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## P'burg slates cleanup

Times Staff Report

The city of Prestonsburg has scheduled its annual PRIDE Spring Cleanup for April 9-23.

During this time, residents can call to have trash removed. Only one dumptruck load per household will be taken away for free. Anything after the first load will be charged the regular pickup fee.

If you are a city resident and would like to schedule a pickup, call 886-2335.

## Poll update

Because of the popularity of the current online poll concerning Prestonsburg's proposal to annex Highlands Regional Medical Center, it will be continued for one more week. Register your vote at floydcountytimes.com.

### 3 DAY FORECAST

**Today**  
Partly cloudy  
High: 78 • Low: 54

**Thursday**  
Isolated storms  
High: 70 • Low: 48

**Friday**  
Showers  
High: 63 • Low: 41

For up-to-the-minute forecasts, see floydcountytimes.com

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# State, locals look for vulnerabilities

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — City Police officers are escorting Kentucky Community Preparedness Program assessors throughout Prestonsburg this week to analyze and define vulnerabilities in the city's security procedures.

The assessors, heading Gov. Fletcher's "Premier Homeland Security Initiative," are touring 16 city facilities to conduct local threat assessment vulnerabilities.

Prestonsburg is the 10th of 60 Kentucky communities to take part in the program, spokeswoman Jacinta Manning said.

"We were invited here by leaders of this community and it was so good on their part for taking the initiative to make their community safer," Manning said. "That's a really proactive stance for them. A lot of people could say, 'No, that can't happen here.' They responded by saying that it may not happen, but we're going to be prepared if it does.

That's a really progressive stance to take."

Prestonsburg Police Chief Mike Omerod, coordinator of the city's assessment program, said assessors will tour city schools, court buildings, the water and sewer plant, and Highlands Regional Medical Center this week.

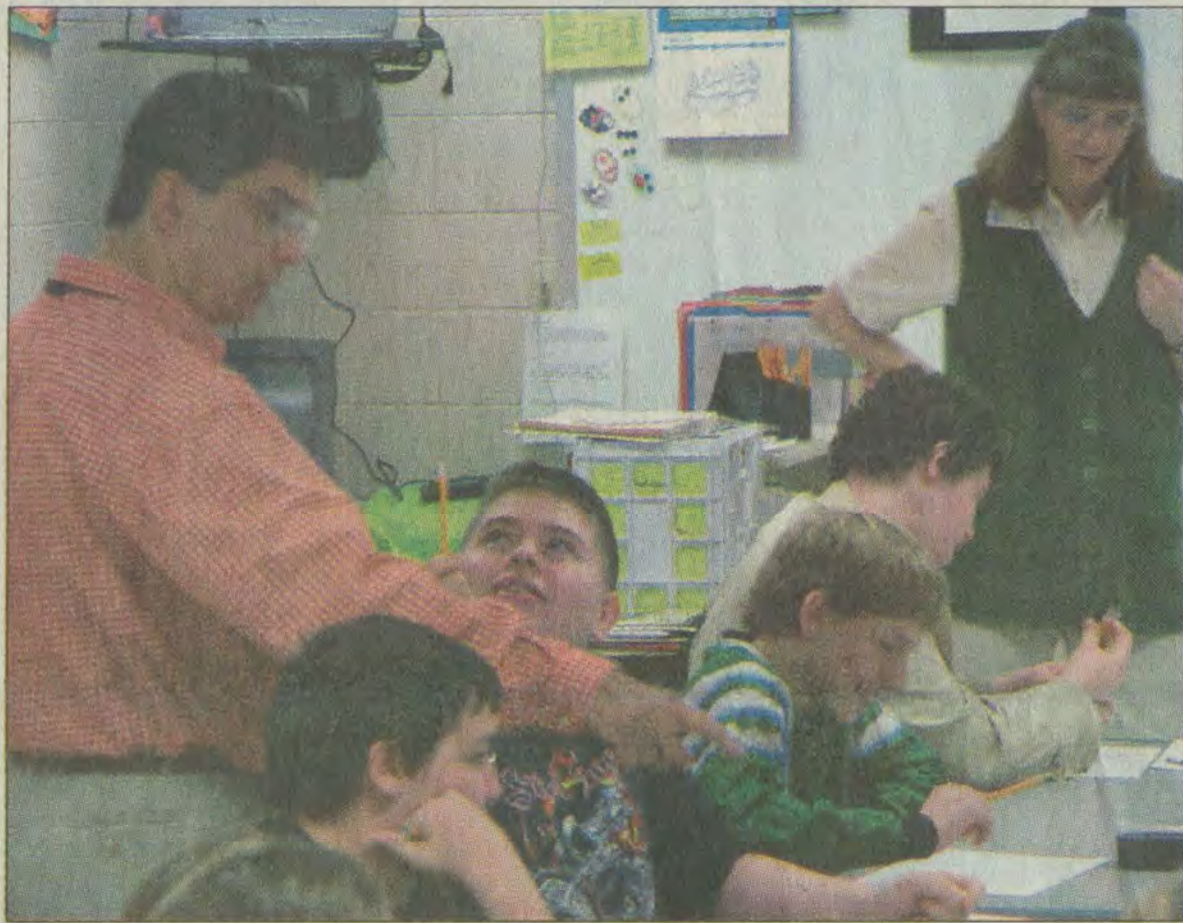
The Homeland Security initiative focuses on preventing hostile acts and crime by identifying security weaknesses through a system of risk

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Prestonsburg Police Lt. William Petry spoke with Team Leader Drexel Neal during a threat assessment evaluation yesterday at Prestonsburg High School. Police Chief Mike Omerod said last week that the threat assessment initiative would provide officers with additional training for threat assessment in the community.

photo by Mary Music



Berea artist Alfredo Escobar, whose work has been shown at the Mountain Arts Center, worked with students at John M. Stumbo Elementary this week on developing art skills.

photo by Tom Doty

## Artist spends week teaching Stumbo Elementary students

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

GRETHEL — Students at John L. Stumbo Elementary were treated to art classes with a real artist this week who gave them lessons in portrait drawing and cartooning.

Eighth-grade teacher Cindi Hughes was able to bring in Berea artist Alfredo Escobar after writing a grant to help fill the gap in art

education.

Escobar originally came down for a five-day stay back in December but was forced to cut his trip short when snow covered the mountains and saw school canceled for the week he was scheduled to appear.

Escobar, whose work was featured at the Mountain Arts Center last year, was thrilled to have the opportunity to work with area chil-

dren.

"It's a great opportunity for them," Escobar said. "Many kids learn better visually and this is a chance to tap into that."

