her husband, Dr. Jeff Hammons, of Marietta; two great-grandsons: Jared and Justin Hammons; two nephews: Frank K. Crum of Fullerton, California, and Ed Slater of Bradenton, Florida; and one niece, Ila Darnell of Middleport, Ohio.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John L. Slater, on June 16, 1992. They had been married for 65 years. Also preceding her in death were her sister, Norma Crum; her brother, Palmer Crum; and one grandson, Jeffery Kent Slater, in 1970.

Burial will be at the convenience of the family in Forest Lawn Gardens, Peters Township, Washington County, Pennsylvania.

Arrangements are by McClure-Schafer-Lankford Funeral Home. (Paid obituary)

## Ray Crisp

Ray Crisp, age 81, of Allen, husband of the late Martha Jo Preston Crisp, passed away Monday, January 11, 2005, at St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington.

He was born July 30, 1923, in Allen, the son of the late Felix Crisp and Etta Boyd Crisp. He was a retired oil salesman, formerly employed by McJunkins Corporation, an U.S. Army World War II veteran, and a member of the Allen Christ United Methodist Church.

Survivors include one son, Timothy Crisp, DMD, of Winchester; three daughters: Thursa Ruth Williams of Irvine, Pennsylvania, Margaret

Hicks of Auxier, and Nancy Jo Cantrell of Divide, Colorado; one sister, Eula Spurlock of Allen; and six grandchildren.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Obie Crisp.

Funeral services for Ray Crisp will be conducted Thursday, February 3, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, with Clergyman Arnold Turner Jr., officiating.

Burial will follow in the Borders Chapel Cemetery, at Ulysses, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

## Polly Hunter Justice

Polly Hunter Justice, 83, of Martin, died Saturday, January 29, 2005, at her residence at Bucks Branch.

Born August 10, 1921, in Martin, she was the daughter of the late Isaac and Cordila Slone Hunter. She was a homemaker and attended the Middle Creek Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Sandy (Buck) Justice.

Survivors include a son, James Justice of Winona Lake, Indiana; and four daughters: Cassie Mae Justice of Martin, Nancy Taylor of Perry, Florida, Sue Lawshe of South Whitley, Indiana, and Sarah Fitch of Martin; a brother, Woodrow Hunter of Prestonsburg; seven grandchildren: Trevor, David, Jason, Greg, Tracy, Jamie, and Shanda; and six great-grandchildren: Phillip, Karson, Mercedes, Alexandria, Josh, and Jackson.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by three sons; four brothers: Henry Hunter, Lum Hunter, James Hunter, and Everett Hunter; a sister: Alma Ferguson; and a grandson, Chuckie.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, February 1, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Eugene Cook and Eddie Taylor officiating.

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

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

## Ginny Sue Spencer

Ginny Sue Spencer, 54, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, January 28, 2005, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg, following an automobile accident.

Born January 24, 1951, in Magoffin County, she was the daughter of the late Greely and Eulah Patton Reed. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Auxier Freewill Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband, Darvin Spencer.

Other survivors include a son, Keith Darvin Spencer of Prestonsburg; a daughter, Connie Leann Spencer of Salyersville; three brothers: Lendon Reed of Prestonsburg, Joe Reed of Willard, Ohio, and Randy Reed of Florida; two sisters: Betty Slone of Morehead, and Jan Lathrop of Lindon, Michigan; and two grandchildren: Drew Diddle and Dan Diddle.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 31, at 11 a.m., at the Auxier Freewill Baptist Church, with Bobby Joe Spencer officiating.

Burial was in the Patrick Lovely Cemetery, in Magoffin County, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation began Saturday, January 29, at the funeral home, and were held on Monday, at the church. (Paid obituary)

## Card of Thanks

We the family of Kenneth "Cracker" Hall would like to acknowledge and express our heartfelt appreciation for the sympathy shown to our family during the loss of our loved one. We would like to gratefully thank those who said prayers, sent food, cards, and spoke kind words of comfort to our family. We would like to give a special thanks to Elder Bill Tackett and the Old Regular Baptist ministry for their love and support. Thanks to the Left Beaver Rescue Squad, Floyd County Sheriff's Department, and Davidson Memorial Gardens, for their assistance. We would like to give a special gratitude to Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their kind, professional, and courteous service they provided to our family.

with love,  
The Family of Kenneth "Cracker" Hall

## Card of Thanks

The family of Betty "Ruth" Hunt, wife of Rev. Virgil Hunt, would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our Bros. and Sisters in Christ, our neighbors, friends and family for their love and support during the loss of our loved one. A special thanks to the Highlands Regional Medical Center staff and nurses for their warm hearts and caring souls while taking care of our wife and mother. You truly are angels in uniform. We would like to thank Dr. Larry Leslie for treating our family as his own, and doing everything possible to help our loved one through each and every day. Thanks to Dr. Reddy for her assistance in her medical care. To the many churches and ministers who visited daily with words of encouragement and with prayer and beautiful songs that were sung by her bedside. Thank you to all the ministers who participated in nightly services with words of comfort or with a prayer. Those ministers include, Bro. James Harmon, Bro. A. B. Johnson, Bro. Buddy Jones, Bro. Jim Smith, and a special thank-you to Bro. Nathan Lafferty for conducting the funeral service. A special thanks to all the singers that include, Cow Creek Freewill Baptist Church Choir, The Witnesses, Bro. Buddy Jones and the Faith Freewill Baptist Church choir, and Sister Joann Coleman. Thanks to all the churches that represent many of our family members, which are, Cow Creek Freewill Baptist Church, Boldman Freewill Baptist Church, Faith Freewill Baptist Church, and Big Creek Freewill Baptist Church. Thanks to the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and caring staff. Also, thanks to the Floyd County Sheriff's Dept. for your help in traffic control, especially Bro. Hack Thornsberry. Last but not least, thanks to all who sent flowers, food and cards, or made a phone call or offered kind words of encouragement or just came and sat with us. We will never forget how blessed we are to have friends and loved ones who have no boundaries when it comes to caring for one another. Again, thank you, from the bottom of our hearts.

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# \$120,000 spent to keep roads salted

PIKEVILLE — The Blizzard of 2005 whipped through Highway District 12's seven counties last weekend, leaving citizens to contend with high winds, ice and snow-covered roadways.

State highway workers were on the roads nearly around the clock from Friday, Jan. 21, through Monday, Jan. 24. Some area of District 12's seven counties saw as much as six or seven inches of snow, especially in the higher elevations around Phelps in Pike County, Pine Mountain in Letcher County and the northern-most counties of Lawrence and Johnson.

Darold Slone, operations branch manager, said that the district used rock salt valued at \$108,493.49 and liquid calcium chloride worth \$11,506.96 during the three-day period from Saturday through Monday.

"This is just over \$120,000

in material," Slone said, "and it doesn't count labor and equipment costs associated with the weekend snow and ice removal. When those factors are added in, we probably spent about a quarter of a million dollars of the taxpayers' money to get the roads and bridges into safe driving shape."

Slone explained that rock salt is used when temperatures are 15 degrees or above. Liquid calcium chloride is more effective than rock salt when temperatures plunge below 15.

"The thermometer hovered near zero degrees each morning this past weekend," Slone said. "That made our work more difficult and slower. However, our crews had all state roads clear and safe by early Monday evening. Your snowfighters from District 12 are highly trained, safety-conscious and dedicated workers

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# Daniel Boone's descendants feel insulted by Kentucky politicians

by ROGER ALFORD  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PIKEVILLE — First, Daniel Boone's name was stripped from an Eastern Kentucky parkway and replaced with that of a congressman. Then, the state legislature refused to put the famed frontiersman's name on an alternative highway.

It's no wonder his descendants are feeling slighted.

"It's an insult to his family. It should be an insult to everyone who cares about the history of Kentucky," said Rochelle Cochran, president of the Boone Society, a national group of descendants.

She's launched a campaign to get Kentucky lawmakers to right what she sees as the wrong created in 2003 when former Gov. Paul Patton's administration changed the name of the Daniel Boone

Parkway to the Hal Rogers Parkway in honor of a U.S. representative from Somerset.

The rugged, buckskin-clad explorer's place in the history of Kentucky is legendary. Boone, who lived from 1734 to 1820, hacked out the Wilderness Road that led early settlers across the Appalachian Mountains to points west, and he helped defend early encampments from Indians.

Rogers, however, is a 13-term incumbent Republican who uses his position to bring federal highway money to eastern Kentucky to create and pave roads through the mountainous terrain.

Rep. Brent Yonts, D-Greenville, proposed a resolution a year ago to restore the explorer's name to the parkway but with double billing: the Daniel Boone-Hal Rogers Parkway.

Instead, lawmakers in the state Senate offered a compromise that

would keep Rogers' name on the parkway and give the frontiersman recognition by renaming the four-lane U.S. 25E from Cumberland Gap to Corbin the Daniel Boone Wilderness Road. That compromise passed the Senate but was never brought up for a vote in the House.

"I just don't understand why this petered out," Cochran said. "It had a lot of support."

Cochran said she believes the majority of people in Kentucky want Boone's name on a highway.

"It would seem like a cake walk," Yonts said. "Daniel Boone was literally the founder of Kentucky. It amazes me that what seems like a cake walk can get bogged down so easily."

Yonts said he hasn't yet given up on the initiative. He said he sent a letter to Gov. Ernie Fletcher asking him to issue an administrative order renaming

U.S. 25E in honor of Boone. Fletcher spokesman Doug Hogan couldn't immediately be reached for comment.

"I would hope there would be public outcry from the eastern part of the state," Yonts said. "We name every bridge and creek and building after somebody. There should be a road named after Daniel Boone, the founding father of our state."

Cochran, of Hot Springs, Ark., said she hoped public sentiment would force lawmakers to discuss the issue again this year.

"It all depends on the people of Kentucky wanting this to happen and not giving up on it," she said.

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**Bishop**

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for DUI early on the morning of Sept. 1. He took pictures of Dwayne Bishop at the jail, which revealed scratch marks on his face and hands, and took the clothing that Dwayne Bishop was wearing into evidence. Meanwhile, he had two troopers search Dwayne Bishop's home and they all met at the coroner's office, where Coroner Roger Nelson performed Carolyn Bishop's autopsy.

Thompson also testified to the chain of evidence and several technicians later supplemented his testimony as to taking blood samples and keeping custody of the evidence collected.

Harolyn Howard cross-examined Thompson and asked several questions about the finer details of the investigation. She pressed Thompson to remember specifics about the crime scene — who was there and where vehicles were parked — but didn't seem to rattle the detective, who recalled most of the details of his work and was able to consult his extensive paperwork for answers to most questions.

One bizarre line of questioning referenced graffiti on Dwayne Bishop's motorcycle,

which previous witnesses have testified read "Sex Candy." Howard asked the detective if it may have referred to a song called "Sex and Candy" by a rap group called Insane Clown Posse. Thompson confessed to never hearing of the group and was pretty firm that the painting said "Sex Candy," although the importance of this line of questioning was unclear.

An evidence room manager also testified that Thompson kept some evidence in a locker to which he held the only key, but noted that this practice was entirely common and only violated rules if such a locker was used for drug or money evidence.

The commonwealth next called on a file clerk from the family division of the Floyd County Circuit Court. The defense objected to the paperwork evidence she brought into the courtroom and a 15-minute recess resulted while a conference was held in the chambers of Judge John D. Caudill.

When court resumed David Smith, special prosecutor for the commonwealth, was able to question the witness but

appeared to be barred from going into any detail. The jury did learn that Carolyn Bishop filed a series of complaints against her husband and dismissed four of them over a five-year period ending in 1995. The final complaint was not dismissed and was disposed as barring any unlawful contact between the couple.

The day ended with Marlow Tackett testifying to seeing Dwayne Bishop at his club, Marlow's Country Palace, late on the night that Carolyn Bishop disappeared.

"He [Dwayne Bishop] was banned from my place at the time," Tackett said, noting that he had barred Dwayne Bishop on several occasions and that the average ban lasted 30 days.

Tackett also said that he observed Dwayne Bishop leave his establishment around 1 a.m. and that he saw a woman on the back of Dwayne Bishop's Harley Davidson motorcycle. The two were arrested a short time later when they were dis-

covered having a sexual encounter behind a dumpster at the Happy Mart in Harold.

Upon cross-examination, Howard got Tackett to state that banning Dwayne Bishop was a regular practice for behavior which Tackett referred to as, "just being Dwayne." Howard appeared to like that phraseology and repeated for the jury, "He was just being Dwayne."

Tuesday saw more testimony by scientific professionals but began with an examination of Kentucky State Police Det. Eddie Crum. His testimony told of two visits he made to the Bishops' home in 1991. Each call found Carolyn Bishop with contusions. Upon cross-examination Bob Gainstein didn't seem to help his client very much when he pressed the detective to recall if Dwayne Bishop had any injuries on these occasions, as the answer turned out to be, "No."

A forensic evidence technician was also called and testified that the black t-shirt found in

Dwayne Bishop's room at his mother's house contained Carolyn Bishop's blood. The jury also learned that the earth would have to contain four times its current population in order to find someone with the same DNA as Carolyn Bishop.

Howard cross-examined the technician and made the point that the clothes Dwayne Bishop was wearing when he was arrested didn't contain Carolyn Bishop's blood, though they did contain blood from the woman who Dwayne Bishop had left Marlow's with before getting arrested for DUI.

Dr. Francisco Rivera, an emergency room physician, also testified about treating Carolyn Bishop on three occasions for contusions that were reflected in her case histories as having

come from Dwayne Bishop. Rivera noted that the treatments were mainly for bruises and said that he treated Carolyn Bishop in 1994, 1995 and 1996.

Cross-examination by Gainstein was used to illustrate

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**Betty Martin Wellman**  
Betty Martin Wellman, formerly of McDowell, Ky., age 72, passed away January 11, 2005, in Nashville, Tennessee.  
Born May 31, 1932, in McDowell, she graduated at the age of 18, from the University of Kentucky, with a B.A. degree in Education. She was a member of the Alpha Gamma Delta Sorority. An education advocate all her life, she taught high school in Prestonsburg; elementary school in Louisville; and worked at Ensworth School in Nashville, Tennessee, for nineteen years. She was a member of the Pathfinder Class at Calvary Methodist Church.  
She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Sanders Wellman, and her father, Sam Martin Sr.  
Survivors include her daughters: Lynn Wellman Barr (Allen) of Tiburon, California, and Nora Wellman Rich (Tate) of Nashville, Tennessee; her mother, Nora Newsome Martin; sister, Phyllis Grigsby (Pete); brother, Julius Martin (Mary Rose); a brother, Sam Martin Jr. (dec. January 17, 2005) (Marguerite), all of Floyd County; six grandchildren: John Rich, Tate Rich Jr., Grace Rich, and Lucille Rich, all of Nashville, Tennessee, and Nora Barr and Sarah Barr, both of Tiburon, California.  
Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., on Friday, January 14, at Calvary United Methodist Church on Hillsboro Pike, Nashville, Tennessee, under the direction of the Roesch Patton Funeral Home on 1715 Broadway.

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## Trucker in prison for three deaths enters DUI plea

The Associated Press

PIKEVILLE — An Eastern Kentucky truck driver convicted last year on three counts of reckless homicide in a crash on U.S. 23 said in court that prosecutors have enough evidence to convict him of driving a commercial vehicle under the influence of drugs.

George David Williams, 40, of Kimper, entered an Alford plea in Pike County district court on Wednesday, meaning he acknowledged the evidence but maintained his innocence.

Judge Darrel Mullins sentenced Williams to 30 days in jail to run concurrently with the 15-year prison sentence he is serving on the reckless homicide convictions. He would be eligible for parole in 2007.

Williams was driving a truck for Pikeville-based JZ Trucking south on U.S. 23 in June 2003 when a coal auger fell from the trailer. The 34-ton machine struck two vehicles, killing Larry "Doug" Smallwood, 46, of Wheelwright; Dudley "Dougie" Williams, 42, of Bevinsville; and Carolyn Smallwood Adkins, 38, of Beefhide.

Mullins fined Williams

\$235.50, but because he is unable to work in prison, the fine was converted to 30 days.

After the 2003 accident, Williams also was charged with second-offense DUI by the Pikeville Police Department and several traffic charges by Kentucky Vehicle Enforcement. Those charges were later dismissed.

Even with the plea, defense attorney Robert Wright said he plans to appeal the DUI case because he believes the law that bans commercial drivers from using any amount of a controlled substance is constitutionally vague.

A urine sample taken from Williams at the time of the accident was shown to have amounts of several drugs in his system, according to court records.

But during the reckless homicide trial, Commonwealth's Attorney Rick Bartley said experts had told him the levels of drugs found in Williams' system were not enough to prove impairment.

Kentucky Department of Corrections records show that Williams has been held at the Eastern Kentucky Correctional Complex in West Liberty since Feb. 20.

## Lawmaker proposes slot machine legislation

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Kentucky could raise money for pricey government programs such as education and Medicaid by allowing slot machines throughout the state, a House lawmaker proposed Tuesday.

Rep. Tom Burch, D-Louisville, said he planned to file two separate bills that would allow the state to lean on gambling revenue to help ease its budgetary woes.

"The money is there, people are going to gamble ...," Burch said. "Why not keep that money here in Kentucky?"

Kentucky could eventually raise an extra \$400 to \$800 million extra for state programs, Burch estimated.

One plan would allow counties to decide through a local referendum whether residents want slot-machine gambling. The other calls for allowing slot machines at horse race tracks.

Revenue would go to pay for compulsive gambling treatment programs, education, Medicaid and public safety, among other things, Burch said.

Kent Ostrander, executive director of the Lexington-based Family Foundation, said he would "strongly

oppose" any measures to expand gambling in Kentucky.

"Las Vegas was not built by winners, it was built by losers," Ostrander said. "Kentucky government should never fund any 'good' program based on the premise that some Kentucky citizens must lose to fund it."

Meanwhile, Dana Seum Stephenson watched from the Senate gallery on Tuesday, complying with a judge's ruling preventing her from taking any official action as a state senator as her disputed election winds through the courts. Her name was displayed on a brass plaque on a desk in the Senate chamber, but the seat was unoccupied.

Stephenson said her lawyers were preparing to ask the state Supreme Court to take up the matter, bypassing the state Court of Appeals.

"I'm hopeful that the Supreme Court will listen to this quickly and resolve the issue to where there can be proper representation for the 37th District," she said.

A small group of her supporters gathered outside the Capitol for a rally.

"I won the election, I won the Senate's vote to be seat-

ed, and now we just need to take care of things in the judicial system," Stephenson, the daughter of Sen. Dan Seum, R-Louisville, said afterward.

Stephenson, a Republican, received about 1,000 more votes than her Democratic opponent, Virginia Woodward, in last year's election in Jefferson County's 37th District.

A series of court rulings, however, held that Stephenson did not meet a state constitutional requirement that she live in Kentucky for six years

before the election.

Franklin County Circuit Judge William Graham ruled that Stephenson may not take any official action as a senator or be paid because she wasn't a qualified resident of Kentucky.

Until a higher court rules, Stephenson said she will comply with Graham's ruling and not attempt to take a seat in the Senate.

"There's no reason to upset the judges and go to jail," she said, adding that she would keep track of Senate action from her home.

## Natural Resources Conservation Service accepts applications for WHIP

USDA's National Resources Conservation Service is accepting applications for the Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program signup. Landowners may apply for WHIP at any time; however, applications received by Feb. 18 will be evaluated and considered for the 2005 program year. Applications received after that date will be held until the next evaluation period.

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To apply for WHIP, contact Chris Slone, district conservationist at the USDA Service Center, at (606) 886-9545; the

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# Community Calendar

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**Editor's note:** To announce your community event, you may hand-deliver your item to The Floyd County Times office, located at 263 S. Central Avenue, Prestonsburg; or mail to: The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; or fax to 606-886-3603; or email to: [features@floydcountytimes.com](mailto: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 Plans sale of building

John W. Hall Lodge 950 F&AM, Martin, will be having a called meeting, Saturday, Feb. 5, 2005, for the purpose of discussing the sale of its lodge building, and comments on looking for a new building.

Steve Barnette, Master

### Floyd County Unite meeting is scheduled for February 3

The next Floyd County Unite meeting will be held Thursday, February 3, at 7 p.m., at the Allen First Baptist Church.

### Freedom Bible Church

Sunday, Feb. 6, Dennis Young will sing and bring message at 11 a.m. service. Church located on Lower Johns Creek. Everyone welcome!

### Floyd County Alzheimer's Support Group

Will meet Tuesday, Feb. 8, at 6 p.m., at the Presbyterian Church, in Prestonsburg.

### ACT Preparation Classes

Big Sandy Community and Technical College will be holding ACT Preparation Classes in mathematics and reading, Saturday February 5th, at the Prestonsburg Campus, from 9:00 a.m.-4:00. Each session will last three hours, a fee of \$25 will be charged. Fee includes

ACT Prep materials. For more information contact your nearest BSCTC campus.

### Stand up for a Brighter Tomorrow

A mental health conference on the emotional well-being of children and adolescents. To be held March 23, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., at the Ramada Inn, in Paintsville. Hosted by Mt. Comprehensive Care Center's Victim Services Program and IMPACT Program. Lunch will be catered by the Ramada Inn. To register, call 886-4395, or register online at [www.mtcomp.org](http://www.mtcomp.org). Registration is required to attend. Registration deadline is March 10. There is no charge for registration or lunch. Some fees may apply, but no fee will be collected from child care workers, foster parents, or education administrators CEU's.

### Emergency Preparedness for Families and Youth

Thursday, Feb. 3, from 6-8 p.m., at the Floyd County Extension Service office. Presentations by American Red Cross, Project Recovery, Division of Public Safety, UK Cooperative Extension. Question-answer sessions. More info., call Chuck Stamper at 886-2668.

### 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.

### Girl Scout Cookies!

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### 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!

### Home-Based Microprocessing and Processing Workshop

Monday, March 14, 9 a.m. to

4 p.m., at Floyd County Extension Office. Learn about food safety, sanitation, and home canning. Registration fee required. For those interested in selling home-processed food products. Call 886-2668 for more information.

### Floyd and Pike County Master Gardener Program

Volunteer training program sponsored by UK Co-op Extension Service. Designed to provide research based information to the public in regard to horticulture. Anyone may apply. Call Ray Tackett at 886-2668 or Brian Combs at 1-800-233-1390 for more info. To be held March 7, 14, 21, 28 and

April 4, 11 at Betsy Layne Senior Citizens Center, from 6-9 p.m. Enrollment fee required.

### Private Pesticide Applicators Recertification/Training

To be held Feb. 15, from 9-11:30 a.m. and Feb. 17, from 6-8:30 p.m., at the Floyd County Extension Office. Contact Ray Tackett at 886-2668 for more information.

### 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.

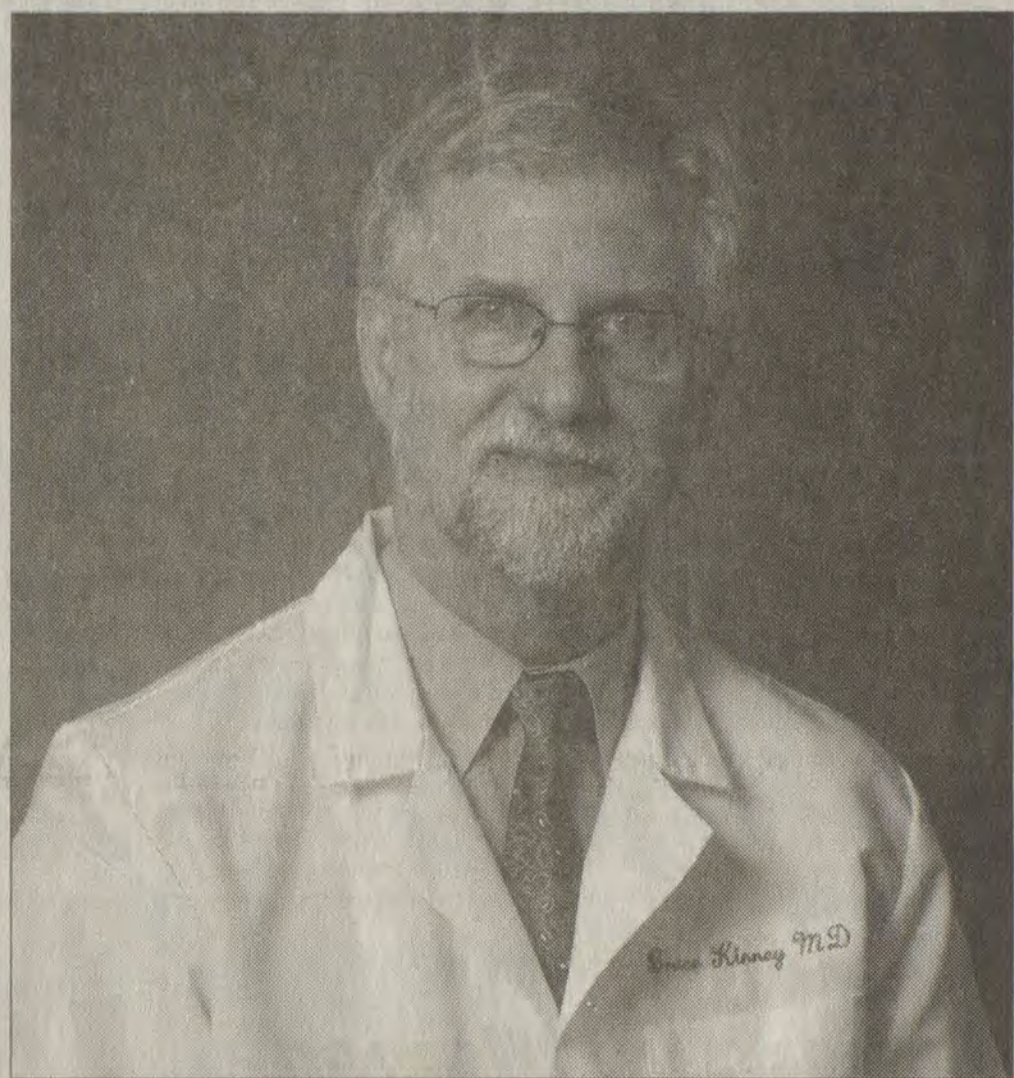
### Floyd County Democratic Women's Club

Meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 6 p.m., at Brenda's Restaurant, in McDowell. All invited to

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# KCTCS president announces appointments

**VERSAILLES** — Michael B. McCall, president of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System, has announced two appointments to provide leadership in marketing and communications and government relations for KCTCS.

