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Ladycats fall in first round

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briefs

GJ gets purloined poultry case

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The complaining witness in a chicken theft case spilled the beans on cockfights in Floyd County on Wednesday when she testified at a preliminary hearing.

Linda Hall, of Hi Hat, testified that she observed the defendant, Algon Aldo Short, steal six chickens out of a pen in her yard and one more chicken several days later. She stated that each chicken was valued at \$200.

Defense counsel Jim Adkins asked her if she paid that much at a supermarket for chickens and Hall countered that she didn't purchase chicken from the grocery, although she occasionally bought dinner at KFC. Adkins clarified his question by asking why she would pay such a high price and she replied, "They were fighting chickens," and that they fought the birds in Floyd County.

The case was waived to a grand jury which will determine if the commonwealth prosecutes Short. Adkins asked that the county attorney investigate the complaining witnesses on the grounds of cruelty

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2 DAY FORECAST

Today



High: 62 • Low: 43

Tomorrow



High: 61 • Low: 45

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Alleged burglar killed

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

IVEL — Ronald Dillon, 33, of Ivel, was fatally shot when he allegedly broke into a mobile home lot and was confronted by the manager, who shot him two times with a handgun.

Dillon was allegedly armed with a knife when he broke into the home.

Kentucky State Police was called to the scene with the report of a break-in but arrived after the incident.

Dillon was transported to Highlands Regional Medical

Center, where he was pronounced dead.

Mike Kurt, the manager of Luv's Mobile Homes, was in the home that was apparently targeted by Dillon at 10:08 p.m. when the shooting occurred. No charges were filed

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These Prestonsburg police officers got their man and saved a victim of a mock school shooting at Prestonsburg High School yesterday.

photo by Mary Music

Police train for school shooting

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Prestonsburg police officers went "the extra mile" yesterday during a school shooting training session at Prestonsburg High School.

Police Chief Mike Omerod said that 80 percent of the department's officers have been trained in rapid deployment during the

past two years.

The police department purchased equipment to continue training in city schools. Omerod said the Prestonsburg Police Department will train at each city school twice annually, an effort to increase preparedness in case an actual school shooting does occur.

"This training is really based on the same things officers would encounter for an actual shooting

situation," Omerod said. "We wanted to be able to actually train in the school building so that our officers are more familiar with the layout of the building."

Officers worked in groups alongside student volunteers, Prestonsburg firefighters and city employees who roleplayed victims and armed villains during the

(See TRAINING, page three)

Mom, 5 kids lose everything in fire

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

MUD CREEK — No injuries were reported in an early morning fire that destroyed a Mud Creek home yesterday.

A single mother and her five children are homeless after the blaze engulfed the home owned by Vernon Case at approximately 7:15 a.m. on the Big Branch of Little

Mud.

Edward Clark, assistant chief with the Betsy Layne Fire Department, said the house was already destroyed by the time firefighters arrived on the scene.

"The house was destroyed," he said. "They lost everything. The house was a silhouette of fire when we got there. We went ahead and knocked it down. It was already gone when we got there."

Clark said the woman, Vernon Case's daughter, moved into the 12 foot-by-30 foot home last fall with her five children. Nothing was salvaged from the fire, he said.

The cause of the fire is unknown, Clark said, but eyewitnesses say that flames began in the back of the house, near the kitchen area.

The family was asleep in the

(See FIRE, page three)



photo by Drew Bewley

Local fans turned out to show their support, but disappointment awaited in Bowling Green. Fifth Region champ Washington County beat Betsy Layne, 51-38, Thursday in the opening round of the Girls Sweet 16, thanks to a late 14-0 run. The Ladycats got as close as three points in the final quarter before falling. Betsy Layne reigns as the 15th Region champion for the second time in three years.

Two arrested for '03 murder of Bypro man

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

BEVINSVILLE — Two Floyd County residents were arrested this week for the murder of a Floyd County man whose body was found at an abandoned strip mine nearly two years ago.

Kentucky State Police officials in Hazard, who've worked with the FBI during the ongoing investigation, said other arrests may be

pending.

KSP Det. Donnie Kelly arrested Susan Moore, 32, of Langley, and Billy Jo Johnson, 46, of Bevinsville, in connection with the murder of Michael Ray Slone, 27, of Bypro.

Moore and Johnson allegedly kidnapped, imprisoned and murdered Slone, then threw his body over an embankment on M.D. Moore Road, authori-

(See MURDER, page three)

Grand jury indicts 12

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Floyd County grand jury returned 12 indictments on Thursday.

Four of the indictments were for drug-related offenses. They include:

■ Amy Jo King, 25, of

Happy, who was charged with one count of promoting contraband for a June 17 incident in which she allegedly introduced drugs into the Floyd County Detention Center.

■ Paul Varney, 48, of McDowell, was charged

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Judge denies bank robber's request for early release

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Circuit Judge John David Caudill denied a request for shock probation yesterday for incarcerated bank robber Melinda Workman.

Workman, serving a 10-year sentence for her part in the August 2003 robbery of

BB&T Bank in Prestonsburg, had asked the judge to grant her shock probation during a hearing last month.

In a handwritten letter to Caudill, Workman, who has served more than a year behind bars, said that incarceration has helped her understand her mistakes.

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The Floyd County Times honored one of its own Thursday. Press Foreman Johnny Adams, center, retired after 37 years of printing The Times. He received a plaque for his service from Publisher David Bowyer.

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Odds & Ends

MOUNT CARMEL, Tenn. — A yearning for breakfast helped end a police chase.

Jeffery Lynn Drinnon, 30, was arrested at the drive-through lane of a Hardee's restaurant about 5 a.m. Tuesday after leading police on a low-speed chase.

"He turned into Hardee's, pulls up to the drive-through and rolls the window down like he's going to order a biscuit before he goes to jail," Mount Carmel Assistant Police Chief Mike Campbell said. "They had the car surrounded with guns drawn at the drive-through at Hardee's, and he's wanting breakfast."

Police began chasing Drinnon after a market reported he drove away without paying for \$7 of

gasoline. Officers said they used blue lights and sirens to try to get Drinnon to pull over, but he kept going until he saw the restaurant.

Drinnon was charged with driving under the influence, driving on a revoked license, evading arrest, resisting arrest and theft under \$500.

He was taken into custody before he could place his order.

■ **SION, Switzerland** — Cows that lock horns in an annual test of strength in the Swiss Alps must face renewed doping tests, authorities have decided.

"There are controls for racehorses and dogs, and there's no reason to do it differently for cows," Joseph Jaeger, chief veterinarian in

the Valais state, said Thursday.

Valais' annual cow-fighting contest — known as "The Combat of the Queens" — pits powerfully built, black-hided animals from the Swiss Val d'Herens breed against each other.

The grand final and earlier heats draw about 50,000 spectators, and a victory can add tens of thousands of dollars to a cow's value.

Now officials will restart the controls, halted in 2002 after six years of nothing but negative tests, Jaeger said.

Cow fighting, which began in Valais in 1922, is based on the natural struggle between cows for dominance of the herd as they leave their winter stables and head to the Alpine pastures in the

spring.

During the largely bloodless fights, each cow tries to force the other to submit, using its head and horns. The contests often end without any physical contact between either cow, when one of the animals recognizes the superiority of the other.

■ **DETROIT** — Luxury automaker Audi wants to start using the letter Q for its models, a proposition that is making rival Nissan queasy.

Nissan's luxury Infiniti brand has used the letter Q since its launch in 1989. Infiniti started with the Q45 and has also trademarked QX56, QX4 and "the new Q."

Audi has been partial to the prefix A, with the A3, A4

and other models. But it recently announced plans to market SUVs named the Q7 and Q5 between 2006 and 2009.

That prompted Nissan to file a lawsuit in federal court Tuesday. It says Audi's use of Q "is likely to cause confusion, deception or mistake among customers."

Audi was still reviewing the lawsuit and had no comment, spokesman Patrick Hespren told the Detroit Free Press.

■ **MEDFORD, Ore.** — Fans looking forward to watching boys and girls play ball this season for the Medford American Little League had better pack their lawn chairs.

Two sets of bleachers at

the six-field Bear Creek Park complex were dismantled last week by thieves who drove their vehicle over a city-owned sign in the middle of the night and made off with about \$2,000 worth of aluminum benches, Medford police Lt. Mike Moran said.

With opening day set for April 11, league officials say some spectators will have to make their own seating arrangements.

"People will probably be OK without the bleachers, but they will have to use their own chairs," league President Laura White said.

Moran said police have notified several scrap-metal business owners of the theft, instructing them to phone authorities if anyone turns up trying to sell the benches.

Schools compete in Science Olympiad



Warren Vierheller of Mountain Christian Academy competed in the Naked Egg Drop.

The largest Regional Science Olympiad ever held at Big Sandy Community and Technical College took place on Saturday, March 12. Three hundred twenty-five students converged on the Prestonsburg campus, after a snowy morning with a questionable forecast, to experience a day of science exploration.

"The Science Olympiad is an international nonprofit organization devoted to improving the quality of sci-

ence education, increasing student interest in science and providing recognition for outstanding achievement in science education by both students and teachers. These goals are accomplished through classroom activities, research, training workshops and the encouragement of intramural, district, regional, state and national tournaments. The Science Olympiad tournaments are rigorous academic interscholastic competitions that consist of a series

of individual and team events, which students prepare for during the year. The competitions follow the format of popular board games, TV shows and athletic games," states the official rules manual.

Students from Allen Central Middle School, Allen Elementary School, Betsy Layne Elementary School, Holy Family School in Ashland, Mountain Christian Academy, Paintsville Independent Middle School, Allen Central High School, Betsy Layne High School, Morgan County High School, Paintsville Independent High School, Prestonsburg High School and the Piariest School gathered to compete in the Science Olympiad.

Winners qualifying for state competition were:

■ **C Division (High**

School): Piariest School, first place; Paintsville High School, second place; and Piariest School, third place

■ **B Division (Middle School):** Allen Central Middle School, first place; Betsy Layne Middle School, second place; Holy Family School, third place; Allen

Elementary School, fourth place; and Holy Family School, fifth place.

The top five middle schools and top three high schools have qualified for state competition on Saturday, April 16, which will be held at Western Kentucky University.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, March 25, the 84th day of 2005. There are 281 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On March 25, 1965, the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. led 25,000 marchers to the state capitol in Montgomery, Ala., to protest the denial of voting rights to blacks.

On this date:
■ In 1634, Maryland was founded by English colonists sent by the second Lord Baltimore.

■ In 1865, during the Civil War, Confederate forces captured Fort Stedman in Virginia.

■ In 1894, Jacob S. Coxey began leading an "army" of unemployed from Massillon, Ohio, to Washington, D.C., to demand help from the federal government.

■ In 1911, 146 immigrant workers were killed when fire broke out at the Triangle Shirtwaist Company in New York.

■ In 1913, the home of vaudeville, the Palace Theatre, opened in New York City.

■ In 1918, French composer Claude Debussy died in Paris.

■ In 1947, a coal mine explosion in Centralia, Ill., claimed 111 lives.

■ In 1957, the Treaty of Rome established the European Economic Community.

■ In 1975, King Faisal of Saudi Arabia was shot to death by a nephew with a history of mental illness. (The nephew was beheaded the following June.)

■ In 1990, 87 people, most of them Honduran and Dominican immigrants, were killed when fire raged through an illegal social club in New York City.

Ten years ago: Two Americans who'd strayed across the Kuwaiti border into Iraq were sentenced to eight years in prison (however, David

Daliberti and William Barloon were released by Iraq the following July). Mike Tyson was released from the Indiana Youth Center after serving three years for the 1992 rape of Desiree Washington, a beauty pageant contestant.

Five years ago: President Clinton briefly visited Pakistan, where he met with the new military ruler, General Pervez Musharraf. A weary Pope John Paul II traveled the ancient streets of Nazareth, Jesus' boyhood town, and celebrated Mass in the soaring Basilica of the Annunciation.


One year ago: Congress passed the Unborn Victims of Violence Act, making it a separate offense to harm a fetus during violent federal crime. The United States vetoed a U.N. Security Council resolution condemning Israel's assassination of Hamas leader Ahmed Yassin. Russian Evgeni Plushenko won his third world figure skating title, defeating French rival Brian Joubert.

Today's Birthdays:

Modeling agency founder Eileen Ford is 83. Former astronaut James Lovell is 77. Movie reviewer Gene Shalit is 73. Feminist author Gloria Steinem is 71. Singer Anita Bryant is 65. Singer Aretha Franklin is 63. Actor Paul Michael Glaser is 62. Singer Elton John is 58. Actress Bonnie Bedelia is 57. Singer Nick Lowe is 56. Actress-comedian Mary Gross is 52. Actor James McDaniel is 47. Actor-writer-director John Stockwell is 44. Actress Marcia Cross ("Desperate Housewives") is 43. Actress Lisa Gay Hamilton is 41. Actress Sarah Jessica Parker is 40. Singer-musician Jeff Healey is 39. Olympic bronze medal figure skater Debi Thomas is 38. Singer Melanie Blatt (All Saints) is 30.

Thought for Today: "In every person, even in such as appear most reckless, there is an inherent desire to attain balance." — Jakob Wassermann, German author (1873-1934).

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AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

The Commonwealth of Kentucky's Office of the Auditor of Public Accounts announces the completion of the financial audit of the Floyd County Sheriff for the year ended December 31, 2003. The following transmittal letter was prepared, on behalf of the Office of the Auditor of Public Accounts, by the firm of Ross & Company, PLLC, Certified Public Accountants. The Office of the Auditor of Public Accounts engaged Ross & Company, PLLC to perform the financial audit of the Floyd County Sheriff and worked closely with Ross & Company, PLLC during our report review process.

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The Honorable Paul Hunt Thompson, Floyd County Judge/Executive
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Members of the Floyd County Fiscal Court

Independent Auditor's Report

We have audited the accompanying statement of revenues, expenditures, and excess fees - regulatory basis of the County Sheriff of Floyd County, Kentucky, for the year ended December 31, 2003. This financial statement is the responsibility of the County Sheriff. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the Audit Guide for County Fee Officials issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note 1, the County Sheriff's office prepares the financial statement on a regulatory basis of accounting that demonstrates compliance with the laws of Kentucky, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

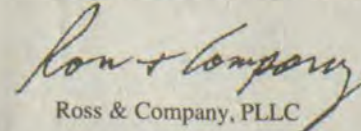
In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents, fairly, in all material respects, the revenues, expenditures, and excess fees of the County Sheriff for the year ended December 31, 2003, in conformity with the regulatory basis of accounting.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated January 31, 2005, on our consideration of the County Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

Based on the results of our audit, we have presented the accompanying comments and recommendations, included herein, which discusses the following report comments:

- The Sheriff Should Collect Money From The Fiscal Court That He Overpaid In Excess Fees
- Drug Abuse Resistance Education Program Expenses Should Be Paid From The DARE Account

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the County Sheriff and Fiscal Court of Floyd County, Kentucky, and the Commonwealth of Kentucky and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these interested parties.

Respectfully submitted,

Ross & Company, PLLC

Audit fieldwork completed -
January 31, 2005

The above transmittal letter accompanied the audit report presented to the fiscal court. KRS 43.090(2) requires that this letter be published in this newspaper. Copies of the complete audit report, including the accompanying financial statements and additional information, are available in the reports section of the Auditor of Public Accounts' website at www.auditor.ky.gov or upon request by contacting the Auditor of Public Accounts, 105 Sea Hero Road, Suite 2, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601-5404 or by calling 1-800-247-9126.

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Presentation shows links between Passover, Last Supper

What do the Jewish Passover and Jesus' Last Supper have in common?

Avi Snyder, speaking on behalf of Jews for Jesus, will answer that question in a presentation called "Christ in the Passover" at Prestonsburg First United Methodist Church Friday at 7 p.m.

Using a visual display of traditional Passover accoutrements, the Christ in the Passover presentation enhances the Christian's understanding and appreciation of the Jewish background of the Christian Communion. Ancient and modern Jewish customs are discussed and described,

with an emphasis on the aspect of redemption which Christ accomplished at Calvary.

A table is set with the traditional Jewish Passover items, including representative foods which explained, but not eaten. The ceremonial seder plate, the three-compartment pouch in which the

matzo (unleavened bread) is kept, as well as the traditional cup of Elijah are presented, and new insights to their Christological significance are provided.

The program is open to the general public. Snyder will be available to answer questions those attending might have.

Charges

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with cultivating marijuana in a case which goes back to August 2000.

■ Michael Watkins, 36, of Wayland, was charged with marijuana possession and violating a protection order.

■ Teddy Ching, 45, of West Liberty, was charged with three counts of drug possession and one count of having a controlled substance that was not in its original container.

Other indictments include:

■ George Banks, 23, of Eastern, was charged with one count of theft by deception.

■ Ramona Mills, 34, of Paintsville, was charged with theft by deception for a 2003 incident involving over \$300 belonging to Foodland.

■ Jackie L. Maynard, 32, of Inez, was also charged for taking property from Foodland on the same date.

■ Johnny Stewart, 37, of Harold, was charged with one count of burglary for allegedly entering someone else's residence Feb. 25.

■ Carlos Elswick, 25, of Hi Hat, for an August 17 incident that allegedly involved receiving stolen property and an unlawful transaction involving a minor.

■ John Barnett, 23, of Martin, was charged with possessing a forged instrument for a 2002 case that accuses him of having a forged \$100 bill.

■ Christine Jones, 45, of Melvin, for an August 2004 case that also accuses her of DUI, driving without a proper license, having improper insurance and leaving the scene of an accident.

One indictment was sealed and won't be opened until after the party is under arrest.

Fletcher says state using fewer Derby tickets this year

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — The state will be using fewer tickets to the Kentucky Derby and Kentucky Oaks this year, Gov. Ernie Fletcher said Thursday.

Last year, Fletcher's first as governor, the state took 581 tickets to the Derby and 288 to the Oaks, the race for 3-year-old fillies held the day before the Run for the Roses. This year, the state will be taking 364 Derby

tickets and 152 to the Oaks. Economic Development Secretary Gene Strong said the tickets are in better locations this year.

For many years, governors have played off the Derby to invite celebrities and business prospects for wining and dining. Strong said his cabinet has invited about 60 guests while the Commerce Department has another two dozen on its guest list.

Invitations go out to prospects from companies

thinking about locating in Kentucky, expanding existing facilities or as a "thank you" to company officials who have already landed in the state.

Invitations this year have gone to prospects from Germany, Spain, Italy, Chile, Canada and Japan as well as the United States, Strong said.

The usual long weekend of festivities will be even longer this year.

The governor's Derby

gala will be held in a huge tent on the Capitol grounds on Thursday with a state dinner in the Capitol Rotunda on Friday night after a visit to the Oaks and then the traditional Derby Breakfast on the Capitol campus on Saturday morning, May 7. Only the breakfast is open to the public.

The administration estimated a budget for all of the events this year at nearly \$290,000, down slightly from the actual cost in 2004.

Shooting

against Kurt at this time, but Det. Joey Howard is still investigating the incident.

"We've had cases like this before and the procedure is to let the detectives collect all of the available

evidence and present it to a grand jury," said Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner. "I would not expect any kind of arrest at this point."

The break-in occurred at

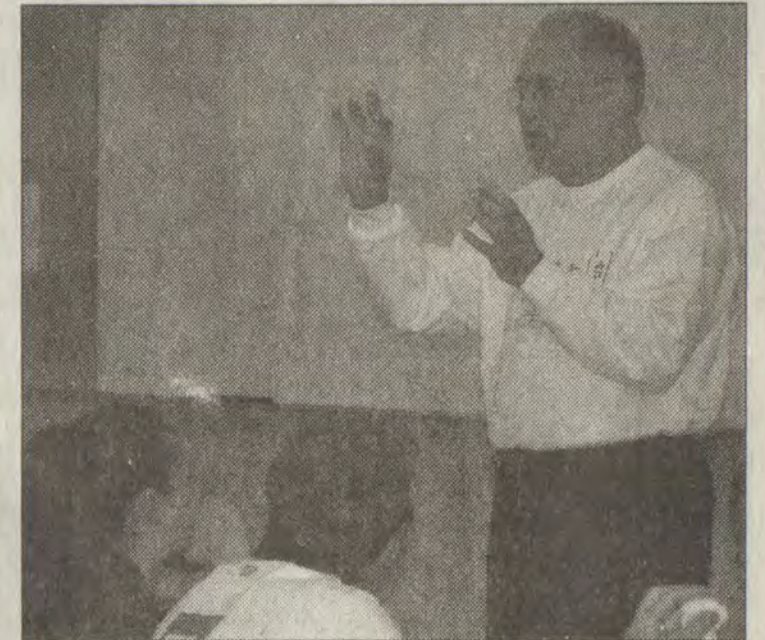
the Luv's Mobile Home Lot and was centered on a fully furnished home which is featured in commercials for the business and contains a big screen television and other appliances.

Training

training session yesterday evening.

Officers used mock weapons, air soft weapons and protective face gear as they searched the school for an armed assailant during the training session.

The training will help officers be better prepared for any type of armed encounter, Omerod said.



The Big Sandy Community and Technical College math and science division recently hosted its annual Regional Mathematics Contest on the Prestonsburg Campus. The contest includes inter-scholastic competitions for each individual student. The first- and second-place winners received a \$1,000 scholarship to attend BSCTC. There were also two \$500 cash awards to the coaches of the winning teams. The mathematics competition will continue to be an annual event at BSCTC. Pictured is Dr. Reza Akhlaghi, Math and Science Division Chair, at BSCTC explaining the contest rules to local high school participants.

Murder

ties allege.

Slone, whose body was located on August 4, 2003 at the abandoned strip mine in Topmost, died of a gunshot wound, Kelly said.

Johnson is charged with murder, kidnapping and first-degree unlawful imprisonment. Moore, his alleged accomplice, faces felony counts of facilitation to commit murder, facilitation to commit kidnapping and facilitation to commit first-degree

unlawful imprisonment.

Kelly will not release information regarding the ongoing investigation, saying only that the arrests came after "new information came to light" in the case.