Escobar has taught in schools throughout the state and has particularly enjoyed working with special education students and high schoolers. He confessed that he

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## Appeals court keeps Bradley lawsuit alive

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — The Court of Appeals sided with a Floyd Circuit Court decision Monday to deny a petition for voluntary dismissal of the wrongful termination lawsuit filed by former Mountain Arts Center Director Pat Bradley against Mayor Jerry Fannin and the city of Prestonsburg.

The appeals court handed down a decision, filed April 4 in circuit court, denying a petition for writ of prohibition, a motion for expedited relief to prevent the state court trial, and an emergency order to continue the trial, which is cur-

rently scheduled for April 11 in Floyd County.

Bradley, represented by attorney Catherine Stevens, made the motion during a pretrial conference in July, seeking a dismissal without prejudice in order to pursue "federal causes of action and state common law claims" against Fannin and the city of Prestonsburg. Bradley argued in the motion that "new causes of action" came to light during Fannin's deposition testimony.

Circuit Judge John David Caudill, siding with city attorney Michael Shaw, overruled Bradley's

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## Program awards diploma for life, work experience

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

THELMA — Many area adults who never finished high school can still get their diploma through a program that rewards skills learned through their life and work experiences.

The External Diploma Program is geared toward

those adults who left school early to work or raise a family and acknowledges that such experiences teach people the equivalent of what they would have learned had they gone on to finish school.

The EDP offers flexible (See DIPLOMA, page three)

## DUI suspect charged with giving brother's name

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

HAROLD — A Pikeville man with a few traffic offenses but no criminal charges was arrested on April Fool's Day and charged with his first felony offenses when he got pulled over for a DUI citation and allegedly chose to give the state trooper a false name.

Larry Hamilton, 21, of Pikeville, was pulled over by Trooper Jeffrey Hamilton (no relation) in Harold on Friday. The trooper noticed an open

bottle of Bud Light in the car and the trace of a white powdery substance around Hamilton's nostrils.

According to the citation Hamilton admitted to having drunk four beers and snorting a crushed Lortab tablet before getting behind the wheel.

Despite Hamilton's frank admissions, he allegedly decided to pass himself off as his brother and gave the trooper his brother's name, address and license number.

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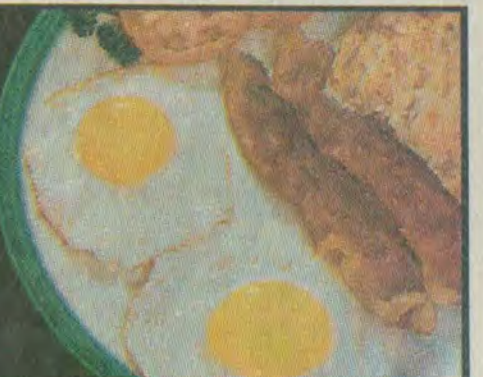
Lancer artist Randy Lawson got busy this week touching up the "Welcome to Prestonsburg" mural on the corner of South Lake Drive and Court Street.

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# Odds & Ends

■ **OSLO, Norway** — Help wanted: Vikings. Must be friendly, tourist-oriented and interested in ancient Norse traditions. Crazy, bloodthirsty pillagers need not apply.

In a rare employment opportunity for Vikings, whose job market peaked about 1,000 years ago when they terrorized Europe in their longboats, southern Norway's Vestfold county wants to fill slots at its local historical park.

The ad, to appear in local media Saturday, will be simple: "Jobs available. Vikings in Vestfold," with a link to the center's Internet home page, said Lars Kobre, self-described chieftain of the Midgard Historical Center.

"More and more we see that tourists are interested in Vikings," Kobre said Tuesday. "They don't want just exhibits, but face-to-face encounters."

But the center is seeking to

pay down the Scandinavian Vikings' reputation as wild, murderous looters who pillaged and burned through much of Europe, a claim Kobre said was largely exaggerated in texts left by ancient English monks.

"They were really more traders and merchants," said Kobre. He said they are seeking a corps of about 50 part-time Vikings, ready to turn out at the center when needed.

■ **JACKSON, Wyo.** — Twenty years after losing her wallet, along with \$177 and her Social Security card, Lisa Tonks finally has it back.

Tonks lost the wallet during a family trip in 1985 to Jackson and Yellowstone National Park.

The wallet was turned over to police, but without more information, and because the case was considered a minor one, it collected dust on a shelf along with other old evidence, including drug paraphernalia and

weapons.

Jackson police technician Tom Turcol decided to reopen the case using a police computer network and some investigative know-how.

He traced the Social Security number to Tonks, of Peru, Ind. "She was quite surprised," Turcol said. "She figured it was gone and that's that."

■ **CLEVELAND** — Some employees showing up two hours late for work soon will have the perfect excuse: A ticket stub from last night's show in Playhouse Square.

The "Late Out, Late In" promotion, announced Monday, is meant to encourage music and theater fans to enjoy the city's nightlife, even on weeknights. The city's tourism agency organized the promotion with participating employers.

Employees need approval in advance and must provide a ticket stub to claim the time off.

"Our employees work so much overtime as it is, I think it will benefit us in the long run," said Tony Weber, chief executive officer of Glazen Creative Studios, whose 11 employees specialize in corporate videos.

Weber said it was too early to say how much it might cost his company to allow concertgoers to arrive late at work the next day. He also wasn't sure whether the option would be limited to, say, once weekly or once monthly.

"We have a fairly young staff and they work very hard and I would think they would appreciate us doing anything we can do to make it more fun for them to work here," Weber said.

But Alan Dutka, whose market research firm National Survey Research Center employs 15, doubted the idea would catch on.

"We are in business to do business, not to support the arts," said Dutka, who was checking on Ohio Ballet performances in the ticket lobby at Playhouse Square.

■ **TOWN OF LEON, Wis.** — Some horses in central Wisconsin may still be bright eyed, but no longer bushy tailed.

Wauwasha and Portage county sheriff's departments are trying to figure out who is cutting off the tails of some horses.

Someone cut off parts of the same horse's tail about four times since January at Town of Leon. Wauwasha County Sheriff David Peterson said. And Portage County officials are investigating the theft of the tails of four show horses in the town of Eau Pleine.

The horses were not injured and no one has determined a motive.

In both counties, the owners described the horses as friendly and all were in pastures when the crimes occurred.

The sheriff's office is offering a cash reward through Wauwasha County Crime Stoppers, Inc., to anyone who helps solve the case. "Somebody's got to have seen something, or heard something," Peterson said.

Portage County sheriff's Detective Gina Boettcher said the culprits could be after horse hair that is sometimes used for making jewelry, watchbands, or belts.

"It's very expensive if you go to buy it," Boettcher said.

■ **UINTAH HIGHLANDS, Utah** — Matthew Jean Rouse doesn't like his middle name and he's letting you pick a new one.

The 31-year-old father of two is selling the naming right on eBay. The "Buy It Now" price is \$8,000. As of early Monday, there had been a total of 30 bids, with the high bid \$2,175.