Terri Giltner has joined KCTCS as the System Director of Marketing and Communications. She most recently served in state government as the Director of the Kentucky Division of Creative Services. Giltner holds a bachelor's degree in commu-

cations and journalism from the University of Kentucky and a master's in business administration degree from Indiana University. Also, McCall announced that Lori A. Davis, Esq., will serve as the Director of Governmental Affairs for KCTCS. Under her new

duties in the Office of Institutional Advancement she will direct KCTCS advocacy efforts at the local, state, and federal level. Davis formerly served as an administrative law judge for the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family

Services. Davis received a bachelor's degree from the University of Cincinnati and a law degree from the University of Tennessee. KCTCS colleges change lives by providing academic and technical associate degrees; diploma and cer-

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## Honored for Excellence

Hazard Community & Technical College President Jay K. Box, right, honors Jeremiah Bryant, assistant professor, as one of the three finalists for the New Horizons Outstanding Faculty award. Bryant, who works at the Lees College Campus of HCTC, is CCNA (Cisco Certified Network Associate) and is a CCAI (Cisco Certified Academy Instructor).

## Teen

left bearing responsibility if the child is not mature enough and something happens that endangers his or her well-being."

Wallace says her 14-year-old son is "more than capable" to stay home alone after school every day because he is mature and has been "trained" about what to do during emergency situations.

Though she and Halbert stand behind the maturity level of their children, the Floyd County School system does not.

Zack's bus driver, Mike Conn, who transports the child to and from Allen Central High School every day, informed the family this week that the boy will no longer be able to get off the bus when no one is at his residence at Arkansas Creek.

It's a safety feature built into the by-laws with the state Department of Education.

It's unnecessary, Halbert says, especially since neighboring kids do the same thing every day.

She works in Martin and lives approximately five minutes away from her place of employment. She says she gets off at 4 p.m., the same time Zack's bus pulls into her driveway.

"What, he's been doing it for two years and all of a sudden he can't do it anymore?" Halbert asked yesterday. "If I have to pay someone to watch my child for 10 minutes, then I want the rest of Floyd County to have to pay."

Halbert brought her concerns to Supt. Paul Fanning and Transportation Department Head Karen Johnson.

They won't bend.

The Floyd County School Board adopted a policy during the 2000-2001 school year that prohibits bus drivers from dropping children off when their parents aren't home. The rules are more strict for younger children statewide, Fanning said, but guidelines governing the issue with older children have been ignored, he said.

"The policy adopted was not oriented on convenience, it was oriented on safety," Fanning said. "If we've got some compliance issues, you know, in the transportation department, then we've got to deal with it ... That's what the board did and they did it because of concern in the community about children being dropped off at home alone. As far

as a parent being told yesterday about it going into effect today, well, she has a right to raise a question."

Fanning met with school principals and area transportation heads to discuss the issue yesterday morning. It's not only Halbert's concern. Bus drivers must answer as to why, in some cases, they're just now getting around to complying with a policy implemented five years ago.

Another parent addressed the same type of problem during a December meeting with the board.

The departments are looking at a viable solution, Fanning said. A possible policy change may be necessitated in the future, but to do so, the board must find a way to exclude themselves from liability in the event that an accident does occur. At the same time, they must also consider the issue of safety itself.

Meanwhile, Halbert is left with the 10-minute dilemma of rushing home early from work or driving after work to pick up her son at the high school.

"I don't know what they're trying to do," she said.

## Bishop2

the point that all of the narratives were given by Carolyn Bishop. He also made it appoint to get the doctor to agree that none of the injuries were life-threatening. Last week, an emergency room doctor testified that Dwayne Bishop shot Carolyn Bishop in the pelvis on one occasion and that Dwayne Bishop had said he was cleaning his gun when it accidentally misfired.

East Kentucky Science Center Director Ray Shubinski was also called to testify. He testified that the moon was not shining on the night that Carolyn Bishop's body was discovered and pointed out that it had rained in the area before and after the corpse was discovered. This testimony received a cross-examination by Howard, which pointed out that although it was raining that week it is no guarantee that it rained at the Mud Creek area.

A botanist from the University of Kentucky was the penultimate witness. He testified that he conducted a survey of the crime scene looking for burr-producing plants and found one that matched the burrs found on Dwayne Bishop's shirt that was taken from his room at his mother's house.

Cross-examination of the botanist turned out to be a rough one for the defense. While questioning the plant expert, Howard

got him to state that the burrs found on Dwayne Bishop's shirt were the only one in 12 different species that were present at the site where Carolyn Bishop's body was recovered. Things only got worse for the defense as Howard got the botanist to admit that the burrs are very low to the ground and tend to get caught on trouser cuffs and socks. In Dwayne Bishop's case several were found on his black t-shirt which read, "Support your local Highwaymen." The botanist also stated under cross-examination that the main area of distribution for the burr dropping plant was the area where the victim's body was recovered.

Floyd County Coroner Roger Nelson also appeared and testified to waiting at the scene of the crime for Det. Terry Thompson. He also showed pictures to the jury that he took at the scene and highlighted that motorcycle tracks were visible on the access road to a gas meter on Ligon Camp Road. He further stated that Carolyn Bishop was most likely killed on the main road and dragged through the foliage to her final resting spot which was covered in the burr-bearing plants that were previously testified to.

The defense will begin mounting its case for Dwayne Bishop today. Defense counsel does not have to provide the

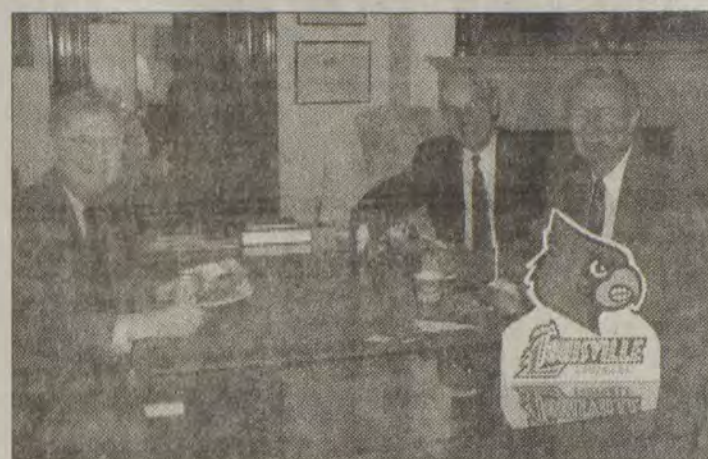
commonwealth with who they plan to call as witnesses, so it is a mystery as to who they may bring into court and whether or not they will be able to rebut some of the testimony already heard by the jury.

# Senators settle wager

WASHINGTON, D.C. — U.S. Senators Mitch McConnell (R-KY), Larry Craig (R-ID) and Mike Crapo (R-ID) met on Monday, January 24 to settle their wager on the Liberty Bowl football game.

The senators made a friendly wager on the outcome of the 46th Annual AutoZone Liberty Bowl, in which the Louisville Cardinals faced the Boise State Broncos. The Cardinals beat the Broncos 44-40.

Senators Craig and Crapo provided a lunch of Idaho trout and potatoes to Senator McConnell in his office.



Left to right, Senator McConnell, Senator Craig and Senator Crapo enjoy lunch.



BSCTC President George D. Edwards, sitting, listened as KCTCS Vice President Jon S. Hesseldenz spoke at a recent tuition hearing held on the BSCTC campus, in Prestonsburg.

# Tuition hearing held at BSCTC

A tuition hearing was held at the Prestonsburg Campus of Big Sandy Community and Technical College (BSCTC) on

January 20. Kentucky Community and Technical College (KCTCS) Vice President Jon S. Hesseldenz, represented the

KCTCS central office and assisted Dr. George D. Edwards, BSCTC President, with facilitation of the hearing.

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■ **TAMPA, Kan.** — All Jim Clemmer and Jim Allen have in common is that they both call Tampa home.

Clemmer lives in Tampa, Kan., while Allen lives in a suburb of

Tampa, Fla. Next month, the two men will trade places and discover the "other" Tampa. The visits were arranged as part of a contest sponsored by a Tampa, Fla., radio station.

Neither man really knows what to expect on his visit.

"I don't know what we'll be

doing," Clemmer said of the trip he and his wife, Mary, will make to Florida. "All I know is it ain't gonna cost anything."

For his part, Allen said the idea of spending a weekend in a "small, rural Kansas town" was "intriguing."

Allen, of Brandon, Fla., won

the radio contest by picking the winning slogan for Tampa, Fla. - "Paradise Under Construction." Clemmer was chosen to go to Florida because he is mayor of Tampa, Kan.

Jack Harris, co-host of the station that sponsored the contest,

said his stations received several entries because some Floridians want to see what life in small-town Kansas is like.

"They want to be out on the farm and watch a cow being milked," Harris said. "They want to see the Red State at its best."

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**Silver**

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ing lots of dollars to keep their own currencies from rising.

In the long run, however, the United States will have to control its spending to avoid the painful consequences of megadebt. The United Nations recently warned that America's twin deficits are throwing the entire world's economy off balance. It echoes similar warnings from the International Monetary Fund.

We should start with the federal deficit, using the same formula that worked in the 1990s. Back then, some moderate tax increases and strict federal spending limits set the stage for solvency. That restraint combined with a booming economy

to create the first budget surpluses in three decades.

That won't happen under the Bush administration, which combines tax-phobia with a reckless attitude toward federal spending and debt. Bush's mistake in Iraq will cost us nearly \$80 billion more this year, and he's toying with the idea of adding \$1 trillion to \$2 trillion in federal debt in order to privatize Social Security.

That way lies penury. Hope lies in the U.S. Senate, where moderate members from both parties see the danger. They should put aside party loyalty and insist on fiscal sanity.

— *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*

**Letters**

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Every concern person should write their congressmen and senators telling them we should have a truly workable national health program. Do away with insurance companies handling medical claims, combine HMOs, PPOs, etc., then everyone would have health care fully funded by our taxes and the insurance premiums we are paying now.

I don't totally disagree with Hillary's health care plan, but there are a few things in that package that are truly horrible. One is withholding food and water from the infirm, badly disabled and elderly. That is cruel! I wonder how she would feel if she fell into one of those categories.

Another is if anyone cannot be "rehabilitated" in 100 days, Medicare coverage stops. The patient either has to die (which is what is expected), get better or be taken home to be cared for. The elderly, infirm and disabled should be cared for until the end, and if it takes over 100 days, so be it. There are other things I disagree with, but these two are the worst.

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Floyd County Extension

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**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.  
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"Equitable Resources has long been a leader in business and philanthropy in our region," said Pikeville College President Hal Smith. "Pikeville College is pleased to receive Equitable's support."

Pikeville College, established in 1889, offers 23 baccalaureate degree programs built on broad liberal arts founda-

tions, pre-professional programs and a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree. This grant will allow students to choose from myriad areas of study to fulfill the dream of pursuing higher education while staying close to their homes.

"There are motivated and talented students in the region who seek opportunities for higher education to better themselves," said David Spigelmyer of Equitable Resources. "By helping them reach this goal and allowing them to do so close to home, we are planning for the future of our Appalachian communities. We are equipping the future leaders of the towns and cities in which our employees live and work."

The college was founded with a mission of providing the best possible educational opportunities to the people in the mountain area of central

Appalachia. Indeed, that mission is being fulfilled today because more than 50 percent of Pikeville College students are the first in their family to pursue higher education, and more than 70 percent of the student population comes from the Appalachian region. Financial

assistance is a key mission of the college as well.

"More than 90 percent of our students benefit from financial assistance which is only possible due to the College's generous contributors," added Smith. "This gift will help students achieve their dream of a

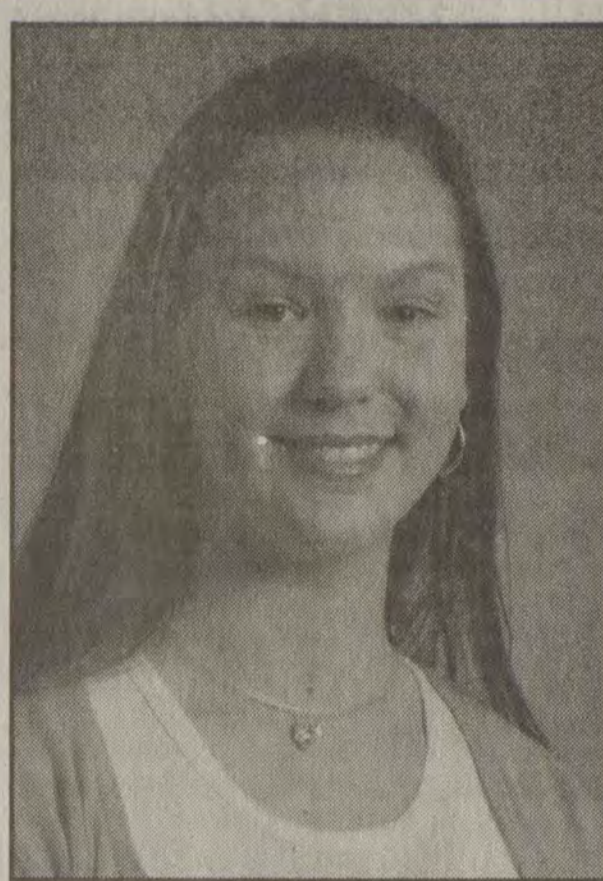
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Pikeville College President Hal Smith receives a \$10,000 gift presented by David Spigelmyer, director of external affairs for Equitable Resources, right, along with Lloyd Hall, regional manager for operations for Equitable Production Company, left, and Jeff Burke, president and general manager of Kentucky West Virginia Gas, second from left. Equitable selected Pikeville College because of its close ties to communities the company serves.

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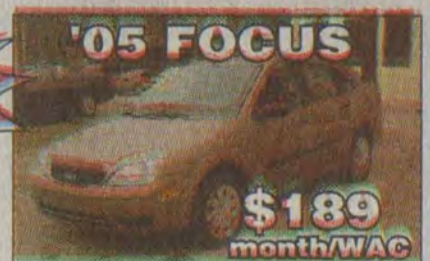
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## Floyd County NWTB Banquet scheduled

The Floyd County Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation will hold its annual hunting heritage banquet on Saturday. The banquet will be held at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center in Prestonsburg. The event will open at 6 p.m. with dinner following at 7:30 p.m.

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# RAIDERS TO RICHMOND



Above: South Floyd players, cheerleaders and fans celebrated after beating Pikeville for the 15th Region All "A" Championship. Right: Wes Hall took his turn on the net following Saturday night's championship win over Pikeville. Hall scored 13 points in the championship game.

## South Floyd outlasts Pikeville, claims 15th Region All 'A' title

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE – South Floyd played three games in three nights late last week and at the end of the journey found gold. Gold in the form of a 15th Region All "A" Classic championship trophy. The same South Floyd team that had its hands full with Phelps in the opening round of the tournament, beat Sheldon Clark Friday night in the semifinals and defeated tournament host Pikeville 72-68 Saturday night in the championship game. With the win, South Floyd moves on to the Touchstone Energy All "A" Classic state tournament. The Raiders are pitted in the opening round of the tournament against 16th Region champion Elliott County.

Pikeville led South Floyd 30-26 at halftime. But the Raiders wouldn't be denied. At the half, South Floyd Coach Barry Hall issued a challenge to his team, particularly the senior Raiders.

The message got across. After not scoring any points in the first half, South Floyd senior Wes Hall came alive in the second half, at one time scoring eight consecutive points. Hall finished with 14 points, seven rebounds and two assists.

"At halftime, I challenged all of our seniors to step up," said South Floyd Coach Barry Hall. "I challenged Burnett (Little) and Steven (Stanley) inside – and I challenged Wes. This is a great win for us."

"Coach told me at the half that I was a senior and I needed to step up," said Wes Hall. "I just had a real good feeling in the second half."

Wes Hall, like his South Floyd teammates, are excited about the trip to Richmond and the Touchstone Energy All "A" Classic state tournament.

"They treat you good down there and we're excited about having the chance to go play," Wes Hall added.

South Floyd junior Ryan Johnson led the Raiders in scoring with a game-high 23 points. Johnson, who went nine-of-10 from the free throw line, also had six assists and three rebounds.

In the game against Pikeville, South Floyd eased out of the first quarter with an 18-16 lead. After leading by four points at halftime, Pikeville fell behind again in the second half. The Raiders led 51-48 at the end of the third quarter.



With Wes Hall leading the second-half rally, South Floyd led 62-52 with 4:35 remaining.

For the Raiders, the inside presence was again strong. Burnett Little had a double-double in the championship game, scoring 11 points and pulling down 12 rebounds. Steven Stanley finished with 16 points and six rebounds, Ethan Johnson had five points and Ryan Little flipped in two. Mason Hall added four assists.

(See SOUTH FLOYD, page six)

## Elliott County awaits South Floyd

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

RICHMOND – Elliott County is in the Touchstone Energy All "A" Classic state tournament for a second straight year. The Lions, coached by Rick Mays, beat Menifee County 80-60 in the championship game of this year's 16th Region All "A" Classic. South Floyd's first-round opponent in the small-school state tournament, Elliott County beat Raceland and Rose Hill Christian in the 16th Region All "A" Classic before getting a chance to play Menifee County in the championship game.



Elliott County and South Floyd are scheduled to meet Thursday morning at 9 a.m. in the opening round of the small-school state tournament.

Elliott County will enter Richmond and the All "A" Classic state tournament on a four-game winning streak. The Lions have outscored opponents 1,389-1,188 and at 16-4 have the best record of any 16th Region school, already shattering last season's win total of 11.

Elliott County, which plays in the 62nd District along with East Carter, West Carter and Lewis County, entered the 2004-05 season with three players gone from last season's 11-15 squad. The high school located in Sandy Hook had high hoops expectations heading into the current season.

"We expect a tough game," said South Floyd Coach Barry Hall. "We'll have to be ready to play."

Thursday's game will be the first-ever boys' basketball meeting between the two schools.

Earlier this season, South Floyd took on 16th Region contender Greenup County in the Prestonsburg/Jenny Wiley Invitational tournament. Elliott County hasn't played any 15th Region teams, but did – back in December – sweep a trio of 14th Region opponents in a Christmas tournament held at Owsley County.

Seniors Tyler Simmons and Ben Holbrook help lead Elliott County. In the pre-season, Elliott County was picked to repeat as 16th Region All "A" Champion, picked ahead of Fairview and Raceland. Holbrook tabbed as the second-best player.

Mays has 23 years of experience as Elliott County coach behind him. Elliott County fell to Lexington Christian in the first round of last year's All "A" Classic state tournament.

Following last week's 15th Region All "A" Classic run, South Floyd is now riding a three-game winning streak and finds itself back in the 15th Region mix along with a host of other rising teams.

## Martin hopes team can build on win over Paintsville

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN – The Allen Central Lady Rebels went out on the road this past Thursday night and scored a 48-43 win over host Paintsville.

Allen Central Coach Mark Martin saw his team beat the same Paintsville team that came out victorious in a meeting between the two squads a little over one week earlier in the 15th Region All "A" Classic.

In the win over Paintsville, senior center Becky Thomas led Allen Central with 20 points. "I'm proud of the way the

kids came back and played after the disappointing loss in the All "A" last week," said Martin. "The kids came out and played hard from the beginning and hung tough at the end to get a good road win. Paintsville is a talented team and could make a strong run during the districts."

The Lady Rebels led 23-22 at halftime and held Paintsville to just 34-percent shooting in the first half.

"Our defense has come a long way," Martin added. "Juniors Mara Biliter and Yumekia Hunter set the tone for us defensively each night with their

intensity and it doesn't hurt any having the big girl underneath." Offensively, Allen Central had a balance of scoring through out the game.

Thomas had a strong game, recording her 13th double double of the season.

"Becky continues to be a force in the area on both ends of the floor," said Martin. "Mara Biliter had one of her better games of the season and she hit a big three pointer in the third quarter that gave her some confidence."

Biliter finished with nine

(See MARTIN, page six)



Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin presented Prestonsburg High football coach John DeRossett with a plaque commemorating his becoming the all-time winningest coach in Prestonsburg High School football history. DeRossett's 73rd win broke the record for all-time wins. Prestonsburg High senior football players are pictured alongside Fannin and DeRossett.



# Lady Pirates edge Pikeville

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - Getting in a final game before heading off to Richmond and the All "A" Classic state tournament, 15th Region All "A" champ Pikeville played host to rival Belfry Monday night. The Lady Panthers led visiting Belfry through each of the first two quarters before falling. Belfry outscored Pikeville 17-9 in the third quarter and behind a game-high 24 points from Shae Deskins, beat the Lady Panthers 66-64.

Pikeville lost, despite having five different players score 10 or more points.

Jessica Moon added 16 points for Belfry (13-6).

Samantha Howard led Pikeville in scoring with 16 points. Emily Colvin had 14 points and Evin Shockey tossed in 13. Megan Harris netted 11 points and Shawna Howard flipped in 10.

Pikeville (13-5) will take on Christian Academy of Louisville today at noon in the opening round of the All "A"

Classic state tournament.

Whitesburg 56, Lee County 36: The Whitesburg Lady Yellowjackets also got in a game before departing for the All "A" Classic state tournament. In commanding fashion, Whitesburg beat upstart Lee County (7-11) 56-36 in a game also played on Monday night.

In the scoring department, three different players reached double figures for the Lady Yellowjackets.

Johnson Central 70, Ashland Blazer 44: Celena Conley scored 12 points and Emily Wireman added 11 as the two talented eighth-graders helped to lead Johnson Central to a win over Ashland Blazer.

Ten different Lady Eagles scored in the winning effort. Johnson Central led 33-18 at halftime. The Lady Eagles held the Ashland team to five points in the second quarter and nine points in the third period.

Junior Courtney McKenzie had nine points for the Lady Eagles. Hayley Meek and Chelsey Salyers - two other eighth-graders - also had eight

points apiece.

Chessi Griffith added six points for Johnson Central.

East Ridge 63, Sheldon Clark 31: East Ridge more than doubled up Sheldon Clark (1-4). East Ridge (10-6) had 11 different players score points in Monday night's win.

Sheldon Clark took a 12-5 lead out of the opening period. East Ridge then outscored Sheldon Clark 16-7 in both the second and third quarters.

East Ridge put Sheldon Clark away by outscoring the Lady Cardinals 26-5 in the final quarter.

East Carter 80, Pike County Central 76: Kayla Lowe scored 22 points and Haley Ratliff added 18, but it wasn't enough to lift the Lady Hawks to a win over East Carter. Tawnee Tackett scored a game-high 38 points and Ashley Baldwin tossed in 17 as the East Carter Lady Raiders edged defending 15th Region champ Pike Central.

East Carter, which trailed at the end of each of the first three quarters, outscored Pike Central 31-25 in the final period.

# Draw for state basketball tournaments to air Friday

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - The annual draw for region vs. region match-ups for the National City/KHSAA Boys' and Houchens/KHSAA Girls' State Basketball Tournaments will be held this Friday at WKYT-TV in Lexington. The program will air live on WKYT as well as Insight Louisville and begin at 1 p.m. (ET).

Satellite information for media outlets: AMC9, Transponder 17 (analog); KU Band; Testing from 12:45 p.m.; live at 1 p.m. (ET); Master Control Help Line: 859-299-4702

Brackets will be posted on the Association website Friday afternoon.

Tickets sales for both the National City/KHSAA Boys' &

Houchens Industries/KHSAA Girls' Sweet 16@ State Basketball

Tournaments remain on sale through the KHSAA office through Feb. 23 by calling (859) 299-5472 or by ordering online at www.khsaa.org.

At this time, only full tournament books (one ticket to each of the eight sessions) are on sale. Beginning March 1 tickets will be available through the Rupp Arena Box Office and ticketmaster.com for the boys' event and through the Diddle Arena Box Office for the girls' event.

Tickets purchased at the arena for either tournament will incur an additional walk-up charge per ticket.