No motive has been released. Slone's parents, Margie and Gleason Slone, of Bypro, are "relieved" with the arrests, but they offered no public comments yesterday.

"An advancement in an

investigation like this could possibly help the healing process for the family," Kelly said. "We always work these cases to the end, and a lot of times, it can take several years. We never forget. We try to remain vigilant and aggressive in pursuing them until we complete the investigation and make the arrest."

Johnson and Moore are both detained at the Perry County Jail.

Chickens

to animals and Jimmy Marcum, assistant county attorney, noted that he would pass that notion on to Keith Bartley.

Adkins also asked, in light of the use of the chickens, that the court lower his client's cash bond, which had been set at \$1,500. Judge James Allen said he had no problem with

that motion and lowered the bond by \$500. Marcum observed that this was the third time that the defendant had been involved with allegedly stealing chickens from Hall.

Though Adkins displayed a sensitivity towards chickens, the reality is that there is no law in the commonwealth that

prohibits cockfighting. There are rules against fighting animals for profit, but they are specifically targeted at the four-legged variety of animal.

The misdemeanor charge of cruelty to animals also wouldn't apply in the case, as the current statute stipulates that the law cannot be applied to humans or birds.

Fire

home when the blaze began, Clark said. A driver woke the family and helped them make it to safety before flames completely engulfed the home, he said.

The Floyd County Head Start Program is collecting donations for the family. Monetary donations can be made payable to Kim Crisp, who will supply proof of purchases for any items bought for

the family. Other donations needed:

- Boy, clothing size 8; shoes, 2.
- Boy, clothing size 6; shoes, 12 1/2.
- Boy, clothing size 4T; shoes, 10.
- Boy, clothing size 4T; shoes, 2.
- Girl, clothing size 6; shoes, 1.
- Mother, clothing size 14;

shoes 8; underwear, large; bra 42/44 DD.

- School supplies for all five children.
- Household items.

Anyone who wishes to donate items can contact Kim Crisp at (606) 886-4516 or 285-9546, or Head Start Programs at the following schools: May Valley Elementary, (606) 285-4706, or Betsy Layne Elementary, (606) 478-9755.

Denied

She also asked the judge to consider her desire to raise her daughter.

Judge Caudill deferred Workman's request pending the submission of victim impact statements in the case.

A former BB&T teller who was there on the day of the robbery said she sympathized with Workman's situation, but would not support an early release for her.

"I looked at everyone that came through the door in a way

that I never had before," the teller wrote. "I left BB&T two months after the robbery and still to this day I feel the insecurity, not just while working, but in everything I do."

Workman, 22, was arrested along with Elijah P. Hluch, 23, of Ravenna, Ohio. Hluch is serving a 15-year sentence for wanton endangerment, fleeing and evading, and complicity to commit first-degree robbery.

The couple robbed the

BB&T Bank in the Glyn View Plaza Shopping Center on August 11, 2003, and then led police on a lengthy car chase through Prestonsburg, Allen and Cow Creek, where they were later arrested.

Reportedly, Workman held a teller at gunpoint and "politely" instructed her to fill a bag she was carrying with cash.

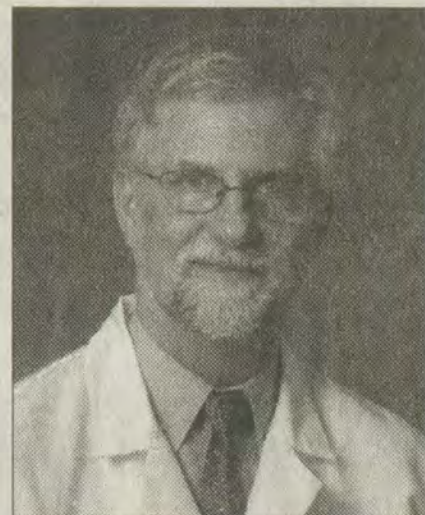
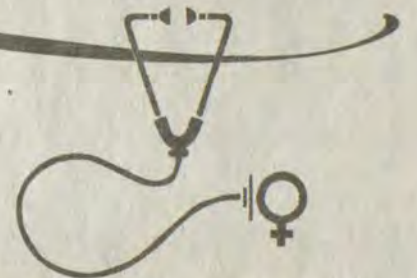
Workman left the bank with approximately \$4,000 and got into a car driven by Hluch.

Women's Health associates

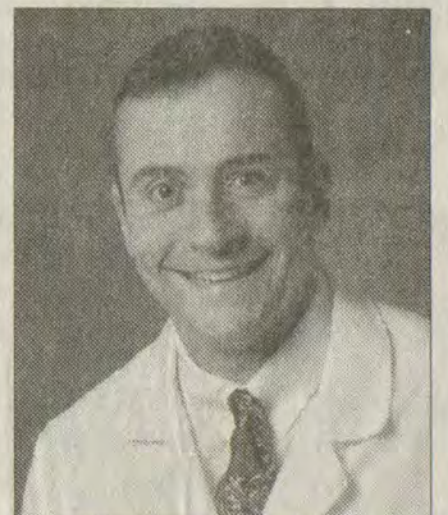
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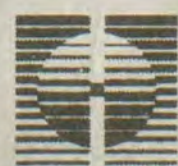


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Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

"All animals except man know that the ultimate in life is to enjoy it."

— Samuel Butler

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Guest View

Editorial roundup

The Jackson (Tenn.) Sun, on Terri Schiavo:

The tragic case of Terri Schiavo, a brain-dead Florida woman, took another jarring twist on Friday when doctors removed her feeding tube for the third time after another last-minute attempt to save her life. Regardless of how this sad situation turns out, there are plenty of important lessons that we all can, and should, learn. ...

So what can we learn from this tragic case? First, and most important, making end-of-life decisions well in advance is a must. Waiting until you're sick or about to go into surgery isn't the right time to make these important decisions. Instead, people should discuss their end-of-life wishes with their physicians and with their families while they're still healthy and able to speak for themselves. That's also the right time to fill out the appropriate forms. If that had been done in this case, this whole protracted fight could have been avoided.

Another lesson to be learned here is that this is not an issue that should ever have worked its way into Congress. Nor is it the business of the Florida Legislature or any other elected legislative body. The proper place for this to be worked out is in the state - not the federal - courts. Better, this issue should have been decided between Terri, her husband and her family, before it ever saw a courtroom. ...

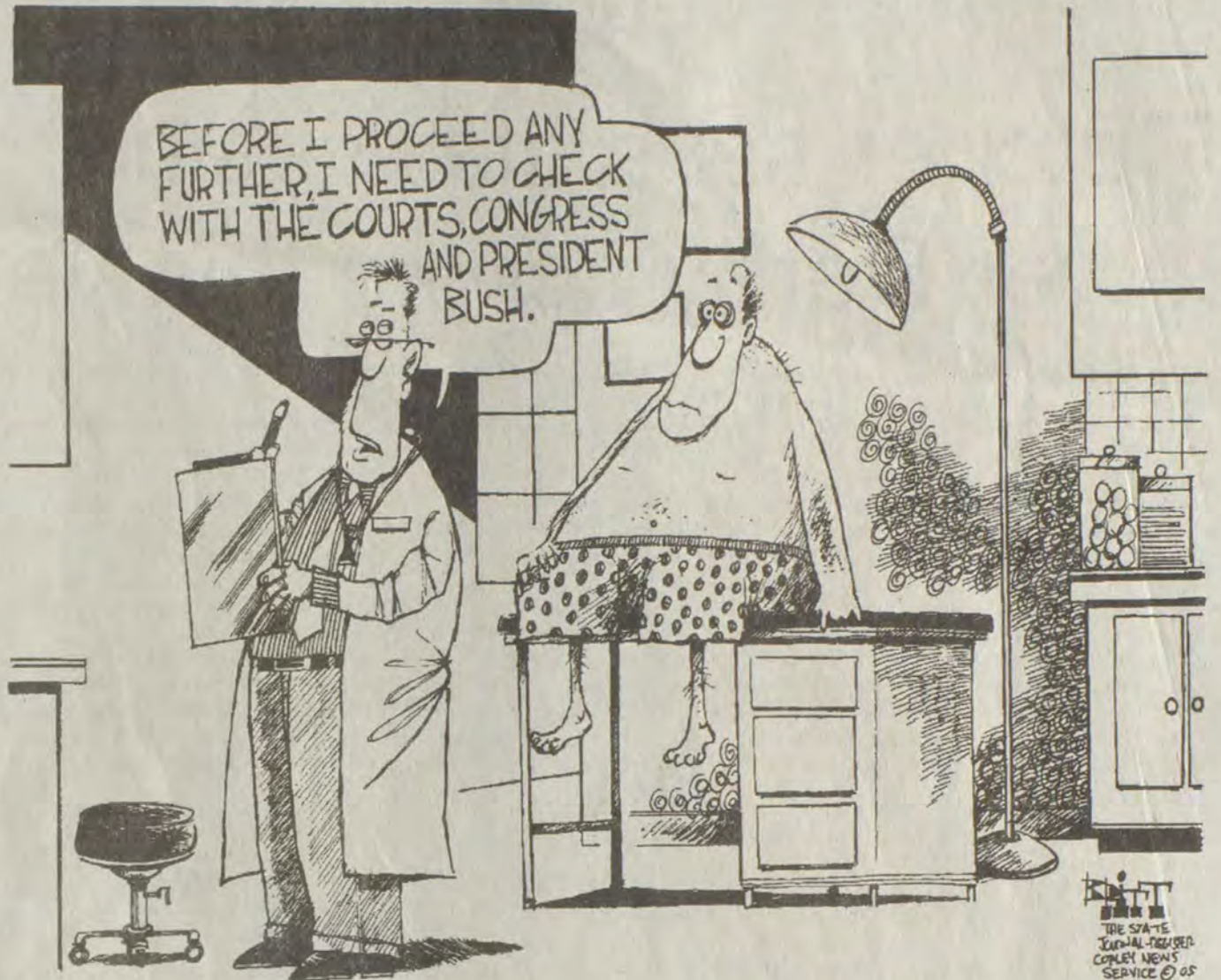
Los Angeles Times, on Tom DeLay:

After more than a decade of power in Congress and a full term controlling the White House, the iron discipline of the conservative movement is cracking. The most visible fight is at its intellectual core, but the unrest rising around a congressional scandal is far more potent. ...

DeLay accuses his critics of using "fiction and innuendo" to accuse him of a string of ethical breaches. If it's that simple, why would House Republicans, led by Speaker J. Dennis Hastert, have bothered to purge the ethics committee of its leader, Rep. Joel Hefley (R-Colo.), two other GOP legislators and several staffers? Their mistake was to have admonished DeLay for several infractions, including the strong appearance of trading political favors for campaign donations. ...

Most House Republicans are standing by DeLay, but their nervousness increases as next year's midterm elections approach. The mounting charges, and a criminal investigation involving DeLay in Texas, may threaten the House leader's reelection next year. More important is the fodder that DeLay is providing Democrats, and not just in Texas.

... By demolishing the ethics committee rather than getting out in front of the criminal investigations, House leaders weaken the politically vulnerable among their own rank and file. ...



Capitol Ideas

Atlanta court shootings spur concerns in Kentucky

by JOE BIESK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Visitors to the Franklin County courthouse may simply walk in and out freely, unimpeded by security.

There are no metal detectors to screen people for hidden weapons. And, there are multiple public entrances and exits at the facility, which houses district and circuit courts as well as other county offices.

Armed officers, and a sign warning people they could be subject to a search, are perhaps the most visible signs of security. The situation is similar at many courthouses across Kentucky.

That worries Tina Bryant, whose job as an administrative assistant for the Franklin County Attorney's Office includes taking notes in a courtroom two days per week. Bryant said she's hoping for beefed up security at her workplace.

"Anything can happen here. We have people that get agitated all the time," Bryant said. "If they had a gun or weapon, they could shoot whoever they want."

This month, a defendant in an Atlanta rape case allegedly took a Fulton County Sheriff's deputy's gun and killed four people, including a judge and a court reporter. The incident has prompted some law enforcement officials across the country to re-examine courthouse security.

Currently, there are 124 courthouses or judicial centers throughout Kentucky, including two in Jefferson and Fayette counties.

However, security at each site varies wide-

ly. Kentucky's courthouses range from buildings equipped with only an alarm system to those that have tight, modern security.

In 2001, Chief Justice Joseph Lambert led a task force that reviewed Kentucky courts' security systems. At the time, there were 26 court facilities with minimal security, 93 with panic alarms, 19 with metal detectors and 12 with both metal detectors and x-ray machines.

Today, there are 52 court facilities with the highest level of security in place, with three more planned, according to Leigh Anne Hiatt, a spokeswoman for the Administrative Office of the Courts.

And, the recently approved state budget called for 18 new court facility projects throughout the state, all of which would have topflight security, Lambert said.

"Our responsibility in this state is to do all we can to prevent the occurrence of events such as (Atlanta)," Lambert said.

Circuit Judge Paul Isaacs, who presides in Scott, Bourbon and Woodford counties in central Kentucky, said security varies at each of the courthouses where he works. Bourbon County has a newer facility and is "far more secure" than Scott and Woodford counties, he said.

"Like courtrooms all over the Commonwealth of Kentucky, on a day-to-day basis, there is no general security for entry into the court facility. On a daily basis — in those two courtrooms — anybody can walk in," Isaacs said in a telephone interview. "It's not something that keeps me up at night, but it's a concern."

Security is much tighter at newer facilities

such as the Jefferson County Hall of Justice and the Jefferson County Judicial Center. There, the public has a single entrance and exit and must pass through a security checkpoint that includes metal detectors and an X-ray machine. Lt. Col. Carl Yates of the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office said.

However, comparisons between different courthouses throughout the state aren't fair, Yates said. Jefferson County — which has about 10,000 courthouse visitors each day — has more courtrooms, heavier caseloads and more people to protect, he said.

"I think the smaller counties are counties that are less populated and have smaller departments. They're spread very thin," Yates said. "They're spread thin with budgets, they're spread thin with personnel and sometimes they're working with buildings that are much older."

In some cases security differs depending on the type of court involved. The Franklin County Family Court, for instance, has metal detectors.

Franklin County Sheriff Ted Collins said courthouse security is "top on the list" of his concerns. It's an area in which he's always trying to improve, Collins said.

Collins said he would like to see cameras and other monitoring systems installed. But funding is perhaps the main concern, Collins said.

"That's one of the things I've been most conscious about since I've been sheriff is the security of our building," Collins said. "It troubles me. I think about it, and I'm always trying to think of something we can do."

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Letters

Responsibility endangered

It isn't the wild dog's fault (previously our loyal and trusted friend) that it

was abandoned beside the road bewildered, starving, and now must fend for itself by becoming vicious.

It isn't the trash's fault that it is thrown into our ditches and streams making our home area ugly and unclean.

Furthermore, it isn't the teacher's fault that students do not come to

school.

It seems that the word "integrity" has already fled from our society, and "responsibility" is packing to leave. Take responsibility before the word disappears and is forgotten.

Anita Stumbo
McDowell

Taxation without representation

Editor's note: This letter, addressed to Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin, was also sent to The Floyd County Times.

It is my understanding that you and the Prestonsburg City Council are in discussion concerning possible annexation of Highlands Regional Medical Center to the city of Prestonsburg for the purpose of taxation.

I am opposed to any annexation and hope that you feel the same way.

I request that you send me an itemized list of the benefits that Prestonsburg provides HRMC and a list of proposed benefits that would be given in return for the tax money taken from HRMC's 400-plus employees.

If you or any of the city council members

have ever been a patient here at HRMC or had a family member here, you know that our billing department can provide an itemized list of products and services for any hospital visit. It just takes a few seconds to pull up on the computer. I feel that it is not too much to ask you for the same courtesy of providing an itemized list, also.

Also, where do you derive the authority to annex an institution and tax people who do not live within your jurisdiction? Highlands serves the people of Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin and Martin counties, and most of our employees live within these counties. If an annexation were to be justified, it is only right to have the people of these counties vote on the matter under a referendum in all four counties. There is just something that seems underhanded and unethical about a group of nine people (the city council and mayor), Mr. Fannin, usurping this authority.

According to my understanding, HRMC

and Consolidate Health Systems employees are the only people affected by the proposed annexation. These employees are not being given the opportunity to vote on this matter — something called taxation without representation.

I also think it is very interesting that when any Highlands employees have called council members or your office, they have been asked for their address or where they live. If you think, Mr. Fannin, that you only have to concern yourselves with the employees who live in Prestonsburg, you are very mistaken. This action only serves to emphasize the council's allegedly underhanded design to impose a tax on people who did not elect them to office.

Thanks for your time, Mr. Fannin. Please send me that itemized list of benefits.

Jason North, PharmD
Highlands Regional Medical Center
(This letter was also signed by eight other people)

At the Movies: 'Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous'

by DAVID GERMAIN
AP MOVIE WRITER

Armed? Yes. Fabulous? Hardly.

Sandra Bullock's second time out as a tomboy federal agent turned glam queen is far more predictable and far less likable than "Miss Congeniality."

It took four years to cobble together "Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous," yet the sequel comes off as a rush job: the story flimsy, the antics inconsistent, and the characters essentially flexing for the next garish sight gag. The follow-up has almost none of the original's charm.

Producer Marc Lawrence, a frequent Bullock collaborator who was one of three screenwriters on the first movie, is running on empty this time as solo writer. Lacking a decent plot or witty banter, director John Pasquin ("The Santa Clause") falls back on the broadest and dumbest physical comedy as Bullock flits from scrappy chick to coifed and ornamented talking mannequin.

The sequel clumsily picks up where the original left off, with Bullock's FBI agent



"Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous,"

a Warner Bros. release, is rated PG-13 for sex-related humor.

Running time: 115 minutes. One and a half stars out of four.

Gracie Hart trying to settle back into unstylish mode after her reluctant makeover to go undercover as a contestant in the Miss United States pageant.

Rather than quickly and painlessly writing off Gracie's new love interest (fellow agent Benjamin Bratt, who did not return for the second movie), the filmmakers choose to weave references to him throughout the sequel. The idea was to give Gracie a dose of heartbreak from which to recover, but the shadowy presence of Bratt's character ends up being a distraction.

With Gracie's new celebrity spoiling her usefulness on other undercover assignments, the bureau concocts a public relations role, persuading her to doll up again and hit the talk-

show circuit as the face of the new FBI, a ghostwritten memoir about her crime-fighting exploits in hand.

This time, though, Gracie inexplicably embraces life as a fashionista, becoming the sort of accessorized airhead she railed against in the first movie.

When her pageant buddies Cheryl Frazier (Heather Burns), Miss United States, and master of ceremonies Stan Fields (William Shatner) are abducted in Las Vegas, Gracie is pressed into action with surly new partner Sam Fuller (Regina King) to help find them.

Cast and crew seem to think vicious elbows to the gut are the stuff of great comedy, but the fisticuffs between Gracie and Sam are just disagreeable,

even ugly at times. Their eventual odd-couple bonding is painfully predictable and rings hollow at every turn.

Far worse are the uninspired gimmicks fabricated to put Gracie and Sam into outlandish situations and costumes, culminating in an insufferable masquerade as female impersonators.

Bullock's likability quotient dries up amid her diva demeanor, while King's crabby expressions seem quite authentic, perhaps inspired by the actress' inner musings over how she got shanghaied into this dreary mess.

Barely registering in the supporting cast are Treat Williams as head of the Vegas bureau, Ernie Hudson returning as Gracie's boss and Enrique Murciano as a local agent who becomes her ally. Diedrich Bader manages a few laughs as Gracie's stylist, though he's a pale figure compared to Michael Caine, another no-show from the original flick.

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Rental Central

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

Two Oscar nominated performances can be found in this week's releases which also included the DVD debut of a classic from "Wild Bunch" director Sam Peckinpah.

"Finding Neverland" — Johnny Depp continued to wow audiences with this Oscar hopeful in which he plays British author J.M. Barrie. The film focuses on a relationship that Barrie formed with the four sons of a widow and how that friendship threatened his already unsteady marriage but also inspired his creation of "Peter Pan." Kate Bekinsdale ("Titanic") fares well as the widow and Depp's mastery of the British dialect is seamless.

"Being Julia" — This one also features an American actor doing a flawless English accent. Here it's Annette Benning, who scores an Oscar nomination by portraying an English woman. She gives an all-systems-go performance here as a diva of the theater who makes life hard for her supporting players in post-World War I London. Benning is so good that she triumphs over an often undernourished script.

"Bridget Jones — The

Edge of Reason" — The cast of the 2001 comedy (Bridget Jones' Diary) is reunited here for another romp through the angst of relationships. Now that Jones has landed her ideal man she becomes consumed with the idea that she could lose him. This one doesn't measure up to the original but will please fans who already enjoy the characters essayed by Renee Zellweger, Hugh Grant and Colin Firth.

"Fat Albert" — If you enjoyed the Fat Albert cartoons, then it is a stretch but you might like this live action take on those characters. The hilarity is supposed to begin when Fat Albert and his gang are wished out of the TV and into the real world. This one tanked at the box office and brave viewers will learn why when they plunk down their hard-earned dough for this dog.

"Bring Me the Head of Alfredo Garcia" — Fans of director Sam Peckinpah can now rejoice that this classic epic has finally reached

DVD. Peckinpah gives the center stage here to his favorite character actor, Warren Oates, and places him in an ultra-violent tale of redemption that features explosive shootouts and one whopper of a finale. This should also please fans who are tired of today's action films, which tend to telegraph their endings from scene one.

"Star Wars" — George Lucas is on the attack this week with three attempts to separate fans from their dollars. First up is the overdue release of the "Clone Wars." This animated saga originally ran on Cartoon Network in short segments. Here, all of the episodes are strung together and highlight events between episodes 2 and 3 of the Star Wars saga. Look for an appearance by General Grievous, who will be featured in the final installment of the film series due in May. Lucas is also releasing new editions of "Phantom Menace" and "Attack of the Clones." Each disc features deleted

scenes not available on earlier editions. Consumers might want to wait till Christmas when all of the films will be released in boxed sets with these extras and probably a few others.