The winning bidder gets to choose a new middle name for Rouse, a software engineer.

Rouse also agrees to use his middle name "whenever plausible and not hide it."

"If he wants to walk around with 'Fool' as his middle name, that's his problem," said Rouse's wife, Corinna Rouse. "If someone changes his name to 'Poophead,' he may decide it's a little more important than he thought."

Rouse's middle name was taken from his late grandfather, Jean Stelter, with whom he didn't get along.

His older brother, Bill Rouse, 46, of Mesa, Ariz., bid \$1,500 for the name. "Basically, he's trying to dump our grandfather's name, and I'm trying to buy it and make it stay as it is," Bill Rouse said.

■ **SPRINGFIELD, Ill.** — Mushroom hunters can breathe easier. Despite the rumors, the state of Illinois isn't charging fees and regulating the hobby this spring.

The Natural Resources Department tried to assure hunters Wednesday they do not have to get a state license and pay a \$16.75 fee to hunt mushrooms.

Department spokeswoman Gayle Simpson said the agency received dozens of calls last week complaining about the purported change. She said the department discovered someone had taken a press release from the Internet and used it to craft a fake announcement of the new license and fee.

The hoax urged hunters to visit vendors that sell hunting and fishing licenses to get a mushroom license and said the proceeds would benefit biological and archaeological research in Illinois, Simpson said.

She said the agency doesn't know when the hoax was sent or

by whom, but e-mails and faxes have spread it "like wildfire" through central and southern Illinois and the agency is investigating.

■ **BOISE, Idaho** — A well-known deputy who has served with the Canyon County Sheriff's office for the past seven years has retired. He is, quite literally, a real hound.

K9 deputy Basco, a 9-year-old Belgian Malinois, is best known for his capture of serial murder suspect Michael "Cowboy Mike" Braae in July 2001 after a high-speed chase ended at the Idaho-Oregon line. Braae abandoned his pickup and jumped into the Snake River.

Basco and his handler, Cpl. Paul Maund, hopped a boat to follow Braae. Maund attached a towline to the dog and pushed him in the water to chase after the suspect. Basco bit onto Braae's back, and Maund was able to pull the two to shore.

Malheur County Sheriff Andy Bentz said Braae's capture would have been more dangerous without Basco. "Had it not been for him and the handler being there and being able to get on the boat, we would have had to use a lot higher level of force," Bentz said.

Maund said retirement as his pet might not be easy for Basco because he's worked for the sheriff's office most of his life — tracking missing people, sniffing out narcotics and apprehending suspects.

Maund said he got a lukewarm reception after leaving Basco home a few days this month.

"When I got home, he was lying under a tree. I called to him. He looked at me and turned his head away," Maund said. "It's going to be a big transition for him."

■ **DENVER** — Colorado is serious about its no-dawdling law in left lanes.

Drivers who insist on staying in the passing lane are risking tickets as the State Patrol has

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## Today in History

### The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, April 6, the 96th day of 2005. There are 269 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:** On April 6, 1909, explorers Robert E. Peary and Matthew A. Henson became the first men to reach the North Pole. (The claim, disputed by skeptics, was upheld in 1989 by the Navigation Foundation.)

On this date:

■ In 1830, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints was organized by Joseph Smith in Fayette, N.Y.

■ In 1862, the Civil War Battle of Shiloh began in Tennessee.

■ In 1896, the first modern Olympic games formally opened in Athens, Greece.

■ In 1917, Congress approved a declaration of war against Germany.

■ In 1945, during World War II, the Japanese warship "Yamato" and nine other vessels sailed on a suicide mission to attack the U.S. fleet off Okinawa; the fleet was intercepted the next day.

■ In 1965, the United States launched the "Early Bird" communications satellite.

■ In 1971, Russian-born composer Igor Stravinsky died

in New York City.

■ In 1985, William J. Schroeder became the first artificial heart recipient to be discharged from the hospital as he moved into an apartment in Louisville, Ky.

■ In 1992, science-fiction author Isaac Asimov died in New York at age 72.

■ In 1998, country singer Tammy Wynette died at her Nashville home at age 55.

**Ten years ago:** The Senate unanimously approved a \$16 billion package of cuts in social programs. Earlier in the day, Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., apologized on the Senate floor for lampooning O.J. Simpson trial judge Lance Ito on a nationally syndicated radio program by employing a mock Japanese accent.

**Five years ago:** The father of Elian Gonzalez, Juan Miguel Gonzalez, arrived in the United States to press for the return of his 6-year-old son to Cuba. A private company mapping the human genetic blueprint announced it had decoded all of the DNA pieces that make up the genetic pattern of a single human being.

**One year ago:** Jordan's military court convicted eight Muslim militants and sentenced them to death for the 2002

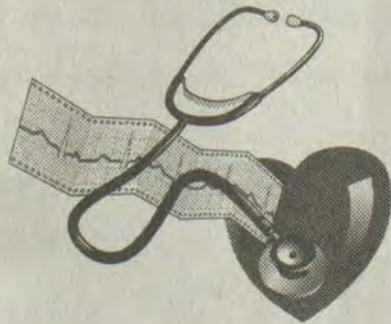
killings of U.S. aid official Laurence Foley in a terror conspiracy linked to al-Qaida. Lawmakers ousted Lithuania's scandal-ridden president Rolandas Paksas for abuse of office. The University of Connecticut's women's basketball team beat Tennessee 70-61 to win a third consecutive NCAA title, a day after UConn also won the men's championship.

**Today's Birthdays:** Composer-conductor Andre Previn is 76. Actor Ivan Dixon is 74. Country singer Merle Haggard is 68. Actor Billy Dee Williams is 68. Actor Roy Thinnes is 67. Movie director Barry Levinson is 63. Actor John Ratzberger is 58. Actress Marilu Henner is 53. Figure skater Janet Lynn is 52. Actor Michael Rooker is 50. Actress Ari Meyers is 36. Actor Paul Rudd is 36. Actor Jason Hervey is 33. Rock musician Markku Lappalainen (Hoobastank) is 32. Actor Zach Braff is 30. Actress Candace Cameron is 29. Actor Bret Harrison is 23.

**Thought for Today:** "To be really cosmopolitan, a man must be at home even in his own country." — Thomas Wentworth Higginson, American clergyman-author (1823-1911).

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motion in September, because both parties involved were already "substantially" ready for trial. Bradley did not request dismissal until the pretrial conference in the case, Judge Caudill wrote in the order, and she failed to show why Floyd Circuit Court would not be a proper venue to address her claims.

State Court of Appeals Judge David C. Buckingham, who signed the order denying Bradley's requests on April 1, ruled that Caudill was "clearly acting within his jurisdiction when he denied the motion."