## UPCOMING KHSAA CALENDAR

Fri., Feb. 4 - Draw Show for 2005 State Basketball Tournaments (WKYT-TV 27 in Lexington; Insight; 1 p.m. ET)

Fri.-Sat., Feb. 18-19 - State Swimming & Diving Meet - UK Lancaster Aquatic Center, Lexington

Thurs.-Sat., Feb. 24-26 - State Wrestling Championships - Frankfort Convention Complex, Frankfort

Tues., March 15 - Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame Induction Banquet - Lexington Center, Lexington

Wed.-Sat., March 16-19 - National City/KHSAA Boys' State Basketball Tournament - Rupp Arena, Lexington

Wed.-Sat., March 23-26 - Houchens/KHSAA Girls' State Basketball Tournament - WKU Diddle Arena, Bowling Green

# Lady Hornets sting Betsy Layne

TIMES STAFF REPORT

SALYERSVILLE - Betsy Layne jumped out to a 19-15 lead over 15th Region frontrunner Magoffin County on Friday night. The visiting Ladycats took the first quarter, but fell victim in the three periods that followed. Magoffin County outscored Betsy Layne by 12 or more points in the last three quarters en route to an 82-59 win.

Magoffin County (13-4), coached by Steve Miller, got 22 points apiece from Michaela Howard and Brittany Manns.

Ashley Howard followed with 21 points.

The Lady Hornets led Betsy Layne 42-34 at halftime and outscored the visiting team 21-9 in the third quarter.

Calloray Howard added to the winning Magoffin County effort, tossing in 12 points. Hall scored five points and rounded out the Lady Hornet scoring.

In other scoring for Betsy Layne (12-6), Breann Akers added nine points and Kaitlin Lawson tossed in seven. Nicole Spurlock scored two points and Candice Meade got into the scoring column

with a made free throw.

For Betsy Layne, Friday night's showdown against Magoffin County was the first action since a 15th Region All "A" Classic title game loss to Pikeville.

MAGOFFIN COUNTY (82) - A. Howard 21, M. Howard 22, Manns 22, C. Howard 12, Hall 5.

BETSY LAYNE (59) - Akers 9, Clark 16, Daniels 12, Smith 12, Meade 1, Spurlock 2, Lawson 7.

Betsy Layne.....19 15 9 16-59  
Magoffin Co.....15 27 21 19-82

# Blackcats 69, Hawks 61

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

BUCKLEYS CREEK - The Prestonsburg boys' basketball team won for the third time in its last four outings Friday night, beating host Pike County Central 69-61 in the first game of a boys-girls doubleheader. Four different Prestonsburg players scored 11 points or more in Friday night's win. Trevor Compton led Prestonsburg in scoring with a game-high 13 points. Lewis Barnett came in off the bench and added 12 points for the Blackcats. Starting forwards Jesse Chaffin and Sean Leslie each had 11 points apiece.

Despite the win, Prestonsburg Coach Jackie Day Crisp wasn't entirely pleased with his team's performance.

"We didn't really play that well," said Crisp. "We really struggled from the free throw line."

For the game, Prestonsburg hit just 10 of 22 free throw attempts. Pike Central connected on 16 of 26 tries.

Crisp was pleased with the performance he got from Barnette, who, once starting center John Mar Stephens got into foul trouble, saw plenty of playing time. "Lewis came in and gave us some good minutes," Crisp noted. "Once John Mar got in foul trouble, we needed someone to step up inside."

Visiting Prestonsburg got off to a good start in the opening quarter, holding Pike Central under 10 points and outscoring

the host Hawks 13-8. Pike Central did battle back, though. The Hawks took a 34-33 lead into halftime. Prestonsburg had the advantage in both of the second-half quarters, outscoring the Hawks in each of the final two quarters.

Prestonsburg outscored Pike Central 19-11 in the third quarter.

Michael Stephens added nine points for the Blackcats and John Mark Stephens pushed in eight. Kyle Ousley added four points and Michael Morrison scored on a free throw.

Brad Ratliff led Pike Central (10-8) in scoring with a game-high 20 points. Anthony Gibson added 10 points for the Hawks. David Hess and Eric Slone each had nine points apiece for Pike Central. Brandon Charles and Gordon Varney finished with six and two points, respectively.

Pike Central standout Brad Lowe, injured earlier in the sea-

son, remains out of action and did not see any playing time in Friday night's game against Prestonsburg.

Prestonsburg (8-8) was scheduled to return to the hardwood Friday night against 58th District rival South Floyd. Due to South Floyd participating in this year's All "A" Classic state tournament, that contest has been postponed and will be made up at a later date.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL: Pike Central 62, Prestonsburg 41: In the girls' game played directly after the boys' game, Pike Central pulled away, beating the visiting Lady Blackcats thanks in great part to a strong second-half effort.

Paige Lowe led Prestonsburg in scoring with a game-high 18 points. Meghan Slone led the Lady Blackcats with 13 points. Molly Burchett followed closely with 12 points.



photos by Jamie Howell

Prestonsburg sophomore Meaghan Slone handled the basketball during the girls' game.



Prestonsburg junior Sean Leslie (33) went up for a rebound during Friday night's game against Pike Central.

# Top 10 teams in Kentucky high school basketball

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

## BOYS

R.	School	Rcd	TP	Pvs
1.	Lou. Trinity (5)	22-2	128	1
2.	Scott Co. (4)	16-2	115	4
3.	Lou. Jeffersontown (5)	19-2	112	2
4.	South Laurel (1)	17-3	85	5
5.	Lex. Henry Clay -	18-2	82	3
6.	Lou. Ballard -	16-2	78	6
7.	Pendleton Co. -	16-3	49	7
8.	Lou. PRP -	16-5	44	8
9.	Calloway Co. -	18-1	28	10
10.	Lou. DeSales -	11-4	19	-

Others receiving votes: Lou. Male 14, Elizabethtown 11, Lex. Bryan Station 8, North Laurel 7, Somerset 6, Owensboro Cath. 6, Univ. Heights 5, Cov. Holmes 4, Lou. Manual 4, Bishop Brossart 3, North Hardin 3, Breckenridge Co. 2, Bullitt East 2, Cawood 2, Morgan Co. 2.

## GIRLS

R.	School	Rcd	TP	Pvs
1.	Lex. Catholic (10)	18-1	126	1
2.	Scott Co. (3)	21-1	120	2
3.	Lou. Sacred Heart -	17-3	92	5
4.	Lou. Christ. Acad. -	17-3	80	3
5.	Rockcastle Co. -	15-3	78	4
6.	Clinton Co. -	17-3	41	6
7.	Woodford Co. -	19-1	37	7
8.	Henderson Co. -	16-5	34	9
9.	Shelby Co. -	14-0	18	-
10.	Christian Co. -	14-2	16	8
10.	Mercer Co. -	18-2	16	-

Others receiving votes: Mercer Co. 16, Lex. Bates Creek 10, Elizabethtown 9, Cov. Holy Cross 7, Lou. Mercy 6, South Laurel 6, Somerset 5, Harrison Co. 5, Central Hardin 3.

# All 'A' Classic At ECU's McBrayer Arena

## GIRLS

Wednesday  
9 a.m. - Butler County (3rd) vs. Cumberland (13th)  
10:30 a.m. - Louisville Holy Cross (6th) vs. Covington Holy Cross (9th)  
Noon - Pikeville (15th) vs. Louisville Christian (7th)  
1:30 p.m. - Carroll County (8th) vs. Murray (1st)  
5 p.m. - Somerset (12th) vs. Webster County (2nd)  
6:30 p.m. - Clinton County (4th) vs. West Carter (16th)  
8 p.m. - Whitesburg (14th) vs. Caverna (5th)  
9:30 p.m. - Lexington Christian (11th) vs. Paris (10th)  
Friday Quarterfinal games: 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m., Noon and 1:30 p.m.  
Saturday Semifinal games: 10 and 11:30 a.m.  
Sunday 12:30 p.m. - Championship game

## BOYS

Thursday  
9 a.m. - South Floyd (15th) vs. Elliott County (16th)  
10:30 a.m. - Metcalfe Co. (4th) vs. Lexington Christian (11th)  
Noon - Bishop Brossart (10th) vs. Hazard (14th)  
1:30 p.m. - University Heights (2nd) vs. Shawnee (6th)  
5 p.m. - Owensboro Catholic (3rd) vs. Campbellsville (5th)  
6:30 p.m. - Carroll County (8th) vs. Somerset (12th)  
8 p.m. - Louisville Christian (7th) vs. Newport Central Catholic (9th)  
9:30 p.m. - Barbourville (13th) vs. Heath (1st)  
Friday Quarterfinal games: 5, 6:30, 8 and 9:30 p.m.  
Saturday Semifinal games: 3 and 4:30 p.m.  
Sunday 3 p.m. - Championship game

# BluegrassPreps.com Girls' Basketball Rankings

1. Lexington Catholic
2. Scott County
3. Sacred Heart
4. Christian Academy-Louisville
5. Rockcastle County
6. Clinton County
7. Mercy
8. Henderson County
9. Covington Holy Cross
10. Woodford County
11. Christian County
12. Tates Creek
13. Mercer County
14. Shelby County
15. Ballard
16. Ohio County
17. Paducah Tilghman
18. Boone County
19. South Laurel
20. Covington Holy Cross

# BluegrassPreps.com Boys' Basketball Rankings

1. Jeffersontown
2. Trinity
3. Pleasure Ridge Park
4. Pendleton County
5. South Laurel
6. Ballard
7. Scott County
8. Henry Clay
9. DeSales
10. Male
11. DuPont Manual
12. Bryan Station
13. Bishop Brossart
14. Bullitt East
15. Elizabethtown
16. Mason County
17. Montgomery County
18. Covington Catholic
19. Holmes
20. University Heights

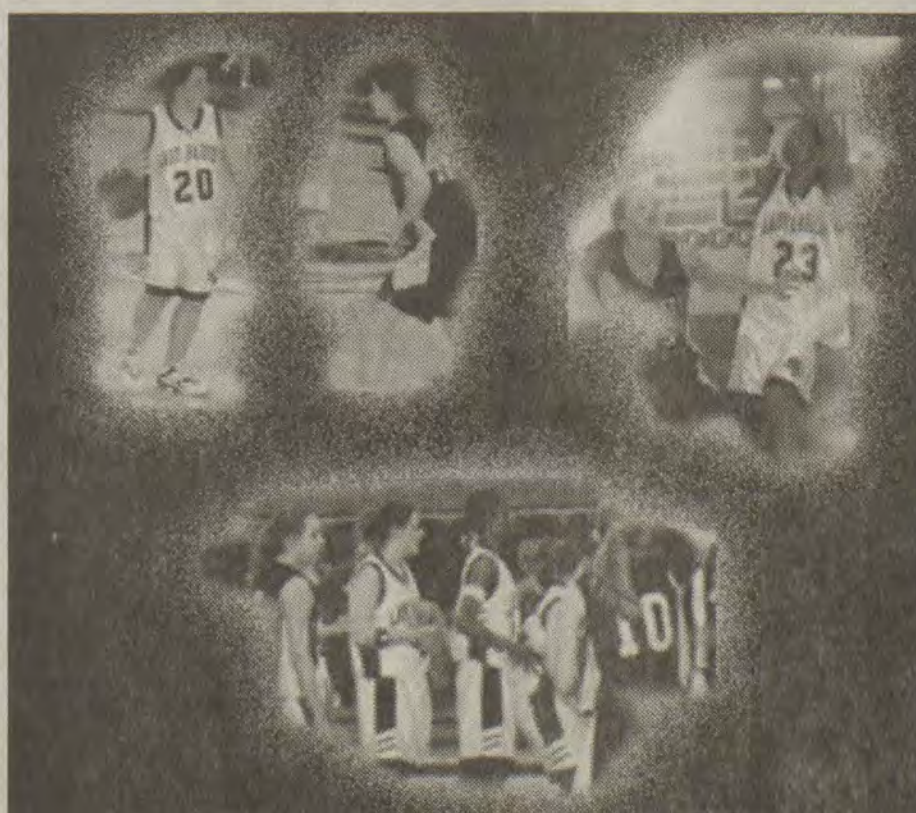
# HEROESPORTZ H.S. BASKETBALL RANKINGS

## BOYS

1. Shelby Valley
2. Belfry
3. East Ridge
4. Pike Central
5. Johnson Central
6. Paintsville
7. Prestonsburg
8. South Floyd
9. Betsy Layne
10. Phelps

## GIRLS

1. Magoffin County
  2. Betsy Layne
  3. Pikeville
  4. Belfry
  5. Johnson Central
  6. Pike Central
  7. Paintsville
  8. Phelps
  9. East Ridge
  10. Prestonsburg
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MAGOFFIN STINGS LADY RAIDERS - Visiting Magoffin County beat South Floyd 89-37 Monday night. Magoffin County is the top-ranked girls' basketball team in the 15th Region.



## No. 12 Louisville 105, Tulane 69

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW ORLEANS — Most freshmen figure to have a tough time against 12th-ranked Louisville. Tulane started three of them and learned that the hard way.

Francisco Garcia had 21 points, five other Louisville players also scored in double figures, and the Cardinals' pressure defense forced 26 turnovers in a 105-69 rout of the outmanned Green Wave on Saturday night.

"We're the worst team for a young team to play because we're experienced and because of the way we pressure the passing lanes," said Louisville coach Rick Pitino, whose team had 20 steals, one short of the school record. "We were very active and we just had much more talent than Tulane."

The Cardinals (18-3, 6-2 Conference USA) never trailed in winning their seventh straight game and 12th in their last 13. Louisville has won by an average of 32.9 points during its winning streak.

Louisville led by 19 after 10 minutes and pushed the margin to as many as 25 in the first half before taking a 50-29 lead into halftime.

Tulane (8-11, 2-6) never got closer in the second half, and Louisville led by as many as 44.

"We did what we had to do," said Taquan Dean, who had 19 points, including four 3-pointers. "It's all about defense. We know we're going to score."

Lorenzo Wade added 14 for

Louisville, Larry O'Bannon had 12, and Ellis Myles and Juan Palacios scored 11 each.

Donnie Stith was the only Green Wave player to score in double figures, getting 19 points before fouling out.

The 26 turnovers matched Tulane's most this season. They led to 29 Louisville points.

"Unfortunately, we didn't rebound well," Tulane coach

Shawn Finney said. "A lot of our turnovers came in the half-court. We didn't slow down with the poise to make plays. We got to playing East-West and sideways and they pushed us away from the basket."

Tulane made just two field goals during the first 10 minutes. The Green Wave twice got the lead down to 15 points, but Louisville finished the half with a 10-4 run.

## O'Bannon honored as C-USA Co-Player of the Week

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LOUISVILLE — University of Louisville senior guard Larry O'Bannon has been honored as the Conference USA Co-Player of the Week for games ending Jan. 30. O'Bannon shared the honor with East Carolina center Moussa Badiane.

O'Bannon averaged 21.0 points, 4.5 rebounds, 4.0 assists and shot 54.2 percent from the field in a pair of Conference USA victories for the Cardinals over the past week. He scored a career-high 30 points while hitting six three-point goals against Marquette, adding five rebounds, two steals and a career-best seven assists with no turnovers.

The Louisville native was one of six Cardinals in double figures with 12 points and four rebounds at Tulane. O'Bannon has scored in double figures in

19 games this season, more than any other Cardinal. He was one of six Cardinals on the U of L Athletic Director's Honor Roll for the 2004 fall semester with a 3.0 or better GPA.

Badiane shared the honor after he became the conference's all-time leader in blocked shots with a trio of swats during the Pirates' 54-51 upset of league-leader Charlotte on Saturday. Badiane averaged 12 points as the Pirates picked up their first two league wins of the season during the week.

This is the fifth occasion a U of L player has been recognized as the league's player of the week this season. Francisco Garcia (Dec. 13, Jan. 3) and Taquan Dean (Nov. 29, Jan. 17) have each earned the honor twice.

The Cardinals return to action against Cincinnati at Freedom Hall on Wednesday at 7:02 p.m. EST.

## Razorbacks show grit, promise against Wildcats

by CHUCK BARTELS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — Arkansas coach Stan Heath watched a last-second shot fall short of giving the Razorbacks a victory over a Top 10 opponent and could only stand by while two solid players sprawled injured on the court.

Heath liked what he saw Saturday in No. 7 Kentucky's 68-67 win over the Razorbacks.

Ronnie Brewer is day to day with a left ankle injury and Michael Jones, who went down 50 seconds into the game, will be evaluated for an apparent groin injury. Heath didn't blame the injuries for the loss, and he said he expects Brewer to play when suffering from dings.

Brewer didn't score after hurting the ankle midway through the second half, and had only a field goal and four free throws in the period, Heath said. Brewer could have had a better game on defense, too.

"Defensively, he had a couple of moments there where he got under my skin," Heath said.

But Heath saw the Razorbacks (14-6, 2-5 Southeastern Conference) commit only 13 turnovers against an aggressive Kentucky defense that often put the pressure on as the Razorbacks moved the ball up the court. And the Razorbacks don't have a true point guard. Arkansas forced 19 turnovers

from the Wildcats (16-2, 7-0).

Arkansas also outrebounded Kentucky 37-30; the Razorbacks pulled down 21 offensive rebounds.

"I never would have thought that would have happened," Heath said.

Chuck Hayes, the SEC's second-leading rebounder, played 20 minutes while wearing a clear mask to protect a broken nose. The Razorbacks negated any threat he posed, limiting Hayes to two rebounds and four points.

"There's a lot of things we did good in this game," Heath said. "We've got to carry that ... to the rest of conference play."

Every time Kentucky was primed to open a significant lead, the Razorbacks were able to upset the Wildcats' tempo. The game came down to a 3-pointer launched by Eric Ferguson. The shot had 20,000-plus fans and the players on both sides holding their breath as the shot fell away, letting the Wildcats remain undefeated in the league.

"We made some clutch plays at the end of the game," Kentucky coach Tubby Smith said. "We had some big stops on the defensive end of the floor. Ferguson had a great look at the basket at the end, but the ball fell just off the rim."

"He had the shot," Heath said. "Who knows if that shot goes down?"

Kelenna Azubuike scored 13

points. Rajon Rondo added 12 and Patrick Sparks added a key basket with 24.2 seconds left that helped seal the win for the Wildcats.

Ferguson countered Sparks' field goal with a 3-pointer, pulling Arkansas within a point. Hayes missed a free-throw try, and Ferguson then had his dramatic attempt for a game winner.

Entering the second half of their conference season, the Razorbacks are showing signs they could get the wins necessary to earn an NCAA tournament bid.

"A play here and a play there," Heath said, referring to the Kentucky game. But he may as well have been looking ahead to what may influence the rest of the season.

Heath has to get his Razorbacks ready to play at South Carolina on Wednesday and stay on the road for a game against Ole Miss on Saturday. The Razorbacks return home Feb. 9 to play Georgia, and take on LSU at Walton Arena on Feb. 12.

Heath said his team has the ingredients to be successful for the rest of the SEC season.

"If we're going to play like that, there's a lot of wins in front of us. We should beat anybody else at home, for sure," Heath said.

But the Razorbacks only have four home games left, so Arkansas, with five SEC losses, will have to win on the road to bring the ledger into its favor.

## No. 7 Kentucky 68, Arkansas 67

by CHUCK BARTELS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — Kentucky players held their breath Saturday as they waited to see whether Eric Ferguson's 3-point attempt at the game's end would fall for an Arkansas victory. But the shot missed, and the No. 7 Wildcats survived for a 68-67 victory.

Kelenna Azubuike scored 13 points, Rajon Rondo added 12 and Patrick Sparks added a key basket with 24.2 seconds left that turned out to be the winning shot.

Eric Ferguson countered Sparks' field goal with a 3-pointer, pulling Arkansas within a point. The Wildcats' Chuck Hayes missed a free-throw try, and Ferguson got the rebound but missed a 3-point try as time ran out.

The Wildcats have showed again they can escape a close road game with a victory. They pulled out a 53-50 victory at Mississippi on Jan. 19. As the Razorbacks enter the second half of their Southeastern Conference season, they are showing signs they could get the wins they need to qualify for an NCAA Tournament bid.

Bobby Perry came off the bench to score nine for the Wildcats (16-2, 7-0 Southeastern Conference).

Ronnie Brewer scored 18 points, Darian Townes added 16 and Olu Famutimi finished with 13 points for Arkansas (14-6, 2-5).

Kentucky was able to keep fresh legs rotating into the game as Arkansas players became winded.

"We have a good, deep bench and that helps us control the tempo of the game and keep the pressure on people," Kentucky coach Tubby Smith said.

"We are a physical team and we wanted to trap Brewer and defend him hard. We let Brewer off the hook early in the game by fouling. Our game was to be physical with him and wear him down."

The Razorbacks, lacking a true point guard, relied on Brewer to direct the offense. But Brewer landed awkwardly on his left ankle and went to the sideline at the 10:42 of the second half with the score tied 46-46. By the time he returned, Arkansas trailed 55-50.

Brewer clearly favored his ankle when he returned, but wasn't a factor. He had just one field goal and four free throws in the second half.

"A play here and a play there," Arkansas coach Stan Heath said. "It just didn't fall today, for whatever reason."

Famutimi hit two free throws to make it 55-52.

Kentucky put together a 9-3 run to take a 64-57 lead with 3:01 left. Rondo hit the last field goal of the run, leaping for an uncontested lay-in.

Brewer missed underneath, but Famutimi hit a 3-pointer to make it 64-61.

Perry scored to make it 66-61, but Jonathan Modica converted a three-point play, making it 66-64 with 53.2 seconds left.

"We made some clutch plays at the end of the game," Smith said. "We had some big stops on the defensive end of the floor, Ferguson had a great look at the basket at the end, but the ball fell just off the rim."

Heath said Brewer still has some work to do on defense, but credited his effort.

"Ronnie (Brewer) did well in spots. Because of his ankle injury he wasn't as aggressive when he came back. He still put us in the position we were in to get the win," Heath said.

Hayes, the Wildcats' leading rebounder played only five minutes in the first period, wearing a mask to protect a broken nose sustained the previous Tuesday against Tennessee. He had one rebound and two points in the period and finished with four points and two rebounds in 20 minutes.

Michael Jones went down 50 seconds into the game after scoring the Razorbacks second basket. He didn't return in the period. Heath said Jones suffered a groin injury that needs more evaluation. Heath said Brewer would remain day to day.

## Patriots knock off Georgetown

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

WILLIAMSBURG — The Cumberland College men's basketball team took on Mid-South Conference rival Georgetown on Thursday in front of a near capacity crowd at home in the O. Wayne Rollins Center. It was a back and forth game, but in the end, the Patriots were victorious, winning 71-67 over the Tigers.

After the tip-off Georgetown's Brian Silverhorn was fouled by Cumberland's Patrick Cureton (Greenville, S.C.). Silverhorn made one foul shot to put the first points on the scoreboard and give Georgetown the early lead. In Cumberland's first possession, Terico Smothers (East Point, Ga.) made a 3-pointer off of a pass by PJ Winston (Russellville, Ala.) to give the Patriots their first and only lead of the first half. The rest of the first half was dominated by Georgetown with the Tigers leading by as much as ten points, and leading by four, 34-30 going into the locker room. The Patriots were nine-of-28 (32.1 percent) from the field in the first half.

In the second half, the Patriots looked to improve on their performance. Once again, Georgetown came on strong and quickly increased their lead back to ten. Cumberland fought back and finally came to within four points, 41-45, with 11:56 left to go on a three by Smothers with an assist by Jacob Elder (Jeffersonville, Ind.). Georgetown then scored again on a shot by Josh Grant. The next trip down the floor, Patrick Deveney (Longport, NJ) scored two for the Patriots, again on a pass by Elder. The Deveney-Elder combination worked again to put the Patriots within two



points. Then with 9:49 left to go, Smothers hit a trey, again, off of a pass by Elder to give the Patriots their second lead of the game and first lead of the second half, 48-47. A few minutes later Georgetown's Ivan Jenkins' shot was blocked by Deveney and the rebound picked up by Elder. Deveney ran down the floor, and waited behind the arc for the ball. Elder hurried down the floor and passed the ball to Deveney, who was fouled by Jenkins on the made 3-point bas-

ket. This was just what the Patriots needed to help them maintain the lead for the rest of the game, as they went on to lead by as much as nine points, and ended up winning the game by four, 71-67.

Cumberland was led by Terico Smothers with 24 points, followed by Patrick Deveney with 23; nineteen of those came in the second half. Jacob Elder also had seven assists for the Patriots, all coming in the second half during Cumberland's rally.

## No. 2 Duke 100, Virginia Tech 65

by KEITH PARSONS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DURHAM, N.C. — Virginia Tech's first trip to Cameron Indoor Stadium as a member of the Atlantic Coast Conference was painful.

Shelden Williams had a double-double by halftime and J.J. Redick scored 29 points despite a shaky performance at the free throw line, helping No. 2 Duke bury the Hokies 100-65 Sunday night.

Williams finished with 25 points and 17 rebounds for Duke (16-1, 6-1), which bounced back from a home loss earlier in the week to Maryland. Daniel Ewing added 17 points.

Virginia Tech (11-7, 4-3) fell to 0-8 all-time at Cameron and played the final 4:39 without coach Seth Greenberg, who was issued his second technical foul and headed to the locker room. Carlos Dixon was called for an intentional foul in the

first half, then left the bench for about 15 minutes in the second half to treat an injured elbow.

Zabian Dowdell had 15 points to lead the Hokies, who finished with 34 fouls, short of the ACC record of 41, set in 1998 by Clemson against North Carolina. The Blue Devils shot 49 free throws — 35 in the first half — and took control early behind Williams.