Next week look out for more Oscar-nominated films with the arrival of the Julia Roberts/Jude Law starrer, "Closer."

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Obituaries

Bethel Mae Johnson Hall

Bethel Mae Johnson Hall, 70, of Hi Hat, died Tuesday, March 22, 2005, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Born January 29, 1935, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Green and Mary Bryant Johnson. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Hi Hall.

Survivors include four sons: Danny Hall and Teddy Hall, both of Hi Hat, Dwayne Hall of Prestonsburg, and Timothy Hall of Drift; one daughter, Fanny Hall of Hunter; three brothers: Kermit Johnson of Miamisburg, Ohio, Paul Johnson of West Carlton, Ohio, and Milford Johnson of Price; two sisters: Ethel Little of Weeksbury, and Grethel Johnson of Elizabethtown; 11 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

In addition to her husband, and parents, she was preceded in death by three brothers: Richard Johnson, Dave Mullins, and Johnny Johnson; and one sister, Alberta Johnson.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, March 25, at noon, at the Little Nancy Old Regular Baptist Church, in Price, with ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will be in the Frazier Family Cemetery, in Price, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation is at the church.

(Paid obituary)

John Henry Shepherd

John Henry Shepherd, 75, of Gunlock, died Wednesday, March 23, 2005, at his residence.

Born June 1, 1929, in Magoffin County, he was the son of the late Henry and Della Shepherd.

He is survived by his wife, Ella Arnett Shepherd.

Other survivors include three sons: Matthew Shepherd, Mark Shepherd, and John Keith Shepherd, all of Gunlock; four daughters: Colleen Salisbury of Hueysville, Shelia Mullins of New York, Maudie Shepherd of Gunlock, and Angeline Slone of Garrett; a half-sister, Frankie Prater of Gunlock; 15 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by eight sisters: Lula Fleming, Myrtle Shepherd, Maudie Engleman, Bertha Shepherd, Leora Stephens, Verna Shepherd, Dora Lee Layne, and Hazel Shepherd.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, March 26, at 11 a.m., at the Salt Lick Community United Baptist Church, in Hueysville, with Carlos Beverly and Bethel Bolen officiating.

Burial will be in the Shepherd Cemetery, in Gunlock, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation is at the church.

(Paid obituary)

Opal Montana Howard

Opal Montana Howard, age 70, of Petersburg, Virginia, passed from this life on Monday, March 21, 2005, at her residence, following an extended illness.

She was born February 13, 1935, at Emma, the daughter of Rev. Abe Vanderpool of Emma, and the late Betty Shepherd Vanderpool.

She was a homemaker.

Surviving are: her husband, MSG Raymond Howard; two sons: Thomas Harvey Howard and James Russell Howard, and wife, Josie, all of Hopewell, Virginia; two daughters: Mona Rae Bogger, and husband, Lynn, of Cana, Virginia, and Sandra Kay Wallace, and husband, Robert, of Reston, Virginia; one brother, Isaac Vanderpool of Andersonville, Tennessee; six sisters: Ethel Jean Scarberry of Martn, Effie Mae Garrett of Prestonsburg, Sarah Edith Jones of Englewood, Florida, Phyllis Marie Keel of South Whitley, Indiana, Mary Alice Stratton of Ivel, and Martha Carol Kidd of Prestonsburg; five grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, March 24, at 11 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, at Martin, with David Garrett and Bethel Bolen officiating.

Burial was in the Brushy Hill Cemetery, at Gunlock, under the professional care of Hall Funeral Home.

Pallbearers: Jim Howard, Tony Short, Isaac Vanderpool, Isaac Vanderpool II, Thomas Howard, and Paul Scarberry.

(Paid obituary)

Katherine Stratton

Katherine Stratton, age 97, of Dayton, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County, passed away, Wednesday, March 23, 2005, at Heartland of Miamisburg, Miamisburg, Ohio.

She was born January 11, 1908, the daughter of Rev. Isaac Stratton and Sallie May Stratton. She had numerous occupations, and was well-known throughout the area.

She is survived by one daughter, Katherine Waddell of Dayton, Ohio; two grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and three brothers: W.N. Stratton, Ballard Stratton, and John Stratton.

Funeral services will be conducted Monday, March 23, at 2 p.m., at Hall Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation will begin at 12 p.m., prior to the funeral.

Burial will be in the Jones Cemetery, in Allen, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

(Paid obituary)

Truman Akers

Truman Akers, 78, of Bevinville, died Monday, March 21, 2005, at the Central Baptist Hospital, in Lexington.

Born January 12, 1927, in Naples, he was the son of the late Andy and Wyona Hopkins Akers. He was a retired coal miner, a member of U.M.W.A. Local 5899, at Wheelwright, a member of Masonic Lodge No. 889, Wheelwright, and a United States veteran.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Charlos Fern Johnson Akers.

Survivors include his sons and daughters-in-law: Randal (Gwen) Akers of Kennesaw, Georgia, Terry (Jan) Akers of Bevinville; sisters: June Miller, Ruth Nelson, and Carolyn Akers all of Ashland, Arbutus Kazee of Flatwoods, and Betty Cox of Pedro, Ohio; grandchildren: Randal Aaron, Kyle, Wesley Tyler, and Meagan Brooke.

In addition to his wife, and parents, he was preceded in death by six brothers: Arnold (Big Apple) Akers, Earl Akers, Forest Akers, Otis Akers, Ossie Akers, and Gaylord Akers; and two sisters: Marie Harr and Octavia Owens.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, March 25, at 1 p.m., at the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church, in Bypro, with Louis Ferrari and John Allen officiating.

Burial will be in the Buckingham Cemetery, in Bevinville, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation is at the church.

(Paid obituary)

Ray Hamilton Jr.

Ray Hamilton Jr., age 66, of Beaver, husband of Clozetta Crawford Hamilton, passed away, Wednesday, March 23, 2005, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

He was born March 20, 1939, in Beaver, the son of the late Ervin Hamilton and Lillie Mae Tackett Hamilton. He was a retired coal miner.

Survivors include his wife, Clozetta; one son, Rusty Ray Hamilton of Staffordsville; three daughters: Kathy Lynn Maldonado and Mona Lisa Slone, both of Beaver, Brenda Lee Newsome of Virgie; two brothers: Ervin Hamilton Jr., of Lexington, and Paul Eugene Hamilton of Danville; four sisters: Elizabeth Henson of Ivel, Geneva Hall, Eva Vance, and Verdine Hamilton, all of Beaver; and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services for Ray Hamilton Jr., will be conducted Saturday, March 26, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will follow in the Hamilton Cemetery, in Beaver, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Ronald Craig (Tom) Dillion

Ronald Craig (Tom) Dillion, 33, of Dana, was dead on arrival at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg, Thursday, March 22, 2005.

Born February 24, 1972, in Pikeville, he was the son of Ronnie Dillion and Caroline Boyd Dillion of Dana. He was a disabled construction worker.

He is survived by his wife, Melissa Keathley Dillion.

Survivors, in addition to his wife and parents, include one son, Austin Tomas Dillion of Dana; one sister, Stephanie Coleman of Dana; his grandparents: Hazel Dillion Hughes of Martin, and Emogene Jarrell Boyd of Dana.

He was preceded in death by his grandfathers: Albert Dillion and Arley Boyd.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, March 26, at 1 p.m., at the Little Salem Regular Baptist Church, in Dana, with Tim McClanahan, and others, officiating.

Burial will be in the Wilford Boyd Cemetery, in Dana, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation is at the church.

(Paid obituary)

Woodrow Jarrell

He wasn't a world traveler. He wasn't a famous author or actor. He grew up in the mountains of eastern Kentucky. He lived his life in these mountains. But I cannot think of any person that was more loved by his family and his many friends than this man was. He loved his family dearly, and he loved for family and friends to visit him more than any person I have ever known.

Woodrow Jarrell was born August 15, 1925, at Emma, Kentucky. He was the son of the late Lonnie and Oma Riddle Jarrell.

God called Woodrow home, March 23, 2005, after a long illness.

He is survived by his loving and devoted wife, Janie Crum Jarrell. They shared a love that was an inspiration to everyone that knew them.

He is survived by five sons: James Edward Jarrell, Woodrow Jarrell Jr., Ercel Lee Jarrell, and Larry Edward Jarrell, all of Prestonsburg, and Jackie Lee Jarrell of Pikeville.

He is survived by four daughters, Janie Ann Blanton of Salyersville, Linnie McKinney of Fort Gordon, Georgia, Crystal Lynn Howell of Prestonsburg, and Joann Goble of Prestonsburg.

He was preceded in death by one son, Buddy Jarrell; and one daughter, Helen Marie Jarrell.

He is survived by numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Also surviving are four brothers: John Henry Jarrell of Allen, Cecil Gene Jarrell and Clyde Ronnie Jarrell, both of Prestonsburg, and Billy Ray Jarrell of Paintsville. He has one surviving sister, Mary Gladys Burchett of Warsaw, Indiana.

He was preceded in death by five brothers: Russell, Curt, Chester (T.Y.), Luther and James Wesley Jarrell; and one sister, Audrey Mae Burchett.

He is also survived by many nephews and nieces.

Woodrow is also survived by his first wife, Hattie (Granny) Jarrell. Even though they were divorced, they remained good friends, and Janie and Hattie loved each other dearly. I do not think Woodrow would want this obituary to be read, unless Hattie was mentioned.

Woodrow dearly loved Cave Run, and he was always ready to go hunting and fishing; and was a member of U.M.W.A. Local Union 9845.

Woodrow leaves so many friends who will always remember him from his years in the coal mines, and friends he made after he was disabled. He was known in eastern Kentucky, by everyone as "Nine Beard," and that is how so many will remember him. Woodrow was a member of Benedict Baptist Church, and he loved having the church have services at his home when he could not go to church.

Funeral services will be Friday, March 25, 2005, at 1 p.m., at Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Gordon Fitch conducting the services.

Burial will be in the Jarrell Family Cemetery, at Slick Rock.

Serving as pallbearers were Arnold Jarrell, Jason Jarrell, Warren Jarrell and Ken Jarrell.

Honorary pallbearers were all of his grandsons and great-grandsons.

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Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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@floyd-countytimes.com. Information will not be taken over the telephone. All items will be placed on a first-come, first-serve basis as space permits.

2005 Home and Garden Expo

A 2005 Home and Garden Expo will be held at the Jenny Wiley Convention Center on Saturday, April 9, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. There will be no charge for admission.

This year's program will feature: Home and garden topics, booths, free herb, vegetable and flower seeds, and youth activities.

Seeds will be distributed on a "first-come first serve basis." Seed quantities are limited.

For more information, contact Ray Tackett, Theresa Scott, or Chuck Stamper at 886-2668.

Picking for the American Cancer Society

The Pike County Pickers will be presenting a Bluegrass benefit show at the Belfry Fire Department on April 2, 2005. The program is being presented in support of the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, and all profits from the program will go to the American Cancer Society. The show will begin at 6:00 p.m. and will feature, Lost Mountain, Blackberry Jam, Frank Hammond and Old Time Bluegrass, Swift River and other local performers. Anyone interested in participating in this event should call Mike Morley, at (606) 631-1688 or (606) 432-5848.

Adoptive parent Support group meeting

(A.S.K.) Adoption Support for Kentucky is sponsoring a support group for adoptive and prospective adoptive parents. The meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month in Pike County at the Department for Community Based Services Office, 131 Summit Drive, Pikeville, KY 41501, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Childcare will not be provided.

We have recently started a second meeting. This meeting will be held on the 1st Monday of each month in Floyd County at the Department for Community Based Services Office, 1009 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Childcare will not be provided.

For more information contact Dedra Slone, adoptive parent liaison, Adoption Support for Kentucky, 606-432-4110, 606-422-7927 - Cell, doslone@east-ky.net

Special presentation featuring a special Easter play

An Easter play, "Back to the Present," the events of the past, present and future of what was, is, and will be, according to the Bible. Join us Easter day, March 27th, at Trimble Chapel at the junction of 23 & 80, at 11:00 a.m.

Bring family and friends. Everyone welcome!

Worship/Youth center

There is now a Worship / Youth center in Old Allen, that meets on Tuesdays, at 6 p.m.

Women's Bible study meets on Wednesdays, 2-6 p.m. (youth). Thursday prayer meeting is held at 7 p.m. All meetings are free and the center's sponsor is the Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, pastor Henry Lewis. For more information, contact Tina Hall at 874-0544.

Reunion

First Four Mile Reunion of Knott County will be held on Saturday, May 28, at 10 a.m., at the Corps Recreation area, Jenny Wiley State Park, Shelter #2. Bring covered dish, table service, pictures, etc. All welcome to attend.

Christ United Methodist Church

March 27 - Sunday morning worship service - Chancel Choir will present Easter Cantata "Behold the Lamb," at 11 a.m.

BLHS High School Reunion

Classes of the 1930's, 1940's, 1950's and 1960's. To be held Saturday, June 25. For info.,

call Joe Hinchman at 874-2821 or Marvin Williamson at 478-3310.

BLHS Class of 1955

Reunion to be held on Friday, June 24 and Saturday, June 25. For information, call Marvin Williamson at 478-3310 or Gene Davis at 874-2873.

Senior Expo

Sponsored by HRMC and area agencies. To be held May 4, at the Jenny Wiley State Park's Stumbo Convention Center. For those age 55 and older. Broad range of topics including Preventing Exploitation, Nutrition, Aging and Gardening Tips. For more info., contact Melissa Vance, Dir. of Comm. Dev. at HRMC, at 886-7468.

HRMC Comm.

Calendar - March Mar. 31 - Living Well with Diabetes, Meeting Place A&B, Highlands Medical Office Bldg., 5-6 p.m. For more information, call

886-7424.

Attention: BLHS Class of '85

It's been 20 years! Reunion is being planned. If you are a classmate, or if you know of a classmate's whereabouts, please email addresses to Debbie Hall Parsons or Gwen Cecil at: dochallparsons@charter.net.

Belfry Class of 1970

Is planning a mini-reunion for May 28. Classmates will be responsible for their own meal. Reservations are required by May 1. Contact Nancy Varney Bryan by calling 433-9200 or 433-0820. You may also write to: P.O. Box 101, Pikeville, KY 41502 or email to: nbryan@setel.com. It's been 35 years, classmates, let's have a little fun!

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Basic Computer Training

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D.A.V. Chap. 18

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

Floyd County Democratic Women's Club

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

McDowell. All invited to attend.

Free Body Recall classes

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

'Earn While You Learn'

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

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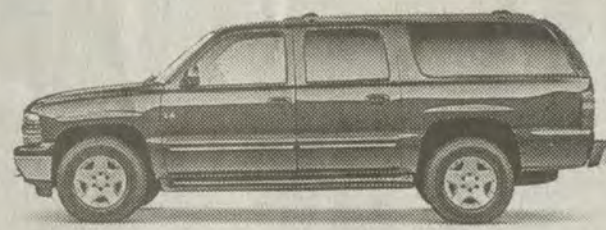
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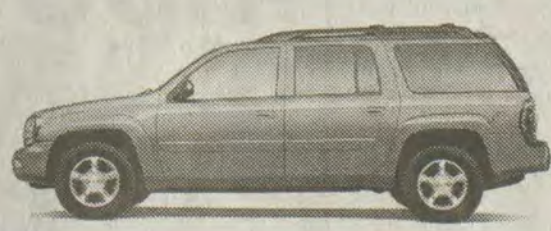
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Marriage Licenses

Nakisha Lucas, 23, of Michigan, to Herculé Goldsmith, 28, of New York.
Shonda Ann Webb, 18, to Gregory Donald Morrison, 18, both of Prestonsburg.
Crystal Gayle Tackett, 27, of Lawrence County, to John Keith Shepherd, 32, of Martin.
Marhonda Gay Hamilton, 29, to Eddie Dale Mitchell, 39, both of Pikeville.

Civil Suits Filed

Discover Bank vs. Steven Martin and Michelle Newsome; complaint.
Linda Francis vs. Anthony Francis; petition for child support and health care insurance.
Shirley Compton vs. Lowell Compton; petition for child support and health care insurance.
April Samons vs. Harry Conn; petition for health care insurance.
David Allen vs. Desiree Calhoun; verified complaint.
U.S. Bank vs. Travis Martin, Olive Martin, Commonwealth of Kentucky, Floyd County; complaint.
Melissa Conn vs. Boddie Noell Enterprises, doing business as Hardees and GAB Robins North America Inc.; complaint.
Carla Rose vs. Charlie Rose; divorce.
Billy Auxier vs. Charles Galion; complaint.
Alvin Craft vs. Brandi Meade; complaint.
Valorie Osborne vs. Billy Osborne; divorce.
MTGIQ Investors vs. Dicky Johnson and his unknown spouse; complaint.
Jessica Hastings vs.

Timothy Hastings; divorce.
Transportation Cabinet vs. Joe Weddington and the estate of Joyce Weddington; notice of appeal and petition for review.
First Commonwealth Bank vs. Joey Griffith and Carlos Griffith; complaint.
Kayla Stewart vs. Ricky Stewart; petition for child support and health care insurance.
Amber Dings vs. Michael Braxton; petition for child support and health care insurance.
Anna Shepherd vs. Earl Warrens and Travelers Property Casualty Insurance Company; complaint.
Beatrice Conn vs. Garnett Gibson Jr.; complaint.
America's Wholesale Lender vs. Barbara Porter, her unknown spouse and Harbor Federal Savings Bank; complaint.
Maye Carter vs. Robert Carter; divorce.
Judy Craft vs. Andy Craft; divorce.
Wasau Insurance Company vs. Joseph Goble; complaint.
Ford Motor Credit vs. Gregory Stumbo; complaint.
Brian Stumbo vs. Kristy Stumbo; divorce.
Amy Terry vs. Charles Johnson and Fuel Transport Inc.; complaint.
Argent Mortgage Company vs. Mark Blankenship and Pamela Blankenship; complaint.
Baher Alhomsy vs. Willie Crase, doing business as Crase Innovations and Construction, Alchemy Engineering Associates, H2O Lab Inc., Gary Ousley; complaint.
Leeroy Wilson vs. Star Construction of Tenn., and Star Construction Inc.; civil complaint and jury demand.
Mortgage Electronic Registrations System vs. Robert and Misty Burchett; complaint.
Clyde Hale vs. Brenda Turner Hale; divorce.

Small Claims Filings

Triple M Credit vs. Billy Brown Jr. and Debbie Brown; alleged debt.
Price Rite Market Inc. vs. Ruben Hall; unpaid grocery bill.
Josh M. Hall vs. Randall Innis; seeking payment of medical bill.

Charges Filed

Lucille Tackett, 33, Hi Hat; harassing communications.
Wesley Martin, 29, Wayland; menacing.
Gordon Freels, 51, Prestonsburg; harassment.
Johnny Slone, 29, McDowell; receiving stolen property.
Elmo Hall, 59, McDowell; receiving stolen property.
Kenneth Fisher, 32, Melvin; fourth-degree assault, public intoxication.
Benjamin Franklin Dye, 34, McDowell; violation of emergency protective order.
Londa Sammons, 47, Prestonsburg; fourth-degree assault.
Phillip Slone, 35, Beaver; third-degree criminal trespass, public intoxication, disorderly conduct.
James McKenzie, 27, Wittenville; federal safety regulations violation: repair, maintenance, no trailer plates.
Terry Qualls, 50, Phyllis; public intoxication.
Amanda Carroll, 25, Martin; public intoxication of a controlled substance, possession of a controlled substance, use/possession of drug paraphernalia, prescription in improper container.
Matthew Wright, 30, Printer; public intoxication.
Jackie Hall, 21, Topmost;

misdeanor theft.
Christine Sellards, 33, Ivel; endangering welfare of a minor.
Steven Dalton, 22, Wayland; public intoxication of a controlled substance.
Mark Sellards, 37, Ivel; fourth-degree assault, endangering the welfare of a minor, public intoxication.
Crystal Osborne, 39, McDowell; disorderly conduct.
Michael Smith, 37, Thelma; public intoxication.
Sabrina Blakeman, 39, Langley; endangering welfare of a minor, second-degree hindering prosecution or apprehension.
Stephanie Patton, 28, Hippo; misdemeanor theft, checks.
Judy Freels, 52, Prestonsburg; harassment.
Wesley Martin, 29, Wayland; menacing, terroristic threatening.
Clinton Hale, 25, Auxier; fourth-degree assault.
Samantha Thompson, 24, Auxier; fourth-degree assault.
Christine Keathley, 30, Prestonsburg; harassment.
Chad Lovely, 31, Wayland; harassment.
Grover Keathley, 41, Prestonsburg; harassment.
Marcia Dings, 31, David; harassment.
Charlene Belhasen, 30, Prestonsburg; two counts of misdemeanor theft, checks.
Frank Conley, 21, Lexington; public intoxication.
Delmar Kendrick, 26, Minnie; fourth-degree assault, public intoxication, resisting arrest.
Wayne Jervis, 59, Auxier; menacing.
Anthony Francis, 39, McAndrews; public intoxication.
David Hurst, 39, Prestonsburg; misdemeanor theft.
Martha Davis, 56, Dwale; harassing communications.
BJ Wood, 24, Banner; terroristic threatening.
David Chaffins, 29, Prestonsburg; misdemeanor theft, checks.
Michael Case, 44, Harold; third-degree burglary, misdemeanor theft.

Sherman Poston, 46, McDowell; public intoxication of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana, second-degree promoting contraband, tampering with physical evidence.
Amanda Harrington, 22, Wheelwright; two counts misdemeanor theft, checks, two counts second-degree forgery.
Elizabeth Lackey, 23, Van Lear; two counts felony theft, checks, two counts misdemeanor theft, checks.

Inspections

Dollar General, Prestonsburg, follow-up inspection. Violations noted: Critical items corrected, one non-critical item uncorrected. Score: 98.
Speedway, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: No thermometer in display ice cream freezer, garbage container in back washing section not properly covered, wall above three compartment sink in disrepair. Score: Food 97, retail 99.
Price Rite Mart, regular inspection. Violations noted: Food product found with broken seal on shelf, hair restraints not in use at meat department, floor tiles in some disrepair. Score: 93.
Hamilton Mobile Home Park, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lots not numbered systematically, areas of standing water and pot holes, homes found with damaged skirting, areas littered with debris, areas of park found in need of maintenance. Score: 88.