Caudill also overruled a joint motion last month to continue the trial in the case after Bradley sought a ruling on her writ of prohibition.

Stevens argues in a U.S. District Court complaint filed against Fannin and the city filed last July, that Fannin "abused" his power "over" the city's police department when he ordered an investigation into Bradley's private life, including whether she was having an affair with a MAC employee.

"The allegation was false," Stevens argues. "As part of this investigation, Mayor Fannin had Plaintiff followed and surveilled by one or more officers with the Prestonsburg Police Department."

Stevens claimed that the Fannin's "dissemination of false information," in conjunction with Bradley's termination from the job,

"stigmatized" her.

Fannin's conduct, Stevens wrote, violated state law and the state and national constitutions.

Fannin and the city of Prestonsburg filed answers to interrogatory questions in the case in February, reinforcing statements made by the mayor during a deposition hearing last year.

Bradley filed suit against the city on Sept. 19, 2003, claiming that she was "wrongfully terminated" from her position at the MAC.

Fannin and the city argue that Bradley was terminated because she ineffectively managed employees, did not enroll and "refused to provide" health insurance and retirement benefits to employees, violated the sexual harassment policy by "fraternizing" with another employee, ineffectively booked MAC events and used MAC facilities for her personal benefit.

Fannin claims the city was not required to list specific reasons for Bradley's dismissal in a letter of termination addressed to her on July 29, 2003, because she was an "at will" employee.

Bradley, disputing the claim, filed a copy of her congratulatory hire-in letter that states she would be a "permanent" employee after an initial six-month probationary period.

In the federal suit filed by

Stevens against Fannin and the city, Bradley claims that Fannin discharged her for implementing policies and procedures that "served to stop the mayor from taking an unlimited number of free tickets" from the MAC. Bradley argues her termination came about after she objected to Fannin's use of the facility "for his family and friends" and to his use of the MAC functions for "his own benefit and that of his friends, family and associates."

Since the case began two years ago, accusations have meddled the mix on both sides, including emphasis about a "questionable relationship" between Bradley and one of her employees, a man for whom she authorized a 3 percent pay raise in the summer of 2003. Bradley denied the relationship during her deposition hearing but testified that she authorized the pay raise. Her lawyers have also suggested that Fannin had a "questionable relation-

ship" of his own.

Fannin denies the allegation.

Shaw, representing the city, filed a motion in Floyd Circuit Court yesterday to prohibit Bradley from introducing "Fannin's alleged sexual encounters with anyone," hearsay testimony concerning contents of any audits because they are "available and speak for themselves," evidence in the form of hearsay testimony regarding any alleged complementary ticket policy because they "should be readily available" and "will speak for themselves," any domestic violence complaints, and any testimony regarding alleged "sexist remarks" made by the mayor to singer Patty Loveless.

Shaw argues that the "probative value of this evidence is substantially outweighed by the danger of unfair prejudice."

He claims the evidence is not relevant and should be inadmissible under Kentucky Rules of Evidence 402.

"Allowing irrelevant evidence to be presented on this matter would be prejudicial to the defense of this action. Evidence of this case would likely cause confusion to the issues and be misleading to the jury," Shaw wrote.

Buckingham ruled in the Court of Appeals order that Bradley could raise the issue again by appealing the final judgment in the case. Because Bradley has already filed a federal action, he wrote, her position in federal court "may be protected so that her only damage is delay."

Bradley filed the federal complaint while the decision of dismissal was still pending in Floyd Circuit Court, stating that the action was necessary under the statute of limitations.

Her claim may still be pursued federally, Caudill said, if the court so rules.

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**Officials completing first year of heavy coal truck crackdown**

The Associated Press

WITTENSVILLE — A crackdown on overloaded coal trucks that began a year ago is helping to make roadways safer for motorists, state officials said. But others remain skeptical that the measures are improving roadway safety.

Before last year, law enforcement agencies largely ignored the weight limit law, said Kentucky Vehicle Enforcement Commissioner Greg Howard.

"I just wanted people to know the enforcement is here to stay," Howard said. "It's not a fly-by-night thing." Howard said before the stricter enforcement began last year, nearly all of the 1,800 coal trucks that traveled U.S. 23 — one of the nation's busiest coal-hauling roads — exceeded the state's weight limits.

Under Kentucky law, 18-wheel tractor-trailer rigs are legally permitted to haul up to 126,000 pounds of coal — 46,000 pounds above the federal weight limit. Up until last year, Howard said trucks were frequently caught carrying up to 200,000 pounds.

Kentucky's maximum fine for overweight trucks is \$500, although judges in most mountain counties levy lower penalties.

Some motorists remained skeptical of the increased enforcement.

Rick Caudill, of Martin, said he sees loads getting big again, and trucks seem to be running faster.

"That stuff works good for a while," Caudill said. "But then they slip it back and slip it back."

Howard said such complaints like Caudill's helped trigger a checkpoint on U.S. 23 last week. Vehicle enforcement officers said they weighed 957 coal trucks in eastern Kentucky and wrote 32 overweight tickets.

"We're doing a pretty good job but we're never going to get them all. There is still plenty of work to be done by everyone," Howard said.

But there have been complaints about an increase in speeding coal trucks since the vehicles began hauling lighter loads, Howard said.

Floyd District Judge Eric Hal noticed that one danger effectively was being replaced with another.

"From personal experience, I've noticed that since the trucks are hauling less weight, they're driving faster," he said. "Once they're hauling lighter loads, they're really putting the pedal to the metal. A loaded truck northbound on U.S. 23 passed me the other morning doing 87 miles per hour and that's way, way too fast for a loaded coal truck."

Howard said his agency also gets complaints about speeding coal trucks on two-lane roads in rural areas.

"I have a plan, starting this month to really write a lot of speeding tickets," Howard said. "That's so much easier for us to address than the weight issues."

**Artist**

has a favorite moment when teaching in schools.

"I really enjoy when you can almost physically see that light go off in a student's eyes," Escobar said. "It's that moment when you see that they get it."

At last year's meeting of principals, overseen by Supt. Dr. Paul Fanning, the arts were identified as a key area for development. Hughes

sees the experience as invaluable to students as does the school system which picked up part of the tab.

Hughes noted that VSA (Very Special Art) put up most of the funding and said that the schools also benefit from grants from the Kentucky Arts Council.

Escobar said that any ability in art is a gift from God and that all gifts must be shared to be appreciated.

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**Diploma**

schedules and individual attention to applicants who are allowed to work at their own rate. There are no classes involved.

Andy Jones, an adult educator with 32 years experience, is currently guiding the program at the Carl D. Perkins Rehabilitation Center in Johnson County and said, "The program is individualized. We can tailor it to meet the needs of every applicant."