Perhaps tuning up for his matchup with Wake Forest's Eric Williams on Wednesday, the Duke center swished a turnaround jumper about 20 seconds into the game, then rebounded a miss on the other end by Dowdell.

Williams shoved Virginia Tech's Deron Washington hard in the back while running up court, sending Washington falling out of bounds. No foul was called on Williams, a sign of things to come for the Hokies.

Williams had five opportunities for three-point plays in

the opening 20 minutes and left most of his defenders in foul trouble. With so many stoppages for free throws, even the Cameron crazies appeared to get bored with the pace of play, chanting "Please stop fouling!" on several occasions.

Redick might have been affected, too. For the first time in his career, he missed more than one free throw in a game, connecting on 7-of-10. He has made 96 of 103 (93 percent) this season.

The Blue Devils held Virginia Tech without a basket for the final 5:35 of the first half and completed a 17-2 run on Redick's 3 just before the buzzer to lead 56-31. The Hokies crept within 16 early in the second half before Ewing and Redick combined to make four consecutive 3-pointers, and the final 10 minutes was nothing more than garbage time.



Mike Vaughn was voted promoter of the year by drivers and officials of the Battle of the Bluegrass Dirtcar Series. Vaughn, previously the track promoter at 201 Speedway, received the award during the Battle of the Bluegrass Banquet held at Kentucky Speedway Saturday night. Pictured with Mike is BoB race director, Spencer Wilson. The 201 Speedway will host the BOB Series three times during the 2005 season.



# Eastern Kentucky 95, Tennessee-Martin 71

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

RICHMOND — Matt Witt scored 27 points and added 11 assists as Eastern Kentucky beat Tennessee-Martin 95-71 on Saturday.

The Colonels (13-6, 5-3 Ohio Valley Conference), connected on a season-high 12 3-pointers and shot 59 percent from the field, sending the Skyhawks (4-15, 1-7) to their fifth straight loss.

Witt was 9-of-13 from the field and hit 4-of-7 3-pointers. Zach Ingles followed Witt with 15 points, while Ben Rushing came off the bench and added 14 points.

The Colonels shot 61 percent from the field in the first half and knocked down 10-of-17 shots from 3-point range.

Witt scored eight of Eastern's first 10 points as the Colonels raced out to a 10-2 lead. Martin pulled to within one at 16-15 at the 12:34 mark

of the first half, but the Colonels went on a 26-12 run that pushed the margin to 42-27 with 5:44 remaining in the half. Eastern connected on five 3-pointers during the run.

The Colonels led by as many as 30 points in the second half, while Martin could get no closer than 16.

Jared Newson had 20 points and 10 rebounds and Cleve Woodfork added 15 to lead the Skyhawks.

## Eastern Kentucky's Witt receives OVC honor

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

RICHMOND — Eastern Kentucky guard Matt Witt was named Monday as the Ohio Valley Conference's player of the week after leading the Colonels to a pair of league wins.

Witt, a 6-foot junior from Tipp City, Ohio, averaged 22.5 points and 9.5 assists as Eastern Kentucky beat Murray State 73-61 and Tennessee-Martin 95-71. In the latter game, he had a career-high 27 points and 11 assists.

Witt leads the Colonels (13-6, 5-3 OVC) in scoring (14.6 points per game) and is second in the league in assists (6.6 per game).

## Marshall announces four-year deal to play Louisville

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. — Marshall on Monday announced a four-year deal to play basketball powerhouse Louisville, starting next season.

The Cardinals, ranked No. 9 this week, will travel to Huntington the first two years, and Marshall will go to Freedom Hall in Louisville, the following two years.

Louisville has reached the NCAA Final Four seven times and won two national

championships, in 1980 and 1986.

"It's a marquee game," Marshall head coach Ron Jirsa said. "We're working in many areas to elevate our program, and this is one of those areas."

The two teams have not met since 1979, when Louisville beat Marshall 112-64 at Freedom Hall. The last time Marshall beat Louisville was Jan. 21, 1950, when the Herd won 96-72 in Huntington. The Cardinals lead the schools' all-time series 8-5.

# Tigers hand Bears second straight loss

TIMES STAFF REPORT

GEORGETOWN — Georgetown College had everything going its way in the first half en route to a 48-30 lead on Saturday. And then Lamar Rice exploded.

Rice, a 6-7 senior transfer from Clemson, scored 17 of his game-high 21 points in the second half to lead the 14th-ranked Tigers to an 86-68 win over No. 24 Pikeville.

Rice hit all but two of his 11 shots and one of his four free throws while gathering 11 rebounds, with seven coming off the offensive glass. The rebounding led the Tigers to a fat 36-20 edge on the glass.

Georgetown (18-3, 2-1 in the Mid-South Conference) took control of the game early, storming out to a 13-2 lead, and never looked back. They hit 57.1 percent from the floor, 50 percent from the arc and were 11-of-15 from the line

before the half. They cooled off only slightly after the break, finishing the game hitting 53.8 percent from the field.

Pikeville (18-5, 1-3), meanwhile, shot 48 percent after the half and hit five of its 10 three-point tries, yet managed only to stay even with the Tigers.

Daniel Price, coming off the bench for the first time this season, led four Bears in double figures with 15 markers. He added three steals. Walter Harris had 14 points and a team-best six rebounds.

Jarell Jones sank four shots from beyond the arc to finish with 12 while Chris Carroll added 10.

Georgetown got 18 from Brian Silverhorn, who had seven in the opening rush. Josh Grant came off the bench to toss in 12.

Pikeville entertains No. 10 Cumberland College Thursday night at 8 p.m.

## AP TOP25

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' men's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Jan. 30, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and last week's ranking:

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Illinois (72)	21-0	1,800	1
2. North Carolina	17-2	1,707	3
3. Kansas	16-1	1,603	6
4. Duke	16-1	1,514	2
5. Boston College	18-0	1,505	8
6. Kentucky	16-2	1,497	7
7. Wake Forest	17-3	1,337	5
8. Syracuse	20-2	1,318	4
9. Louisville	18-3	1,208	12
10. Oklahoma St.	15-3	1,062	9
11. Alabama	17-3	982	14
12. Michigan St.	14-3	916	15
13. Washington	17-3	910	10
14. Arizona	17-4	815	11
15. Oklahoma	16-3	815	13
16. Pittsburgh	14-3	738	20
17. Gonzaga	15-4	569	17
18. Cincinnati	17-3	558	21
19. Wisconsin	14-4	496	18
20. Texas	15-5	396	16
21. Utah	17-3	305	25
22. Maryland	13-5	259	—
23. Connecticut	12-5	256	19
24. Villanova	12-4	228	—
25. Georgia Tech	12-6	213	22

Others receiving votes: Iowa 113, Wichita St. 85, Pacific 52, Mississippi St. 46, Florida 19, Notre Dame 17, Vermont 17, Charlotte 16, St. Mary's, Cal. 9, Marquette 4, Stanford 4, Texas Tech 4, Old Dominion 3, Texas A&M 2, Holy Cross 1, UTEP 1.

## Georgetown dominates Lady Bears

TIMES STAFF REPORT

GEORGETOWN — In the end, there was not one thing for Bill Watson to be pleased about Saturday afternoon. Not after his team suffered through an 86-37 loss at No. 11 Georgetown.

Before halftime, Pikeville hit only 17.2 percent (5-of-29) from the floor and missed all three three-point shots. Meanwhile, Georgetown was blistering the nets to the tune of 54.8 percent and 46.7 percent from the arc in building a 48-16 lead.

They never looked back, forcing 25 Pikeville turnovers in the win.

In the end, Georgetown (17-4, 3-0 in the Mid-South Conference) hit 56.4 percent for the game, 40 percent from the arc and 64 percent from the line.

Meanwhile, Pikeville made only 23.6 percent from the floor, 25 percent from the arc and 50 percent from the line.

No Lady Bear hit double figures in the game, with senior Ashley Ratliff and freshman Kellie Jo Moore leading the way with eight points. Moore and freshman Beth Patterson joined senior Amelia Cody with six rebounds each.

Meanwhile, Georgetown had four players in double figures, led by Kim Ingle with 21 off the bench. Neeley Thomas followed with 18, while Candace Smith tossed in 13 and pulled down nine rebounds and Katie Columbus chipped in 12.

Pikeville (14-8, 1-3) will be home on Thursday night to face No. 17 Cumberland College at 6 p.m.

# Murray St. 83, Morehead St. 64

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MOREHEAD — Trey Pearson hit six 3-pointers and scored 28 points to lead Murray State to an 83-64 win over Morehead State on Saturday night.

Pearson went 6-of-11 from 3-point range and Virginia transfer Keith Jenifer added 12

points and five assists for the Racers (11-7, 6-2 Ohio Valley Conference), who won for the sixth time in eight games.

Quinton Smith scored 16 to lead the Eagles (9-10, 3-5), who had a two-game winning streak snapped.

The Racers outrebounded the Eagles 39-27 and went 11-of-23 from 3-point range.

Murray State finished the first half with a 14-6 run to lead 36-28 at the break.

Morehead State opened the second half with a 9-0 run, but the Racers mounted a 27-8 spurt later to take control.

Chad McKnight added 13 and Josh Reed and Cory Burns each finished with 11 for the Eagles.

# W. Kentucky 77, New Mexico St. 75

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LAS CRUCES, N.M. — Six players scored in double digits and Western Kentucky held off upset-minded New Mexico State 77-75 Saturday night.

The Hilltoppers (13-5, 3-3 Sunbelt Conference) got 15 points each from Antonio Haynes and Anthony Winchester, 12 each from Boris Siakam and Danny Rumph, 11 from Courtney Lee and 10 from Elgrace Wilborn.

New Mexico State (5-15, 1-6) led by as many as nine points, 48-39, early in the second half. The Hilltoppers hit

three 3-pointers in a three-minute stretch to finally take their first lead of the second half, 63-62, with 9:49 to play.

The Aggies were never able to regain the lead, although they cut the deficit to 75-73 on a Josh Jenkins 3-pointer with 41 seconds left to play.

The Hilltoppers then ran the clock down until Jenkins fouled Winchester with 12 seconds left to play. Winchester sank both free throws to make it 77-73.

The Aggies got a pair of free throws from Duane John with 3 seconds left to end the scoring. Trevor Lawrence led New

Mexico State with 17 points, six rebounds and a career-high five blocked shots. The 6-11 junior started in place of senior Jeff Jones who was forced to miss the game because of a flagrant technical foul he committed in Thursday night's game against Middle Tennessee State.

John and Mike Mitchell added 15 points apiece for NMSU, while Jenkins added 14.

The Aggies led throughout the first 10 minutes of the game, but Western Kentucky went on a 14-0 run to take a 33-24 lead with 5:18 left before halftime. NMSU rallied to knot the score at 35-35 at halftime.



photos by Jamie Howell

South Floyd sophomore Ethan Johnson lofted a shot over an outstretched Jacob Sword of Pikeville.

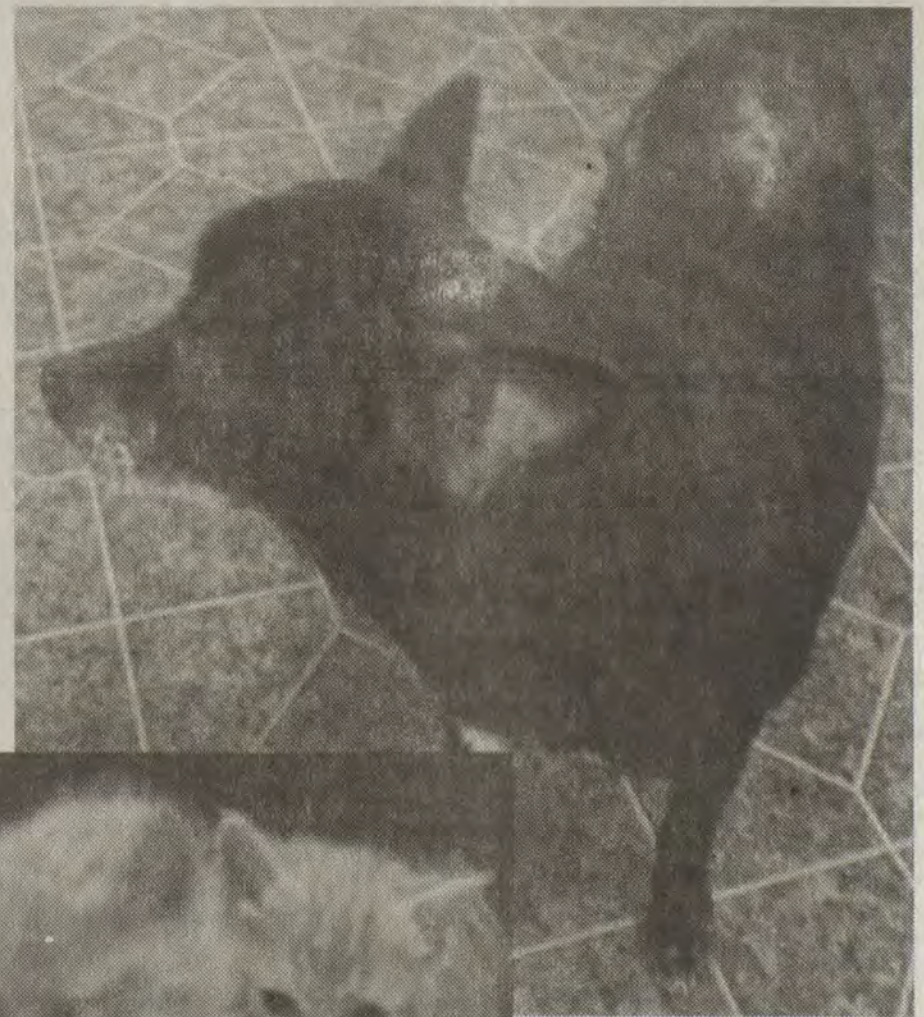


South Floyd players accepted the 15th Region All "A" Classic championship trophy.

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# U of L men's tennis falls to fourth-ranked Georgia 6-1

## Jakob Gustafsson and Jeremy Clark defeat 10th-ranked doubles team

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

ATHENS, Ga. — The University of Louisville men's tennis team lost to fourth-ranked Georgia 6-1 Saturday the University of Georgia.

The Cardinals began the match by taking the doubles point as the team of Jakob Gustafsson and Jeremy Clark defeated tenth-ranked Antonio Ruiz and John Isner 8-5 at the top seed.

The Cardinals' Jhonny Berrido and Mark Kennedy teamed to edge No. 25 Strahinja Bobusic and

Colin Purcell 9-8 at the two spot. Tony Teufel and Damar Johnson completed the double sweep with an 8-5 win over Ricardo Gonzalez and Matic Omerzel at No. 3.

In singles action, Georgia's Ruiz, No. 53 in Intercollegiate Tennis Association singles rankings, defeated No. 124 Johnson 6-3, 6-2 at No. 1. Isner, ranked No. 18 topped Louisville's Nicolas Houard 6-3, 6-4 at No. 2.

The Bulldogs No. 28 ranked Matic Omerzel posted a 6-3, 7-6 win over Gustafsson at the three-spot. Louisville's Octavian Nicodim took No. 49 Bobusic to three sets before falling 6-2, 6-7, 3-6 at the four seed. Georgia's Colin Purcell

topped Clark 6-3, 7-5 at No. 5 and Ricardo Gonzalez closed out the match with a 6-4, 6-3 win over Teufel at No. 6.

"I am extremely happy with our doubles play," said U of L coach Rex Ecarma. "Jeremy Clark and Jakob Gustafsson defeated the Southeastern Conference doubles champion and tenth ranked team in the nation. Jhonny Berrido and Mark Kennedy knocked off No. 25 ranked doubles team in country. We fought hard but came up short in singles. Every match was competitive, even though we came out on the short end of the stick. Our game is improving and our focus is to continue to get better as the season progresses because we still have seven matches against ranked teams."

The Cardinals (2-3) return to the Bass-Rudd Tennis Center to face Middle Tennessee State on Thursday at 5 p.m.



Jeremy Clark



photo by Jamie Howell  
FINDING A WAY — South Floyd junior guard Ryan Johnson worked his way through the Sheldon Clark defense Friday night during a semifinal game.

photos by Steve LeMaster  
LEFT: South Floyd Coach Barry Hall cut down the second of two nets following his team's 15th Region All "A" Classic win over Pikeville.



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# Pikeville OTB opens for business

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Following a V.I. P. Grand Opening celebration on Friday, Jan. 14, the Pikeville OTB, a new pari-mutuel wagering facility located in the Eastern Kentucky community, held its public Grand Opening on Saturday, Jan. 15.

The Pikeville OTB, which is

owned by Appalachian Racing, is projected to generate between 20 and 30 new jobs in the Pikeville area and an estimated \$100,000 a year for the city of Pikeville from its estimated \$7.5 million in annual revenue. The facility was awarded its OTB license by the Pikeville City Commissioners in August of

2004 and signed a totalizer services contract with United Tote, a gaming technology and content services company located in Glen Rock, Pa., in December of 2004. United Tote is also the totalizer services provider for Appalachian Racing's Thunder Ridge Harness Track and OTB near Prestonsburg and Hazard U-Bet in Hazard.



At the Grand Opening of the Pikeville OTB, Matt Bonar, Regional Operations Manager of United Tote Company, and Anita Ratliff, General Manager of Thunder Ridge Harness Track and OTB, introduced racing fans to United Tote's innovative new F4 self-service touch-screen wagering terminal.

"We're delighted that Appalachian Racing selected United Tote as its totalizer services provider for the Pikeville OTB," Joe Tracy, United Tote's executive officer said, regarding the opening of the Pikeville OTB. "We value tremendously the relationship we've built with Appalachian Racing over the years. We're confident that their decision to equip the Pikeville OTB with our revolutionary new Enterprise Wagering Solution will strengthen our relationship in the months and years ahead."

"The city of Pikeville will benefit from the funds it receives from the Pikeville OTB," said Pikeville City Manager Donovan Blackburn. "Athletic fields installed with state matching funds and used by both the high school and local college must be maintained by the city. The funds that the new OTB provides will go a long way in helping us meet that commitment."

"We only 30 days to get the facility up and running from the time the contract was old," said Matt Bonar, United Tote's Regional Operations Manager. "It was definitely a challenge, but with the cooperation from the folks at Appalachian Racing, the final terminal went online the morning of the V.I.P. Opening. It was truly a team effort."

# WBC 140-pound champion Arturo Gatti looks to Mayweather

by JOHN CURRAN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — Arturo Gatti was feeling doubly blessed after vanquishing "Jesse" James Leija.

"I won the fight and didn't have to go to the hospital. That's a big plus for me," said Gatti, who put another notch in his WBC 140-pound belt with a convincing fifth-round knockout over Leija on Saturday.

Next up is unbeaten challenger Floyd Mayweather, Jr., who will almost certainly put up a better fight.

Quick and crafty, Mayweather will square off with the brawling Gatti in a June 11 pay-per-view show in Boardwalk Hall, the site of Gatti's triumph over Leija.

Gatti, who made \$2 million for the second defense of his WBC title to Leija's \$700,000 on Saturday, was unfazed when Mayweather didn't show for a post-fight news conference announcing their fight.

"He's not the one that's going to sell tickets anyway," said Gatti, 32, of Jersey City. "That's the truth."

Indeed, it's Gatti — box-office gold in Atlantic City in recent years — who consistently puts people in the seats at Boardwalk Hall.

His last five fights there have all drawn 11,000 or more, including a sellout crowd of 12,599 on Saturday night.

Mayweather (33-0), a former WBC super featherweight and lightweight champion, has moved up to the 140-pound weight class and is looking for his first title in it.

In his last outing, he stopped Henry Bruseles in the eighth round on Jan. 23 in Miami.

Leija, who is nine years older than Mayweather and six years older than Gatti, couldn't handle Gatti despite a fight plan centered on drawing Gatti into the kind of toe-to-toe fight he often wages.

But Gatti kept his distance in the early rounds, wary of any surprises by the 38-year-old Leija, who said before the fight

he hoped to use Gatti's aggressiveness against him.

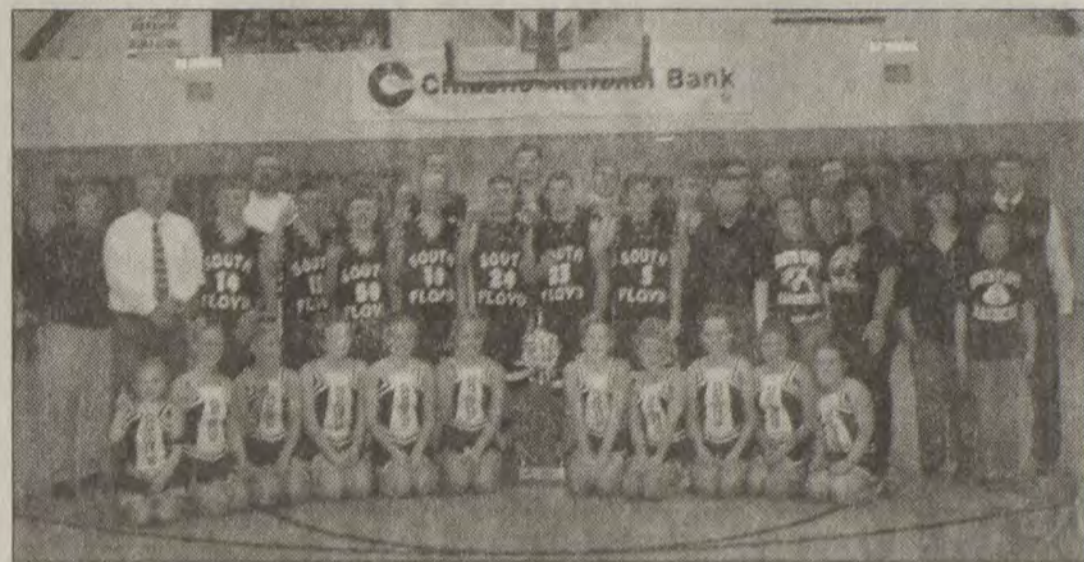
"He's crafty and I expected the way to beat him was to use the jab," Gatti said. "I stayed on the outside because of his experience. I wanted to stay on the outside. Once I started landing the right hand, that made the difference."

In the fifth, he knocked Leija down with a hard right to the head that was the beginning of the end. Dazed, Leija (47-7-2) took a 9-count, barely getting to his feet before referee Earl Brown could count him out.

Gatti finished him with left hand to the ear. Leija got to his knees but Brown counted him out at 1:48 of the fifth, depriving the crowd of one of the gory, down-to-the-wire brawls they usually get from Gatti.

Leija, meanwhile, sounded like a fighter ready to call it quits.

"I think my body is talking to me more," he said after the fight. "I'm 38 years old. I can't wait to get home and be a husband and daddy again."



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points and four assists. Several Lady Rebels had key roles in the 15th Region win. "Alanna (Cline), Lyndsay (Frasure), and Yumekia were more aggressive on the offensive end and

Amanda Mills has been playing well as of late," the Lady Rebel coach added. Allen Central shot 19-for-41 overall for the game and connected on seven-of-12 free throw attempts. "It was a big win for us,"

Martin related. "Hopefully, we can take this win and build on it. We have Belfry Thursday and then we have Prestonsburg and South Floyd coming in." Allen Central will travel to Belfry. Tip-off is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

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South Floyd

South Floyd will take a deceiving 10-12 record into the All "A" Classic state tournament. The Raiders played a dozen games in the month of December, including seven games in two separate tournaments. South Floyd began play in January in the always-competitive WYMT Mountain Classic. Raider head coach Barry Hall admits his team has faced a tough road. "We've played a tough schedule and think that has helped us," he said. "We never look past anybody - we're happy to have the opportunity to go to the All "A" state tournament and represent our region. I'm proud of our kids." This is South Floyd's second trip to the All "A" Classic state tournament. In 2000, the Raiders, at the time coached by Henry Webb, won the 15th Region All "A" title and represented the 15th Region in the state's small-school tournament.

In a 15th Region small-school tournament that featured some hard-fought contests, Pikeville also made some progression, despite falling short of a championship. In the championship game Robert Shurtleff, a senior who battled through foul trouble, led Pikeville with 21 points. Jesse Parrish finished with 20 points and Chad Walls added 18. Tim Honaker, playing out of a starting role for host Pikeville, added five points. At press time, South Floyd was scheduled to leave for Richmond. The Raiders returned to practice earlier in the week, making preparations for Thursday morning's small-school state tournament game against 16th Region champ Elliott County. Tip-off for the South Floyd-Elliott County game is set for 9 a.m. SEMIFINALS: South Floyd 73, Sheldon Clark 69; In the semifinals, South Floyd,

which trailed by three points at the end of the third quarter, fought back and beat Sheldon Clark. The Cardinals held a 54-51 advantage when play got underway in the fourth quarter, but couldn't make the lead stick. Ryan Johnson and Ethan Johnson each had 14 points apiece for South Floyd. Ryan Johnson also pulled down five rebounds. Burnett Little and Steven Stanley each had 11 points and 10 rebounds apiece, while Mason Hall added 10 points, five assists and two rebounds. Ryan Little scored six points and Wes Hall tossed in seven. South Floyd led 21-17 at the end of the initial quarter. The Raiders led 35-33 at halftime. Steven Howell led Sheldon Clark in scoring with 24 points. In another semifinal game, Pikeville hung on to beat Paintsville 54-53.