Property Transfers

Sheila Hackworth to Trina Tackett, property located at Left Beaver.
Taylor and Glenna Slone to Marie Prater, property located at Mud Creek.
Allee Pack to Barbara

Hicks, property located at Beaver Creek.
Roland Moore to Sheila McMahan, property located at Frasure's Creek.
Linda Steward to Earl and Sandra Lawson, property located at Big Branch.
Melissa Ann and Wayne Blackburn to Anita Renee Blackburn, property location undisclosed.
Victoria Lafferty to Judy Hall, property location undisclosed.
Lorieth and Denver Adkins, Christy and Timmy Yates, Albert and Rachel Crum to Jimmy and Karen Crum, property location undisclosed.
Dottie and Robert Layne, Pauline and Clayton Gardner, Bobby Dean and Brenda Crum, and Dallas Conn to Jimmy and Karen Crum, property location undisclosed.
Delila Stephens to George and Josephine Akers, property located at Bull Creek.
Hugh and Susan Akers to Bobby and Delois Swiney, property location undisclosed.
Pelphrey Investments to Stephanie and Phillip Kute, property location undisclosed.
Marietta Reynolds to Ison Reynolds, property located at Left Beaver.
Marcus and Mary Tackett to Wesley Little, property location undisclosed.
Joshua Keith Hoover and Jeanetta Hoover to William Marshall, property located at Right beaver.
Danny and Roseanna Slone to Michael and Lisa Lafferty, property located at Prestonsburg.
Lorraine Corely to Floyd Skeans, property located in Prestonsburg.
Billy and Belinda Stumbo to Steve Hall, property location undisclosed.
Ricky Lee Wells to Ricky and Rebecca Wells, property location undisclosed.

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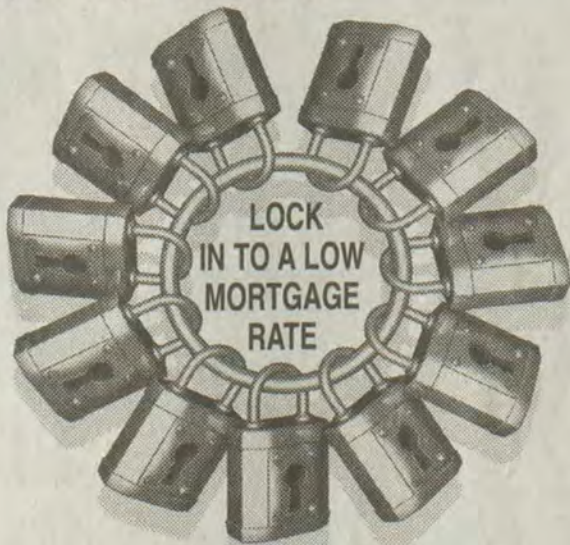
Also, if your child is currently enrolled in a child care program, find out if your provider is a member of the STARS for KIDS NOW voluntary program for exceeding licensing standards.

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

Floyd County Extension Homemaker Club Meetings
Allen: 1st Monday, 11 a.m., at Christ United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.
Cliffside/Prestonsburg: 3rd Wednesday, 12:30 p.m., at Cliffside Community Room.
David: 1st Monday, 1 p.m.,

at St. Vincent's Mission.
Martin: 1st Tuesday, 6 p.m., Martin Church of Christ.
Evening Quilt Group: 4th Thursday, 6 p.m., Extension Office.
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Bracket busted

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

I'm at a loss here. As I write this, it's Wednesday night and I'm looking at what's left of my NCAA bracket — only eight of the Sweet 16 but all of my Final Four — and want to write about this. I even have an idea as to what to do: Write about each regional, tell you who I think will win and then who I'd like



Rick Bentley

to see win. There's a problem with that. By the time you read this, it's Friday. That means half the Sweet 16 has already been played. There's no need in previewing something that's already happened, and Marty just wouldn't agree to hold the paper until last night's games were done. I could write this and assume what I thought would happen actually happened last night, which would be fine except that I've already told you I only got half the teams right last weekend, so that would be presumptuous of me, would it not?

So let's just start and see where we wind up, shall we?

Tonight in Austin we have two very solid matchups that should create a lot of interest. In the opener, two of the game's top coaches will hook up, while the nightcap will pit two old friends one more time.

Duke's Mike Krzyzewski (didn't think I could spell it, did you?) and Michigan State's Tom Izzo are two of college basketball's most celebrated coaches, each having led teams to national championships and each playing with somewhat inferior talent when compared to what they're used to bringing to the table.

Coach K — whose commercials have gone down hill considerably from the early '90s (Am I Coach "Kriz-kru-ski"? Yes I am!), by the way — has struggled through injuries and whatnot and played down the stretch with only six scholarship players. One of them, however, is J.J. Redick, and that goes a long way toward leveling the playing field.

The Blue Devils also have going for them that Redick hasn't really done much in the first two rounds. He totaled 23 points in wins over Delaware State and Mississippi State, and that's very much unlike him. Expect big things from him this weekend.

As for Michigan State, the Spartans have totally flown under the radar this season. Most people talked about the Big Ten like it was Illinois and the 15th Region, but that isn't the case: The Illini and Spartans are joined by Wisconsin in the Sweet 16.

Now, the Spartans haven't exactly played Bird's Celtics and Magic's Lakers — their first weekend foes totaled a 25 seed — but they're 24-6 right now. And Izzo having a week to prepare will help.

Somebody on the NCAA Selection Committee must really hate Mormons. They've set up Kentucky and Utah every year for the last 15 it seems, and tonight's meeting will be the sixth since 1993 — the teams have played in '93, '96, '97, '98 (for the title) and 2003.

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Two Pikeville players honored in classroom, two for play by NAIA

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PIKEVILLE — With the NAIA crowning Div. I basketball champions this week, it has announced its honors. Among them are three student-athletes from Pikeville College, one who originally honored her basketball skills in the 15th Region.

Selena Williams was named an Honorable Mention All-American as well as an Academic All-American, while



Selena Williams

men's basketball players Martin Gerlero and Daniel Price were also honored. Gerlero was named an Academic All-American while Price was tabbed an Honorable Mention All-American.

Williams and Gerlero were selected for their excellence in the classroom based on the standards set forth by the NAIA. To be honored as a Daktronics Academic All-American, a student must be at least of junior status and maintain a minimum 3.5 grade point average.

Williams, a senior from Paintsville, is majoring in elementary education. Gerlero, a junior from Neuquen, Argentina, is a business administration emphasizing management.

Price, a 6-2 senior from Jackson, Miss., was also selected first-team All-Mid-South Conference this month. He finished this season averaging 14.2 points and 5.2 rebounds per game. Price led the Mid-South Conference by shooting 51.2 percent from the field, and also hit 70.7 percent from the free throw line. In addition, he handed out 64 assists this season in leading the Bears to a 24-9

record and runner-up finish in the MSC tournament.

Williams, a 5-11 guard who after starring at Johnson Central High School moved on to Pikeville College, led the Lady Bears to a 17-14 record by scoring 13.4 points and pulling down 6.4 rebounds per game this season. She shot 47.2 percent from the field, 31.8 percent from the arc and 74.8 percent from the line for the year. She handed out 50 assists and had 36 steals for the Lady Bears, and on Senior Day, she joined the 1,000-point club.

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GIRLS SWEET 16



photos by Drew Bewley
Senior guard Kim Clark posted 23 of Betsy Layne's 38 points in Thursday's opening-round state tournament loss. Today, during the state tournament, Clark will be honored and recognized as the 15th Region Player of the Year.

Late 14-0 run levels Ladycats UK recruit Edelen leads Washington County past Betsy Layne

by STEVE LeMASTER
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BOWLING GREEN — University of Kentucky recruit Brittany Edelen got off to a rocky start early on Thursday as Washington County trailed 15th Region champ Betsy Layne for a lot of the first half. Betsy Layne entered its second Houchens Industries/KHSAA Girls Sweet 16 in three years and after distancing itself from Washington County for most of the first three quarters, slipped in the game's final quarter. Edelen scored 26 points and pulled down 14 rebounds to lead 5th Region champ Washington County to a 51-38 win over Betsy Layne.

Betsy Layne went into the game knowing keeping very close tabs on the talented Edelen would be a chore and a key if it had any hopes of advancing out of the first round. Edelen was held to just five points in the first half. In the second half, she

lived up, tacking on an additional 21 points.

Edelen finished nine-of-17 from the field. The UK recruit also connected on eight-of-11 free throw attempts. She hit seven of 11 second half shot attempts.

The Commanderettes, led by Edelen, battled back for the come-from-behind win.

Washington County also hit the majority of its free throws — particularly down the stretch. For the game, Washington County made good on 21-of-29 free throws.

Betsy Layne led 32-25 with just 23 seconds remaining in the third quarter, when fueled by the play of Edelen, Washington County went out on a 14-0 run, most of which came in the final period. Washington County's massive run turned a seven-point deficit into a seven-point lead.

Washington County reserve Lee Goatley, who

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Betsy Layne senior Breann Akers looked to pass the basketball.

photos submitted
Martin Junior Pro Instructional League All-Stars. Front row: Hannah MacElhose, Seth Hall, Dawson Stephens, Tanner Hamilton, Alex Holbrook. Back row: Andrew Webb, Jonathan Mullins, Zachery Hall, Blake Branham, Blake Dean.
Not pictured: Bradley Hall.
Coaches: Kevin Webb, Caleb Dean.



Martin Junior Pro All-Stars in National Tournament

by STEVE LeMASTER
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KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Martin Junior Pro has sent two more teams into national competition. The Martin Junior Pro All-Stars are in Knoxville, Tenn. for the Junior Pro Basketball National Tournament. The Martin Junior Pro Instructional League All-Stars, a squad consisting of players ages 6-9, was in competition yesterday against a team hailing from Doraville, Ga.

Kevin Webb and Caleb Dean coach

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Martin Junior Pro Training League All-Stars. Front row: Austin Sallisbury, Garran Newsome, Elias Little, Mason Nelson, Zachery Tackett, Jimmy Helton. Back row: Breylee Holbrook, Cory Grigsby, Tivis Howell, Gary Arnett, Cameron Hamilton, Jacob Crager. Coaches: Steve Grigsby, Mike Little.

Bentley

Those meetings had two things in common — Rick Majerus was the coach of the Utes, before he began making lude comments about Ashley Judd on national television, and the Cats won all five times.

This has long past funny and crossed over to demonic. Why continue doing this to Utah? What purpose does it serve? None of it makes any sense.

And now, just for kicks, Majerus has announced he thinks Utah will win this time. "First of all," he said, "I'm not there, which is good." That should be about — I'm sorry, in Majerus-speak, it's "abute" — enough to convince anybody the streak will likely continue.

I think Majerus was a fine coach. He never had the talent to get over the top — or past Kentucky, if there's a difference — but the guy could coach. He makes a horrible color commentator, however. He doesn't want to offend anyone, his near-Canadian accent makes him tough to listen to and he

thinks every coach and all their decisions are great.

But this time, he's wrong about this game.

My Final Four: Here's the thing: I worked this out the day after the brackets were announced and haven't wavered yet. The four teams I picked were still alive when the Sweet 16 began last night, and I still believe they'll probably be in St. Louis next weekend.

Entering play last night, I had predicted Oklahoma State, Louisville, North Carolina and Duke.

It wasn't until, oh, Tuesday or Wednesday that it dawned on me: I detest two of those schools and think very little of the coaches of the other two.

Carolina and Duke, I don't like, and because 99.3 percent of my readers are from Kentucky, I don't feel the need to explain it. The other 0.7 percent are family members I email this to or Jason Falls, and they all understand too.

I've never been a huge fan of

Rick Pitino. Yes, he rebuilt the program that Eddie Sutton left in shambles (which explains my feelings on him) but he did so with in-state talent (Farmer, Feldhaus and Pelphrey) and then turned his back on Kentuckians, wanting them to walk-on instead of getting the scholarships they deserved.

So if it happens, come Final Four Saturday, I'm screwed. I'll have nobody to pull for. Which is why I came up with

The Final Four I want to See: Look, I know some of these are no doubt gone already, but here they are: Wisconsin-Milwaukee (just for kicks ... and because I really don't care for the other three teams in Chicago), West Virginia (no chance), NC State (because of the Herb Sendek factor) and, of course, Kentucky.

Says here, the former is far more likely than the latter, but a man can dream, can't he?

Can't he?

Martin

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the Martin Junior Pro Instructional League team.

The Martin Junior Pro Training League team also entered national tournament play yesterday, taking on a team out of Lansing, Mich. The Training League team, which consists of players ages 9-11, plays under the watchful eye of coaches Steve Grigsby and Mike Little.

Martin Junior Pro is under the direction of League President Johnny Mayo. Mayo has put in 33 years with the Martin Junior Pro league. Patsy Gearheart (20 years) serves as League Director and Renee Thornberry (19 years), Assistant Director.

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Williams played her high school basketball for veteran coach Phillip Wireman. For her career, she finished with 1,041 points, which is good for 15th place on the all-time scoring list.

Ladycats

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went scoreless in the first half, finished with six points made on a pair of three-pointers during Washington County's game-deciding 14-0 run.

Betsy Layne led 11-10 at the end of the first quarter and took a 21-14 lead into halftime. The Ladycats shot over 40 percent from the floor in the opening half and in turn, held Washington County to just over 25 percent.

In the opening half, much everything went the way of Betsy Layne. The Ladycats outrebounded Washington County 17-10 in the first half.

Betsy Layne played with confidence early on in the game. But after Washington County's 14-0 run, things got quite tough for the Ladycats.

Betsy Layne led by as many as nine points in the third quarter before the Commanderettes came back.

Katie Filiatreau, another highly-touted talented Washington County player, finished 0-of-2 from both the field and beyond the three-point arc. But she hit her free throws, connecting on 11-of-12 charity shots and finishing with 11 points. Filiatreau also pulled down five rebounds and dished out a team-high three assists.

Whitney Tingle added three seven points and three assists for the Commanderettes.

Washington County got 15 points off turnovers. The Commanderettes recorded 10 second chance points. The Washington County bench

outscored the Betsy Layne bench 6-1. The Ladycats got just 10 points combined from turnovers and second chances.

Betsy Layne's ultimate demise came late in the fourth quarter with its inability to answer the Washington County scoring.

The Ladycats went nearly four minutes before scoring in the final quarter. Clark hit a layup with 4:34 remaining to give Betsy Layne its initial fourth quarter points.

The Ladycats got within three points in the final quarter, but could get no closer as Washington County pushed the lead back out with made free throws.

Washington County outrebounded Betsy Layne 33-29. The Ladycats also committed more turnovers (17-12) and committed more personal fouls (18-13).

Senior Kim Clark, the 15th Region Player of the Year, paced Betsy Layne with 23 points. Clark scored nine of her 23 points in the opening quarter and helped Betsy Layne (24-9) out to the quick, successful start.

Senior center Kristal Daniels added eight points and seven rebounds, while senior teammates Breann Akers and Kristen Smith followed with four and two points, respectively.

Kaitlin Lawson came in off of the Betsy Layne bench and scored the only other Ladycat point, connecting on one of

two free throw tries.

Betsy Layne shot just one-of-11 from behind the three-point line. The Ladycats hit seven-of-11 free throw attempts.

With the win, Washington County (18-16) moves into Friday's quarterfinals and a second round matchup against Paducah Tilghman (28-5), an opening round winner over Newport Central Catholic.

WASHINGTON COUNTY 51, BETSY LAYNE 38

Betsy Layne (24-9): Clark 9-27 4-5 23, Meade 0-0 0-0 0, Akers 2-5 0-0 4, Lawson 0-2 1-2 1, Daniels 4-7 0-0 8, Smith 0-0 2-4 2, Spurlock 0-0 0-0 0, Tackett 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 15-43 7-11 38. Washington Co. (18-16): Goatley 2-6 0-0 6, Edelen 9-17 8-11 26, Bowen 0-2 1-2 1, Tope 0-5 0-0 0, Filiatreau 0-2 11-12 11, Railey 0-2 0-0 0, Haydon 0-0 0-0 0, Tingle 3-6 1-2 7, Williams 0-1 0-2 0. Totals 14-41 21-29 51. Halftime—Betsy Layne 21, Washington County 14. 3-Point Goals—Betsy Layne 1-11 (Clark 1-10, Lawson 0-1), Washington County 2-12 (Goatley 2-6, Edelen 0-2, Tope 0-2, Filiatreau 0-2).

Fouled out—Meade. Rebounds—Betsy Layne 27 (Daniels 7), Washington County 33 (Edelen 14). Assists—Betsy Layne 11 (Daniels 3), Washington County 5 (Filiatreau 3). Total fouls—Betsy Layne 18, Washington County 13. A-4,523.

photos by Drew Bewley

Betsy Layne enjoyed various leads Thursday before falling to Washington County. Above: Betsy Layne senior center Kristal Daniels eyed the Washington County defense.



Below: Senior guard Kristen Smith, who turned her ankle during the state tournament game.



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Lex. Catholic, Scott County, South Laurel, Montgomery County advance

by CHRIS DUNCAN
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BOWLING GREEN – For a few fleeting moments, top-ranked Lexington Catholic looked like it might blow a big lead in the first round of the Girls Sweet 16.

Knights' star center Shannon Novosel fouled out early in the fourth quarter, and Rockcastle County trimmed a 13-point deficit to five with more than three minutes left.

Keyla Snowden dashed the Rockets' comeback hopes with one smooth shot.

Snowden swished a 3-pointer from the corner with 3:01 left and the Knights (33-1) were in control the rest of the way, advancing to the quarterfinals for the sixth straight season.

"Keyla hitting the 3 in the corner was big," Lexington Catholic coach Greg Todd said.

"It was definitely the back-breaker," Rockcastle County coach Chrysti Noble said.

The Knights, champions of Region 11, will play Region Eight champion Scott County (31-4) in Friday's quarterfinals. The Cardinals defeated Region Two champion Henderson County 79-64.

Also Wednesday, Region 12 champion South Laurel defeated Region Three winner Ohio County 61-52 and Region 10 champion Montgomery County outlasted Region 16 winner Rowan County 55-48 in overtime.

Lexington Catholic, unbeaten in 26 games against Kentucky teams this season, appeared to be on its way to an easy win over the mistake-plagued Rockets, who coughed up 29 turnovers.

But the Knights went a mediocre 18 of 40 from the free-throw line to keep the Rockets within reach.

"If you told me we could miss 22 free throws and still hang on, I would've told you there was no way we could do it," Todd said. "We were able to

do a lot of positive things over the course of the game to still be able to survive."

The Rockets struggled most of the game with Lexington Catholic's full-court pressure. Their turnovers led to 22 Knights' points.

"We dug ourselves a hole and couldn't get back out of it," Noble said.

Nikki Davis also had 17 points for the Knights, who've won 15 in a row since a 14-point loss to Regina High School in Ohio.

Heather Hammond scored 18 and Tara Rowe added 14 for Rockcastle County.

Snowden gave Lexington Catholic the lead for good early in the second quarter, sinking back-to-back 3-pointers to start a turnover-fueled 12-2 run.

The Knights led 30-24 at halftime, then opened the second half with a 10-2 burst, flustering the Rockets' offense with more good defense. The Rockets took better care of the ball during their late rally, but

still finished with more turnovers than field goals (18).

The teams were called for 51 total fouls, a tournament record.

Later Wednesday, Suzie Owens had 26 points and 16 rebounds as Scott County advanced to the quarterfinals with a 79-64 win over Henderson County.

Chelsia Lymon had 21 points and eight assists and Rebecca Gray scored 17 points for the Cardinals (31-4), the state's highest scoring team, averaging 79 points per game.

The Cardinals launched a 17-4 run in the first half, led by 16 at halftime and were never challenged again, outrebounding Henderson County 48-25.

"We approached the game knowing it would be a game of runs," said Scott County coach Steve Helton. "We wanted the last one."

Ashley Hawkins scored 14 of her 18 points in the second half to lead Henderson County (28-6), which had a 13-game win-

ning streak snapped. The Colonels reached the Sweet 16 for the first time since 2001.

In the night session, Taran Johnson had 20 points and 11 rebounds as South Laurel won its Sweet 16 debut.

Amber Neace added 14 points and seven rebounds for the Region 12 champion Lady Cardinals (22-10), who've won seven straight since losing four in a row in mid-February.

South Laurel's boys' team won the state championship last week, giving incentive to the girls to do the same.

"Our community is just ecstatic," said South Laurel coach Connie Snyder. "We've heard for a week now that we can do it, too."

Ohio County (27-5), the state's fifth highest scoring team, shot 32 percent (18 of 57) and mustered its lowest point total since a 48-47 loss to Greenwood on Jan. 10.

"When we had to make that big shot, it just escaped us

tonight," said Ohio County coach Brad Johnson.

South Laurel will face Montgomery County (25-7), which was helped by a late technical foul.

The game was tied at 48-all when Rowan County's Melanie Cornett lost the ball on a drive. Maggie Prewitt was fouled at the other end by Rowan County's Kayla Penix and Penix angrily slammed the ball on the court, drawing the technical.

MacKenzie Lee swished the go-ahead foul shots as Penix walked to the other end of the floor and started crying. Prewitt hit two more free throws to give the Lady Indians a four-point lead.

"Kids are kids. You've got to still love 'em and pat them on the back," said Rowan County coach Troy Thomas. "You've got to learn from your mistakes."

Suzanne Brown scored 20 points to lead Rowan County (23-8).

Lexington Catholic's Greg Todd is Coach of the Year

by MALCOLM C. KNOX
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LEXINGTON – Lexington Catholic girls' basketball coach Greg Todd fits the visual bill for a coach. He's more than 6 feet tall and wore a sweatshirt that matched his team's royal blue practice uniforms at a workout on Sunday.

He didn't sound much like the stereotypical coach that's presented in movies like "Hoosiers" or "Blue Chips," though.