Jones explained that there are no textbooks required for the program and that it only requires about two-and-a-half hours a week and is completed, on average, in six months.

Jones explained that, so far, the program has mainly attracted housewives but noted that it can be geared towards any individual and said that he can even arrange assignments to be based on someone's current job as long as their employer is willing to pitch in.

Jones also noted that the program is entirely confidential and only requires a one-time fee of \$50 for registration but that there are few materials that applicants will need.

Jones highlighted a typical assignment pattern for a homemaker. He said assignments would be tasks that are not uncommon, such as seeking information about a bank loan. The applicant would be counseled before such an assignment and graded on getting all of the information that is required. In the case of the loan, that would include such items as finding out interest

rates as well as penalties that might be applied.

The program is funded by the Office for Vocational Rehabilitation and can also be accessed in Pike County. Jones journeys to the Mullins Learning Center on Tuesday afternoons to work with Pike Countians there and tailors his schedule at the Rehabilitation Center to meet the needs of applicants who, for the most part, are currently employed or running a household and depend upon flexible scheduling.

There are no tests in the program and work consists of take-home projects, interviews with an advisor and performance assessments. If any academic training is required, a counselor will help applicants locate the appropriate resources.

Interested adults can find out more by contacting Jones at (800) 443-2187, ext. 186, or they can reach Linda Bell at ext. 160.

**Name**

Hamilton was arrested and faces multiple charges, including operating a vehicle under the influence, possessing an open alcoholic beverage, no proper license, no proof of insurance, obscuring his license plate, giving a false identity and identity theft without consent.

Hamilton was lodged in the Floyd County jail and placed under a \$1,500 cash bond.

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**Threats**

assessments and recommendations for improvement.

Assessors examined the physical structure of Prestonsburg High School yesterday, looking for possible security problems. They also interviewed Principal Ted George and employees at the school to determine whether policies are in place and are recognized and utilized, when necessary, by the staff at the school.

"There is no right or wrong," Manning said. "It isn't a pass or fail situation. We're just here trying to make things better."

Team Leader Drexel Neal said that the city's most effective way of combating hostile crimes or acts of terrorism is establishing good procedural training methods like mock disasters or drills.

The city police department trained officers during a mock school shooting at the high school last week and Omerod says they are planning a mock disaster in May.

Another emphasis, Drexel said, should revolve around the city's ability to keep continuous lines of inter-agency communication open with readily available radio equipment, phone lists and resource lists, during a disaster.

Once the assessment is complete, Kentucky Community Preparedness Program assessors will declare the city as a "Ready and Prepared Kentucky Community." The city will be eligible for up to \$10,000 in reimbursement funds to make recommended security changes.

Drexel said yesterday that most recommended changes revolve around the "little, inexpensive details" like implementing camera systems and locks.

The program, funded by grants from the state's Homeland Security Department, will help point out other security problems at city facilities, Omerod said, and provide additional training for city police officers who are escorting the assessment teams this week.

The Kentucky Community Preparedness Program, an extension of the Department of Criminal Justice Training's homeland security initiative, is funded by a \$2.4 million grant from the state office of Homeland security. Inspections throughout the state began last month and will continue until assessments are completed during the next 12 months, Manning said.

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## Our View

### Growing gap a concern

News that Gov. Ernie Fletcher is paying top state officials significantly more than their counterparts in the previous administration raises some serious concerns.

Fletcher has appointed more than 65 people who are paid at least \$100,000 a year, three times the salary of the average state worker.

Most cabinet secretaries are now paid \$127,000, up \$20,000 from former Gov. Paul Patton's cabinet, a 19 percent increase.

The amount of these salary increases is high compared to the Patton administration, not to mention the 3 percent increase averaged by most workers.

We understand the need to be competitive and hire top-notch state officials, but this is excessive.

Let's remember we are in a slowly improving but still questionable financial situation in this state. Are we really at the point where we should be giving top officials these kind of raises?

Here are some examples of the difference between the two administrations payment of cabinet members: Fletcher's general counsel receives \$127,146, up 19 percent from Patton's general counsel, and his press secretary receives \$121,957, up 17 percent from Patton's press secretary.

We are sure that Fletcher has some very well-qualified officials working for him, but are they that superior to Patton's officials? We doubt it.

It is a concern that while top officials are receiving hefty raises, rank and file state workers received far less.

Raises for all state workers averaged 3 percent last year. "Morale is quite low for state employees, and this is one reason why," said state Rep. Derrick Graham, D-Frankfort.

What is even more disturbing is that these large raises come only two years into Fletcher's term.

Overall, these pay increases for Fletcher's top officials seem high compared with previous administrations and certainly high compared to lower level state employees whose hard work is essential to the efficient function of state government.

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## Capitol Ideas

### Kentucky's rural areas still experiencing high unemployment rates

by JOE BIESK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — In recent years, rural Wolfe County lost two major sources of manufacturing jobs — a linen plant and a factory that made computer parts.

Today, its unemployment rate is almost 10 percent.

Like many other areas across Kentucky, local officials are scrambling to lower that. Bringing jobs to a local economy based primarily on agriculture, however, isn't a simple feat, Wolfe County Judge-Executive Raymond Hurst said.

"I really don't know the answer," Hurst said. "If I knew the answer I'd get something in here."

Last year, 74 out of Kentucky's 120 counties had an unemployment rate above the state's overall average of 5.3 percent, according to the Kentucky Education Cabinet's Office of Employment and Training. There were 41 counties with an unemployment rate below the state's average, and five that met the average, according to the OET.

In 2004, the U.S. unemployment rate was 5.5 percent, according to the OET. The statistics are estimates and based on the number of people actively seeking work.

In 2004, eastern Kentucky counties of Magoffin, Elliott, Wolfe, Morgan, Leslie, Carter, Lewis and Powell — along with Fulton and Hickman counties in western Kentucky — all had unemployment rates above 8 percent. Magoffin County had the highest at 12.7 percent, followed by Elliott and Wolfe counties at 9.9 percent and 9.8 percent respectively.

Meanwhile, Oldham, Woodford, Fayette, Shelby, Spencer, Anderson, Franklin, Boone, Jessamine, Scott, Todd and Warren counties all marked unemployment rates below 4.5 percent. Jefferson County had a 4.9 percent unemployment rate.

Historically, many Kentucky counties — particularly in the eastern part of the state — have had unemployment rates above the state and national averages, said John Garen, an economics professor and co-director of the University of Kentucky's Center for Business and Economic Research.

Many of the counties have had less of a knowledge-based economy and focused instead more on physical labor, including coal, Garen said. That has contributed to the higher unemployment rates, he said.

It's a cycle that's hard to break, Garen said.

When companies look to locate in Kentucky, they tend to focus on the

state's urban areas of Lexington, Louisville and northern Kentucky, Garen said.