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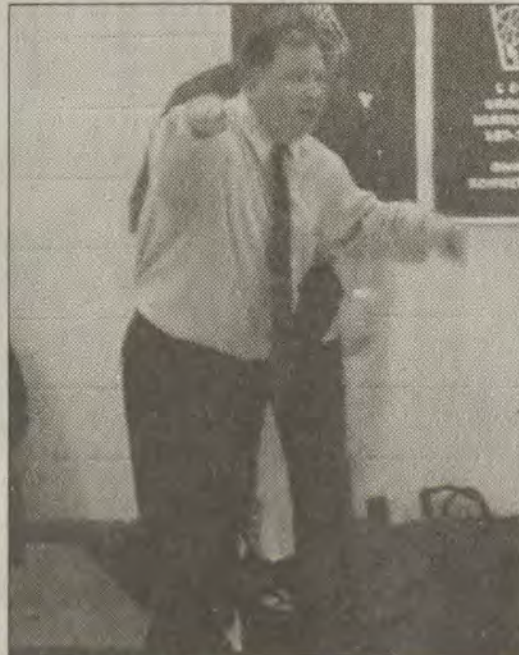
COUNTY TOURNEY: Raiders eliminate Adams, move on

TIMES STAFF REPORT

GRETHEL - The Floyd County Basketball Tournament resumed play Monday night following a lengthy layoff due to winter weather. On Monday night, South Floyd Middle picked up right where it left off - winning - beating Adams 47-30. The Raiders held Adams to less than 10 points in each of the first three quarters and several Raiders provided offensive pop. Jody Tackett, a player who recently made the transfer from Adams to South Floyd, led the Raiders in scoring with a game-high 15 points. Tackett, who came in off the bench for South Floyd, went five-of-eight from the free throw line. Adam Stone added 11 points for South Floyd. In other scoring for the Raiders, Kyle Howell scored six points. Chad Patrick and Shannon Turner each scored four apiece. Brandon Tackett flipped in three points while Deven Adams and Morgan Mullins scored two each.

South Floyd got off to a slow start, but soon picked up its play. Adams led 6-1 at the end of the opening quarter. The Raiders then led 19-10 at halftime and 28-18 at the end of the third quarter. Seth Setser paced Adams with nine points. Chris Schoolcraft followed with five points. Allen Craynon, Kyle Hall and Michael Burchett all had four points apiece. Austin Gearheart and Alex Stumbo added two each. C-TEAM: Betsy Layne 48, Allen Central 14: After outscoring Allen Central 16-2 in the opening quarter, Betsy Layne led Allen Central 31-4 at halftime and cruised to the victory. Nathan Martin and Casey Adkins each had 11 points for Betsy Layne. Derek Tackett added 10 points. Nick Conn scored nine points and Jason Case tossed in five. For Allen Central, three different players scored four each. Adams 31, Allen 13: On Monday night, the Adams Middle C-Team defeated Allen

31-13 in the first round of the Floyd County Tournament. The Blackcats were led by Joseph Jamerson, who collected a double-double with 12 rebounds and 11 points. Alex Griffith also contributed to the solid Blackcat inside game with nine points and seven rebounds. Jamerson was three-of-three from the line and Griffith connected on five-of-six free throws as Adams hit nine-of-12 team free throws. Wil Allen scored three points and grabbed three rebounds for the victorious Blackcats. Caleb Petry led Adams in assists with two. Nathaniel Fraley, Seth Carter, Zach Spiggle and Michael Ousley each scored two points for Adams. Warren Blackburn contributed solid defense in the win. Cody Bentley led Allen in scoring with five points. Bryson Williams scored four points and Jayden Spurlock added two points. The Blackcats played Osborne Tuesday night in the semifinals.



Above, left: Wil Allen lofted a shot for Adams during its win over Allen. Below: Allen Central players listened during a timeout. Above, right: In an A-team game, South Floyd head coach Dewayne Johnson gave instructions during his team's game against Adams.



Els doesn't see Woods being as dominant again

by DENNIS PASSA ASSOCIATED PRESS

MELBOURNE, Australia - Ernie Els thinks golf technology and a more competitive PGA Tour means Tiger Woods won't be as dominant as he once was. "Everybody has become better players, technology has brought everybody closer together," Els said Tuesday at the Heineken Classic, where he begins play Thursday trying for his fourth win in a row at Royal Melbourne. "I think he's had a very good start obviously, but I can't see him being that dominant again," Els said. "The guys out there are a lot more confident, they've stepped up to their games. No one is hitting it 30 or 40 yards past everybody else." Woods won the Dunlop Phoenix tournament in Japan last November, then shot four rounds in the 60s to win his Target World Challenge against a 16-man field to finish the year. Ten days ago, Woods rallied from a two-shot deficit over the final six holes to win the Buick Invitational for his first PGA Tour victory in 11 months. Vijay Singh took over the top ranking from Woods last September. Woods had been No. 1 for five years, but has gone 10 majors without winning, matching his longest winless streak in Grand Slam events. "Technology has changed the game," Els said. "Twelve to 15 years ago, before titanium dri-

vers and new golf balls, it was a different game. "At the moment, he is playing better, and more confident. But other guys will be right there. I don't think he'll be that dominant again, although I might be wrong." Els kept pace with Singh and Woods by finishing in a tie for third, second, and a tie for sixth in his first three tournaments of 2005, including a runner-up finish to Singh at the Sony. He took last week off for a holiday with his family before flying to Melbourne for his shot at a fourth straight Heineken title. "This tournament has been like a dream for me, but it's like anything ... you win it three times in a row, so can four be possible?" Els said before a nine-hole practice round on the revamped Royal Melbourne composite layout. The course has been reduced to a par-71, making the 10th hole a par 4, something Els called a "good move." Last year, Els opened with a 60 in perfect scoring conditions. His round could've been lower, but he missed birdie putts on the final two holes. Then he shot a 2-over 74 in the final round, when a northerly breeze was blowing. He won by a shot over Adam Scott, who left a birdie putt on the 18th inches short in his bid for a playoff. "Last year, I had a perfect start, but I've also won this tournament when I've come from

behind and shot 65 on the final day," Els said. "I hadn't seen a northerly since the Presidents Cup in 1998. It caught me off guard. On the front nine, I shot a 42. But I had a great back nine." Els doubts he or anyone else will threaten to shoot 59 again at Royal Melbourne. Last year, in the opening round, more than 90 golfers in the field of 156 broke par and 50 shot 69 or better in the ideal conditions. "How many times do you get a chance to shoot 59, but I had a golden chance last year," Els said of his course-record 60. "I bogeyed 15, birdied 16 but couldn't get a birdie on the last two holes. "If you had one or two chances a year, you're doing very well. I had a chance at the Sony, I shot a 62 on a par 70, and looking back, I missed four putts from eight to 10 feet." But Els says those occasions are rare. "You have freaky days, when the weather is right and the greens are receptive and the pin positions aren't tough," he said. "When you find the putts are going in, you try to take advantage of it, and that's what I did. "But I can't see anyone breaking that score on this golf course. There is too much that can happen." Woods is not entered in Melbourne. His next start is expected to be in the Match Play Championship later this month in Carlsbad, Calif.

Knee surgery puts Machado out of shortstop competition

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI - Infielder Anderson Machado had surgery on Friday to repair a torn ligament in his left knee, leaving former All-Star Rich Aurilia and Felipe Lopez to compete for the starting shortstop job for the Cincinnati Reds. Machado injured the knee

last month while playing winter ball in the Venezuelan League. He had trouble getting a visa to have the knee examined by the Reds' medical staff in Cincinnati. Dr. Timothy Kremchek performed the 40-minute surgery Friday to repair the medial collateral ligament. Machado is expected to undergo several

months of rehabilitation, and it is uncertain when he can return. The Reds declined to offer Barry Larkin a contract for 2005, and expected either Machado or Lopez to take over. After Machado hurt his knee, the Reds signed Aurilia to a minor league contract with the understanding he would have a shot with the major league club.

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# Florida breeds dominate California horses again in Sunshine Millions

by BETH HARRIS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Musique Toujours held off Zakocity at the wire to win the \$1 million Classic, capping a day of longshot winners as Florida-bred horses dominated their California counterparts in the third annual Sunshine Millions.

The event includes races in Florida and California.

Musique Toujours, a 70-1 shot ridden by Jorge Chavez, led all the way and won by a neck in the richest of the eight races — four each at Gulfstream Park and Santa Anita. Musique Toujours paid \$142.20 to win in the Classic at Florida's Gulfstream Park, while Zakocity went off at 25-1.

Cal-bred Musique Toujours covered 1 1-8 miles in 1:49.17, the first stakes victory for the 5-year-old gelding. His first-place winnings of \$550,000 more than tripled his career earnings.

"This is a dream," said co-owner Richard Glass, who has been out of work for a year and is trying to become a Los Angeles police officer. He and his wife celebrated their 17th wedding anniversary Saturday.

"I probably shouldn't say this, but the trainer didn't think we had a chance," Glass said.

Florida breeds won five of the races Saturday and outpointed California 44-28. Winners received five points each, second place was worth three points and third was worth one

point. Florida has won the event three straight years.

Musique Toujours, trained by John Sadler, hadn't won since a \$50,000 claiming race last May at Hollywood Park.

Chavez was as happy to win as Glass. The jockey hadn't won a \$1 million race since he injured his shoulder in a fall in the 2003 Florida Derby. Just over a week ago, Chavez rode his 4,000th career winner at Gulfstream.

"This is just such a big win for me right now," he said.

Classic Endeavor was third, ending his five-race winning streak. Limehouse was fourth. Favored Midas Eyes, trained by Bobby Frankel, was ninth in the 12-horse field.

At Santa Anita, Cal-bred Sweet Lips staged another of the day's upsets, winning the \$500,000 Distaff by 1 1/2 lengths over Fencelineneighbor. Trained by Frankel, Sweet Lips covered 1 1-16 miles in 1:42.64 under Rene Douglas and paid \$27.60 at 12-1 odds.

"I knew she was doing good and Bobby and I were really confident that she was going to run big," Douglas said, citing Frankel's decision to put blinkers on Sweet Lips. "Bobby made the difference. That's why he's a Hall of Famer."

Yearly Report, the 4-5 favorite trained by Bob Baffert, was sixth.

"She just had no energy at all," said Hall of Fame jockey Jerry Bailey, who flew in from

Florida to ride.

In the \$500,000 Turf at Santa Anita, Florida-bred Star Over the Bay edged favored A to the Z to win by a half-length. Ridden by Tyler Baze, Star Over the Bay covered 1 1-8 miles on the turf in 1:48.40.

Also at Santa Anita, Red Warrior defeated Full Moon Madness by a length to win the \$300,000 Sprint and lead a 1-2-3 sweep by Cal-breds. Red Warrior, a 45-1 shot ridden by Garrett Gomez, covered 6 furlongs in 1:08.84 and paid \$97 to win.

"When I was making my run, a couple of them kind of swung

out in front of me and I had to check for a second," Gomez said. "He's so big, I was amazed that he got going again. He accelerated like he was a 900-pound animal and he's about a 1,250-pound animal. He really impressed me."

Green Team was leading the race when he broke a bone in his front left leg and had to be destroyed. Douglas, who was aboard, wasn't injured.

California-based trainer Doug O'Neill had the most starters with eight, including three in the Oaks, but didn't win a race. He went 2-3 with Full Moon Madness and

Areyoutalkintome in the Sprint.

Cal-bred Valentine Dancer was a repeat winner in the \$500,000 Filly & Mare Turf. In a four-horse photo finish, Valentine Dancer held off Marwood by a neck and paid \$19 to win.

Valentine Dancer, ridden by Jon Court, ran 1 1-8 miles in 1:47.20. Last year, she won by three-quarters of a length.

Bailey gave Florida its first winner of the day, riding 21-1 shot Hot Storm to a head victory over She's a Jewel in the \$250,000 Oaks at Santa Anita. Hot Storm paid \$44.40 to win.

At Gulfstream, Florida-bred

Alix M won the \$300,000 Filly & Mare Sprint by 3 1/2 lengths over 1-5 wagering favorite Bear Fan. Ridden by Cornelio Vasquez, Alix M covered 6 furlongs in 1:10.40 and paid \$11.40. A year ago in the same race, Bear Fan was the favorite and wound up third.

Lost in the Fog improved to 3-0 in his career by winning the \$250,000 Dash at Gulfstream by 4 1/2 lengths over Santana Strings. Ridden by Russell Baze, Lost in the Fog covered 6 furlongs in 1:09.96 and paid \$3.40 to win as the wagering favorite. Florida-breds finished 1-2-3.

## Els doesn't see Woods being as dominant again

by DENNIS PASSA  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MELBOURNE, Australia — Ernie Els thinks golf technology and a more competitive PGA Tour means Tiger Woods won't be as dominant as he once was.

"Everybody has become better players, technology has brought everybody closer together," Els said Tuesday at the Heineken Classic, where he begins play Thursday trying for his fourth win in a row at Royal Melbourne.

"I think he's had a very good start obviously, but I can't see him being that dominant again," Els said. "The guys out there are a lot more confident, they've stepped up to their games. No one is hitting it 30 or 40 yards past everybody else."

Woods won the Dunlop Phoenix tournament in Japan last November, then shot four rounds in the 60s to win his Target World Challenge against a 16-man field to finish the year.

Ten days ago, Woods rallied from a two-shot deficit over the final six holes to win the Buick Invitational for his first PGA Tour victory in 11 months.

Vijay Singh took over the top ranking from Woods last September. Woods had been No. 1 for five years, but has gone 10 majors without winning, matching his longest winless streak in Grand Slam events.

"Technology has changed the game," Els said. "Twelve to 15 years ago, before titanium drivers and new golf balls, it was a different game."

"At the moment, he is playing better, and more confident. But other guys will be right there. I don't think he'll be that dominant again, although I might be wrong."

Els kept pace with Singh and Woods by finishing in a tie for third, second, and a tie for sixth in his first three tournaments of 2005, including a runner-up finish to Singh at the Sony.

He took last week off for a holiday with his family before flying to Melbourne for his shot at a fourth straight Heineken title.

"This tournament has been like a dream for me, but it's like anything ... you win it three

times in a row, so can four be possible?" Els said before a nine-hole practice round on the revamped Royal Melbourne composite layout.

The course has been reduced to a par-71, making the 10th hole a par 4, something Els called a "good move."

Last year, Els opened with a 60 in perfect scoring conditions. His round could've been lower, but he missed birdie putts on the final two holes.

Then he shot a 2-over 74 in the final round, when a northerly breeze was blowing. He won by a shot over Adam Scott, who left a birdie putt on the 18th inches short in his bid for a playoff.

"Last year, I had a perfect start, but I've also won this tournament when I've come from behind and shot 65 on the final day," Els said. "I hadn't seen a northerly since the Presidents Cup in 1998. It caught me off guard. On the front nine, I shot a 42. But I had a great back nine."

Els doubts he or anyone else will threaten to shoot 59 again at Royal Melbourne.

Last year, in the opening round, more than 90 golfers in the field of 156 broke par and 50 shot 69 or better in the ideal conditions.

"How many times do you get a chance to shoot 59, but I had a golden chance last year," Els said of his course-record 60. "I bogeyed 15, birdied 16 but couldn't get a birdie on the last two holes."

"If you had one or two chances a year, you're doing very well. I had a chance at the Sony, I shot a 62 on a par 70, and looking back, I missed four putts from eight to 10 feet."

But Els says those occasions are rare.

"You have freaky days, when the weather is right and the greens are receptive and the pin positions aren't tough," he said. "When you find the putts are going in, you try to take advantage of it, and that's what I did."

"But I can't see anyone breaking that score on this golf course. There is too much that can happen."

Woods is not entered in Melbourne. His next start is expected to be in the Match Play Championship later this month in Carlsbad, Calif.

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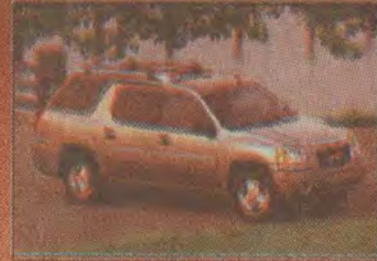


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### POISON OAK

## Machine shop sang unfamiliar refrain

The old machine shop owned and operated by the Northeast Coal Company in the early 1940s, sat next to the tipple, on the right side of the railroad tracks as we walked toward town. Located about half way between the company store and the mouth of Silk Stocking Row (the little neighborhood where I spent the better part of my formative years) the long, corrugated tin building, at least on work days, was always a hive of activity. The clanging of metal striking metal, and the humming of strange-sounding machinery sang an unfamiliar refrain to young passersby, on the way to and from school.

Kids were absolutely forbidden to even approach the broad front doors of the building when the men were working. Either Lonnie Castle or Garfield Stambaugh—two of the dozens of men who worked there, but the only two who still reside in the far recesses of my memory—would shoo us away if we strayed too close. Consequently, I never once saw the inside of the machine shop, except through tiny, coal dust-covered windows, perhaps on a Sunday afternoon, when curiosity would get the best of me as I walked home from the show. Of course on those occasions, I saw very little except large ominous shapes silhouetted in semi-darkness

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Clyde Pack

### KIM'S KORNER

## The amazing human body, my dad, and GOD!

Wow! How nice it was to hear from so many of you last week when this column didn't appear. Your emails, phone calls and comments were very touching and uplifting and I thank you very much, it meant a lot to hear from you.

Dad, just moments before this column went to press, was released from Central Baptist Hospital, in Lexington. Big yipee! I am so glad, happy and grateful! Our family had been taking turns staying with him and, as many of you know, hospital stays can be exhausting for all involved. This was the reason there wasn't a 'Kim's Korner' column last week. I simply did not have the energy, or the time.

Saturday before last, Dad was moved from the ICU to the fifth floor, and he, as well as all of us, had hoped for an earlier release. But he had had so many complications that that just hadn't happened until now.

After having to experience the multiple health complications Dad has had to encounter, the human body amazes me. He has experienced two heart attacks, a quadruple by-pass, diabetes, congestive heart failure, and now renal failure.

When Dad was taken to McDowell a couple of Tuesday nights ago, his body was so swelled from fluid it looked as though it would explode with a mere touch of a finger.

It didn't seem possible that the human body could swell like that, but it did.

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## Put on your dancing shoes

Sherry and Bill Bettinazzi will be teaching two dance classes—one for Beginning Social Dancing and the other is Disco Dancing. Social Dancing students will learn the basic Swing (Jitter Bug), Free Style moves, and the Electric Slide. Classes will begin Feb. 15

and will meet on Tuesdays from 7 p.m. - 8:15 p.m. at the Hazard Community & Technical College First Federal Center. The disco classes will help prepare dancers for the upcoming ARH Derby Ball on April 23 because this year's theme is '70s -Disco!

These classes also will begin Feb. 15 and meet on Tuesdays from 8:15 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. at the HCTC First Federal Center. Cost of each course is \$40 per single person and \$70 for a couple. Pre-Registration required. Please call Janet Hurley at 487-3068 to sign up.



Sherry and Bill Bettinazzi



Reading Camp is fun, say the kids who attend, and the Perry County Summer Reading Camp should be another success in 2005. Shown above are some who benefited from the experience last summer. Jordan Godsey, Ricky Gibson, Ryan Bailey, Bryan Ballard, Brittany Barnett, Sara Vitatoe, Ashley Neace, Ashley Colwell, Ashley Morris, Brandon Williams, Chance Neace, LaVaughn Henson, Brandy Gayhart, Ann Quillen, Janet Ferguson, Ashley Hall, Crystal Hall, Tyler Medaris, Jenny Williams, Scott Lucero, Judy Moore, Callie Williams, Maggie Davidson, Dilcia Reynolds, and Brandy Baker. "Reading is a crucial skill for kids," commented Jenny Williams, the camp's director and a teacher at Hazard Community and Technical College. "If kids can't read well, then it's nearly impossible for them to do well in other academic areas." For more information about the Perry County Reading Camp, contact Jenny Williams at Hazard Community and Technical College at 487-3210.

## Summer fun is just around the corner: Volunteers needed for weeklong summer day camp in Perry County

The Perry County Summer Reading Camp is looking for some volunteers. This camp, which will take place at Buckhorn State Lake Resort this year, helps third and fourth graders who have trouble reading. This is the Perry County Summer Reading Camp's second year. It will take place July 11-15.

The camp, in a partnership with the Episcopal Diocese of Lexington, St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Hazard, the Kiwanis Club, The Presbyterian Church in Hazard, and Hazard Community and Technical College, is designed for young people who are reading below grade level.

"Reading is a crucial skill for kids," commented Jenny Williams, the camp's director and a teacher at Hazard Community and Technical College. "If kids can't read well, then it's nearly impossible for them to do well in other academic areas."

Reading Camp doesn't look, feel, or smell like school. In the mornings, the kids rotate through six learning centers which are staffed

by trained teachers. In the afternoons, they participate in fun "camp" activities, like swimming, crafts, singing, and hiking.

The camp will host up to 25 students. Organizers are taking applications for volunteers at this time. They particularly need teachers. "Working with those kids was wonderful," commented Ann Quillen, a retired teacher who worked at last year's camp. "They were so eager to learn. That camp is a wonderful resource for our community."

The Perry County Reading Camp also needs counselors, support staff, and donations to sponsor kids. "There are so many ways that people can help," Williams pointed out. "I'm so fortunate to be involved in this project. I hope others will come lend a hand, too. Believe me, the adult volunteers get as much out of this program as the kids!"

For more information about the Perry County Reading Camp, contact Jenny Williams at Hazard Community and Technical College at 487-3210.



A bracelet making activity provided a break from reading during the Perry County Summer Reading Camp, last summer. Shown here, Tim Glotzbach of the Kentucky School of Craft, demonstrates to Ashley Hall, Callie Williams, Cody Neace, Ashley Neace, and Ryan Bailey, the art of bracelet making. The camp, in a partnership with the Episcopal Diocese of Lexington, St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Hazard, the Kiwanis Club, the Presbyterian Church in Hazard, and Hazard Community and Technical College, aids children who are struggling with reading skills.

### CRITTER CORNER

## Spay Surgery – Part I

by Dr. Carol Combs-Morris, DVM

As many articles as I've written on reasons to spay your pet, I don't think I've ever explained exactly what a spay surgery entails. Since I had never looked up the derivation of the word spay before, I was surprised to learn that it is from the Gaelic word spoth, meaning "to castrate". It now is used to refer to the surgical desexing of a female animal. (In the same vein, the word neuter generally is used for the surgical procedure in the male, although the word itself can refer to either sex.) The medical term for spay surgery is actually ovariectomy—no wonder we prefer the shorter word. By the way, the past tense of spay is spayed, not "spaded". It's a word that is commonly misused, and to me it always

conjures up an image of performing surgery with a garden trowel!

I'll walk you through what happens to your pet from the time she disappears into "the back" at the vet's office when you drop her off for surgery. You of course held her off food several hours prior to surgery. This is to reduce the chance that she will vomit up anything during anesthesia that could be aspirated into the windpipe and cause pneumonia. Sometimes during an emergency, we don't have time to do this, so we have to be even more cautious when we anesthetize these patients.

A quick review of the animal's history and a brief physical exam are done to make sure nothing is present that might make



borhood for several weeks last summer before deciding on the residence of Mike and Della Ormerod. After spending time on the front porch one hot summer day, "Just Bob," (right), thought a dip in the pool might be just the thing. Fortunately for Just Bob, Mike was standing by the pool with a towel waiting for the swimming cat to finish his water aerobics. Not long after, Just Bob and "Annabelle," (left), had an indoor home safe from the outside world. They now reside with Kathryn Elaine, a 13-year-old tortoise-shell Manx, (seen in background), and Samuel Otis, an 11-year-old yellow long-hair (not pictured), and are learning the ways of being an indoor resident."

Writes Prestonsburg resident, Jean Burke: "An old song says, 'Just Looking for a Home.' These two cats roamed the University Drive neigh-

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# School Calendar

## Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

■ 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 meet the needs of all children and their families who reside in the community or neighborhood by the school in which the center is located. For further information, please contact the center at 478-5550 or 478-9751, ext. 310.

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

## Clark Elementary

■ 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 immunizations. Currently scheduling exams for students who will be in the 6th grade in the next school year. Call for an appointment - 886-0815.

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

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

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

## May Valley Elementary

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

■ Floyd County Health Dept. nurse at school every Wednesday. Services include Head Start physicals, kinder-

garten 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 Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and later by appointment. Office provides services for all families, regard-

less 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 Creek Family Resource Center

■ FRC monthly Advisory

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

■ Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

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

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

Character Words for the Month: Tolerance and Kindness.

■ Feb. 3 - "Heart Health" presentation by Kim Sanders of Our Lady of the Way Hospital. For 6th grade students, 1:45 p.m., in gymnasium.

■ Feb. 7 - "Connect with Parents," 11 a.m., in Family Resource Center. Topic: Digital Revolution. For all parents, guardians and family members.

■ Feb. 11 - "Heart Health" presentation by Kim Sanders, OLWH, for 4th and 5th grade students, 1:45 p.m., in gymnasium.

■ Feb. 21 - NO SCHOOL - President's Day Holiday.

■ Feb. 24 - "The Magic Guy" (Skip Kane). School-wide assembly.

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# YESTERDAYS

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The Floyd County  
Times,  
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60 years ago.)