Todd's instructions to his team were barely louder than a conversational tone, as they prepared for their Sweet 16 opener game against Rockcastle County on Wednesday.

"Get back to your spots," he instructed. "Somebody taking a charge could be the difference in this game."

Todd, in his sixth year at Catholic, knows what it takes to win. He's coached his team to a 32-1 record, and its third consecutive 11th regional championship and Sweet 16 berth. The Lady Knights beat every Kentucky team they played, including a 19-point win over reigning state champ Sacred Heart. Their only loss was to Ohio state champion South Euclid Regina.

Todd was named The Associated Press Kentucky girls' basketball Coach of the Year on Tuesday. He earned four votes from a statewide media panel of 12 members.

This year's trip to the Sweet 16 is Catholic's third in a row and sixth since 1999. They won it all in 1999 and 2001, and lost in the championship to Louisville Sacred Heart each of the past two years.

"It's very humbling," Todd said. "In our state there are a lot better coaches than I am."

What he won't concede to, though, is other teams' talent.

"We just feel like we've got the most God-given ability, with quickness and size," Todd said. "But still on a basketball court you have to get through more than just being able to run and jump and out-strength the other team."

The Lady Knights' talent begins with 6-foot-1 senior center Shannon Novosel (nine points, eight rebounds per game) and junior point guard Nikki Davis (11 ppg, seven assists per game), who were named second team All-State. Junior forward Anaris Sickles, who led the Lady Knights in scoring as a sophomore, received an honorable mention. Novosel will attend Evansville next year.

"Any coach you have, I don't think you're going to get along with 100 percent," Davis said, "and you're not going to understand why they do this, or why they do that at the time. But I guess hindsight is 20/20. You look back and you're like, 'Wow, he really knows what he's talking about.'"

Todd sometimes tries to add some humor. The results are mixed.

He showed his team a play designed to screen 5-7 Davis' defender and get her into the lane uncontested.

"This play should get Nikki a layup," Todd said. "Or a dunk."

There were a few laughs. "He makes kind of funny jokes sometimes," Novosel said. "We'll be like 'What, coach?'"

There shouldn't be much laughing before Wednesday's game, though.

Rockcastle was one of the few Kentucky teams to give Catholic a scare in the regular season. The Lady Knights trailed by a point in the fourth quarter but finally won 66-58. Their closest games were a couple of four-point wins over Elizabethtown and Cincinnati Mount Notre Dame.

"We're by no means over-confident going into the tournament this week," Todd said. "It'll be a battle right down to the wire."

The loss to Regina helped keep their confidence in check. The Lady Knights learned more about themselves in the loss to Regina than they did in games when they scored 100 points or won by 30.

"We weren't quite ready for what we were up against that night," Todd said. "I think it refocused us. We knew we were beatable."

Improving his players' individual skills is where Todd says his coaching strength is. But he still tries to make sure his players know that life is not all about winning basketball games, which he ranks far behind faith, family and academics.

"We do get caught up in winning basketball games," Todd said. "Hopefully, the girls see we're serious about basketball, but it's not everything."

Other coaches who received votes for Coach of the Year were Jay Lucas of Woodford County, Chrysti Noble of Rockcastle County, Don Rice of Louisville Christian Academy, Jill Morgan of East Ridge and Steve Helton of Scott County.

Johnson Central ranked 14th in pre-season poll

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE – The Kentucky High School Baseball Coaches Association (KHSBCA) pre-season poll is out. Defending state champion Christian County tops the poll, followed by traditional powers Lafayette, Pleasure Ridge Park, Trinity and Ballard, rounding out the top-five.

Under the guidance of first-year head coach Shawn Hall, Johnson Central broke through and captured the 15th Region title, playing all the way to Applebees Park and the state tournament. Johnson Central won a state tournament game, beating Ashland in the opening round. The KHSBCA pre-season poll ranks Johnson Central 14th. The majority of Johnson Central's talent from last season's squad returns in hopes of

another run into the state tournament.

The KHSBCA pre-season poll ranks Lawrence County 20th. Pikeville ranked just outside of the top-25 poll. Paintsville also received votes.

KHSBCA 2005 Pre-Season Poll

School	Points
1. Christian County	406
2. Lafayette	366
3. Pleasure Ridge Park	299
4. Trinity-Louisville	183
5. Ballard	179
6. Lexington Catholic	130
7. Henry Clay	108
8. Harrison County	104
9. Male	92
10. Owensboro Catholic	88
11. Paul Dunbar	75
12. St. Xavier	69
13. North Hardin	51
14. Johnson Central	51
15. Covington Catholic	44
16. Tates Creek	38
17. Lexington Christian	37
18. Daviess County	35
19. Holy Cross-Louisville	33
20. Lawrence County	32
21. Rockcastle County	32

22. Henderson County	31
23. Elizabethtown	25
24. Beechwood	23
25. Apollo	20

Others Receiving Votes:

West Jessamine (20), Pikeville (19), Butler (17), Heath (17), Eastern (16), Hopkinsville (16), Middlesboro (16), (15), Ashland Blazer (11), Madison Central (11), DuPont Manual (10), Corbin (9), Paintsville (7), Central Hardin (7), Franklin-Simpson (7), Pulaski Southwestern (6), Franklin County (6), East Jessamine (6), East Carter (3), Somerset (3), George Rogers Clark (3), Lone Oak (3), McLean County (3), Simon Kenton (3), Bullitt East (2), Glasgow (2), Pulaski County (2), Leslie County (2), Webster County (2), North Laurel (2), Bowling Green (2), Campbellsville (1), Woodford County (1), Southern (1), North Bullitt (1), Sheldon Clark (1), Nelson County (1).



photos courtesy of UVa-Wise
Host UVa-Wise and Pikeville split a pair of games Tuesday evening at Stallard Field in Wise, Va. UVa-Wise won the first game 11-5. Pikeville took the second contest, winning 11-8.

Garrett Christian plays in NACA Tournament

TIMES STAFF REPORT

DAYTON, Tenn. – Garrett Christian played three games as part of the National Association of Christian Athletes (NACA) Tournament, held at historic Fort Bluff Gymnasium in Dayton, Tenn. Twenty-three teams from around the country participated in what is considered one of the best high school tournaments in the nation. The tournament was held March 16-19.

Division I players who went on to join basketball programs at Louisville, DePaul and St. John's participated in the tournament just last year.

In its three games, Garrett

played teams from three different states and posted a 1-2 record. The Warriors, coached by Jerry Manns, finished the 2004-05 season with a 31-4 record. Garrett school officials are already looking forward to a return trip to the NACA tournament.

A breakdown of Garrett's three NACA tournament games follows.

Community, Fla. 56, Garrett 52: Community, Fla. led at the end of every quarter en route to a 56-52 win over Garrett. Ryan Slone led Garrett in scoring with 16 points. Tyler Slone added 13 points and Brian Vanderpool pushed in 12. Robbie Vanderpool and Matthew

Potter rounded out the Garrett scoring with seven and four points, respectively.

Garrett Christian 69, Ottumwa, Iowa 53: Ryan Slone pulled down five rebounds and scored a game-high 24 points as Garrett beat its Iowa opponent.

David Franklin flipped in 21 points for the Warriors. Three different Ottumwa players reached double figures in the scoring department.

Cleveland, Tenn. 70, Garrett 58: Ryan Slone scored 18 points and Tyler Slone added 15 as the Warriors came up short against Cleveland, Tenn. Five different players accounted for all of the Tennessee team's scoring.



Jackson enjoying bonus season with Utah

by DOUG ALDEN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SALT LAKE CITY — Marc Jackson thought he was done with basketball. Now, more than anyone on the team, he might be enjoying Utah's longest run in the NCAA tournament in seven years.

Jackson left the team after the 2002-03 season, having had enough of coach Rick Majerus and his demanding style. Jackson still had a year of eligibility remaining but didn't know it until new coach Ray Gacioletti was hired last April.

"It's just one of those things," Jackson said. "I didn't think I was going to have the opportunity. It kind of fell into my lap."

All-American center

Andrew Bogut has received the most of the attention for Utah this season, but Jackson has also been a key.

The senior point guard is averaging 10.7 points, second highest on the team, and 3.7 assists. He has given Utah an experienced player to run the offense, which has made Gacioletti's debut season the best in Utah since the 1998 team made it to the championship game.

The Utes lost in the title game to Kentucky, the same school Utah faces Friday night in the Austin Regional. Utah hasn't been in the round of 16 since '98, and Jackson remembers that team well.

He was 16 and playing at Olympus High School and following the hometown Utes. He

signed with Utah, played as a freshman in 2000-01 before taking a redshirt year to go on a church mission.

Jackson returned to the Utes in 2002-03 and helped lead Utah to the second round of the NCAA tournament, scoring 19 points in a loss to Kentucky. Two years later, Jackson is the only senior.

Jackson thought he had played his last game after he left the team. He was fed up with Majerus, whose outbursts drove many players to leave the program early. But after Majerus left and Gacioletti was hired, Jackson got a call from new Utah assistant Randy Rahe, who had recruited Jackson while Rahe was on the staff at Utah State.

After checking with the

compliance office and meeting with his former teammates and Gacioletti, Jackson re-enrolled at Utah for a final season. He welcomes Gacioletti's approach.

"He's definitely a genuine guy that really cares about us on and off the court," Jackson said. "He just one of those coaches that keeps his mind straight with the true concept of basketball — that there's other things besides basketball. He keeps us fresh and keeps us wanting to come back to practice and keeps us coming back hungry."

Gacioletti, who was hired from Eastern Washington last spring, remembered Jackson's performance against Kentucky three years ago. He sat down with Jackson a few times, and it was quickly apparent Jackson

would rejoin the Utes.

And it's been a huge help. Jackson has made 98 of his 214 field goal attempts, including 60 of 130 3-pointers. When he's shooting well from the outside or getting the ball to teammates, opponents can't just focus on Bogut inside.

Gacioletti wishes Jackson could find another hidden year of eligibility.

"Marc was the one guy that two years ago I remembered," Gacioletti said. "To be honest with you, that's what I envisioned of Utah basketball — this little guy that just played so hard and played with so much passion. I thought he had graduated when I took the job, then I found out quickly he may have another year left. It's been unbelievable."

Source: Eastern Kentucky's Ford to be Massachusetts coach

by TRUDY TYNAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — Eastern Kentucky's Travis Ford is in line to become the next basketball coach of Massachusetts, a university source told The Associated Press.

A source within the university administration, who asked not to be named, confirmed Thursday afternoon that school officials had reached an agreement with Ford, and planned to announce

his appointment on Friday.

Ford, accompanied by his wife, arrived on the Amherst campus Tuesday and spent the past several days meeting with administrators, a faculty advisory committee and basketball boosters.

Ford, 35, a former guard at the University of Kentucky, guided the Colonels to a 22-9 record this season — the most wins in a season in school history — and an NCAA tournament bid, the school's first in 26

years. The Colonels lost in the first round to Kentucky, but not before giving his alma mater a scare.

The Massachusetts job became vacant when Steve Lappas was fired last week after compiling a 50-65 record over four seasons.

Ford did not return messages left at his home seeking comment. Jason Yellin, a spokesman for Athletic Director John McCutcheon, confirmed that a news conference would be held Friday to announce the new coach, but would not confirm if Ford was the pick.

Ford played for Rick Pitino at Kentucky. Pitino, now the coach at Louisville and a

UMass alumnus, has been pushing for his hiring praising Ford's recruiting ability, calling him a "great fit" at Massachusetts.

At Eastern Kentucky, Ford took over a team that had suffered through seven straight losing seasons. He won seven games each of his first two seasons. Then each year, his victories increased to first 11, then 14 and this year 22.

This season's squad finished second in the Ohio Valley Conference and defeated Austin Peay in the conference tournament to get the NCAA bid.

The Kentucky native began his coaching career at Campbellsville, where he went 67-31 in three seasons at the

NAIA school.

He had no prior experience as an assistant coach when he was hired at Campbellsville. But it wasn't the first time his career changed direction.

Ford, who won academic as well as athletic honors at Kentucky, had taken his stockbroker's exam after being released by the Golden State Warriors in 1995. Instead, Hollywood called and he got a part in a basketball movie "The 6th Man," playing a hotshot point guard.

The experience revived his interest in basketball and after spending a season observing Pitino, he got the job at Campbellsville.

Louisville assistant interested in coaching Aggies

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ALBUQUERQUE — Louisville assistant coach Reggie Theus says he's interested in the head coaching position at New Mexico State University.

Theus, a former NBA all-star, has met with Aggie athletic director McKinley Boston twice and anticipates another meeting once Louisville's run in the

NCAA Tournament concludes. The Cardinals play Washington in the Albuquerque regional semifinals Thursday.

"I'm getting into coaching relatively late in life," Theus said Wednesday. "I'm not a young guy who would want to bounce around. I need the right situation."

Boston described Theus as a "serious candidate" and said he expects to talk to him again soon.

Boston hopes to name a new head coach to replace the retired Lou Henson around the Final Four weekend. He said he has conducted six official interviews.

Theus played three seasons at UNLV and 13 seasons in the NBA. He has been with Louisville for two years and previously coach the American Basketball Association's Las Vegas team in 2002.

Pikeville men, women win sectional bowling titles

TIMES STAFF REPORT

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. — For one group, it has nearly become the expected. But for the other, it was treading new water.

The Chattanooga Sectional of the IBC qualifying tournament was painted orange and black on Sunday as both the men's and women's championships came home to Pikeville College. Both teams will now participate in next month's IBC championship tournament.

The 2005 IBC championships will be held this year at The Cherry Bowl in Rockford, Ill., April 20-23. The top four teams from each section in both the men's and women's fields will compete for the national title.

On Thursday, each team will roll 32 Baker games and then be ranked 1-to-16 for the double-elimination tournament, which begins Friday morning. The championships will be contested on Saturday evening and be telecast on CSTV.

For the Lady Bears, it marked their fourth sectional title in as many years, keeping alive their streak of not only qualifying for the national tournament but also winning the championship along the way.

The men, however, had experienced different luck. In their

first four years, they had reached the sectional round but never finished in the top four to qualify for the national level. This year, however, they not only got through the door, they knocked it down.

The men, ranked eighth in the country, rolled 12765 to finish more than 100 pins ahead of No. 10 Saginaw Valley State, the defending national runners-up, which finished at 12657. Kansas, the defending national champion, came in third at 12622. Toledo, ranked 36th in the latest power ratings, finished fourth at 12358.

Three other Top 25 teams in the Chattanooga Sectional, No. 15 Western New England, No. 19 Florida State and No. 24 Cincinnati, all failed to qualify for the IBC.

University of Nebraska won the Fairview Heights Sectional, while top-ranked Fresno State was the champion of the San Jose Sectional and fourth-ranked Central Florida won in Allentown.

Pikeville will be joined by three other NIAA schools in the men's tournament. No. 9 Newman, No. 14 Lindenwood and No. 16 Missouri Baptist all qualified.

Nationally, each of the top 14 teams in the country qualified in the men's draw. The lowest ranked team in the final power

rating to make the national tournament was No. 36 Toledo, which qualified fourth in Chattanooga.

In the women's draw, Pikeville's 12369 easily outdistanced No. 11 McKendree's 11944 to win the Chattanooga Sectional. No. 8 Kansas and No. 10 Purdue also qualified here. Two other national powers failed to qualify from Chattanooga — 19th-ranked Ball State and No. 23 Florida State.

Meanwhile, in Allentown, Morehead State outdistanced Central Florida for the title. Top-ranked Wichita State, which lost to Pikeville in the 2004 championship round, easily won the Fairview Heights Sectional, while No. 6 Fresno won in San Jose, knocking off No. 2 West Texas A&M.

Three of the nation's Top 16 teams did not participate this year, choosing to take their chances in the NCAA tournament. They were ninth-ranked Fairleigh-Dickenson, No. 14 Sacred Heart and No. 16 New Jersey City.

Pikeville will be one of five schools who otherwise participate at the NIAA level in the women's draw. The others are McKendree, No. 13 Newman, No. 15 Lindenwood and surprising Missouri Baptist, which entered San Jose ranked 46th in the latest power ratings.

Eagle golf team rallies for seventh-place finish

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Morehead State Eagle golf team, 10th after the first round, rallied for a seventh-place finish in the Grubb Mart-Young Oil Intercollegiate, hosted by Jacksonville State University at Silver Lakes Golf Course in Jacksonville, Ala.

The tournament's two rounds were played on Monday. A third round, scheduled for Tuesday, was canceled due to storms and rain.

MSU shot rounds of 303 and 286 for a 13-over par total of 589. Jacksonville State won the tournament with a 280-286 566 score.

Prestonsburg High School graduate Ryan Martin and Kyle Litter were MSU's top individuals, tying for 20th with

146 totals. Casey Wade tied for 25th at 147, Matt Gann tied for 44th with a 152 and Lee Chaney tied for 49th with a 154 score.

Next up for the Eagle golfers will be the ECU Colonel Classic, April 1-2, in Richmond.

MSU signs golfer

Jeffrey Pierce of Glasgow, and Glasgow High School has signed a national letter-of-intent to play golf at Morehead State University.

"Jeffrey is an exceptional student and golfer," said Dr. Rex Chaney, MSU's long-time golf coach. "He is a strong player with a great passion for the game."

Chaney indicated that Pierce would be MSU's only golf signee of the November signing period.

NFL owners agree on 2010 Super Bowl site

— The Associated Press
KAPALUA, Hawaii — NFL owners voted 31-1 to award the 2010 Super Bowl to New York, provided the New York Jets' 75,000-seat stadium project on the West Side of Manhattan, whose cost now has reached nearly \$2 billion, is built.

There still are many hurdles before the Jets can break ground on what also would be the centerpiece of the city's 2012 Summer Olympics bid.

Earlier this week, the Jets substantially increased their bid for the land on which the stadium with a retractable roof would be built, upping it to \$720 million. The Metropolitan Transportation Authority, which owns the land that currently is used as

train yards, will choose among three bidders on March 31.

The Jets will try to beat out the bids of Cablevision, which owns Madison Square Garden, and a third bidder, TransGas Energy Systems LLC.

There also has been substantial opposition to the project from neighborhood action groups and others who question why New York's policemen, firefighters and teachers are without contracts, but the city can chip in \$500 million or so for a stadium.

Both the city and state favor the project.

New York is in a race to get the 2012 Olympics with Paris, London, Madrid and Moscow.

NCAA TOURNAMENT

PLAY-IN GAME

Tuesday, March 15

Oakland, Mich. 79, Alabama A&M 69

SYRACUSE REGIONAL

First Round

Friday, March 18

At DCU Center

Worcester, Mass.

North Carolina State 75, Charlotte 63

Connecticut 77, Central Florida 71

At Charlotte Coliseum

Charlotte, N.C.

Iowa State 64, Minnesota 53

North Carolina 96, Oakland, Mich. 68

At The Gaylord Entertainment Center

Nashville, Tenn.

Florida 67, Ohio 62

Villanova 55, New Mexico 47

At The Ford Center

Oklahoma City

Wisconsin 57, Northern Iowa 52

Bucknell 64, Kansas 63

Second Round

Sunday, March 20

At DCU Center

Worcester, Mass.

North Carolina State 65, Connecticut 62

At Charlotte Coliseum

Charlotte, N.C.

North Carolina 92, Iowa State 65

At The Gaylord Entertainment Center

Nashville, Tenn.

Villanova 76, Florida 65

At The Ford Center

Oklahoma City

Wisconsin 71, Bucknell 62

Semifinals

Friday, March 25

At The Carrier Dome

Syracuse, N.Y.

Wisconsin (24-8) vs. North Carolina State (21-

13), 7:27 p.m.

North Carolina (29-4) vs. Villanova (24-7), 9:57

p.m.

Championship

Sunday, March 27

At The Carrier Dome

Syracuse, N.Y.

Semifinal winners

CHICAGO REGIONAL

First Round

Thursday, March 17

At The Wolstein Center

Cleveland

Wisconsin-Milwaukee 83, Alabama 73

Boston College 85, Pennsylvania 65

At The RCA Dome

Indianapolis

Nevada 61, Texas 57

Illinois 67, Fairleigh Dickinson 55

At Taco Bell Arena

Boise, Idaho

Arizona 66, Utah State 53

UAB 82, LSU 68

Friday, March 18

At The Ford Center

Oklahoma City

Oklahoma State 63, SWLouisiana 50

Southern Illinois 65, Saint Mary's, Calif. 56

Second Round

Saturday, March 19

At The Wolstein Center

Cleveland

Wisconsin-Milwaukee 83, Boston C. 75

At The RCA Dome

Indianapolis

Illinois 71, Nevada 59

At Taco Bell Arena

Boise, Idaho

Astoria 85, UAB 63

Sunday, March 20

At The Ford Center

Oklahoma City

Oklahoma State 85, Southern Illinois 77

Semifinals

Thursday, March 24

At Allstate Arena

Rosemont, Ill.

Illinois (34-1) vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee (26-5)

Oklahoma State (26-6) vs. Arizona (29-6)

(Results unavailable at press time)

Championship

Saturday, March 26

At Allstate Arena

Rosemont, Ill.

Semifinal winners

AUSTIN REGIONAL

First Round

Thursday, March 17

At The RCA Dome

Indianapolis

Kentucky 72, Eastern Kentucky 64

Cincinnati 76, Iowa 64

At The McKale Center

Tucson, Ariz.

Oklahoma 84, Niagara 67

Utah 60, Texas-El Paso 54

Friday, March 18

At DCU Center

Worcester, Mass.

Vermont 60, Syracuse 57

Michigan State 89, Old Dominion 81

At Charlotte Coliseum

Charlotte, N.C.

Duke 57, Delaware State 46

Mississippi State 93, Stanford 70

Second Round

Saturday, March 19

At The RCA Dome

Indianapolis

Kentucky 69, Cincinnati 60

At The McKale Center

Tucson, Ariz.

Utah 67, Oklahoma 58

Sunday, March 20

At DCU Center

Worcester, Mass.

Michigan State 72, Vermont 61

At Charlotte Coliseum

Charlotte, N.C.