"It's hard to see any major movements of employers into rural areas," Garen said. "There just aren't as many reasons to locate there."

And, many college-educated people who come from low-income areas usually can't stay there to work, he said.

"People who are from rural areas and do get a lot of education and skills tend not to stay there," Garen said. "They tend to move out."

Innovation in the coal industry, combined with the dwindling tobacco market, has hurt Kentucky, said Natalie Gibson, director of development at the Center for Rural Development in Somerset.

Technological advances in the coal industry have allowed more coal to be gathered using fewer people, Gibson said.

"And of course, if there are losses there, then that has an impact on everything else," Gibson said. "People don't have jobs, they can't buy anything because they don't have any money. So that means stores start to go out of business and industry starts to leave."

Meanwhile, areas with lower unemployment levels tend to be urban areas with larger populations, she said. Urban

(See RATES, page twelve)

## Letters

### Story didn't tell both sides

The front page of the March 22 issue of The Floyd County Times featured an article written by Mary Music and headlined, "State appeals \$20,000 wreck award." This article went on to discuss our Mother's 1992 death in a car accident on U.S. 23. Nowhere was the usual dis-

claimer that the Times was only presenting one side of the issue, and at no time were our attorneys contacted for comment.

We have several issues at odds with what was reported by The Times article:

1. The part of the article that reads: "Miller also pointed out that the board of claims erroneously assigned 85 percent of the blame on the driver, when consuming alcohol before operating an automobile should have warranted assigning all of the blame. It is not known whether the sign warning of the guardrail was down

before or after the accident, but Miller pointed out that the victim had a blood alcohol level of 0.127."

This is an irresponsible and incorrect statement by Mr. Miller. The alcohol intoxication issue was ruled inadmissible because of sampling errors, handling errors and testimony.

It might interest your readers to know that in 2002 a National Transportation Safety Board investigative team made an inquiry into why the bodies of pilots

(See LETTERS, page ten)

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# Health Extra

## W.Va. study tries dance game as weight-loss effort for kids

by ALLISON BARKER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — Like many other 11-year-old boys, K.D. Jones loves sports. But at 5 feet, 175 pounds, he found his weight and his asthma an obstacle.

His doctor wanted him to lose 50 pounds, and he is hoping a new health study using a video dance game will help him get down to 125 by the end of summer in time to play football.

Jones is one of 85 children in an at-home study trying the popular Dance Dance Revolution video game to boost their activity. The study is being done by West Virginia's public employees insurance group in hopes it will lead to better health and lower costs.

Jones lost about 10 pounds by changing his diet. Now, after two weeks playing the game, he has lost another 10.

"I feel a lot better," he said. "It's a lot easier to play basketball now."

His enthusiasm has his mother, who also struggles with her weight, giving the game a try.

"It's a lot of fun," Joyce Jones said. "But I can only do it about two times for every four times he does."

The West Virginia Public Employees Insurance Agency, which covers 215,000 state workers, teachers and their dependents, believes it is the first insurance provider to use the game to cut costs. Konami Digital Entertainment America, which distributes the Japanese game in the United States, knows of no other state or insurance agency using the game for its health benefits.

"Today's kids are tomorrow's members," said the insurance group's Nidia Henderson. "Obesity claims last year cost us \$77 million. We have to cur-

tail those costs."

The insurer is providing a game console, dance pad and software for the six-month, \$60,000 study. West Virginia University is providing the medical screenings and tracking results.

The students, all children of PEIA-covered employees, are required to meet with researchers, play the game a prescribed amount of time, wear a pedometer and maintain a log. They get to keep the game software and pad.

So far, about a dozen kids have started playing the game. They will be re-evaluated after three months and again at the end of the study.

PEIA is also funding part of a two-year pilot project with the state Education Department to put the game in 20 schools for use in physical education and health classes. They hope children who play it at school will get their parents to buy it

for home use.

In West Virginia, almost 43 percent of the nearly 6,000 children screened for heart disease risk were considered overweight or obese; more than 25 percent were obese.

"We are in a crisis in terms of childhood obesity not only in West Virginia but in America," said Linda Carson, a professor in WVU's School of Physical Education who is coordinating the study.

Prescreening tests on the overweight children have already raised concerns. Researchers expected to find problems with blood pressure and cholesterol, but they also found that blood flow to the arteries was being disrupted. The condition can lead to diabetes and heart disease.

Researchers at Syracuse University in New York also have been looking at the potential for improved cardiovascular and physiological effects

among children using the game. And at Penn State, researchers are studying how much energy children use playing games like Dance Dance Revolution.

In West Virginia, Robrietta Lambert, a physical education teacher at Franklin Elementary in Pendleton County, believes she already knows what all the studies will find. She has been using the video game in her classes since last fall.

"It improves cardiovascular health as well as eye-hand coordination," Lambert said. "Kids who don't like other things bloom on this. If they don't like basketball, jumping rope or ball activities, they like this."

Players stand on a 3-foot-square metal mat with an arrow on each side — pointing up, down, left and right. Arrows scroll up the television screen to the beat of more than 100 tunes chosen by the player. As an arrow moves across the screen, the player steps on the

corresponding arrow on the platform. Hidden songs are uncovered as players improve their speed and scores.

Sounds easy enough, but throw in combinations of multiple arrows, add the quick speed at which veterans play, and the game is as challenging as an aerobics class. Most beginners are flushed in the face after one or two songs.

At Morgantown High School, one of the 20 pilot sites, curiosity about the flashing lights and upbeat music draw students inside Maxine Arbogast's health class. The game, which was first introduced as an arcade game in Japan, is attracting the sedentary and the seasoned athlete alike.

Senior Stephanie Bellman, 18, said she was already getting addicted after only a few days.

"I like how it creates a good mood," she said. "Even when you mess up you laugh."

## State ranks high in early prenatal care; cancer rates persist

by BRUCE SCHREINER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Kentucky is plagued by high cancer and diabetes rates but received solid marks for some preventative efforts in a national health report issued Monday.

The state ranks high for early prenatal care and is in the middle of the pack nationally for blood cholesterol checks to try to prevent heart disease, according to the 2004 National Healthcare Quality Report, a state-by-state review mandated by Congress.

Cancer death rates in Kentucky, however, exceeded

the national average, especially for lung and colorectal cancer, the report said. And hospital admissions for complications from diabetes in Kentucky were above the national average, it said.

Kentucky's best ranking was 12th for the percentage of women receiving prenatal care in the first three months of pregnancy, according to the report.

Dr. William Hacker, Kentucky's public health commissioner, said Monday that early prenatal care "is a cornerstone of a good pregnancy outcome."

"Early prenatal care is critical for providing nutritional

guidance to mothers who are pregnant, giving them information regarding the risk of smoking, of taking medications that they should not be taking," he said in an interview.