## Ten Years Ago

February 1, and 3, 1995

Floyd County Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson announced Tuesday, that his office would be a one-man show. The few remaining employees in the sheriff's office were laid off, because Thompson has been unable to secure a loan to keep the office operating until property tax receipts begin coming in...Marcella Bailey, founder of the annual Red, White and Blue Day parade in Floyd County, died January 26. Bailey, 69, of Langley, died at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Medical Center. She was the widow of Sidney E. Bailey...The Floyd County Times won several top awards, Friday, to capture third place in general excellence among multi-weekly Kentucky newspapers, during the Kentucky Press Association's annual winter competition...Figures compiled by the state police were presented to a legislative task force last week, and showed that most protective orders issued in rural counties were not served. Local officials say that most of the EPOs are served, but a breakdown in the paper trail makes it appear that the orders have not been served...The Prestonsburg Board of Ethics, created in compliance with state law, and a city ordinance, met for the first time on Monday, at City Hall...State legislators passed a bill, Friday, which deletes a section of the law requiring the ouster of county officials who did not properly file performance bonds...PVA Lovel Hall said, Tuesday, that the response from about 10,000 taxpayers whose property has been reassessed, "has not been real bad," so far...Floyd County school officials apparently will not oppose a request for a temporary injunction to block the ouster of two parent representatives of school based councils...An unexpected windfall in state revenues may pave the way for the Prestonsburg High School renovation project to be put back on track. Due to a loss of student enrollment statewide, state revenues that were budgeted to pay for average daily attendance are being returned to school districts, to be used for construction and transportation needs...Floyd District Judge James Allen waived several cases to a Floyd Grand jury, Wednesday, including one involving a woman accused of trying to smuggle drugs to an inmate at the Floyd County jail. Stana Michelle Wright, 20, of Hi Hat, is charged with first degree promoting contraband for allegedly putting marijuana in a video tape case which was to be delivered to a prisoner in the jail on January 15...Superintendent Steve Towler said Tuesday, that Prestonsburg High School teacher David Layne was named as transportation chief, and will report to the bus garage on February 1, to work in an apprentice role. Director Earl D. Ousley announced earlier this year that he will retire in June...An Indiana man is in the Floyd County Jail wait-

ing extradition back to that state, after being apprehended by police, Wednesday. Thomas Thompson, 42, of Pierceton, Indiana, was arrested by Prestonsburg police officers and Kentucky State Police trooper Larry Woods...The Floyd County Health Department has expanded its services so much in the last five years, that it has outgrown its building, and its board of directors want to build a new health complex...Floyd Commonwealth Attorney John Earl Hunt will not oppose the dismissals of lawsuits to oust the judge-executive and the county court clerk. Hunt planned to file a response Thursday (yesterday) in the Floyd Circuit Court Clerk's office to motions to dismiss the cases filed by Arnold Turner, who represents Judge-Executive John M. Stumbo and County Court Clerk Carla Boyd...The Civil War will come to downtown Prestonsburg in June, when Civil War reenactors guard the streets and protect the townspeople. Col. James A. Garfield may present a speech to assure the townspeople that his union troops will protect them from the marauding Confederates. Or, Gen. Humphrey Marshall may also warn the populace about the dastardly deeds of the Union...Ricky Johnson, 39, who was in his third day on the job, fell from a scaffold, Thursday morning, while working on the Floyd County Jail project. He was transported to Highlands Regional Medical Center, treated and released...There died: Buster Thompson, 69, of Wyandotte, Michigan, formerly of Betsy Layne, Friday, January 27, at the VA Hospital, Allen Park, Michigan; Lloyd George Newsom, 72, of Virgie, January 29, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Dallis Crisp, 79, of Martin, Friday, January 27, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Edd Ross Wicker, 77, of Pikeville, Saturday, January 28, at his residence; Marcella Rowe Bailey, 69, of Langley, Thursday, January 26, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Eugene "Baldy" Gunnels, 65, formerly of Floyd County, Thursday, January 26, at the Coolspring Nursing Home in Indianapolis, Indiana; Green Stephens, 71, of Prestonsburg, Saturday, January 28, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; James "Jim" Vanderpool, 85, of Garrett, Thursday, January 26, at Pikeville, Methodist Hospital; Tamari Denise Akers, infant daughter of Nelson and Tami Meade Akers of Fort Stewart, Georgia, formerly of Dana, Wednesday, January 25, at the Winn Army Hospital; Jane Dudley, 73, of Langley, Thursday, January 26, at her residence; Nancy "Tiny" Hall Hunt, 79, of Lucasville, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County, Tuesday, January 31, at her residence; Doris Kidd, 62, of Harold, Wednesday, February 1, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Ella Faye Hayes Boatwright, 63, native of Knott County, Wednesday, at Baptist Hospital East; Minnie Bell Baldrige, 72, December 27, at J.J. Jordan Geriatric Center in Louisa; Eva Turner Moore, 84, of McDowell, Wednesday, February 1, at

Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital.

## Twenty Years Ago

January 30, 1985

More than 200 people were in attendance at the open house of Highlands Regional Medical Center after the renovation and expansion were completed...Floyd County schools have been out for 12 days due to snow fall...Two of the toll gates on Mountain Parkway will close permanently at midnight, Thursday...Travel on U.S. 23, between Paintsville and Prestonsburg, has been limited due to several rock falls...County Attorney Arnold Turner Jr., says he will not seek re-election...There died: Dexter Baldrige, 61, of Prestonsburg, last Wednesday, at the home of his brother; Aggie Nelson Marsillett, 85, of State Road Fork, Saturday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Ardelia Blankenship, 85, of Allen, Monday, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Edna Borders, 80, of Galveston, Sunday, at the home of Alex Hall; Julian J. Murrill, 75, of Prestonsburg, last Wednesday, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Claud Reed, 72, retired Hueysville coal miner, January 13, in Mansfield, Ohio; Charlie Howell, 52, of Howell, Friday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Glenn Burchett, 94, of Cow Creek, January 24; Luna Martin Halbert, 87, of Langley, Friday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

## Thirty Years Ago

January 29, 1975

The City of Prestonsburg, last week, became in compliance with the National Flood Insurance Act, and Prestonsburg property owners will be eligible for flood insurance before the July 1 deadline...The resolution of the Floyd Fiscal Court which divided Floyd County into areas for the granting of franchises to operators of community television systems was upheld, Monday, by Judge Reed Anderson...The 1974 law setting aside the ancient Broad Form deed provisions for stripmining without the consent of the surface owner ran into its first roadblock last week, when Franklin Circuit Judge Henry Meigs Jr., held the legislation unconstitutional...Recent snows closed Floyd County schools seven days in a row...Two Prestonsburg men, Robert Spradlin and Robert Vanhoose, have been honored by Kentucky Central Life Insurance Company for their 1974 sales records...Miss Rebecca Haywood finished her undergraduate work at Eastern Kentucky University with a 4.0 standing. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Haywood...There died: Herbert Evans, 82, of Wayland, last Tuesday, Jan. 21, at a hospital, here; Pauline Layne, 79,

of Betsy Layne, Thursday, at a Pikeville hospital; Edward Racey, 70, last Wednesday, at his home at Justell; Susan Slone, 82, of Hueysville, Jan. 20, at a nursing home, here; Mrs. Leaner Johnson, 80, of Hall, Saturday, at the McDowell Hospital; Joe G. May 43, formerly of Martin, last Thursday, at his home in Crestwood; Allen Whitaker, 66, formerly of this county, in Phoenix, Arizona, recently; Arvie (Peewee) Burchett, 59, of Prestonsburg, Sunday, in a Lexington hospital; Grace Webb, 94, Friday, at her home at Galveston; Beatrice G. Baker, 56, of Corn Fork, Sunday, en route to a hospital; Curley Coburn, 60, at his home in Garrett, Monday; Festa Lewis Salisbury, 47, of McDowell, Monday, at the McDowell Hospital.

## Forty Years Ago

January 28, 1965

The Congressional sub-committee on Education, which is headed by Congressman Carl D. Perkins, heard Wayne Ratliff, assistant superintendent of Floyd County Schools, and Sheldon Clark, superintendent of Martin County schools testify, last Saturday, to the need of federal aid to education...Through the generosity of Darrell Goff, a transplanted West Virginian, now living in Ohio, scores of needy parents and schoolchildren, living in the Weeksbury-Melvin area, have been provided with winter clothing and shoes...A tentative agreement to purchase a site here for an additional 42 low-rent public housing units was effected, Wednesday, it was announced this week...Eighty-six graduates of the adult classes conducted for several weeks in this county, received high school equivalency certificates, Wednesday evening, at Martin...Approximately 75 patrons of the Auxier Road Gas Company met recently in mass protest of the company's proposed gas rate increase, and employed an attorney to represent them before the Public Service Commission at Frankfort...There died: Samuel Newberry Banks, 67, formerly of this county, Jan. 23, in a Buffalo, N.Y., hospital; Mrs. Sally Williams, 80, of Garrett, Monday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Susie Stephens Allen, 81, last Thursday, at her home at Martin; Mrs. Grace Howard, 60, formerly of Langley, last Thursday, at Garrett, Indiana; Clyde William Smith, 56, formerly of Floyd County, Jan. 17, at Knox, Indiana; Henry E. Taylor, 52, former Floyd man, last Tuesday, at Detroit, Michigan; Mrs. Teresa Rose Kish, 83, of Martin, Friday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; William James Sammons, 73, of Martin, Saturday, at home; Curtis Johnson, 50, of Hall, Jan. 13, at Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Silas Martin, 81, of Amba, Jan. 16, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin; Mrs.

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**Yesterdays**

Sally Simpson, 75, of Drift, last Tuesday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Mrs. Rebecca Baldrige Harmon, 84, of Laneley, Sunday, at the home of a sister at Allen; Bruce Blair, 72, Jan. 17, at his home at Water Gap.

**Fifty Years Ago**

**January 27, 1955**

One man was arrested, and two others later surrendered, in connection with operation of a moonshine still, found, Friday, in Slick Rock Fork of Cow Creek, by Deputy Marshal Wince Trimble, of Paintsville, and Floyd County deputy sheriffs...The home built here almost 50 years ago by Walter S. Harkins on Second Avenue was sold, this week, by Mrs. Mary Jane Harkins, widow of Walter Scott Harkins III, and her daughter, Barbara, to John Allen and Byron Nunery...The body of Belvard Butler, 40, a native of this county, was found under a C&O railway bridge at Clothier, W.Va., last Sunday, victim of drowning...If the \$8,800 goal set for the coming Red Cross

fund drive is reached this year, Floyd County will again be a participant in the Red Cross blood program, it was announced this week...Elk Horn Coal Corporation has sold to the Inland Steel Company, coal acreage in Floyd and Knott counties for a cash price of \$1,300,000...Fred Fraley, the Wayland boy who teamed last season with all-American Frank Selvey to give Furman a place in the basketball sun, was honored, last Saturday, at Furman by a motorcade of Wayland residents...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Lloyd Gunnell, a daughter, Linda Lou, Jan. 11, at the Paintsville Hospital...There died: Joe Little, 73, of Price, Monday, at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Md.; Marion Hall, 55, formerly of this section, last Wednesday, at Jackson, Ohio; Walton Fitzpatrick, 74, of Prestonsburg, Sunday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Miles M. Gibson, 87, Tuesday, at his home at Raven; Mrs. Vicie Conn Robinson, 50, Tuesday, at her home on Arkansas Creek.

**Sixty Years Ago**

**Critter**

cause problems with the surgery—old injuries, respiratory infections, etc. If everything looks okay, the animal is given a drug or combination of drugs to induce anaesthesia. The exact drugs used varies from vet to vet. Once the animal has become relaxed enough, an endotracheal tube is placed in the windpipe. This ensures an open airway. The tube may be connected to a gas anaesthetic machine if this is the type of anaesthesia being used. Even if the animal is maintained on an injectable anaesthetic, the tube serves several other purposes. An inflatable cuff at the base of the tube helps seal off the trachea, so even if the animal should vomit, it would be hard for anything to go into the lungs. The surgical assistant uses the sounds and volume of air coming from the tube to assess the quality of respirations, and can suction out the tube if there are a lot of airway secretions. Should the unthinkable happen, and the animal stop breathing, the tube is used to

deliver artificial respiration during CPR. (Although surgical procedures are generally safe, they all carry some degree of risk.) Once the animal is intubated and stable, she is positioned on her back (or more properly, in dorsal recumbency, since medical terminologists always have to make things more complicated). The animal's legs are usually tied to the table. Although it looks like something out of the Spanish Inquisition, we do this to keep her from tipping over on to her side during surgery. The head of the surgery table is rotated down slightly, so that the front half of the animal is lower than the back half. This allows the abdominal contents to fall forward slightly and gets them out of the surgeon's way. The animal is prepped by clipping the hair away from the surgical site and then cleaning the area several times with a special bacteria-killing scrub solution. A final application of surgical disinfectant completes the prep.

At this point, the animal is covered with a sterile drape that exposes only the proposed incision site, the sterile instruments are laid out on another sterile drape, and the surgeon puts on sterile surgical gloves. A trained assistant or veterinary technician takes her place at the animal's head and monitors its condition and the plane of anaesthesia throughout the procedure. There are many things she must pay attention to. Among these are the heart and lung sounds, the color of the gums and inner lips (these give a good idea of the blood pressure), and certain reflexes that indicate depth of unconsciousness (such as the presence of a blink response to a light touch on the eyelids). She keeps the surgeon filled in on what she is finding. Preparing the animal for a spay can take almost as long as the procedure itself; and in the same way, I realize I have taken up an entire article describing the preparations for surgery! Next week we make the incision!

**School**

bly, 1:45 p.m., in gymnasium.  
 ■ Feb. 25 - "Dollars & Sense" program for Floyd County 5th grade students. To be held at the Martin Community Center (tentative).  
 ■ "Lost & Found" is located in the FRC. If your child has lost any clothing or other personal items, please remind them to check in the FRC. Items not claimed within 2 weeks, become the property of the FRC.  
 ■ 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 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 Education Service Center: Tue., Thur. - 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Contact: Vanessa Tackett - 285-5111.  
 ■ Wayland EESC: Mon., Wed. - 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Contact Vanessa Tackett - 358-3400.  
 ■ Wheelwright: Mon., Wed. - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Contact: Penny Fell - 452-4324.  
 ■ McDowell: Tue., 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.  
 ■ For more information about Adult Education class schedules, contact the David School at 886-8374. All classes and materials free of charge.

**Oak**

against the windows on the far end of the building. But the good thing about the old Northeast machine shop was its geographic location. The back side of the building was completely out of sight from anywhere else in the camp. Therefore, the area in back of the shop became a gathering place on weekends for those old mean boys who played poker. Especially in warm weather, three or four of the older teens would spread old bandanas on the ground and hunker down to an afternoon of five-card stud or draw. When one would run out of pennies, nickels and dimes,

he'd pour out his cigarettes and ante up with Luckies, Camels or Chesterfields. I don't remember—if I ever knew in the first place—how the worth of a cigarette was determined. A whole pack cost about twenty cents, so they couldn't have been worth much more than a penny apiece. Anyway, being too young to participate in such an illicit affair, once in a while I'd mosey back there just to watch. However, my little brother Joe put a stop to that one day when Mom heard him repeat a colorful phrase or two that he had picked up when he accompanied me to one of the poker games. He did-

n't get into trouble, but I did. I don't think I ever went back. So, the old Northeast machine shop was not only a place where coal cars, end loaders and cutting machines were hammered and welded back into shape, it also provided a place of rendezvous for those seeking their fortunes—or at least, show fare—from the hands of Lady Luck. Best of all, though, nearly 60 years after the lights in the old tin building were turned off for the last time, just its having been there has provided still another memory of a time when I'd never been so far from home that I couldn't get back before dark.

**Korner**

We have witnessed a multitude of physicians as they have taken care of Dad during his illness and I have never seen a physician with more care and compassion for a patient than Dr. Rivera at McDowell ARH. It is so comforting to have someone such as Dr. Rivera around when you're experiencing such turmoil. Yes, it's been a time and a

half these past few weeks. And now Dad may be facing dialysis in the weeks to come. Or at least that's the way I understand it. And believe me there is a lot to comprehend and learn. The medical profession is phenomenal to me, the human body and what it can take is phenomenal and I just thank God He created it all, and continues to give us the strength to get

through our trials. Kathie Lee Gifford once said, "There is a purpose to our suffering, to make us better, not bitter." I pray that all of us can be "better" human beings and learn from our sufferings. Especially, compassion! Til Next Week Be in good health, & May God Bless

**January 25, 1945**

A tug of war between the Kentucky & West Virginia Power Company and four Rural Electrification Administration co-ops of this section for expansion permits, ended Monday, when the power company was granted permits to build 151 miles extension of lines in Floyd and 15 other eastern Kentucky counties...The week's war casualties: Killed in action—Pfc. Lee Prater, of Hueysville; S-Sgt. Russell Hale, of Myrtle; Missing—Pfc. Samuel Rice, of Little Paint; Sgt. Robert E. Steele, of Boldman; Wounded—Pfc. Edwin P. Frasure of Langley; Pfc. John H. Spurlock, of Printer; Pvt. Virgil Rowe, of Langley...Included among the approximately 700 U.S. seamen who lost their lives when their ships capsized and sank during a typhoon in the western Pacific, December 29, was Seaman 1-C Oliver Blackburn Jr., 18, of Prestonsburg...A road maintenance program, anticipating the expenditure of approximately \$30,000 on rural highways of Floyd County, has been approved by the fiscal court and the

Department of Rural Highways, County Judge E. P. Hill announced this week...Three Floyd parents were fined \$10 and costs, Saturday, when they entered pleas of guilty to charges of failing to send their children to school...Reports from various communities indicate that the infantile paralysis fund drive is going well throughout the county; Mrs. Stephen W. Clarke, Wheelwright, county chairman, said Monday...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Junior Gibson, of West Garrett, a son, January 19; to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Allen, of Allen, a son, January 20, at the Martin General Hospital...There died: Mrs. Lovini Slone, 58, of Drift, Friday, at the Martin General Hospital; Grady Bevins, 55, Floyd and Pike county teacher, Saturday, at home at McCombs; Walter Bayes, 16, at home at Myrtle, Saturday; Madge Lee Caudill, eight years old, at home at Melvin, Sunday; John Graham Williamson, 26, of Coal Run, January 10, at Shoemaker, California; Betty Belle Howell, 14-months-old, Monday, at the home of her grandfather at Bevinville.

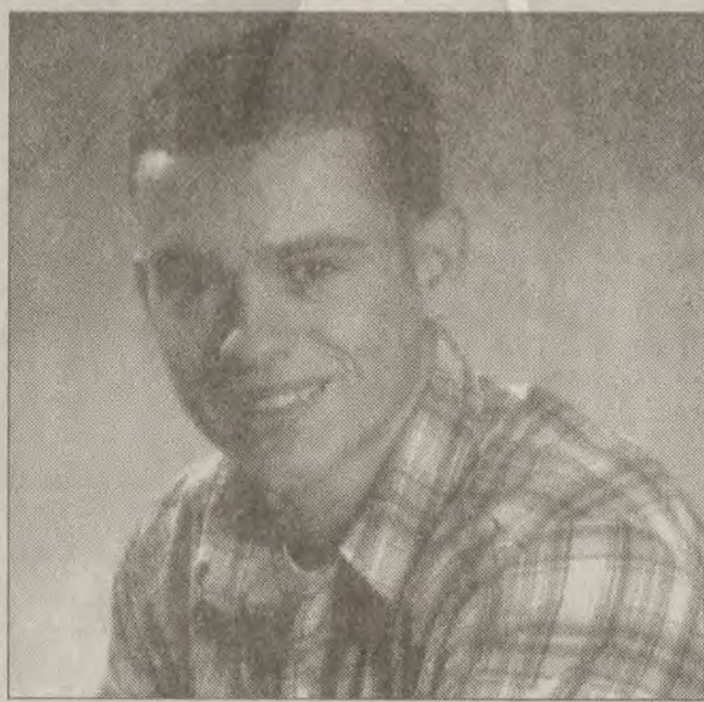
**ACHS student recipient of Mountain Classic Scholarship**



Courtney M. Hall, of Allen Central High School, has been selected from among 88 nominees throughout KHSAA Regions 13, 14, and 15 to receive a \$1,000 WYMT-TV Mountain Classic Scholarship. The scholarship, based on academic and scholastic achievement, is made possible by proceeds and donations collected through the annual WYMT-TV Mountain Basketball Classic Tournament. Courtney is the daughter of Judy Bailey, of Hippo, and Howard Hall, of Drift.

**Congratulations Courtney M. Hall**

**SFHS 'Student of the Semester'**



Adam Taylor, a senior at South Floyd High School, has been named "Student of the Semester" for the fall semester of the 2004-2005 school year. Adam excelled in the areas of art, speech, anatomy, and physiology. He was also selected "Student of the Month" for December, 2004, in regard to his English IV work. Adam has consistently shown outstanding academic achievement, effort and dedication in these subject areas. He was selected for special recognition by his teachers. He is the son of Keith and Beverly Taylor, of Wheelwright.

**Congratulations Adam Taylor**

**Drug Awareness Group - Unite to meet Thursday**

The Floyd County Unite Coalition will be staging an informational and organizational meeting on Thursday, Feb. 3rd at 7 PM at the Allen Baptist Church. This is an open meeting to all Floyd County citizens that are interested in learning more about the serious problems we face in our communities with drug addiction and distribution. The Unite Coalition is also involved with providing information and resources to those who may be affected by drug addiction.

**Time to apply for Financial Aid**

Students wishing to enroll in college for the Fall 2005 semester at Hazard Community and Technical College can now apply for financial aid. Financial Aid Applications are available online at [www.hazard.kctcs.edu](http://www.hazard.kctcs.edu). Students are encouraged to complete and submit the financial aid application by March 15. Federal and state financial aid funding is available to help cover the cost of tuition, books, and other related expenses. Applications are available at all campuses of Hazard Community and Technical College. For assistance in obtaining and completing the financial aid application, please call the HCTC Office of Financial Aid at (800) 246-7521, extension 73061 or (606) 487-3061 or any campus location.

**Mine training offered**

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**For Sale:** 2 Large Lots on Stone Crest Golf Course. Call 886-3313, 886-3314, 226-2468

**For Rent :** newly constructed Mobile Home Lots in new Allen, reference required call 606-874-2212

**650-Mobile Homes**

**HTL Properties-** Trailer For Rent at Ruff n' Tuff Rd., Prestonsburg Call 226-2266

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**Mobile Home For Rent,** 2 BR in the Allen Area. Call 874-0267

**2 BR Mobile Home For Rent.** 3 1/2 Miles on the Parkway. Call 886-6061 From 9am-5pm

**660-Miscellaneous**

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**670-Comm. Prop.**

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

**Commercial Property For Lease,** Fronts U.S. 23 in Pikeville Near Walmart Intersection. Approximately 4000 Sq. Ft. Building. Call 606-478-4545

**SERVICES**

**710-Educational**

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**745-Miscellaneous**

**D & D Tree Cutting** We Provide Free Estimates for All Jobs. Our Services Includes Tree Trimming or Tree Removal. Lowest Prices Guaranteed. Call 606-785-0316 or 606-785-9810

**780-Timber**

**Firewood For Sale.** Excellent cut to order, all hardwood, split. Large service area. Starter fibers. \$90 per a well packed truck load. 606-358-9616 or 606-434-8955

**NOTICES**

**812-Free**

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

**850-Personals**

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

**START DATING TONIGHT!** Have fun meeting eligible singles in your area. Toll Free. 1-800-ROMANCE ext. 9735

**Secret Encounters** 1-800-442-MEET .69 p/m Ladies Free!! 1-800-201-TALK VISIT - singles.com

**900-Legals**

**BLASTING SCHEDULE**

This is notice that Motts Branch Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 2765, 436 Daniels Creek Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, (606) 874-9003, Permit #836-5429, will be blasting at Salyers Branch of Saltlick Creek, Latitude 37°30'45", Longitude 82°53'06". Blasting will be done daily. No blasting will be conducted before sunrise or after sunset. At least 10 minutes before the blast, access to the area will be controlled by

Company personnel. Before each blast is detonated the following type(s) of audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to the blast; a one (1) minute series of three (3) long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be: One (1) prolonged blast of a siren following the inspection of the blast area. Blasting will not be conducted at times different from those given above, except in emergency situations, where rain, lightning, other atmospheric conditions, or operator or public safety requires unscheduled detonation. Prior to these detonations, the following audible warning will be given. Five (5) minutes prior to blast, a one (1) minute series of three (3) long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal after the blast will be: one (1) prolonged blast of a siren. Also prior to detonations in emergency situations the permittee, using audible signals, shall notify all persons within one-half (1/2) mile of the blasting site.

**COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY DIVISION NO. 1 C.A. NO. 04-CI-00988**  
Washington Mutual Bank, FA Plaintiff VS. Frankie D. Webb, Terry L. Howell a/k/a Terry L. Webb, Beneficial Loan Corporation of Kentucky Defendants

**NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE BY VIRTUE OF** 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 above-styled action, in the principal sum of \$79,748.96, 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 the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 3rd day of February, 2005, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, located at 9451 Kentucky Rural Route 142, Martin, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

That certain tract or parcel of land situated on Main Beaver Creek, Floyd County, Kentucky, and being Lots No. 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 66, 67, 69, and 70, in the E.M. Moore Land Company Subdivision of the Harry Branham farm. Being the same property conveyed to Frankie D. Webb and Terry L. Howell on May 8, 2000, by deed 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 balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgement.  
(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.  
(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County and City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2005, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County and City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, real estate taxes, will be paid from the sale proceeds.  
(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.  
Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.  
Plaintiff's Attorney: Hon. Michael R. Brinkman Lerner, Sampson & Rothfuss P.O. Box 5480 Cincinnati, Ohio 45201-5480  
William S. Kendrick M a s t e r Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

**NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE**

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Maple Ridge Mining Corporation, P.O. Box 219, Harold, Kentucky 41635, has applied for Phase II/III bond release on Permit Number 836-5356, which was last issued on April 10, 1997. The application covers an area of approximately 6.76 acres, located 0.50 mile southeast of Drift in Floyd County. The permit area is approximately 0.80 mile southeast from KY 122's junction with KY 1101, and located on Simpson Branch of Left Beaver Creek. The latitude is 37°28'14". The longitude is 82°44'22". The bond now in effect is a Kentucky Bond Pool bond in the amount of sixteen thousand seven hundred dollars (\$16,700.00). One hundred percent (100%) of the original bond amount of \$37,400 is included in this application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, grading, seeding and mulching of trees, planted in March 2000. Written comments,

objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by March 25, 2005. A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for Monday, March 28, 2005, at 9:00 a.m., at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. This hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by March 25, 2005.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE MAJOR UPGRADE FOR CABLE SERVICE**

Inter Mountain Cable has awarded a contract to SpanPro Inc., of Florence, Kentucky, to construct a major upgrade of its facilities in Pike, Floyd Counties, and outlying areas. When the project is complete, the cable company will be able to offer the following services:  
High-Speed Internet with speeds up to 1.54 mb  
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Over 200+ channels including local channels and a High Definition (HD) package with DVR service  
The job should be complete within approximately 18 months. When it is finished, the facility will provide modern Broadband services. New services will be available as each specific area is upgraded.  
We are aware that there will be some service interruptions during the construction period. We will endeavor to hold these to a minimum. We are committed to have services restored by 5:00 p.m., each working day.  
We appreciate your cooperation.

**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 coal mining and reclamation operation, located 0.5 mile northeast of Hippo, in Floyd County. The amendment will add an additional 0.0 acres of surface disturbance and an additional 1,609.3 acres of underground acres, making the total area within the permit boundary, 2178.7 acres. The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.5 mile northwest from State Route 850's junction with Brush Creek County Road, and located north of Hicks Fork of Brush Creek. The proposed amendment is located on the Martin U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The amend-

**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 Motts Branch Coal Inc., P.O. Box 2765, 436 Daniels Creek Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation, affecting 269.6 acres and will underlie an additional 186.9 acres, located 4.5 miles northwest of Hueysville, in Floyd County. The proposed operation is approximately 1.8 mile northwest from Route 2029's junction with KY Route 7, and located in Plummer Branch and Raccoon Branch of Saltlick Creek. The proposed operation is located on the David and Handshoe U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The operation will use the contour strip, area mining, and high-

ment will use the underground method of mining. The amendment area will underlie lands owned by William E. & Peggy Stephens, John Paul & Lou Ellen Pitts, Eva & George Thornsburg, John Paul Pitts, Shade Pitts, Floyd & Edna Davis, Jeffrey & Zelma M. Watson, John T. & Anna Lea Thornsburg, Kenneth & Phyllis Reffitt, Betty Conn, Dolores Smith, Billy E. & Susan Reffitt, Ina Thornsburg, Polly Elizabeth Pitts, Sandra Sue Thacker, Floyd Allen, William P. Rannels, et al., Madge Allen Casey, Effie Lois Bond, Pamela Frasure, Phil Ray Frasure, Effie Lois Bond, Thomas Sherman Ratliff, Mary Margaret Baldrige, Rondel R. & Priscilla Prater, Danny Ousley, Josephine Ousley, Effie Hughes, Mont Ousley - Heirs, Danny Lee Ousley, Virginia Hicks & David Reffitt, AEP Kentucky Coal, LLC, Bobby Matthew & Reta Akers, Alice D. Isaac, Roger & Joyce Slone, Steven Reed, David & Billy Marie Smith, Allen Ratliff - Estate, Myrtle, Bertha & Sydney Ratliff, Jack & Mary Ratliff - Estate, Henry & Ellen Ratliff, Billy M. & Dora Allen, and Tamara K. & Mary Christina Hicks, Phyllis Ratliff Lenox, Edward Lee & Sadie Nolen Shepherd, Peachie Pitts, Jeffery & Angie Campbell, Dexter Dale Reffitt and Billy E & Susan Reffitt.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of this date.

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wall/ Auger methods of mining. The surface area is owned by Ollie Jack Howell, et al., G.M.O. Forestry Fund 3, LP, Effie Crager, Kenneth Wallace, Patrick Brian Ousley, Lowell Dean Shepherd, Glen Shepherd, Clinton Handshoe, Sylvia Warrix, Billy Tussey, Annie Handshoe, Elsie Wright, Thelma and Lurie Hoover, and Knott Floyd Land Company Inc. The operation will underlie surface area owned by Ollie Jack Howell, et al., G.M.O. Forestry Fund 3, LP, Effie Crager, Kenneth Wallace, Lowell Dean Shepherd, Glen Shepherd, Clinton Handshoe, Sylvia Warrix, Annie Handshoe, Elsie Wright, Thelma and Lurie Hoover, and Knott Floyd Land Company Inc. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of public road KY 7. The operation will not involve relocation of the public road. KY Route 7 will be closed to traffic during blasting operations.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. 1 C.A. NO. 04-CI-00840**

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Custodian or Trustee, fka Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A. Plaintiff

Vs. Mary R. Elliott, aka Mary Rebecca Elliott, aka Mary Elliott, aka Rebecca Elliott, unknown defendant, spouse of Mary R. Elliott, aka Mary Rebecca Elliott, aka Mary Elliott, aka Rebecca Elliott

Defendants  
**NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE BY VIRTUE OF** Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 12th day of January, 2005, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above-styled action, in the principal sum of \$38,682.74, 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 the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 17th day of February, 2005, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate,

located at 59 Jim Case Lane, McDowell, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: A certain tract or parcel of land, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Left Beaver at E. McDowell;

Beginning at corner of Mary Litteral's property and C&O right-of-way, thence running with said right-of-way to corner of Sol Robinson's line; thence running with Robinson's line to the Bill Hall Branch; thence up said Bill Hall Branch running with the Branch to a corner of Mary Litteral's line; thence across the bottom, running with said Litteral's line to the C&O right-of-way to the beginning. This boundary includes the Henene Rickete property.

Being the same property conveyed to Wilburn Elliott and Rebecca Elliott, by virtue of a deed dated March 9, 1970, recorded on March 13, 1970, in Deed Book 201, Page 378, in the Deed records of Floyd County, Kentucky.

**TERMS OF SALE**

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or \$5,000.00 of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2005, and all subsequent years, which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Plaintiff's Attorney: Hon. Lori R. Leach Lerner, Sampson & Rothfuss, P.O. Box 5480 Cincinnati, Ohio 45201-5480 William S. Kendrick M a s t e r Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE**

Pursuant to Application No. 836-5410, Operator Change In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Sly Branch Energy, Inc., 6186 Ky. Rte. 114, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, intends to revise permit number 836-5410, to change the operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is Sly Branch Energy, Inc., 6186 Ky. Rte. 114, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The new operator will be Banner, Inc., P.O. Box 3633, 128 Honeysuckle Drive, Pikeville, KY 41502.

The operation is located 0.45 mile northwest of the community of Emma, in Floyd County. The operation is approximately 1.85 mile northeast of Ky. Route 1428's junction with US 23, and located 0.03 mile west of the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy. The operation is located on the Lancer U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map, at latitude 37°38'27", and longitude 82°43'50".

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, or objections, must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, US 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application for a permit to operate a place of entertainment, has been made by James D. Johnson. The name of the proposed business of entertainment is Donuts and More. The nature of the business will be Pool Tables and Video Games. Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the Floyd County Attorney shall investigate whether the applicant lacks good moral character, or whether the applicant will obey the laws of the Commonwealth in the operation of the business, or whether the applicant, within the last two (2) years prior to the date of filing the application has been convicted in Kentucky of maintaining a public nuisance. Pursuant to KRS 231.080 any person desiring to oppose the permits shall file with the County Clerk no later than February 17, 2005, in writing, allegations that show cause as to why the application shall not be granted. Said written information shall be signed, dated, and reflect the current address of said person providing the information.

Pursuant to KRS 231.080, a hearing has been scheduled for February 17, 2005, at the hour of 2:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as same can be heard before the Floyd County Judge/Executive at the Floyd County Justice Center, 2nd floor, in Prestonsburg,

Kentucky. The Floyd County Judge/Executive shall hear evidence in support of, or in opposition to the granting of the permit.

Hon. Keith Bartley  
Floyd County Attorney

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. 1 C.A. NO. 03-CI-01322**

Washington Mutual Bank, FA Plaintiff VS. Gregory Smith, unknown spouse, if any, of Gregory Smith, Transfinancial Bank, National Association

Defendants  
**NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE BY VIRTUE OF** Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 1st day of June, 2004, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above-styled action, in the principal sum of \$90,038.63, 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 the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 10th day of February, 2005, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described real estate, located at Lot 25 Eagle Trace, Harold, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Herein described property is a tract of property lying and being near the head of Penhook Branch of the Levisa Fork of U.S. 23 at Harold, in Floyd County, Kentucky, and being known as Lot 25 of Section Two of the Eagle Trace Subdivision, and being further described as follows:

Beginning at a rebar/cap(set), on the edge of north street, being a common corner of Lot 27 and the subject property; thence leaving the street right of way with Lot 27, N 70 degrees 40'22" W a distance of 149.69' to a rebar/cap(set), being a common corner of Lots 27, 24 and the subject property; thence leaving Lot 27 and with Lot 24, N 30 degrees 57'30" E a distance of 43.93' to a rebar/cap; thence N 30 degrees 57'30" E a distance of 25.41' to a rebar/cap being a common corner of Lot 24, West Street and the subject property; thence leaving Lot 24 and with the street right of way, 30 degrees 57'30" E, a distance of 24.16' to a rebar/cap; thence with a curve turning to the right with an arc length of 30.24', with a radius of 88.94' with a chord bearing of N 58 degrees 29'01" E, with a chord length of 30.10' to a rebar/cap, thence N 74 degrees 51'57" E a distance of 110.02' to a rebar/cap(set), being a common corner of Lot 26, and the subject property; thence leaving the street right of way and downhill with Lot 26, S 03 degrees 32'11" E a distance of 143.86' to a

rebar/cap on the edge of north street, being a common corner of Lot 26 and the subject property; thence leaving Lot 26 and along the street of right-of-way with a curve turning to the left with an arc length of 73.86', with a radius of 30.00', with a chord being of S 57 degrees 15'15" W, with a chord length of 56.57', to the point of beginning, having an area of 20,697 square feet, 0.48 acres.

Being the same property conveyed to Gregory Smith by deed dated May 9, 2003, of record in Deed Book 486, Page 278, in the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

Plaintiff's Attorney: Hon. Philip Q. Ratliff Weltman, Weinberg & Reis 525 Vine Street, Suite 800 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

William S. Kendrick M a s t e r Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO RELOCATE GRAVES**

Jerry Banks is the owner of certain property located at Sage Allen Branch (formerly known as Motts Branch and General Allen Branch) of Salt Lick on Right Beaver Creek in Floyd County (Deed Book 289, Page 434). He had discovered an abandoned cemetery 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

be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

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Plaintiff's Attorney: Hon. Philip Q. Ratliff Weltman, Weinberg & Reis 525 Vine Street, Suite 800 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

William S. Kendrick M a s t e r Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

Bobbie Shepherd has been granted by her next of kin. The only other identifiable grave is that of Wanda Hicks, born 1926 and died 1927. All reasonable efforts have been made to contact Wanda Hicks' next of kin and to determine if there are other graves in this location.

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 hand side of the branch near the residence of Jerry Banks, and has been abandoned for many years.

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 2765, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, (606) 874-9003.

4. This notice will run each Wednesday in the Floyd County Times for a period of 60 days from January 12, 2005. At the expiration of 60 days notice, Jerry Banks will petition the Floyd Fiscal Court to grant authority to relocate the graves whose next of kin cannot be located.

5. The graves requiring Fiscal Court approval to be relocated will be relocated at a perpetual care cemetery in Floyd County, and will be marked by appropriate headstone and footstone. The relocation will be supervised by a licensed funeral director who will have obtained the appropriate permits from the Health Services Cabinet, Department of Vital Statistics. The relocation is planned

to take place on or after March 21, 2005.

**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 coal mining operation, located 0.50 mile west of Hi Hat, in Floyd County. The proposed operation, will disturb 40 surface acres, and will underlie 2,736 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 2,758.5 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.50 mile west of KY Route 979's junction with KY Route 122, and located 0.50 mile west of the Left Fork of Beaver Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by The Elkhorn Coal Company, LLC. The operation will underlie land owned by The Elkhorn Coal Co., LLC, Progress Land Company, Eneropro, Inc., Day Gayheart, Green & Hellen Gayheart, Lonnie Akers, Millard Caudill, Lizzie Ann Hamilton, Alvin Gayheart, Ricky & Michelle Blevins, Ronnie & Mildred Blevins, Ernest & Delores Blevins, William Howell Heirs, Myrtle Paige, Virbil & Jean Hall, Hank Jr. & Velvie Osborne, Anthony Newsom, Woodrow Caudill, Benji Caudill, Elanor Pike, Garlis Caudill, Troy & Mary Howell, Teddie Howell, Bee Howell Estate, Teddy Howell, Rita Varney, Billie J. Isaac, Guy &

Flotine Jones, Perley Howell Heirs, Emmit Blevins Estate, Freda Bentley, Juanita Knott, Jack Akers, Pink & Esta Elliott, Lesley & Joyce Hamilton, Charles T. and Janet G. Vance, Laura Caudill Heirs, McKinley Osborne Heirs, Burton Farris Estate, Dessie Horn, Brenda Stone, Neil J. & Linda Mitchell, William E. & Mahalia Mae Clay, Progress Land Corporation, Mike Tackett, Effort Reynolds Estate, Karen K. Addis, Marcettea Newman, Pete & Minnadel Caudill, Polly Tackett Estate, Meredith & Genieve Slone, Billy D. & German Stumbo, Gale & Birdie Collins, Evan Collins, Moses Frasure, II, Vester Gayheart, Carl Butler & Gale B. Birdie Collins, Evan Collins, Moses Frasure, II, Vester Gayheart, Carl Butler & Patricia Mosley, Julia Marie Wilson, Ed Mosley Jr., Elizabeth Hall, Tony & Jamie R. Newsome, Trip Hall, Danny & Alma Tackett, Danny Ray Tackett, Pink Osborne Heirs, Dwayne Newman, Orbie Newman, Irene Moore, Johnny Newman, Winston Eugene David Mosley, Jr., Ed Mosley Jr., James Kent & Rita Dye, Kennel Dye and Jared Hall.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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**COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO. 04-CI-00963**

Citizens National Bank Plaintiff VS. Jason Hall, et al. Defendants

**NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

BY VIRTUE OF Amended Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 22nd day of November, 2004, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above-styled action, in the principal sum of \$33,536.89, 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 the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 10th day of February, 2005, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, located and lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

A tract of land located on Abner Fork, Floyd County, Kentucky, to wit:

Center of creek, across road at Cline Johnson boundary line and across bottom and up hill to the top of the point. Center of creek, across road to marker across the bottom and up by poplar tree on hill to top of point.

Being a portion of the same property conveyed to Jason

Hall and Amy Hall, his wife, from Ocelene Cole and Carl Cole, her husband, by deed dated July 19, 1996, and recorded in Deed Book 397, Page 91 of the Floyd County Court 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 balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgement.

(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser

shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2004, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligat-

ed to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Plaintiff's Attorney: Hon. Frank Heaberlin 119 East Court Street Prestonsburg, KY 41653

William S. Kendrick Master Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

**LEGAL NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING**

The Burley Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association will hold its Annual Meeting of membership at its Tobacco Farmer Appreciation Day at 2:00 p.m., Friday, February 18, 2005 in Room 101 of the South Wing at the KY Fair and Exposition Center in Louisville, KY during the National Farm Machinery Show.

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**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 follows:

	Existing	Proposed	Dollar Amt. of Increase	Percentage Increase
Minimum Bill	\$13.6140	\$17.0902	\$3.4762	25.53%
Base Rate per Mcf	\$10.4992	\$12.3455	\$1.8463	17.59%

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.



**CHAPTER 4 CLUE**

*One city had a greeter everybody knew,  
Patsy Ann welcomed sailors and tourists, too.  
But P.A. was not your everyday nice female,  
She walked on four legs while she wagged her tail.  
To find her figure, you'll have to define,  
Which state capital is number forty-nine.*



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This Week: **Bill Pickett**

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# BILL PUCKETT "THE BULLDOGGER" GREAT AMERICAN COWBOY

February is Black History Month. This week in Kid Scoop, meet rodeo great Bill Pickett – an American original!

## Pickett the Rodeo Star

Bill Pickett was considered one of the greatest cowboys. Born in Texas in 1870, Bill Pickett became famous for "bulldogging" at rodeos.



His boss, Zack Miller, was the owner of a huge ranch in Oklahoma. He described Pickett as "the greatest sweat and dirt cowhand that ever lived – bar none."

In 1971, Pickett became the first black person voted into Oklahoma City's Cowboy Hall of Fame.

### What IS bulldogging?



**B**ulldogging involves chasing a steer on a horse. Once in close, the cowhand leaps out of the saddle and grabs the steer's horns in each hand. Then, with boot heels digging into the ground, the rider wrestles the animal to the ground by twisting its head back and nose up.

Standards Link: History: Students understand the contributions of various cultures to American history.

### Western Star

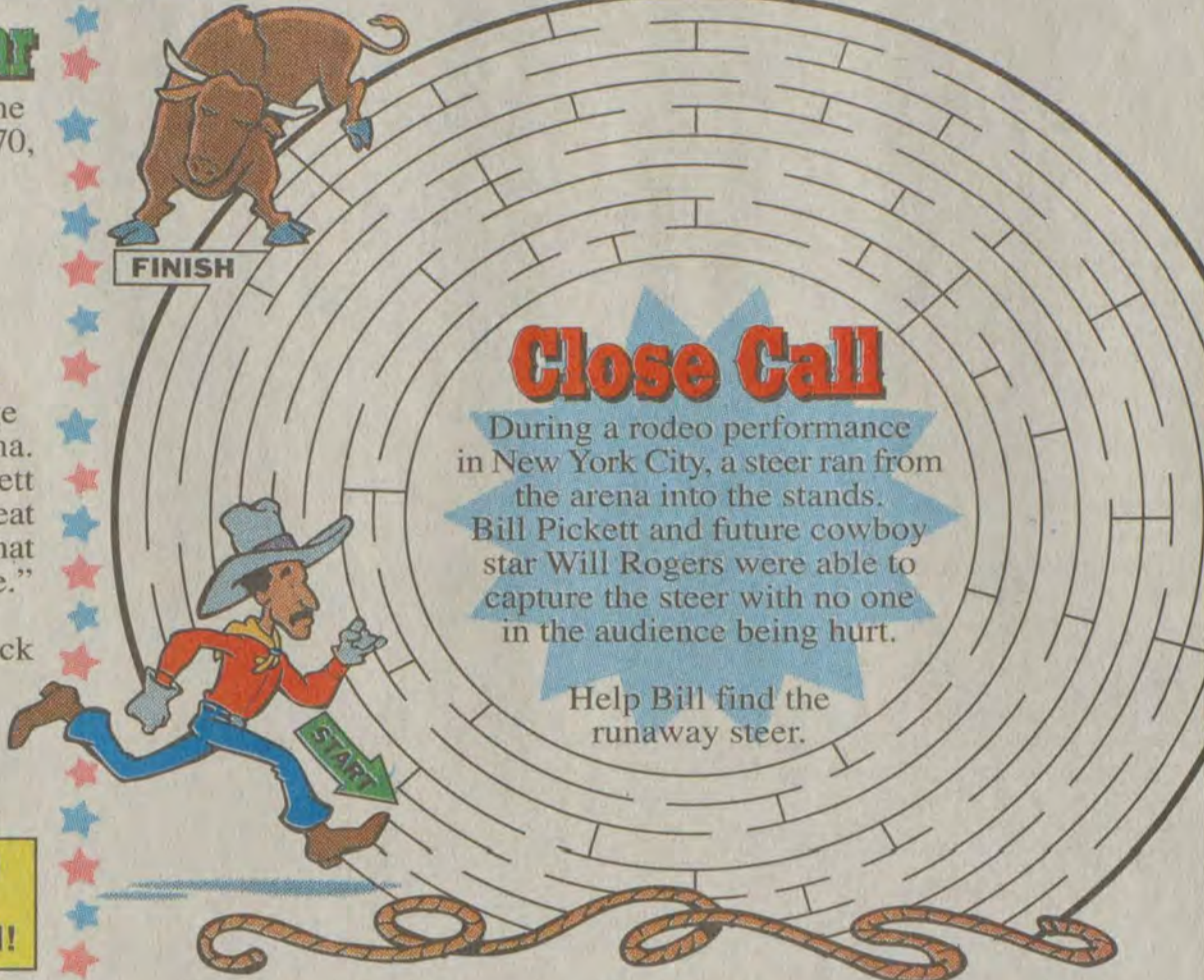
Bill Pickett was the first black cowboy to appear in a motion picture. Pickett was featured in the silent film "The Bull-Dogger" in 1921.



### BOOT MIX-UP

The cowboys and cowgirls have mixed up their boots on this page. Help them sort the boots into pairs.

Standards Link: Scientific Investigation: Match items by attributes.



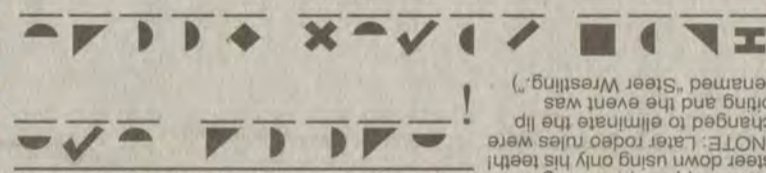
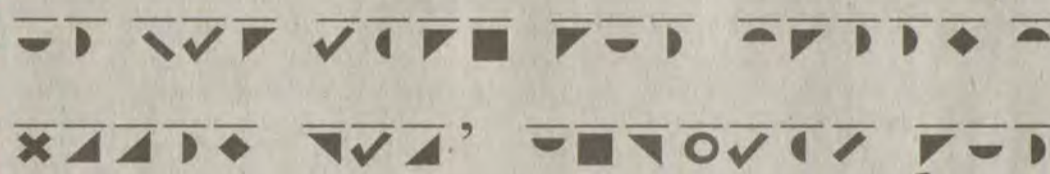
## Close Call

During a rodeo performance in New York City, a steer ran from the arena into the stands. Bill Pickett and future cowboy star Will Rogers were able to capture the steer with no one in the audience being hurt.

Help Bill find the runaway steer.

Being one of the best bulldoggers wasn't enough for a showman like Bill Pickett. He added his own shocking ending to his bulldogging act. Use the code to find out what this was.

A B D E F G H I K L N O P R S T U W Y



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

### Extra! Extra! Newspaper Roundup

Look through the newspaper and lasso (circle):

- Five words that start with B
- Five words that add up to 50
- Three words that rhyme

Standards Link: Language Arts/Word Analysis: beginning sounds; words that rhyme; Math/Number Sense: Compute sums to 50.

## Stamp Stamped

In 1994, the United States Postal Service planned to honor Bill Pickett as part of its "Legends of the West" postage stamp series. However, just before the stamps were to go on sale, a major error was discovered -- **the portrait on the stamp was NOT Bill Pickett at all!** A new portrait was quickly created and the stamps had to be reprinted.

To discover whose image was featured on the misprinted stamps, write the letter that goes with each number as it appears alphabetically. (A = 1, B = 2, C = 3, etc.)

2	9	12	12	19	2	18	15	20	8	5	18
2	5	14	16	9	3	11	5	20	20		

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

## Double Double Word Search

BILL  
PICKETT  
COWBOY  
RODEOS  
SHOWMAN  
STAMPEDE  
PORTRAIT  
MOTION  
LASSO  
ORIGINAL  
HORSE  
WEST  
RIDER  
CITY  
HURT

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

R E T I A R T R O P  
O S D P L A S S O E  
E R O G I H U R T D  
Y O B W O C I S N E  
T H R W E G K O O P  
I A M T I B T E I M  
C A S N I B I D T A  
N E A L L L D O O T  
W L L R E D I R M S

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

## Weekly Writing Corner

### My Favorite American

My favorite American is probably President J.F. Kennedy. There are many reasons why he is my favorite American, but the main reason is that while he was president, he promoted space exploration.

Marshall,  
6<sup>th</sup> Grade

My favorite American is Mia Hamm. She has inspired me to follow my dream of being a soccer player instead of a lazy couch potato.

Ashley,  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade

My favorite American is Thomas Edison because he invented the light bulb. Without the light bulb, we would still be using candles.