Duke 63, Mississippi State 55

Semifinals

Friday, March 25

At The Frank Erwin Center

Austin, Texas

Duke (27-5) vs. Michigan State (24-6)

Kentucky (27-8) vs. Utah (29-5)

Championship

Sunday, March 27

Mechanical failure at Cleveland Speedway leads to DNF for Brandon Kinzer Motorsports

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ALLEN — Just as the pendulum of good luck was swinging the way of Brandon Kinzer Motorsports, mechanical problems cut a very productive evening short for the Allen-based team. Fresh off of a third-place finish at Cherokee Speedway, Kinzer and crew headed to the Southern All-Stars

(SAS)-sanctioned event at Cleveland Speedway, Cleveland, Tenn. The 60-lap event paid \$5,000 to the race winner.

As always for SAS events, the top-16 qualifiers locked themselves in to the feature event. The remainder of the field battled for starting positions in a series of B-Mains. Fifty-two cars took time on the clay oval, Kinzer posted sixth fast time. Claiming the out-

side spot on the third row for the feature event.

Kinzer wasted no time in heading forward in the event. His Barry Wright-engineered racing machine proved to be competition worthy as he was threatening the top three. His momentum took a turn for the worse on lap 43. As he passed "The Southern Gentleman" Freddy Smith for third place, a seal in the rear-end

failed, forcing the black and white No. 18 pitside for the evening.

"I can't thank Barry, Jimmy, Earl, and Shane enough for the car I had tonight," Kinzer said in an enthusiastic tone. "I couldn't of asked for a better car. I think that we had a top two car, whether or not we has something for Dale (McDowell) I don't know. Deep down I know

that we had at least a second-place car."

The next scheduled races, which roll up this weekend for Brandon Kinzer Motorsports, will take the race team to Thunder Valley, Lawndale, N.C., and Cherokee Speedway, Gaffney, SC. Both events are Southern All-Stars East events paying \$4,000 and \$5,000, respectively to the race winners.

For more information on the No. 18 Kinzer Drilling, Barry Wright Racecars, Ranger Contracting, Eastco Supply, Alert Oil & Gas, Commonwealth Chiropractic, Allstar Performance, Tim Short Automotive, Panther Motorsports Design Dodge Intrepid SXT and Brandon Kinzer Motorsports, go online to www.brandonkinzer.com



photos courtesy of Brandon Kinzer Motorsports

Brandon Kinzer Motorsports had a promising run end short recently during an SAS race. Brandon Kinzer and race team will be back in action this weekend, racing in the Carolinas.

Hendrick suspensions lifted after appeal

by JENNA FRYER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — An appeals committee on Wednesday lifted the suspensions of the crew chiefs for Jimmie Johnson and Kyle Busch, who were both accused of cheating following a race in Las Vegas.

The National Stock Car Racing Commission rescinded the two-race suspensions NASCAR had levied against Chad Knaus and Alan Gustafson, and instead placed both on 90 days probation.

George Silbermann, chairman of the three-man appeals committee, noted that the decision was by majority vote and was not unanimous.

"This decision pertains specifically to the evidence presented in this appeal," he wrote. "The Commission's rulings do not have a bearing on existing or announced NASCAR enforcement policies."

NASCAR stiffened its penalty process after the March

13 race in Las Vegas, when Johnson's race-winning car and Busch's second-place car both failed inspection. Johnson's was too high and Busch's was too low.

Knaus, crew chief for Johnson, was suspended by NASCAR for two races and fined \$35,000. Johnson was also docked 25 points, and Jeff Gordon was docked 25 owner points because he is listed as the car owner.

Gustafson was suspended two weeks and fined \$25,000. Busch was docked 25 points, as was car owner Rick Hendrick.

The commission's ruling did not affect the points that were lost.

Hendrick on Wednesday maintained that neither crew chief was cheating, and that the cars failed the post-race inspections because of mechanical issues that developed over the 400-mile race.

"I appreciate NASCAR giving us the opportunity to present the facts," said Hendrick. "From our perspective it's

important everyone, especially our fans, know that we absolutely had no intention of breaking any rules.

"This sport has a rule book for good reason, and it's vital it be enforced. As an owner, I know it's equally important to have a just system of checks and balances. We respect NASCAR's decision and look forward to carrying some momentum into Bristol."

The commission has yet to hear the appeal for Todd Berrier, crew chief for Kevin Harvick.

Berrier was suspended for four races for illegally rigging Harvick's fuel tank at Las Vegas to appear full during qualifying. Although Richard Childress Racing is appealing the penalty, the team is more concerned with having Berrier's suspension shortened and having the 25 points Harvick was docked reinstated.

RCR maintains that because the infraction was during qualifying, points should not be deducted.

Carl Edwards backflips his way toward NASCAR stardom

by PAUL NEWBERRY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HAMPTON, Ga. — When Carl Edwards was trying to break into racing, he had to find a real job to pay the bills.

He dabbled in construction. He worked as a substitute teacher.

"One day, I showed up late at a high school," Edwards recalled. "I had not taught there before, and when I walked in I had to go to the bathroom real bad. I started saying 'Where's the bathroom?' to anybody I could find."

A youngster pointed toward a door.

"I go in and go to the bathroom, and all of a sudden this girl walks in," Edwards continued. "I'm like 'Whoa, what are you doing in here?' And she says, 'You're in the girls' bathroom.'"

"That kid really got me on that one. I wish I remember what he looked like. I need to get him back."

That student — wherever he is — wouldn't have any problem now recognizing Edwards. These days, he's one of the rising stars of NASCAR, a backflipping phenomenon who's already pulled off a first-of-its kind feat.

Last Saturday at Atlanta Motor Speedway, Edwards won his first Busch Series race. A day later, he captured his first Nextel Cup victory. No other driver has won for the first time in NASCAR's top two series on the same weekend.

"This guy is our next superstar," Jimmie Johnson said.

The 25-year-old Missouri driver got his first big break when he was hired to drive trucks for the powerhouse Roush Racing team.

Late last season, owner Jack Roush promoted Edwards straight to Nextel Cup, hoping he could revive the struggling No. 99 car. Jeff Burton had managed only one top-five finish in 22 races. Sponsors were walking away. Roush, who had four stronger cars in his operation, was faced with the very real prospect of having to shut down the 99.

Initially, Roush was grooming Edwards to step in as Mark Martin's successor, knowing the longtime NASCAR star planned to retire after the 2005 season. But those plans changed when Burton struggled.

After Burton moved on to another team, Edwards stepped in for 13 of the last 14 races (he skipped one that conflicted with a truck commitment). During that brief tryout, he showed plenty of promise, finishing third at Atlanta and getting his car in the top 10 four other times.

Clearly, Edwards was deserving of a Nextel Cup ride for 2005, but Roush also was aware that his young driver had skipped a stage in his development when he bypassed the Busch series.

So, Roush decided to put Edwards into both series full-time this year. In fact, he's considered a rookie of the year candidate in the second-tier Busch series, but he can't win the award in Nextel Cup because he ran too many races last season.

Nevertheless, Edwards was thrilled to get a ride in two cars.

"It's a perfect situation for me," he said. "I'm loving every lap of it. The more laps I can get, the better — especially with a lot of Cup guys running the Busch cars."

Edwards might not have as much experience as most of the drivers he's competing against, but it sure doesn't show. In the Busch race at Atlanta, he beat out Tony Stewart and Jimmie Johnson for the victory, surging to the lead by passing three cars at one time.

"He's definitely got a lot of skill and a lot of talent," Stewart said afterward. "That's not going to be his only trip to Victory Lane this year, I can tell you that. I wouldn't be surprised to see him win one or two Cup races."

Stewart had no idea how prophetic those words would be. On Sunday, Edwards pulled off a daring move on Johnson as they came to the finish line, beating the Nextel Cup star by about half a car length.

Edwards drove the waning laps like he's been around for years. He moved in and out. He moved up and down. Roush wondered if it was the act of a desperate man, even raising the possibility of Edwards moving aside to let another Roush driver, Biffle, make a run at Johnson. But Edwards was merely searching for the best groove to overtake the leader.

Edwards found what he was looking for at the top of the track. Watching his challenger in the rearview mirror, Johnson began

to wonder if he should move higher, instead of sticking with a lower line that was working well.

On the final lap, Johnson drifted up the track and lost a bit of momentum. Edwards, running right along the outside wall, got a surge coming off turn two, hugged Johnson's bumper as they came through three and four, and pulled even as they barreled toward the finish line.

The cars actually touched just a few feet from the finish, causing Johnson's car to wobble. Edwards held his line and won by 0.028 seconds.

"When Carl was moving around the race track, he was trying to find traction and see where he could make his move," Roush said. "I thought he was done, but he was just getting started."

As Edwards was getting his start in racing, competing on dirt tracks in the Midwest, his mother persuaded him to print up business cards. He got a deal at a local printer — 2,000 cards for \$100, with his picture on the front and his resume on the back.

"I started handing them out to everyone," he said. "Everywhere I went, I had a business card. I figured someone would eventually know that I wanted to drive race cars and would give me a chance to do it."

Edwards also developed a move that would become his signature.

At a World of Outlaws race, he spotted one of the drivers doing a backflip off his car to celebrate a victory. Edwards thought that "was the coolest thing I've ever seen," so he talked one of his friends into getting a trampoline and began practicing the maneuver.

"I knew my parents wouldn't get me one because they thought I would hurt myself," he quipped.

In no time, Edwards was doing backflips of his own. As he moved through the ranks, he always raised plenty of eyebrows with his high-flying acrobatics.

"I thought it was 'juck,'" Roush said. "The first time he won a race and did a backflip, I told him we're going to be doing this a lot and he wasn't always going to be lucky. But he said, 'Don't worry, I'm not going to fall down. I can do it.' I guess it's not luck if you can do it."

Reds 9, Yankees 4

by JOE KAY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SARASOTA, Fla. — A slight groin strain forced right-hander Ramon Ortiz out of Cincinnati's 9-4 victory over the New York Yankees on Wednesday night, a late-March setback for the Reds' rotation.

Ortiz felt discomfort in the groin on his first pitch to Alex Rodriguez in the fifth, prompting him to back off the mound. Manager Dave Miley, pitching coach Don Gullett and trainer Mark Mann went to the mound, and Ortiz left the game after simulating one throw.

The Reds expect to have a better idea of how long he'll be sidelined after another examination on Thursday. Mann said the injury doesn't appear to be serious.

"I want to (keep) my head up," Ortiz said. "I want to be ready for the season."

The Reds acquired Ortiz

from the Angels last December. They were counting on him, right-hander Paul Wilson and left-hander Eric Milton to anchor the rotation.

Joe Randa drove in four of Cincinnati's runs, deciding a game missing several stars because of injuries and a damp field. David Parrish and Ruben Sierra hit two-run homers for New York.

The Yankees were missing shortstop Derek Jeter and Bernie Williams, who stayed back in Tampa for treatment. Jeter has a bruised left foot, and Williams has a sore back. Both are expected back in the lineup by next week.

Ken Griffey Jr. was out of the Reds' lineup as a precaution because heavy afternoon rain left the field damp. Griffey had surgery in August to reattach his torn right hamstring, and wasn't back to full strength when spring training began. He has played two games in the

outfield, making the rest of his spring appearances as a designated hitter.

Randa made the best defensive play of the game. The third baseman leaned into the Yankees' sunken dugout to catch Gary Sheffield's foul in the fifth, then hopped over the five steps to land safely on the floor.

Randa also had a bases-loaded double in the fourth inning off right-hander Aaron Small, a minor leaguer brought along for a fill-in start. Randa came around on Jason LaRue's bad-hop single for a 4-0 lead.

Parrish hit a two-run homer off Ortiz in the fifth, a few pitches before the Reds starter was forced to leave the game. Sierra hit his two-run homer in the sixth off right-hander Todd Coffey.

Randa's single off Tom Gordon broke the 4-all tie in the eighth, and Luis Lopez completed a five-run rally with his three-run double.

Kentucky to host Georgia at Applebee's Park

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — The Kentucky baseball team opens its home Southeastern Conference schedule this weekend with a three-game set against defending conference champion Georgia (11-9, 0-3) at Applebee's Park.

The series begins Friday at 6:30 p.m. and has scheduled

games Saturday at 2 p.m. and Sunday at 1 p.m. Friday and Saturday's games can be heard on WXRA 1580-AM while Sunday's can be found at WLXO 96.1-FM.

All three games of the series are being played at Applebee's Park, the home of the Lexington Legends of the South Atlantic League (A). The only other times the Wildcats

have played there was in 2002 when they hosted an eight-game homestand and went 5-3.

The game is the first at home for Kentucky (12-7, 0-3) since March 10. Since then, the Wildcats have been on an eight-game road swing with five games in Bradenton, Fla., before opening SEC play with three games at Alabama last weekend.



photo courtesy of Kentucky Speedway

Carl Edwards put in time on dirt tracks throughout the Midwest before moving onto NASCAR. Edwards also saw action at Kentucky Speedway, driving the truck pictured above.

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THROUGH MY EYES

Angel of Mercy

I had the wonderful good fortune to meet and talk with a legend earlier this week - Mrs. Eula Hall. For years, I have heard, and read, about Eula and all her many accomplishments. To tell you the truth, I was a little intimidated about meeting her.

But, any fears I could have had were quickly thrown to the fray once this remarkable woman shook my hand and asked me to have a seat in her office. Small of stature and possessing a calming, quiet voice, Eula Hall could easily fool anyone into thinking that she was no one of any great importance at all.

Humble to a fault and attending to patients in the Mud Creek Clinic as attentively as any mother hen, Eula's heart, it is easy to

(See EYES, page seven)



Kathy Prater
Lifestyles editor

POSTSCRIPT

Trash talk

Is it just me, or does it seem to you that there's more garbage flying around these days?

On US 23 between Prestonsburg and Paintsville, plastic bags decorate the trees, fast food containers line the shoulders and ditches.

Whole bags of trash can be seen on the roadside — and not the kind

left by folks who are cleaning up. These are dropped or thrown from the back of a pickup truck.

On the way to Lexington the other day, I saw a similar crop of debris all along the Mountain Parkway and I-64.

Who knows where the litter

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Pam Shingler
contributing writer

Women in History Eula Hall



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Eula Hall still mans an office daily at the Mud Creek Clinic after more than 30 years of attending to health care needs of low-income families.

Founder, Mud Creek Clinic

by Kathy J. Prater
FEATURES EDITOR

After more than 30 years, you'll still find her - at the clinic daily, attending to the needs of "her people," the low-income Eastern Kentuckian families who would be in danger of falling by the wayside if not for her and the health care clinic she has founded.

Eula Hall, founder of the Mud Creek Clinic, Grethel, will most humbly attempt to lead one to believe that the things she has managed to accomplish in providing for the needs of low-income families have been no great feat. But, we know better.

Coming from a poor family herself, Eula grew up in Pike County watching neighbors, friends and family succumb to illnesses such as tuberculosis, pneumonia, complicated preg-

nancies and more. She may relate the story of how she herself became very ill as a child, so ill that she was embarrassed for the doctor to see her. "I was about 11 years old," she said, "and I got pneumonia. I remember how sick I was, Honey, I was just so, so sick. So sick that even my hair fell out. I remember feeling embarrassed at the doctor's office because I couldn't hold my head up. I just laid it down on his desk."

Citing limiting factors such as money and transportation, Eula shares of how many families simply went without proper health care. She tells of the tuberculin epidemic that swept through the region when she was young. "Well, you know, lots of people got that old tuberculosis. The "Consumption," they called it, because it did just that - it consumed the body...and back in those days, people just did-

n't have indoor plumbing. They used outhouses and so the disease just spread through the waterways...it's a wonder more people didn't get TB than they did."

Seeing "the need" for improved water systems and readily available health care, Eula went to work. "I started with the water, then with getting the doctors in," she said. "We started this clinic with \$1,400 and a group of Appalachian volunteers, in my home."

As the clinic grew and the people came, Eula eventually moved out of her home, into a small trailer nearby, in order to utilize every square inch of available space. "We turned the rooms into about six examination rooms and we started out seeing patients two days a week. Those two days turned into five, and then to

(See EULA HALL, page eight)

THINGS TO PONDER

By Dr. Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

Humor and Health

When is the last time that you had a "real big belly laugh?" The value of humor, happiness, and courage and their positive influence upon health, mentally and physically, has been studied for years. This look at positive psychology moves to more optimistic aspects of psychology and away from the negative aspects. Even though the concept of positive psychology might be new on the scene, the idea of the sense of humor has been referred to for eons, such as in biblical times and the 13th century, when physicians and philosophers described laughter and its health benefits.

With its many definitions, a recent writer (Martin, 2001) described sense of humor as consisting of individual differences in all sorts of behaviors, experiences, affects, attitudes, and abilities related to amusement, laughter, and etc. Due to humor being extremely "all embracing," it has been identified as such things as a personality trait, an emotional response, a mental process, and a therapeutic intervention. In spite of humor being present in everyone everywhere, the content of humor differs for groups of people and genders. Every culture has a set of rules, norms, and values that decide what kind of humor is appropriate. Examples include Americans going for jokes having sexual or aggressive content, while Chinese are rather restrained and concealed. In regard

to gender differences, women prefer jokes with less aggressive and less sexual content than do men. However, both sexes are more likely to favor women receiving the butt of jokes. Men scored higher on creation and women scored higher on appreciation of humorous materials (Nevo, Nevo, & Yin, 2001).

As research has shown repeatedly, having a sense of humor has to many benefits. Folks having a greater sense of humor have been found to be more motivated, cheerful, trustworthy, and have higher self-esteem. In addition, they tend to develop close, social relationships (Kelly, 2002). Having a sense of humor has also been found to influence health. Examples are: (1) humor's contribution to social relationships further adds health-enhancing

effects; (2) humor has an indirect effect on stress levels, since it is suggested that having a humorous outlook on life, is likely to minimize stressful situations and experiences; and (3) physiological functioning of the body is also influenced by humor - reduces muscle tension, increases oxygen flow to the blood, exercises the cardiovascular region, and produces endorphins.

As mentioned earlier, humor has been connected to positive emotional states (Martin, 2001) and is well known as an indicator of mental health. An example of the research done concerning humor and its impact on health, emotional and physical, was that at the Missouri Western State College with volunteer psychology stu-



Mable Rowe Lineberger,
Ph.D.

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Mud Creek Clinic salutes Eula Hall during Women in History Month!

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Ponder

dents completing two questionnaires. One was the Multidimensional Sense of Humor Scale (Thorson, Powell, & Brdar, 1997) that consists of 24 items having to do with four different concepts - humor production, coping by the use of humor, humor appreciation, and attitudes toward humor. The person rates the questionnaire's statements for himself by "strongly agrees" to "strongly disagree." A high score on this test is associated with a person having a great sense of humor. Then each student responded to a mental health questionnaire (Bargar, 1996), pertaining to the difficulty one has in a particular area and ranges from no difficulty to extreme difficulty. A low score on this last test is related to low difficulty in dealing with everyday matters and improved mental health. For the students involved in the study, the overall outcome was that as the scores Humor Scale increased the scores on the mental health survey decreased. Thus, those with an

elevated sense of humor also have no or little difficulty in daily life and have greater mental health. You can "evaluate" your level of humor by rating how you agree with the following statements of the Humor Scale, using 0 - Strongly Disagree, 1-Disagree, 2-Undecided, 3-Agree, and 4-Strongly. (1) Sometimes I think up jokes or funny stories. (2) Uses of wit or humor help me master difficult situations. (3) I'm confident that I can make other people laugh. (4) I dislike comics. (5) Other people tell me that I say funny things. (6) I can use wit to help adapt to many situations. (7) I can ease a tense situation by saying something funny. (8) People who tell jokes are a pain in the neck. (9) I can often crack people up with the things I say. (10) I like a good joke. (11) Calling somebody a "comedian" is a real insult. (12) I can say things in such a way as to make people laugh. (13) Humor is a lousy coping mechanism. (14) I appreciate those who generate

humor. (15) People look to me to say amusing things. (16) Humor helps me cope. (17) I'm uncomfortable when everyone is cracking jokes. (18) I'm regarded as something of a wit by my friends. (19) Coping by using humor is an elegant way of adapting. (20) Trying to master situations through uses of humor is really dumb. (21) I can actually have some control over a group by using humor. (22) Uses of humor help to put me at ease. (23) I use humor to entertain my friends. (24) My clever saying amuse others. Now that you have your "humor" level, use the following scale to rate your "mental health:" 0-no difficulty; 1-a little; 2-moderate; 3-quite a bit; and 4-extreme. (1) Managing day-to-day (getting places on time, handling money, making every day decisions). (2) Performing your duties at home, work, or school. (3) Relationships with family members. (4) Getting along with people outside of the family. (5) Lack of self-confi-

dence, feeling bad about yourself. (6) Adjusting to major life stresses (new job, new school, moving, separation, death). (7) Feeling satisfaction with your life. (8) Overall emotional condition. (9) Maintaining a relationship with a significant other. (10) Feeling comfortable around people you don't know. (11) Accepting the authority of others. (12) Expressing your needs to others. Being able to judge the relationship between your humor and emotional levels, you are at the point of deciding what you need or want to do. Remember that anything you can do to sustain a more positive, upbeat frame of mind in dealing with the daily hassles and problems in your life contributes to your physical health at the same time that it helps you cope with stress and be more effective on the job. Your sense of humor is one of the most powerful tools you have to make certain that your daily mood and emotional state support good health. Make sure that you have at least one good laugh daily!

Postscript

originates. March winds have flung the trash indiscriminately. It's even worse in my little village. The only difference is that much of the trash is of long-standing. Along one section of the road where the dogs and I walk, all manner of garbage lies at rest in the deep ditch between the road and the railroad track. Beer cans, pop cans, oil and antifreeze containers, deflated birthday balloons, soccer balls, footballs, basketballs, mayonnaise jars, food cans, junk mail, car tires, cleaning buckets, various foam cups and plates, stuffed animals, a car casing of

some kind, a bathtub and, of course, dozens of plastic bags - these are among ditch fillers. At one point, full garbage bags have been tossed in. Our officials talk about tourism growing our economy. And here on the eve of the annual spring blossoming of red-buds, dogwoods and daffodils, what an excellent opportunity! But tourism is not going to amount to a hill of beans as long as we continue to tolerate the trashing of our land. I don't particularly want tourists seeing this side of us. Do you?