Despite the higher-than-average early prenatal care, Kentucky had slightly higher percentages of low-weight newborns in 2001, according to the report.

The report rated Kentucky 25th nationally in the percentage of adults who had their blood cholesterol checked in the past five years.

Kentucky also rated slightly above the national average in the percentage of adults 65 and

older who received flu vaccines in the last year.

Meanwhile, the state's overall cancer death rate easily exceeded the national average. In 2001, Kentucky had an overall cancer death rate of 227.9 per 100,000 people, compared with a national average of 195.1 deaths, according to the report.

Kentucky's death rates from

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# Obituaries

## Shadrick "Shad" Daniel Vickers

Shadrick "Shad" Daniel Vickers, 28, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, March 31, 2005, at Central Baptist Hospital.



Born April 13, 1976, in Lexington, he was son of Garry Howard Vickers and Helen Ann Francis Vickers of Lancaster. He was a salesman at Lowe's in Paintsville; a member of the Community United Methodist Church, and a member of the United Coalition for Drugs.

He is survived by his wife, Tiffany Meade Vickers.

Survivors, in addition to his wife and parents, include one daughter, Savannah Leshae Vickers of Prestonsburg; and two sons: Aiden Joseph Vickers and Charles Robert Hubbard Vickers, both of Prestonsburg; one sister, Sarah Susanne Ousley of Stanford; his grandmother, Betty Davis Francis of Prestonsburg; and his great-grandmother, Lucille Davis of Prestonsburg.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents: Hubbard C. "Huck" Francis, Howard Jackson "Jack" Vickers, and Nancy Wells Vickers.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 4, at 1 p.m., at the Community United Methodist Church, in Prestonsburg, with Rev. Steve Pescosolido and Rev. Larry Vickers officiating.

Interment was in the Davis Family Cemetery, Prestonsburg.

The family had entrusted arrangements to the Carter Funeral Home.

Contributions are suggested to: Shad Vickers Memorial Fund in care of Community United Methodist, 147 Burke Ave., Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653.

Active pallbearers: Jay Macintire, Joey Nunn, Brad Burchett, Paul Burchett, Tim Collins, Jeff Setser, Craig Lyons, Robbie Moore, Seth Long, and Kris Clark.

Honorary: Charles Halfhill, Shawn Ousley, and Clayton Case.

(Paid obituary)

## James Walker Horn

James Walker Horn, age 77, of Hilliard, Ohio, passed away at Doctors Hospital on Thursday, March 10, 2005.

James was born on October 20, 1927, in Ligon, Kentucky, a son of the late John and Bessie Moore Horn. His beloved wife of 41 years, Irene Howell Horn, preceded him in death.

Jimmy served his country as a member of the United States Army during the Korean Conflict. He retired from Columbus Coated Fabrics after 34 years of service, and was a Charter Member of Harvest Assembly of God. He was a devoted and loving husband, father, uncle, and friend.

He is survived by his son, Dana, and daughter-in-law, Michele, of Plain City, Ohio; a brother, Charles B. Horn of Weeksburg; and many nieces, nephews, in-laws, and friends.

Visitation was Sunday, March 13, from 4-8 p.m., at Harvest Assembly of God, 8075 Dellinger Road, Galloway, Ohio, where funeral service was held at 11 a.m., Monday, March 14, 2005, with Pastor Chris Tomaso officiating. Interment was in the Sunset Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to James Walker Horn Memorial Fund at Harvest Assembly Church.

Arrangements completed by the Tidd Funeral Home, Hilliard, Ohio.

(paid obituary)

## Ralph Blankenship

Ralph Blankenship, 53, of Teaberry, died Saturday, April 2, 2005, at his residence.

Born March 2, 1952, in Martin, he was the son of Chester and Bessie Hall Blankenship of Teaberry. He was a disabled coal miner, and a member of the Tackett Fork Freewill Baptist Church at Beaver.

He is survived by his wife, Rosa Akers Blankenship.

In addition to his wife, and parents, survivors include a son, Ralph Blankenship Jr., (wife, Susan) of Ashtabula, Ohio; three daughters: Penny Lynn Mosley (husband, Scotty) of Grethel, Sandy Faye McGuire (husband, Joey) of Beaver, and Cindy Ann Blankenship of Teaberry; three brothers: Charlie Blankenship of Galveston, Carter Blankenship of Teaberry, and Lester Blankenship of Flemingsburg; two sisters: Mildred Akers of Teaberry, and Madge Keathley of Galveston; eight grandchildren and three step-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Shannon Ralph Blankenship.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 4, at 11 a.m., at the Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church, at Teaberry, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Blankenship Family Cemetery, at Teaberry, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

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

(Paid obituary)

## Tom Ed Blackburn

Tom Ed Blackburn, age 67,

of Prestonsburg, the husband of Margaret Ann Adams Blackburn, passed away Thursday, March 31, 2005, at the Cabell Huntington Hospital, Huntington, West Virginia.

He was born April 6, 1937, in Endicott, the son of the late Gordie Blackburn and Mellie Bush Blackburn. He was a retired truck driver, and a member of the Endicott Freewill Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret Ann; one daughter, Rhonda Gaye Blackburn of Prestonsburg; one brother, Trevert Blackburn of Prestonsburg; and three sisters: Farinda Miller of Jackson, Ohio, and Gertie Garrett and Bonnie Scalf, both of Prestonsburg.

He was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers: Delmar Blackburn, Thelmar Blackburn, Troy Blackburn, and John Blackburn; and two sisters: Margie Spears and Cora Blackburn.

Funeral services for Tom Ed Blackburn were conducted Sunday, April 3, at 2 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, with Clergymen Jim Smith and Hobart Meek officiating.

Burial was in the Blackburn Family Cemetery, in McCombs, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home, with nightly services at 7 p.m.

Pallbearers: Jason Bishop, James Adams, Steven Stevens, Ronnie Blackburn, Christopher Blackburn, Ricky Scalf, Brandon Maynard, Dakota Maynard, Chris Brothers, David Hall, and Sean Bo Bo.

(Paid obituary)

## Andy Newsome

Andy Newsome, age 76, of Grethel, husband of the late Lucile Martin Newsome, passed away Saturday, April 2, 2005, in Ridgecrest Manor, Duffield, Virginia.

He was born January 7, 1929, a son of the late William and Martha Hamilton Newsome. He was a retired heavy equipment operator, a member of the Grethel Baptist Church, and was a member of John W. Hall Masonic Lodge No. 950, Martin.