Savannah,  
6<sup>th</sup> Grade

I admire Oprah Winfrey. She is a wonderful person and makes people's lives wonderful too. Oprah can make a difference.

Emily,  
6<sup>th</sup> Grade

My favorite American is Michael Jordan. He was the thrill of basketball. He left the sport and came back despite the boos from the crowd and the controversy.

Nathan,  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade

I choose Arnold Schwarzenegger because I love his accent!

Caitlin,  
6<sup>th</sup> Grade

Walt Disney is my favorite American because he made great videos for people to watch.

Kayla Adams,  
4<sup>th</sup> Grade

My favorite American is Amelia Earhart. I like her because she inspired so many women and she did something no woman had done before. She is what my mom would call an independent woman.

Katrina,  
6<sup>th</sup> Grade

My favorite American is my teacher. Without my teacher, I wouldn't be able to learn new things. Teachers are important to all of us and I'm glad we have them.

Hannah,  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade

## Write On!

### My Favorite American

Deadline: Feb. 27, 2005  
Published: Week of March 27, 2005

Send your story to:

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Please include your school and grade.

## BEYOND Kid Scoop

### Poster Power

Spread the word about Bill Pickett. Look through the newspaper for words that describe Pickett and his rodeo acts. Use the words to create posters that tell about Bill Pickett.

Standards Link: Vocabulary Development: Recognize words and phrases that describe detail.



A cowboy rides into town on a Friday. He stays for three nights and rides out again on a Friday.

How can that be?

ANSWER: His horse is named Friday!

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### CHAPTER 4

The story so far: Faced with losing their school, a team of students tries to win a cross-country scavenger hunt and a new school. But someone wants them to fail.

#### Last week's clue:

You're in for a change on your thermometers.  
 You'll fly thirty-three hundred kilometers.  
 It's a spot where it never snows but it might rain.  
 And was owned by a dude called the king of Spain.  
 In a place that was known as a pirates' nest,  
 You must now find a presidential place of rest.

Darkness covered Bryce Canyon, and the shadowy hoodoos seemed to shudder to life. The fourth-graders from Goldenrod Elementary huddled on the snow-packed trail.

"Uh, did anyone bring a flashlight?" Nathan whispered. "I brought the toolbox. Let me look," Latisha said.

"What's that noise?" Myron said, staring into the darkness. "Hurry up with that light!"

Ms. Roosevelt reached out to make contact with each student. "Everything's OK ... what is that noise?" she asked, panic in her voice.

"Got you!" Latisha said to the flashlight she dug out of the toolbox. She clicked it on, and the beam of light revealed the source of the noise: Sluppy D.

"Yo little people," he said. "'S'up?" "Oh, Mr. D, you gave us a start," Ms. Roosevelt said with a little laugh.

The man turned on a bright lantern and shuffled away toward the visitors center. "Can't let the hoodoos getcha."

Within an hour, Ms. Roosevelt and her students were in a van, riding back to Cedar City with a copy of the Salt Lake Tribune. With the flashlight, they had read their new clue.

"Dude, this one is hard," Nathan, said shaking his head. "How far is 3,300 kilometers, anyway?"

"Let's see, that's 2,050 miles," Amber answered.

"How did you know that?" Myron demanded. He thought he was smart, but he couldn't come up with that figure.

"I don't know," Amber said, as Ms. Roosevelt looked at her with a surprised expression. "Math stuff just comes easy sometimes."

"We can get a map and see what's 2,050 miles from Cedar City," Nathan said. "That's a start."

As the others nodded, Latisha turned to Ms. Roosevelt. "Did you ask Sluppy about that driver taking us in the wrong direction? That a guy had paid him to do that?"

"Yes, I did," the teacher replied. "He mumbled something about people not wanting to admit mistakes."

That night, at the Cedar City Lodge, the group was alone in the dining room, huddled over a U.S. map.

"So you're sure this string equals 2,050 miles?" Myron asked Amber.

"I used the legend on the map. Just keep your thumb straight!" she said as Myron used the string to find all the points located 2,050 miles from the Cedar City airport.

"It's got to be on a coast somewhere," Nathan said. "I had a great-great-great-great grandfather who was a pirate: Rok LeBrock."

"Oh, no," Myron groaned as extended his string. "A spot 3,300 kilometers from here could be lots of places along the coast — from North Carolina to New Jersey! Pirates could have hidden anywhere."

"Or here!" Amber said as she guided Myron's string further south, stopping at Key West, Fla.

Latisha was tapping the keys of the laptop. "Amber's right! The island was owned by Spain, and it was a pirates' hideout."

Nathan turned to his teacher. "Time to pull out the plastic, Ms. R.," he said. "We need seats on the earliest flight to Key West!"

While the kids talked excitedly about their trip to a tropical climate, Ms. Roosevelt talked to an airline agent. They went silent when they heard her exclaim, "Cancelled! How can my credit card be cancelled?!"

"It's lucky FreeZee gave you a back-up card, Ms. R.," Myron said later, as the group was in a plane somewhere over Texas, headed for Key West. "We had some bad luck back there."

"I wonder ..." said Ms. Roosevelt, but didn't finish her sentence.

After changing planes in Tampa and landing in Key West, the group changed into the warm-weather clothes that awaited them in new backpacks.

Still without an answer to the scavenger hunt clue, the

group decided to go to downtown Key West and ask people about a "presidential place of rest."

"I don't see how anybody could rest in this place," Latisha said later as the group stood in Mallory Square, surrounded by street performers, souvenir vendors, and three people carrying handmade signs.

"Those people are mad about something," Nathan said. "Why do the police let them spoil this outdoor party?"

"As long as they're not breaking any laws, Nathan, they have a right to gather together," Ms. Roosevelt said. "It's guaranteed ..."

"By the First Amendment!" Latisha finished the sentence, earning a wide smile from Ms. Roosevelt.

"Yes, Latisha!" the teacher said. "It's called the right of assembly."

While they talked, Myron asked one of the vendors if she knew about a famous presidential site.

Within minutes, the group had walked to the "Little White House," a large, wood building that had served as president Harry S. Truman's vacation home.

"This must be the right answer," Amber said as she sent the photo to FreeZee's phone.

"Yeah, it's right," came a friendly voice from behind the group.

"FreeZee!" the students yelled in unison.

"Hey, I can't let y'all have all the fun without me," the rap star said. "I love history. Let's go through the museum together."

As they walked to the entrance, Ms. Roosevelt and FreeZee spoke in low tones. Passing a Miami Herald newspaper box, FreeZee looked toward the students. "Your next clue is in that paper," he said.

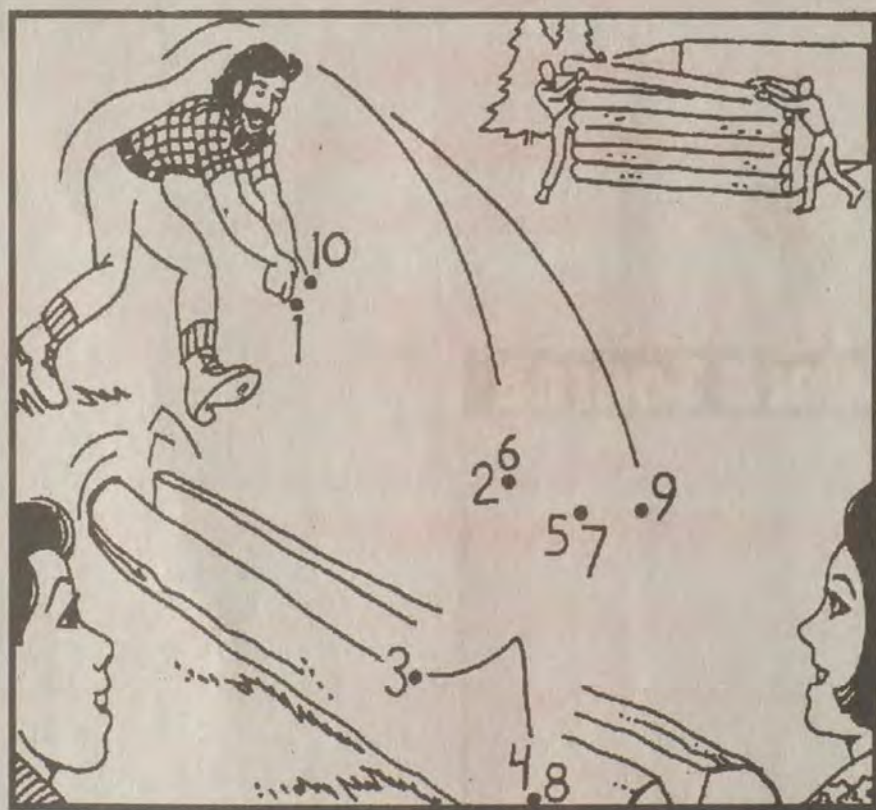
Each week, a rap clue for the story's scavenger hunt will appear in The Floyd County Times. Look for it in today's Classifieds section.

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**LOG-ISTICS!** Our cabin-builder friend is striking a mighty blow. What can you draw to complete the picture?

**HAPPY OUR!** Dylan says he can preface the word OUR with seven different single letters to form common English words. Ben says he can't. Who's right?

Dylan wins. He can preface it with D, F, H, P, S, T and Y.

# Junior Whirl

by Hal Kaufman

1 P A L \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 P A L \_\_\_\_\_  
 3 P A L \_\_\_\_\_  
 4 P A L \_\_\_\_\_  
 5 P A L \_\_\_\_\_  
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 7 P A L \_\_\_\_\_

### ALL PALS TOGETHER STEPWORD TEST

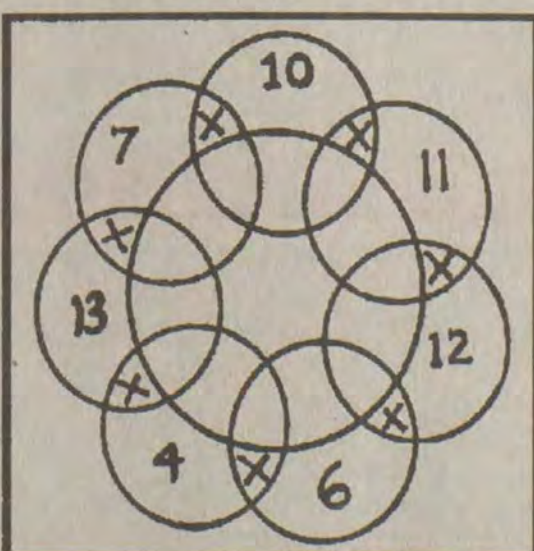
PUT 'er there, PAL, and there and there and there. Let's see how quickly you can complete these PAL words, each one letter longer than its predecessor.

#### Definitions:

1. Close friend (PAL, in place).
2. Warm climate tree.
3. Columbus embarkation port.
4. Kensington or Buckingham, for instance.
5. Artist's color tray.
6. "Tall tree" (Sp.) California city.
7. Pleasant to taste.

How many of these PAL words can you identify?

1. Pal. 2. Palm. 3. Palos. 4. Palace.
5. Palette. 6. Palo Alto. 7. Palatable.



**21 GO-ROUND!** You are invited to replace seven X's with missing numbers 1-14 in the diagram at right so that each outer circle contains a threesome of numbers totaling 21.

Numbers 1-14 are to appear once each. Numbers already inserted remain in place.

Clue: Two odd numbers totaling 14 compliment 7 to total 21; two odd numbers totaling 8 compliment 13 to total 21.

Time limit for this exercise is 3 minutes.

Beginning with 10 at top and proceeding clockwise:  
 2, 11, 8, 12, 1, 6, 14, 4, 3, 13, 5, 7, 9.



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# My Kid Scoop™

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My name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Learning Buddies:** Spell your child's first name, using the lines to write large letters. Use an uppercase letter for the first letter in the name and lowercase letters to spell the rest. Have your child trace the letters with a finger, crayon or pencil.

## Cows and Clouds

Look at the shapes of the clouds. Look at the spots on the cow. Draw a line from each cloud shape to the spot on the cow that it matches.



## My Rhyme Time

Carla Cow shivered in the snow. The farmer said, "Get inside! Go!" Carla said, "I'm not as cold as I seem. And how else can I make ice cream?"

## My Letters

C is for Cow

c is for cow

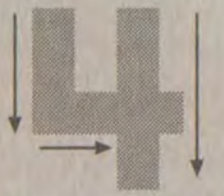


**Learning Buddies:** Read the two phrases aloud. Have your child read with you. Trace the uppercase and lowercase letter C. Say the letter as you trace it.

How many words or pictures can you find on this page that start with the C sound like the word cow?

## My Numbers

How many cowboys?



How many cans?



**Learning Buddies:** Trace and say the number. Read the questions. Touch and count to find the answers.

## My Sentence

**Learning Buddies:** Read the first part of the sentence aloud. Ask your child to think of a way to finish the sentence. Write your child's words in the lines. Read the entire sentence to your child while pointing out that reading is done from left to right. Older children may want to trace all or some of the letters in the sentence.



Start

Cows can



Finish

### Sunday

**Letter Identification**  
With your child, look through the newspaper to find pictures of things that start with the same sound as the letter C in cow.

### Monday

**Math Play**  
Point to the number 4 in the newspaper. Have your child say the number and, if it's large enough, have your child trace the number.

### Tuesday

**Talking Pictures**  
Look through the newspaper for pictures of animals. (Remember, people are animals too!) Together, imitate the sounds the animals make. If it is a picture of a person, make up something for the person to say.

### Wednesday

**Counting Colors**  
With your child, find and circle the color red in today's newspaper. Then count the number of times you found the color red. Repeat with other colors.

### Thursday

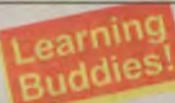
**Big C, Little c**  
On one page of the newspaper search for an upper case letter C and a lower case letter c. Draw a line to connect the two. Can you find more upper case and lower case C-c pairs?

### Friday

**How Now Brown Cow**  
Cut out the letters O and W from the headlines. Then cut out the letters, H, N, B, and R. Show your child how you can spell the words how, now, brown, cow using the letters O and W.

### Saturday

**Catch It!**  
Wad up a newspaper page and wrap it with tape to make a ball. Tell your child to listen to you say a list of words. When you say a word that starts with the letter C your child should throw the ball into the air and try to catch it!



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## Rational Numbers

by Linda Thistle

Using the clues, simple arithmetic, and a little logic, place a single digit (0 to 9) in each empty box in the diagram. To help you get started, one digit has been entered in the diagram.

1		2		3	
4			5	6	
7		8			9
			10	11	
	12		13		14
15	3		16		

### ACROSS

- 5-Across plus 10-Across
- Consecutive digits in ascending order
- Two times 12-Down
- Two times 16-Across
- 15-Across plus 13-Down
- Three times 15-Across
- Seven times 3-Across
- Consecutive digits in ascending order
- The first digit is three times the last digit
- Sixty more than 13-Down

### DOWN

- Thirty less than 9-Down
- 4-Across minus 3-Across
- Twenty more than 2-Down
- One-half of 6-Down
- Digits of 12-Across reversed
- Seven more than 4-Down
- 7-Across plus 8-Down
- Two hundred more than 1-Across
- Consecutive digits in ascending order
- One-seventh of 1-Down

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## Rational Numbers

answers

9	3	1	4	1	
2	8	3	8	6	7
6	2	2	7	9	
1	7	4	3	5	
4	6	2	8	2	
5	6	1	3	4	

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### Some racing machines

There are many kinds of automobile racing events and a huge variety of race cars.

Competitions range from seconds-long drag races of 1/4 mile (0.4 km.) to endurance events that cover thousands of miles and last for weeks. The Daytona in Florida and Le Mans in France are famous **endurance races** that last 24 hours.

**Karts** are the smallest of racing machines, and many racing careers began with a kart. The first kart was invented in 1956 and was made from an old lawn-mower engine. When you sit in a kart you are only 1 inch (2 cm.) off the ground.

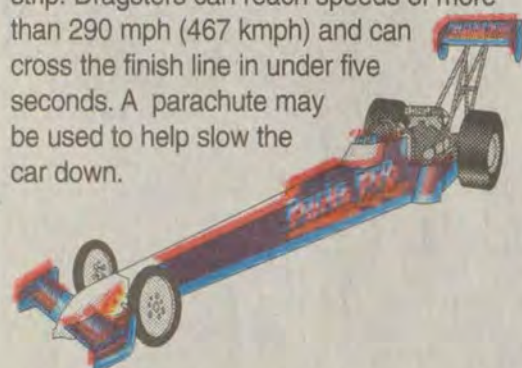
**Rally cars** are usually sedans that have been reinforced for strength and rough-road conditions.



These cars are manned by a driver and a navigator, and races may last for a week or longer. The Monte Carlo is a famous rally.

**Off road racing** takes place in very rough terrain, not on a road or a circuit. Desert races in the United States and Mexico are popular and may be up to 1,000 miles (1,600 km.) long. All sorts of cars, motorcycles and trucks compete at off road events.

**Drag-racing cars** or **dragsters** range from mass-produced passenger cars to strange-looking models built for racing only. Hundreds of dragsters will come to a meet, but only two cars race at one time. They race on a straight, paved track called a drag strip. Dragsters can reach speeds of more than 290 mph (467 kmph) and can cross the finish line in under five seconds. A parachute may be used to help slow the car down.



**Formula One race cars** (also called Grand Prix cars) are very fast and powerful motor cars. They are also one of the most expensive. Their aerodynamic design manipulates the air around it, creating a downward force that helps keep the car on the road. Grand Prix races consist of a series of races (about 15) held all over the world. Drivers earn points for finishing in the top six. The driver with the most points at the end of the season is the World Champion.

**Indy cars** look a lot like Formula One cars. They are named for the famous Indianapolis 500, which takes place on the 2.5-mile (4.02 km.) Indianapolis Motor Speedway. There are 33 starting positions. Drivers with the highest average speeds in four qualifying laps earn the chance to race. The first driver to complete 200 laps around the track — a distance of 500 miles (805 km.) — wins the race and a large purse.

**Sports car racing** has events for production sports cars and specially built cars. The Trans-Am Championship is a famous series that consists of road races in the United States and Canada.



There are about 14 to 16 races of approximately 100 miles (160 km.) long. Sports cars are also driven in endurance races.

**Stock car racing** is the most popular kind of car racing in the United States. Stock cars are sedans that look like regular cars, but they have been altered for extreme speed. These cars can reach 200 mph (320 kmph). NASCAR governs the U.S. competition. The Nextel (formerly Winston) Cup is a famous series of about 30 races.

NOTE: Space restrictions make it impossible to list all types of race cars.

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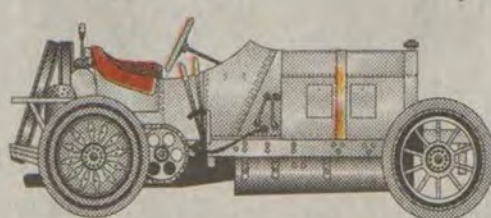
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## A BRIEF HISTORY OF RACE CARS

Racing tests the speed and performance of a car as well as the skill and courage of its driver. Car racing has been around since the invention of the automobile, as manufacturers wanted to prove that their cars were better and faster than the competition.



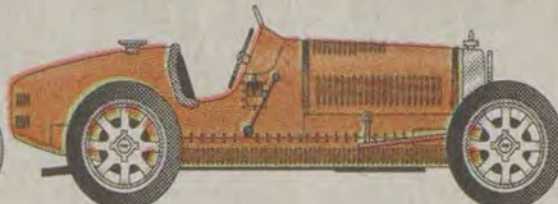
**1906, 12.9 liter G.P. Renault**  
Won the first French Grand Prix with an average speed of 63 mph (101 kmph).



**1908, 12.9 liter G.P. Mercedes**  
Won the French Grand Prix with an average speed of 69 mph (111 kmph).



**1912, 7.6 liter G.P. Peugeot**  
Won first place in the French Grand Prix with an average speed of 68.45 mph (110 kmph).



**1925, Bugatti T35**  
These cars dominated Grand Prix racing for years.



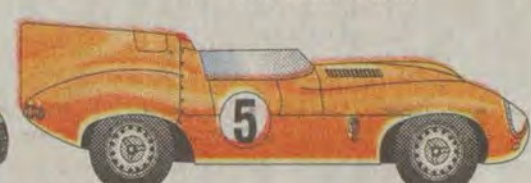
**1930, Bentley 4.5 liter supercharged**  
This car took second at the French Grand Prix at an unverified speed of 135 mph (217.26 kmph).



**1937, Mercedes-Benz W125**  
This car could reach speeds up to 200 mph (321.86 kmph) and was nicknamed "The Silver Bullet."



**1946, Alfa Romeo 158**  
After World War II, this car dominated Grand Prix racing for six years.



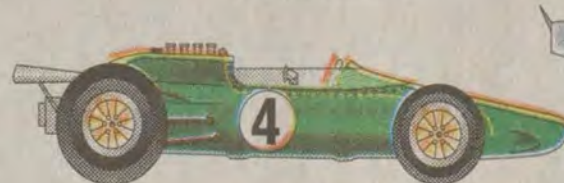
**1950s, Jaguar D Type**  
One of the greatest race cars of all time. Fewer than 100 were built. They sell for more than \$1 million today.



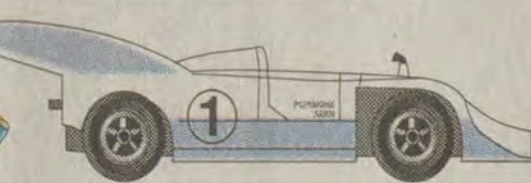
**1950s, Maserati 250F**  
Won the Argentine Grand Prix and many other large prizes over the years.



**1960s, Ford GT40**  
At 40 inches high, this car was built by Henry Ford II. In 1966 it won first, second and third place at Le Mans.



**1963, Lotus 25 Climax**  
This lightweight Formula One car was designed by Colin Chapman. The driver of this car sat in a difficult, almost reclining position.



**1972, Porsche 917-10K CanAm**  
This turbocharged car (more than 1,000 HP) won six out of nine races at the Canadian-American series.



**1976, Lancia Stratos**  
Only 492 of these cars were produced. This car won three World Rally Championship titles, from 1974 to 1976.



**1981, Lola T-600**  
One of the first endurance racing sports cars, the Lola T-600 dominated the racing scene in the early '80s.



**2003, Ferrari F1**  
This is the 49th single-seater built by Ferrari for Formula One racing. It has won the World Championships for the past five years.



**2004, Audi R8**  
Since its debut in 2000, the Audi R8 has won Le Mans and Sebring five times each.

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### Flag definitions

Drivers and spectators rely on different colored **flags** to let them know what is happening on the track. Flags are waved at practice, qualifying and official races.



The green flag signals the start of a race. It is also waved after a caution flag to indicate that the race has restarted.



A still blue flag tells a driver that another car is close behind. A waving blue flag means the driver is about to be overtaken.



A still yellow flag indicates danger ahead. When waved, it indicates extreme caution; drivers must slow down and be ready to stop. No passing is allowed.



A still red and yellow flag signals a slippery track. When waved it means the track is very slippery.



Waved by a starter, the white flag signals the last lap. A standing white flag warns that a slow-moving or emergency vehicle is on the track.



A black flag signals an infraction and the driver must pull into the pits. The flag is sometimes displayed with a board listing the car's number.



A red flag means the track is unraceable due to weather, oil slicks or an accident. All cars must come to a stop.



The **checkered** flag indicates the finish of the race and is waved for all finishers.

### Some racing terms

**cc:** These letters stand for cubic centimeters. There are 1,000 cc in 1 liter.

**Chassis:** The car frame, wheels and suspension

**Formula:** A set of rules for entering a race. They often specify the size of engine and design of the car.

**Liter:** The size of a racing car engine is measured in liters.

**Monocoque:** A chassis built as one piece.

**Roll cage:** A metal frame that protects the driver from injury if the car flips over.

**Slicks:** Smooth tires that can only be used on dry circuits.

**Spoiler:** Aerodynamic frame parts at the front and rear of a car.

**Supercharged:** Fuel-air mixture forced into an engine to produce more power.

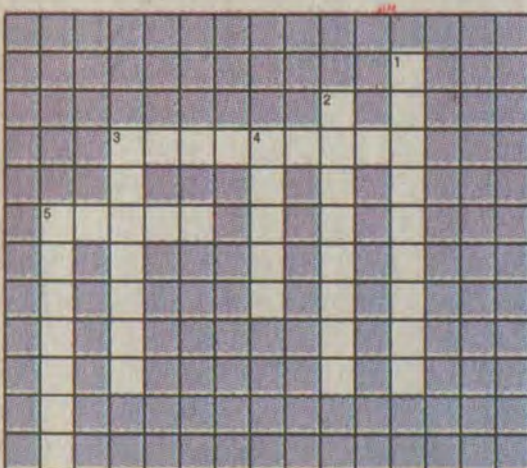
### Test your knowledge

#### ACROSS

- This flag indicates the finish of a race.
- Drivers and spectators rely on these to let them know what is happening on the track.

#### DOWN

- Kind of race that lasts 24 hours or more
- Kind of car used in a short, fast race, with only two cars competing at one time
- A car frame, wheels and suspension
- These small vehicles were first made from lawn-mower engines.
- A set of rules and specifications for entering a race



ANSWERS  
ACROSS  
1 CHECKERED  
2 FLAGS  
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1 ENDURANCE  
2 DRAGSTER  
3 CHASSIS  
4 KARTS  
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