Eyes

see, is made of nothing but the purest of gold. Right in the very thick of the everyday goings-on, Eula handled request after request. "Can you sign this letter for me?" "Will you help me with this form?" "Miss Hall, can you get me some new glasses?" - the requests seemed endless and many with less patience would have closed their office doors and placed their telephones off the hook. But not Eula. Each request, each individual, was handled with the utmost care and dignity. And with the utmost amount of patience and compassion.

It's been over 30 years since Eula first decided to "make something happen" in Eastern Kentucky and so set out on her quest for quality health care and improved water systems for not some, but for all, within our region. To many in today's world, it is money and influence that "talks." The more you have of it, the more you are looked up to. But, not so for Eula Hall. For Eula, there is no price tag on human dignity. And aren't we all far better for it? It was a pleasure, and an honor, Mrs. Hall, to shake your hand.

Floyd County 4-H is Second in State LifeSmarts Championship

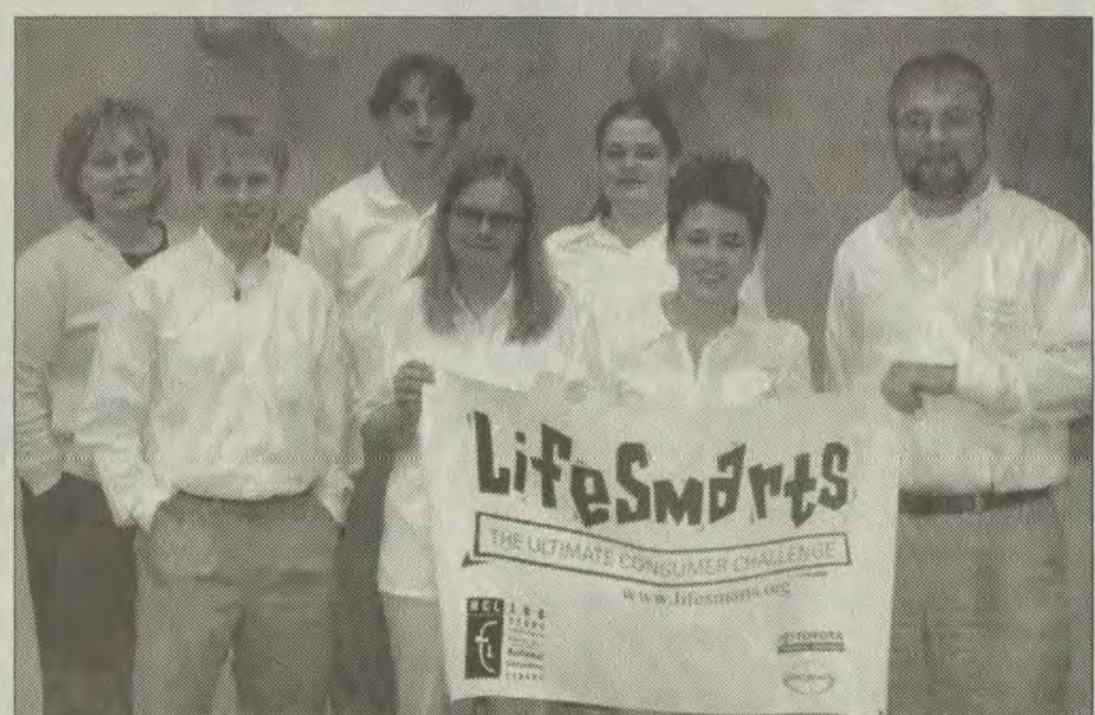
by Charles E. Stamper
FLOYD CO. EXTENSION OFFICE

FRANKFORT - Floyd County 4-H took the second place position on March 3rd in Frankfort in the state finals for LifeSmarts, a consumer education game-show style competition for high school students. Students tested their knowledge and skills by answering questions in the areas of health and safety, personal finance, environment and technology, and consumer rights and responsibilities. Chuck Stamper, Floyd County 4-H Extension Agent, with the assistance of Sharon Campbell, coached the 4-H team whose members included: Shannon Hicks, Savannah Campbell, Doug Volk, Justin Frasure, and Rachael Hill. Floyd County 4-H has participated in this event for the past three years. The Bracken County High School team won the state competition this year and will represent Kentucky at the national LifeSmarts competition in San Francisco in April. LifeSmarts is sponsored by the National Consumers League and is coordinated in

Kentucky by the Attorney General's Office in partnership with the Office of Financial Institutions, the Office of Insurance, and the Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service

(4-H and Youth Development Programs), and the Better Business Bureau. Any Floyd County Schools interested in learning more about LifeSmarts for the 2006 program year may

contact Chuck Stamper at the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Office at 606.886.2668 or visit the LifeSmarts website at www.lifesmarts.org.



2nd Place Team: Floyd County 4-H LifeSmarts Team. From left to right: Sharon Campbell, co-coach and 4-H volunteer, Justin Frasure, Doug Volk, Savannah Campbell, Rachael Hill, Shannon Hicks, and Chuck Stamper, 4-H agent and coach. The Floyd County 4-H team is runner-up in State LifeSmarts Championship.



'Best Speller' at Osborne Elementary

Tabitha Dawn Allen has recently been granted the honor of being recognized as the "Best Speller" in her school, W.D. Osborne Elementary. Tabitha was presented with the "Spelling Bee Certificate of Merit" and represented her school in the county-wide spelling bee, held March 3, at May Valley Elementary, in which she placed fifth place in the county. Tabitha is the daughter of proud parents Gary and Carol Allen, of Weeksbury.

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School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center
 ■ March 28 thru April 1 - SPRING BREAK!!
 ■ 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
 ■ March 31 - Last day to turn in Food City receipts!!
 ■ 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, at 358-0134.

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

Betsy Layne Elementary
 ■ The Betsy Layne Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center is located in the 500 building of the campus. The goal of the FRYSC is to meet the needs of all children and their families who reside in the community or neighborhood by the school in which the center is located. For further information, please contact the center at 478-5550 or 478-9751, ext. 310.
 ■ Brian H. Akers, Center Coordinator; Charlotte Rogers,

Program Assistant II; Debra Hayes, School Nurse.

Clark Elementary
 ■ A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is in the center weekly and sees WIC patients, does well-child exams (birth-18 years), and gives immunizations. Currently scheduling exams for students who will be in the 6th grade in the next school year. Call for an appointment - 886-0815.
 ■ The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Clark Elementary School building and can be reached by calling 886-0815.

Duff Elementary
 ■ 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
 ■ May 5, 6 - Kindergarten registration for 2005-06 school year, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. If possible, new students should accompany their parents to the registration process. For more information, call the school at 285-0883.
 ■ Parent Lending Library is available to parents for video check-outs. A variety of topics are available.
 ■ Floyd County Health Dept. nurse at school every Wednesday. Services

include Head Start physicals, kindergarten physicals, 6th grade physicals, well-child physicals, immunizations, TB skin test, WIC program, blood pressure checks, and more. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 for an appointment.

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

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
 ■ April 4 - FRC Advisory Council meeting, 3:15 p.m., in FRC office.
 ■ April 11 - Last day to turn in Food City receipts!
 ■ May 24, 25 - Kindergarten registration for 2005-2006 school year, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., in school auditorium. The following information is required before enrollment: Student's birth certificate, social security card, immunization records, physical exam, and eye exam. Please bring these documents the day you register your child.
 ■ The Family Resource Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and later by appointment. Office provides services for all families, regardless of income.
 ■ After School Child Care, 3-6 p.m., school days.
 ■ Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center or its programs.

South Floyd Youth Services Center
 ■ 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
 ■ April 6 - Child Abuse Awareness Month - Booth will be set up in school lunchroom and Carol Jo May, of Our Lady of the Way Hospital, will be on hand for questions and comments.
 ■ April 11, 12, 13 - Free computer class, beginners and advanced, 5:30 to 7:30, in school computer lab. If interested, call FRC center to sign up.
 ■ 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.
 ■ March 28-April 1: SPRING BREAK!!
 ■ "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



Family Medicine Without a spleen, precautions needed to avoid deadly infections

Martha A. Simpson, D.O., M.B.A.
Associate Professor
of Family Medicine

Question: I am a 30-year-old man. I was in a car accident when I was 14 and had my spleen removed. I was told there was nothing to worry about because I could live just fine without a spleen. Is this still true? Are there things I should be doing or not doing because I don't have a spleen?

Answer: We physicians know more about the spleen and what it does now than we did 16 years ago. And while it is quite true that you can live "just fine" without a spleen, there are some vaccinations you should be getting on a regular basis as well as things you need to know about the special care you should take in managing illnesses.

First, let me tell you a bit about the spleen. The spleen is an organ that is in the left, upper portion of the abdomen. It's about the size of your fist.

One significant function of the spleen is to serve as a reservoir for certain blood components, especially white blood cells that help fight infections, and platelets that are necessary for clotting. Special types of white blood cells are produced in great quantities in the spleen, then released into the bloodstream to battle infections.

The spleen also filters small particles from the blood, especially bits and pieces of worn out red blood cells and bacteria. After recovering worn out red blood cells, the spleen also recycles them. When the spleen captures bacte-

rial invaders, the immune system within this organ attacks and destroys them.

Because it performs these functions, the spleen has a very large blood supply. If it's injured — like in the car accident you were involved in — the result can be life-threatening internal bleeding. That's probably why your spleen was removed. The operation no doubt saved your life at the time.

The spleen is particularly adept at helping your body fight infections caused by what's known as "encapsulated bacteria." These are germs with an outer coating that protects them from the body's immune system. They include Strep pneumoniae, Hemophilus influenzae B, and Neisseria meningitidis, which cause pneumonia, ENT infections, and meningitis, respectively.

Infection by this type of bacteria can lead to an uncommon, but often fatal, problem called overwhelming post-splenectomy sepsis (OPSS) in an adult without a spleen. OPSS occurs in up to 2 percent of people who have had their spleens removed — sometimes as long

as 65 years after the surgery. Unfortunately, more than 50 percent of those who develop OPSS die. The good news is that most cases of OPSS can be prevented with proper immunizations.

It is advised that anyone who has had his or her spleen removed should have the polyvalent pneumococcal vaccine (Pneumovax) every 6 years, the meningitis vaccine (Menomune) every 3 to 5 years, and the hemophilus vaccine once. Additionally, a flu shot is needed annually.

Finally, if you become ill with fever, chills, abdominal pain, coughing, vomiting or a skin infection, see your doctor sooner rather than later. These could be the early signs of OPSS. Also be sure your primary care physician is aware of your surgical history and keeps you up to date on the recommended vaccinations, which may change over time as we learn more.

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Eula Hall

six. Our first two doctors were volunteers from Our Lady of the Way Hospital and we operated out of that home for a long time," she said.

In 1982, the makeshift clinic burned and Eula found herself in need of raising money in order to rebuild. In about the space of 90 days, she had managed to raise \$102,000 to be used for the continuance of providing health care for needy families.

In short time, the clinic was back up and running, in a new building, the one presently being used to this day. In the years since, the clinic has expanded its services through the development of a dental clinic, a food pantry and by helping to provide clothing for those in need. In addition, Eula and her volunteers prepare a home-cooked Christmas dinner each year for the entire area, feeding more than a thousand people each year.

When asked what gave her

the determination and drive required to build the quality health care system that is known as the Mud Creek Clinic, Eula simply said, "Seeing the need, seeing the suffering...and knowing that our people deserved better. Everyone deserves good health care, good water. Just because people are poor it doesn't mean they aren't deserving. Our people deserve it just as much as people anywhere."

"I like to make things happen," she said. "I don't care for just sitting around and wishing things were better or for being afraid to ask for what you deserve. There's no sense in that, so I just got busy. That's what a person has to do."

Putting her words to action and proving that Eastern Kentuckians are just "as good" as people anywhere, Eula says she has never felt intimidated by anyone. She has played hostess to some of the most distin-

guished political, military and entertainment personalities known. From Betty Rollins, NBC News correspondent, to Sen. Ted Kennedy, Jesse Jackson and a virtual host of congressional leaders, Eula has spent hours with such as these, driving them around the region, showing them what a strip mine looks like and what the families living in the Eastern Kentucky hills are like. She has showcased both the sadness of the area, as well as the wellspring of hope that exists within the hearts of those who are born here.

"I remember taking Ted Kennedy to meet one of our families," she said. "Their electricity had been cut off - they didn't have the money to pay - and they told him that they hadn't eaten that day. I saw tears well up in his eyes and as we were leaving, he took money out of his very own pocket and gave it to me and told me to make sure that those

people got something to eat."

Looking around the office of this amazing woman, this advocate of the poor, Eula says that the numerous awards gracing the walls are very much appreciated and that she feels honored to have received each and every one of them, but that she "never started out to get any awards." "I never did anything for an award," she said, "The best reward I could ever receive is just in seeing that our people get health care. That's better than anything that could ever be written on a piece of paper."

And of all the shiny, impressive plaques and framed citations adorning her office walls, the one thing that stands out as being most impressive to her is a poem written by one who has worked closely with her. Though the author's name is being withheld, Eula has agreed, nonetheless, to share the following words:



photo by Kathy J. Prater

In addition to providing health care services, the Mud Creek Clinic also provides dental services and food pantry and clothing assistance to area families.

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Let us show off your family pet!

Our pet photos file needs replenishing, and we know that you have lots of precious pics to share with us, so, please, send them along! And while you're at it, help Dr. Carol get her creative thoughts jumpstarted by sending along a few questions about "pet things you've always wanted to know but have been afraid to ask"!

You can send both pictures and questions to: **Kathy Prater at the Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, or you may e-mail to:**

features@floydcountytimes.com.

Send questions only to Dr. Carol at: **1768 KY Rt. 7, Estill, KY 41666, or e-mail to: carolbcac@tiusa.net.**

We will be waiting to hear from you!

This Lady Ms. Hall

*She cares for others or none at all,
This "Lady" of Eastern Kentucky they call Ms. Hall.
Her hours are early, her hours are late,
She makes sure "her people" keep their dates.
Some have said she's an angel from above,
Surely no common person could show this much love.
A smile will greet you and a "how have you been?"
This "Lady" states with a loving grin.
Her charities are legend and the strings she has pulled,
To make sure "her people" get through the bull.
From the top professional and yes, us all,
Have been blessed to know this "Lady Ms. Hall."
Her deeds will continue if we are lucky,
For the people she loves in this great Commonwealth of Kentucky.
For me, she represents all that is good,
And I would be honored to have her in my neighborhood.*

Editor's Note: The awards that Mrs. Hall has received through the years are too numerous to mention in this short space, but among them are: The Aaron C. Brown Jr. Award, KY Primary Care Association; the Berea College Service Award, Berea College; Doctor of Humane Letters, Trinity College; the Wonder Woman Foundation Award; the Award of Christian Excellence; the Kentucky Distinguished Service Medal; Kentucky Women Remembered, the Kentucky Commission on Women, 1999; and a Citation granted by the American Public Health Association, in 1974, in Chicago, Illinois - only two people were granted this award in 1974, those two people being writer and women's rights spokesperson Betty Friedan, and Mrs. Eula Hall. **Mrs. Hall looks forward to receiving an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from Berea College this coming May.**

Celebrates 93rd birthday at Martin Senior Center

Grace Flanery, of Bucks Branch, celebrated her 93rd birthday on Saturday, March 5, at the Martin Senior Citizens Center. Grace was born on February 28, 1912, at Spurlock. Many family members and friends attended the birthday celebration honoring her long and memorable life of love and service to others.

Eight of Mrs. Flanery's nine children were present, along with their spouses, children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and even one great-great-grandchild.

All in attendance enjoyed a luncheon, cake and ice cream. Approximately 80 well-wishers were present for the occasion. The City of Martin's Mayor Thomasine Robinson was also present to declare the designation of "Grace Flanery Day" in observance of Mrs. Flanery being a "loyal and devoted citizen and a loving and dedicated mother."

Mrs. Flanery is the widow of the late Parley B. Flanery.

Floyd County Devotional Page

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ASSEMBLY OF GOD

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

BAPTIST

Allen First Baptist, Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arnold Turner, Minister.
Auxiliary Freewill Baptist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.
Benedict Baptist, Slick Rock Branch, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gordon Fitch, Minister.
Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tracy Patton, Minister.
Big Sandy Community and Technical College Baptist Student Union, J 102; Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; Vera Joiner, 886-3863, ext. 67267.
Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbott Creek Road, Bonanza; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.
Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Corn Fork; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roger Music, Minister.
Calvary Southern Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Doug Lewis, Minister.
Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Paul D. Coleman, Minister.
Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathon Lafferty, Minister.
Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner Services; Saturday night, 7 p.m.; Sunday morning, 11 a.m.; Sunday night, 7 p.m.; Henry Lewis, Minister.
Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m. Jim Fields, Minister.
Endicott Freewill Baptist, Buffalo; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Smith, Pastor.

Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Ego. on Rt. 1428; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Buddy Jones, Minister.
First Baptist, Garrett; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday School, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.
First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard, Minister.
First Baptist, 54 S. Front St. (Irene Cole Memorial); Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dr. Floyd Price, minister.

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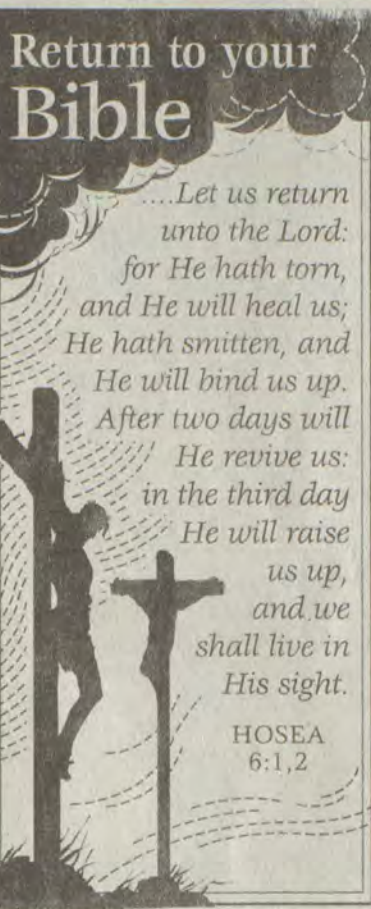
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Maytown Church of Christ, 66 Turkey Creek Rd., Langley; Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m.; Sunday morning worship 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

Upper Toler Church of Christ, 3.5 miles up Toler Creek on right; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy Dale Bush, Minister.
Weeksbury Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Mike Hall, Minister.

CHURCH OF GOD
Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judith Caudill, Minister.
Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Crum, Minister.

First Church of God; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steven V. Williams, Pastor.
Garrett Church of God, Garrett; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Bragg, Minister.

In Victory Assembly of God, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00; Worship Service, 11:00 & 6:30; Wednesday Evening, 6:30; Gary Stanley, Pastor.
Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Prater, Jr., Minister.

Little Paint First Church of God, 671 Little Paint Road, East Point; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Charles Heater Jr., Minister.
The Ligon Church of God of Prophecy, Saturday Services, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Ralph Hall, Pastor.

St. James Episcopal; Sunday Service, 9:45 a.m.; Holy Eucharist 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Study Group 6:00p.m., Holy Eucharist & Healing 7:30 p.m. Father Johnnie E. Ross, Rector.

Our Savior Lutheran, Sipp Bayes Room Carriage House Motel, Paintsville; Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; WKLW (600 am) 12:05 p.m.; Roland Bentrup, Minister.

Auxier United Methodist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.
Betsy Layne United Methodist, next to B.L. Gymnasium; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Blackburn, Minister.

Allen Christ United Methodist, Allen; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lemaster, Minister.
Community United Methodist, 141 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Neely St.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steve Pescosolido, Minister.

Elliott's Chapel Free Methodist, Rt. 979, Beaver; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Philip T. Smith, Minister.
Emma United Methodist, Emma; Sunday Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Jack Howard, Minister.

First United Methodist, 256 South Arnold Avenue; 9 a.m. Contemporary Service; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. UMYS Service; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark D. Walz, Pastor.
Horn Chapel Methodist, Auxier Road, Auxier; Sunday Morning Service, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Mid-week Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday Evening Service held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.

Graceway United Methodist, Rt. 80, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday Night, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.
Salisbury United Methodist, Printer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby G. Lawson, Minister.

Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Brad Tackett, Minister.
Wheelwright United Methodist, Wheelwright; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Isaac, Minister.

Vogle Day United Methodist Church, Harold; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wed. Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Dennis C. Love, Pastor.
Drift Pentecostal, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, Saturday/Sunday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Shannon, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thurs., 6:30 p.m.; Buster Hayton, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Weeksbury; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; John "Jay" Patton, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Campton; Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Crider, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Sanlan, Minister; David Pike, Associate Minister.

Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcolm Slone, Minister.
Parkway First Calvary Pentecostal, Floyd and Magoffin County Line; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Mike D. Caldwell, Minister. 297-6262.

Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Sat., 7 p.m.; Thurs., 7 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Church, Dwale; Services Saturday, 6 p.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Services, 11 a.m.; No Sunday Night Service.

PRESBYTERIAN
Drift Presbyterian, Route 1101, Drift; Worship Service, 11 a.m.
First Presbyterian, North Lake Drive; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; George C. Love, Minister.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
Seventh-Day Adventist, 5 miles West on Mountain Parkway; Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; Gary Shephard, Minister.

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The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; Relief Society/Prethhood/Primary, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Sacrament Mtg., 11:20 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m. Church Meeting House address, Hwy. 80, Martin, KY 41649; Meeting House telephone number: 285-3133; Ken Carriere, Bishop.

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Pastor Atha Johnson welcomes everyone to attend services at the CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY TRAM KENTUCKY. Sunday school 10 a.m., Worship service 11 a.m.

Drift Independent, Drift; Sunday, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.
Grace Fellowship Prestonsburg, (next to old flea market); Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m. Bill Stukenberg, Pastor 889-0905.

Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shepherd, Minister.
Faith Revelation Ministry, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Equipment; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Randy Hagans, Minister.

Faith Worship Center, US 460, Paintsville; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frye, Minister.
Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wed., 6:30 pm.; Lavonne Lafferty, Minister.

Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hall St.; Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.
Living Water Ministries Full Gospel Church, Conley Fork of Spurlock, Prestonsburg; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m. Pastor: Curt Howard.

Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship Service, 7 p.m., Saturday/Sunday.
Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Martin; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; John W. Patton, Minister.

Spurlock Bible (Baptist), 6227 Spurlock Creek Rd., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Stephens, Minister. 886-1003.
Town Branch Church; Sunday School 10 a.m. except for first Sunday in each month.; Worship Service, Sun. morning 10:00 a.m.; Evening 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; No Sunday night services on first Sunday of each month. Tom Nelson, Minister.

The Father House, Big Branch, Abbott Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wright, Minister.
The Tabernacle, Rt. 321 (Old Plantation Motel), Christian Educator, 10:00; Sunday Morning, 11:00; Sunday Evening, 7:00; Wednesday, 7:00; Pastors, Paul and Ramona Aiken.

Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright; Monday-Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.
Zion Deliverance, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Prayer Line: 358-2001; Jeff Kinslow, Pastor

Taylor Chapel Community Church, formerly the old Price Food Service building, located 1 quarter mile above Worldwide Equipment, Rt. 1428, Sun. Bible Study, 10 a.m.; Sun. Morning Service, 11 a.m. Sun. Evening, 6:30 p.m. Kenny Vanderpool, Pastor.

International Pentecostal Holiness Church, 10974 N. Main St., Martin; Rev. Ellis J. Stevens, Senior Pastor.
Rising Sun Ministries, 78 Court Street, Allen, Ky.; Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Pastor: D.P. Curry.

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PART-TIME DRUG SCREENING TECHNICIAN needed in the Floyd County area. 6-8 hours a week, involving 3 to 4 days a week. Pay \$10 per hour. No experience needed, training provided. Retirees encouraged to apply. Call 1-270-735-1492, before March 30th regarding this position.

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LOCAL REBUILD SHOP FOR MINE EQUIPMENT

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TAKING APPLICATION'S for CDL Driver's

must be at least Class B. Apply in person at Waste Management, 200 Garth Hollow Rd., Martin, KY.

MEDICAL SECRETARY

Needed to work Mon-Fri., 9:30-4:30, alternating between Prestonsburg and Martin Office, prefer some Secretarial and Billing Experience. Call 886-1714 or 285-9000

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BAG SALE: Martha's Portion-Lancer-Water Gap Rd., March 31st & April 1st. Fill aBag for \$3

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480-Miscellaneous

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MERCHANDISE

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Has an opening for a **Recreation Assistant**

High School Education
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Qualified candidates should submit resumé to:

Human Resources Department
 Carl D. Perkins Job Corps
 478 Meadows Branch
 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653
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For Lease Finished Office Space for lease in prime location near BSCTC, (PCC) and the new Food City - 2100 - sq. ft. Ground floor location with up to five private offices, conference room, kitchen, bath, parking lot call Today 606-424-2690 or 226-2266

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Medical Office in McDowell directly adjacent to Post Office, Dollar Store, bank, pharmacy and shopping complex. 1250 sq. ft. with 3 exam rooms, 2 offices, waiting room, triage room, 2 bathrooms and accessories. Reasonable Lease rates. Ready for immediate occupancy. For further information or to view property please call 606-377-2006 or 606-377-1088 Monday thru Friday.

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630-Houses

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4 BR BRICK HOUSE FOR RENT.

Basement & Carport, 3 miles from MAC on 404 David Road. \$700 per month, Call 886-2842 or 886-3451

2 BR HOUSE FOR RENT-\$400

per month + \$300 deposit, located between Paintsville & Prestonsburg, 3/4 from U.S. 23. No pets, references checked call 791-5761

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For Rent :

newly constructed Mobile Home Lots in new Allen, reference required call 606-874-2212

TRAILER FOR 650-Mobile Homes

RENT: On Rt. 7 at Salt Lick, No Pets, \$250 per Month, Call 358-4524

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NOTICES

812-Free

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

900-Legals

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5427, AMENDMENT NO. 4

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 750 Town Mountain Road, Pikeville, KY 41501, has applied for an amendment to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located 1.70 mile northwest of Grethel, in Floyd County. The amendment will add 6.14 acres of surface disturbance, for a total area of 1180.40 acres within the revised permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 1.31 mile east of Drift, in Floyd County, Kentucky. The operation is approximately 1.80 mile east of KY's 122 junction with the Simpson Branch County Road, and located 0.10 mile southeast of Simpson Branch. The proposed amendment is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by this amendment is owned by Stella Martin Hamilton, Dorothy Martin, Ella Martin, Cassie Martin and Earl Martin. The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's

Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 S. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. 1 CIVIL ACTION NO: 00-CI-00469 KENTUCKY FARM BUREAU MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY PLAINTIFF VS:

Willie A. Delong, unknown spouse of Willie A. Delong, Estate of Eula Ann Delong, Brian Neal Delong, unknown spouse of Brian Neal Delong, unknown spouse of Bill Delong, unknown spouse of Connie Reffett, and First Commonwealth Bank of Prestonsburg, Inc. Defendants

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of an Amended Default Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, rendered at the November 17, 2004, term, in the above styled action, I, the undersigned Special Master Commissioner, shall proceed to offer for sale, on the steps of the Old Floyd County Courthouse, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), 3rd Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 31st day of March, 2005, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., same being a day of the regular term of the Floyd Circuit Court, the following described property, as a whole, to wit: Certain real property and improvements, situated in Floyd County, Kentucky, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING

on Highway 404, running with Irvin Stone line, thence up the hill to the top joining Harminson Stone Line, thence around the hill with Harminson Stone and down the hill with Harminson Stone and down the hill to Highway 404, thence up the road with Highway 404 to the starting point,

Containing 3 acres more or less.

Being the same land conveyed to Grantor by Eula Ann Delong and being of record in Deed Book 269, page 445, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk. Also see Affidavit of Descent on Eula Ann Delong recorded in Deed Book 453, page 555 in the Floyd County Clerk's office.

The amount of money to be raised by this sale shall include costs of advertising of this sale and the fees and commissions for conducting this sale.

The purchaser shall be required to pay the sum of 10% of the bid price down in cash at the time of the sale with the balance on a credit of thirty (30) days at the rate of 12% per annum. Further, the purchaser shall be required to execute a bond or bonds with sufficient surety or sureties thereon, which shall have the force and effect of a judgment with a lien retained upon said property in order to secure payment of the balance of the purchase price. A purchaser shall have the privilege of paying all or any part of the purchase price or paying said bond or bonds before maturity by paying the balance of the principal, together with all accrued interest thereon at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. In the event that the successful bidder is an owner of an undivided interest in the property herein, then and in that event, said person shall take credit against the balance due on his or her bid for the interest owned in the property and shall fill bond for no more than the remainder of the purchase price after applying such credit, subject however to purchaser's payment of all cost of sale and delinquent taxes.

Further, the successful bidder shall be required at bidder's expense to obtain fire and extended coverage insurance upon any insurable improvements from the date of the sale until the purchase price is fully paid, to the extent of the Court appraised value of the improvements or the balance of the purchase price, whichever is less, with a loss clause payable to the Special Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court. Upon default of said deposit or posting of

bond, by the purchaser, the Special Master Commissioner shall immediately resell the property upon the same terms and conditions set out herein. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all real property taxes assessed for the tax year 2001, and all subsequent years. Any delinquent Floyd County real property taxes will be deducted from the sale proceeds. All bidders must be prepared to comply with these terms. Announcements on the day of sale shall take precedence over matters in this advertisement.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND, this 17th day of March, 2005.

CLYDE F. JOHNSON Special Master Commissioner Floyd Circuit Court 193 East Court Street Prestonsburg, KY 41653

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was mailed, postage prepaid, to the following: Hon. John E. Hinkel, Jr., 300 West Vine Street, Lexington, KY 40507; Mr. Willie A. Delong, Blue River, KY 41607; Mr. Bill Delong, Blue River, 61 Old Post Office Street, Martin, KY 41649; Ms. Connie Reffett, 4352 South Hannial Way, Apt. 236, Aurora, CO 80015; Mr. Brian Neal Delong, P.O. Box 203, Blue River, KY 41607.

This 17th day of March, 2005: HON. CLYDE F. JOHNSON

INVITATION TO BID

SALE OF '91 FORD EXPLORER BIG SANDY COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE KENTUCKY COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY

Sealed bids will be opened at 10:00 a.m. EST, Friday, April 8, 2005, at the Kentucky Community and Technical College System, Office of Facilities Management, 300 North Main St., Versailles, KY, for the purpose of the sale of a '91 Ford Explorer at Big Sandy Community & Technical College.

Bid forms and other information may be obtained by calling Ron Carter at 606/886-3863 ext. 6225, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The bid(s) will be awarded to the party offering the best and highest bid. All items sold "as-is."

The Kentucky Community and Technical College System reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

INVITATION TO BID

Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center, Prestonsburg, Ky., is now taking bids on Heating/Air Conditioning for three apartments. For more information, call Dennis Conley at (606) 886-1037, ext. 174. The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center reserves the right to reject any or all bids received.

FOR THE SALE OF: FLOYD COUNTY GAS SYSTEM

The Floyd County Fiscal Court will receive sealed bids from qualified bidders for the sale of a NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, owned by Floyd County, Kentucky, by and through the Floyd County Fiscal Court, and operated and managed by East Kentucky Utilities, Inc., pursuant to a lease agreement. The Floyd County Fiscal Court will receive sealed bids for the sale of the Floyd County Gas System until 4:00 p.m., Local Time, on Thursday, April 21, 2005.

SYSTEM DESCRIPTION:

The Floyd County Gas System consists of a natural gas distribution system furnishing natural gas to customers in the communities of Allen, Dwale, Estill, Garrett, Hueysville, Lackey, Middle Creek, Minnie, and Wayland, and their outlying vicinities in Floyd County, Kentucky. Documentation regarding the sale of the Floyd County Gas System may be examined by scheduling an appointment with David Layne, II, or John Allen, Jr., during regular business hours from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Local Time, Monday through Friday, at the offices of East Kentucky Utilities, Inc., located at Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky [Telephone (606) 886-2431; FAX: (606) 889-9196], and

having the mailing address of P.O. Box 408, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.

BID PROCESS:

The Floyd County Fiscal Court will receive sealed bids for the sale of the Floyd County Gas System at the Office of the Floyd County Judge Executive, located on the 2nd floor of the Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Suite 9, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 [Telephone (606) 886-9193] until 4:00 p.m., Local Time, on Thursday, April 21, 2005. The sealed bids for the sale of the Floyd County Gas System will be opened and an award of the bid made to the highest and best qualified bidder at the Special Meeting of the Floyd County Fiscal Court scheduled for Friday, April 22, 2005, at 10:00 a.m., Local Time, to be held in the County Courtroom, located on the 2nd floor of the Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky.

A qualified bidder will be required to provide all necessary proof of the bidder's financial, technical, and managerial ability to purchase, operate, and maintain the Floyd County Gas System. An award of the bid and the sale of the Floyd County Gas System shall be contingent upon the approval of the system's transfer by the Kentucky Public Service Commission.

Any bid received later than the time specified for receipt of bids or any bid not submitted with the necessary documentation shall not be considered. Bids received after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of

bids will be returned unopened to the bidders. Submission of a bid shall be construed as evidence and confirmation that the bidder has reviewed all necessary documentation, has made all necessary site visits, and has conducted sufficient due diligence to allow its submission of a bid and bona fide offer for the system.

The Floyd County Fiscal Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive any formalities in the bidding. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days subsequent to the opening of bids without the consent of the Floyd County Fiscal Court.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to 405 KAR 8:010, Section 16(5), the following is a summary of permitting decisions made by the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Division of Permits, with respect to applications to conduct surface coal mining and reclamation operations in Floyd County.

- Motts Branch Coal Incorporated 836-0300 issued 050207
- Premium Elkhorn Coal Corporation 836-5059 issued 050204
- Czar Coal Corporation 858-5064 issued 050202

To place your ad Call Jessica at 886-8506

Immediate Job Opening
Opening: IT Administrator
Requirement: GED or High School Graduate BS in Computer Science would be beneficial
Responsibilities: System and server maintenance, bill of materials maintenance and various other computer related duties.
 Excellent opportunity with an established truck body manufacturing company. Needs to be self-motivated, hard-working and dependable. Experience with Mass and/or MRP software would be beneficial. Excellent benefit package.
Send résumé to the following:
 R&S-Godwin Truck Body Co. P.O. Box 420 Allen, KY 41601 Attn: Diana Hall E/O/E

Director of Social Services
 Salyersville Health Care Center is recruiting for a qualified candidate to fill our Director of Social Services Position.
The qualified candidate must have:
 • Bachelor's degree in social work, or a bachelor's degree in a human services field, including, but not limited to, sociology, special education, rehabilitation counseling, and psychology.
 • One year of supervised social work experience in a health care setting, working directly with individuals.
Candidate should forward a résumé to:
 Salyersville Health Care Center 571 Parkway Drive Salyersville, KY 41465 Fax: 606-349-5962 Attention: B. Bos

"Outside Salesman"
 Mining and industrial supplier in Prestonsburg, KY, area is seeking to fill the position of Outside Sales. Territory will be that of eastern Kentucky. Candidate must be an aggressive self starter and able to work with minimal supervision. Must be goal oriented, motivated and self driven. Prime focus will be expansion of product lines within an established customer base, as well as generation of new customers. This will require excellent communications skills, ability to research business opportunities and the desire to succeed. Extensive travel required. Good interpersonal skills are a must. 3-5 years mining or industrial sales experience required. Computer skills essential. This is an opportunity for the right person to prove their skills and grow with an established company. Company vehicle will be provided, plus expense account. Salary structure will be commission less monthly draw. Benefits package included. Mail résumé with salary history to Human Resources, P.O. Box 58, Huntington, WV 25706, or fax to: (304) 526-4746. EOE

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 Sherwin-Williams, a leader in the paint and coatings industry, has an opening at our Pikeville store for a part-time Sales Associate. In this position, you will assist customers, stock and price products, maintain store displays, and tint and mix paint.
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Apply at: The Sherwin-Williams Company 4223 North Mayo Trail Pikeville, KY 41501 (Tel: 606-437-4355 Fax: 606-432-3803)
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Sealed bids for the public housing Modernization Project KY36P035-501(04) will be received by The Housing Authority of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, on April 14, 2005, at 1:00 p.m., prevailing time, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud. The project consists of:

Asbestos Tile Abatement, Concrete Garage Pads, HVAC Upgrades, and Electrical Service Upgrades.

The Information for Bidders, Form of Bid, Form of Contract, Drawings, Specifications, and other contract documents may be examined at the following locations:

C S Design, Inc. 401 West Main Street, Suite 318 Lexington, KY 40507

The Housing Authority of Prestonsburg #12 Blaine Hall Street Prestonsburg, KY 41653

Additional information is provided in the bidding documents. Copies of the bidding documents may be purchased at the following location:

Lynn Imaging 328 Old Vine Street Lexington, KY 40507

Telephone: (859) 255-1021 Attention: Plan Distribution Department www.lynnimaging.com

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on April 5, 2005, at 1:00 p.m., (local time) at the Housing Authority's main office for purposes of answering Bidders' questions, and to consider any suggestions.

The Housing Authority of Prestonsburg By: Brenda Harris, Executive Director

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5465

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Mason Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 2864, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, has applied for a permit for an underground coal mining operation, located 2.2 miles east of Emma, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 3.63 surface acres, and will underlie 130.38 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 134.01 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 2.2 miles southeast from Ky. Rt. 194's junction with Ky. Rt. 1428, and located on Cow Creek. The latitude is 37°38'07". The longitude is 82°39'27".

The proposed operation is located on the Lancer/Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Sarah B. Allen. The operation will underlie land owned by Sarah B. Allen and Woodrow W. Burchett Jr.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for

Surface Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE OF BLASTING SCHEDULE APPLICATION NUMBER 898-0722

In accordance with the provisions of KAR 16:120E, Section 3, notice is hereby given that CAM-Kentucky Coal, L.L.C., P.O. Box 1169, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, (606) 432-3900, proposes the following blasting schedule.

The blasting site consists of approximately 110.97 acres, located approximately 1.20 mile northeast of McCombs, in Pike and Floyd County, Kentucky.

The area is located approximately 1.07 mile southwest State Route 194's junction with Brushy Fork Road, and located 1.07 mile southwest of Brushy Fork, at Latitude 37°39'59" and Longitude 82°35'48".

Detonations of explosives are proposed to occur daily, sunrise to sunset, from March '05 to March '06.

Control of the blasting area will be maintained by blocking the access roads to the area, at least ten (10) minutes prior to the blast. Post detonation access to the blasting area will be allowed, only after an inspection has determined that no hazards exist. All roads leading to or near the blast site will remain closed until the all-clear signal is given.

After personnel are cleared from the area, a pre-detonation warning, consisting of one minute series of long blasts of an air horn or siren will be given. The blast signal will consist of a one minute series of short blasts of an air horn or siren, prior to detonation. The all-clear signal will consist of a prolonged blast, sounded on an air horn or siren following the inspection of the blast site. These signals will be audible over a minimum distance of one-half mile. Events which could lead to blasting at times other than scheduled, include, but are not limited to, rain, lightning, or other atmospheric conditions which involve personnel, operational, or public safety. If conditions occur that require blasting at times other than the normally scheduled blasting hours, the audible signals described above will be used to warn the public of the blasting activity.

NOTICE OF BLASTING SCHEDULE APPLICATION NUMBER 898-0721

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The blasting site consists of approximately 263.31 acres, located approximately 1.46 mile northeast of McCombs, in Pike and Floyd County, Kentucky.

The area is located approximately 1.60 mile southwest State Route 194's junction with Brushy Fork Road, and located 1.60 mile southwest of Brushy Fork, at Latitude 37°39'59" and Longitude 82°35'48". Detonations of explosives are proposed to occur daily, sunrise to sunset, from March '05 to March '06.

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Adopted this the 14th day of March, 2005.

Jerry S. Fannin Mayor

Attest: Sharon Schoolcraft City Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 3-2005

An ordinance of the City Council, of the City of Prestonsburg, amending Ordinance No. 5-2003, to show additional committee established.

Adopted this the 14th day of March, 2005.

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Attest: Sharon Schoolcraft City Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 4-2005

An ordinance of the City Council, of the City of Prestonsburg, amending Ordinance No. 6-99, to show additional committee member.

Adopted this the 14th day of March, 2005.

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY SEALED BID DEPARTMENT OF PARKS JENNY WILEY STATE RESORT PARK PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY

Sealed bids will be received by the Department of Parks and Recreation, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, 263 S. Central Ave., Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on Friday, April 1, 2005. The project consists of the construction of a new playground structure and associated equipment for the resort park. Plans and specifications are available at the Department of Parks and Recreation, 263 S. Central Ave., Prestonsburg, KY 41653. A public hearing will be held on Thursday, March 31, 2005, at 6:00 p.m. at the same location. Questions may be directed to the Department of Parks and Recreation at (606) 432-3900.

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Pursuant to KRS 231.080, any person desiring to oppose the permits, shall file with the County Clerk, no later than April 21, 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 April 21, 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

ORDINANCE NO. 2-2005

An ordinance amending Ordinance No. 12-2003, of the City Council, reflecting regular council meeting times to reflect time change of the 4th Monday of the month.

Adopted this the 14th day of March, 2005.

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received by the Department of Parks and Recreation for the removal from the Jenny Wiley State Resort Park of its complete camp-ground sewage treatment plant and storage building, plus fencing that once surrounded the plant.

Sealed bids must be submitted in an envelope clearly marked "Treatment Plant Bid." Failure to do so could result in the void of bid.

Verbal bids WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Arrangements to view the facility in advance should be made by contacting Scott Ringham at 606-889-1790.

Sealed bids will be accepted from Friday, March 25, 2005, through Friday, April 1, 2005, until 2:00 p.m.

Bids should be submitted to: Jenny Wiley State Resort Park Attn: Jonell Tackett 75 Theatre Court Prestonsburg, KY 41653

All sealed bids received will be opened at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, April 1, 2005. Attempt to notify successful bidder will immediately follow bid opening.

Successful bidder will have 20 calendar days to complete removal of facility from park premises.

a. Will accept financial responsibility for any damage that might occur to park property, including but not limited to phone lines, water lines and electric, as a result of the removal process.

b. Will not dispose of any material on park property.

c. May not hold the Commonwealth, its employees or guests, liable for any personal injury or bodily harm.

d. Will smooth and level area insuring positive drainage, leaving no visible indication that plant once existed.

e. Removal must be done so in compliance with the

Division of Waste Management Regulation, and the Environmental Protection Agency.

f. Will be solely responsible for compliance with all federal, state and local environmental regulations.

Any residual wastewater shall be pumped into the nearest lift station operated by the City of Prestonsburg.

Any sludge material shall be deposited in accordance with regulatory requirements.

Failure to comply with any of these conditions could render your bid unacceptable.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 898-0722 AMENDMENT 1

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that CAM Kentucky, LLC, P.O. Box 901, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation, located 1 mile northwest of McCombs, in Pike County, Kentucky. The amendment will add 125.88 acres of surface disturbance, making a total area of 227.34 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is located on the Thomas USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by Sue Ellen Wilkerson, Bobbie Thompson, Martin Collinsworth, Bill Burchett, Ross Harris, Ray Taylor, and Denzil Allen. The operation will use the combination of surface and auger mining.

The proposed amendment is located on the Thomas USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by Sue Ellen Wilkerson, Bobbie Thompson, Martin Collinsworth, Bill Burchett, Ross Harris, Ray Taylor, and Denzil Allen. The operation will use the combination of surface and auger mining.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the KYEPPC's Division of Field Services, Pikeville Regional Office, located at 121 Mays Branch Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 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 thirty (30) days of today's date.



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