Survivors include two sons: Gerald (Kathy) Newsome, and John W. Newsome, both of Grethel; two brothers: William Newsome Jr., of Stanville, and Billy Ray Newsome of Grethel; six sisters: Fannie Hall of Peebles, Ohio, and Melvina Akers and Sola Akers, both of Grethel, Mearl Clark of Harold, and Emogene Hall and Pauline Green, both of Ivel; two grandchildren: Andrea Newsome (Jonothan) Sadler, and Gerald Brandon (Stacy) Newsome; and two great-grandchildren: Austin Blake Sadler, and Cameron Kyle Saddle.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by five brothers: Duran Newsome, Dock Newsome, Tolva Newsome, Anthony Newsome, and Charlie Newsome; and four sisters: Martha Newsome, Cora Moore, Goldie Thacker, and Armina Newman.

A Masonic service was held Monday evening, at 7 p.m.

Funeral services for Andy Newsome were conducted Tuesday, April 5, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, with Clergyman Don Crisp officiating.

Burial was in the Martin-Newsome Cemetery, in Grethel, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Ronnie Akers, Zackery Akers, Duran Newsome, Charles Newsome, Arthur Deskins, Drexle Hall, Brandon Newsome, Dwayne Kidd, William Newsome, and Johnny Sadler.

(Paid obituary)

## Meredith Edgar Spurlock

Meredith Edgar Spurlock, age 81, of Prestonsburg, husband of Opal Salisbury Spurlock, passed away Monday, April 4, 2005, at the Veterans Hospital, Huntington, West Virginia.

He was born July 26, 1923, in Hunter, the son of the late Hobert Cline Spurlock and Nora Kathryn Salisbury Spurlock. He was a self-employed salesman, and a minister of The Kingdom Hall Jehovah's Witness.

Survivors include his wife, Opal; one son, Timothy Cline Spurlock of Prestonsburg; one daughter, Rita (Mike) Wells of Lexington; seven grandchildren: Ronda K. Meade, Russell Meredith Meade, Timothy David Spurlock, James Joel Spurlock, Aaron River Spurlock, Steve Wells, and Tammy Wells Bartley; and several great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Meredith Edgar Spurlock will be conducted Thursday, April 7, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Minister Heiki Giese officiating.

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

Visitation is at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

## Benny Roy Meade

Benny Roy Meade, 67, of Betsy Layne, died Sunday, April 3, 2005, at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington.

Born December 8, 1937, in Boldman, he was the son of the late Crate and Gypsy Porter Meade. He was a tinsmith, and a U.S. Army veteran.

Survivors include one brother, Crate Meade Jr., of Boldman; six sisters: Mary Ann Adkins of Virginia, Merle Haggerty of Arkansas, Zella Roberts of Florida, Dortha Williams of Texas, Mabre Bryan of Maryland, and Aretta Bryan of North Carolina; special friends: Freddy and Faye Wicker of Somerset; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Patsy Harmon.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, April 6, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Belmont Johnson officiating.

Burial will be in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

## Josephine Musick

Josephine Musick, 73, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, April 4, 2005, at her residence.

Born October 16, 1931, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late George Tivis and Virgie Hunter Goble. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Marvin Musick.

Survivors include three sons: George P. Musick, and Marvin Musick Jr., both of Prestonsburg, and Steven Ray Musick of Pikeville; three daughters: Phyllis Ann Davis of Prestonsburg, Evelyn Marie Musick of Pensacola, Florida, and Betty Kay Musick of Allen; one brother, James Goble of Prestonsburg; two sisters: Kathleen Miller, and Dottie Lou Woods, both of Prestonsburg; 10 grandchildren, and 13 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, April 7, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Gordon Fitch, and others, officiating.

Burial will be in the Musick Cemetery, Cow Creek, Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

## Jimmy (Dickie) Stumbo

Jimmy (Dickie) Stumbo, 50, of Price, died Wednesday, March 30, 2005, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Healthcare emergency room.

Born January 26, 1955, in Martin, he was the son of Cecil and Mertie Moore Stumbo of Price. He was a disabled miner.

He is survived by his wife, Glenda Sue Spears Stumbo.

In addition to his wife and parents, survivors include three sons: Brian Stumbo (wife, Kristy) of Price, Keith Stumbo (wife, Michelle) of Hager Hill, and Scottie Stumbo (girlfriend, Paula Curtis) of Price; three grandchildren: John David Stumbo, Dalton Alan Stumbo, and Hollie LaShae Stumbo; four brothers: Mike Stumbo (Karen) of Prestonsburg,

Randy Stumbo (Lynn) of Cynthiana, Ricky Stumbo (Rhonda) of Price, and Mark Stumbo (Earlene) of Crittenden; a sister, Paula Lewis (Jim) of Dacula, Georgia; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 2, at 11 a.m., at the Pilgrims Rest Old

Regular Baptist Church, at Price, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the family cemetery, (Cherokee Road), at Price, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

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

(Paid obituary)

## Card of Thanks

The family of Katherine Stratton would like to express a sincere appreciation to all the relatives, friends, and neighbors, who helped to comfort us during our time of loss. We would like to thank all those who sent food, flowers, and words of comfort expressed. A special thanks to Clergyman Ken Lemaster for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

THE FAMILY OF KATHERINE STRATTON

## Card of Thanks

The family of Ray Layne would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation to all those who helped in any way during the loss of our loved one. We appreciate all the food, flowers, prayers, and all the acts of kindness shown to our family. A special thanks to the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home of Martin, Ky., for their kind, professional, and courteous service. All your thoughts and prayers were a great comfort to our family.

THE FAMILY OF RAY LAYNE

## Card of Thanks

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

THE FAMILY OF RAY HAMILTON JR.

## Card of Thanks

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

THE FAMILY OF WOODROW "NINE BEARD" JARRELL

## Card of Thanks

The family of Opal Montana Vanderpool Howard, would like to express our appreciation to all those who helped in any way during the loss of our loved one. We thank you for the flowers and all the kindness expressed.

A special thanks, first to Hall Funeral Home, for bringing her home to the hills of Kentucky, and for their professional service for her eternal rest; and Rev. Bethel Bolen, a deep emotional thanks for honoring her last wishes. Also Rev. David Garrett for his special run to Virginia, and for timing and pulling it all together for us. Also for the food that was served at Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist Church.

THE FAMILY OF  
OPAL MONTANA VANDERPOOL HOWARD

## Card of Thanks

The family of Bethel M. Hall would like to express our appreciation to all those who helped in any way during our time of sorrow. We appreciate all the food, flowers, prayers, and all the acts of kindness shown to our family. We would like to send a special thanks to the Little Nancy Old Regular Baptist Church, and the Old Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, the staff and doctors at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, and the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control. All your acts of kindness were a great comfort to our family.

THE FAMILY OF BETHEL M. HALL

## Card of Thanks

We, the family of the late Mike Wireman of Hueysville, Ky., would like to humbly thank each and everyone who helped in any way during the passing of our son. To those who sent flowers, food, or came by the funeral home to offer moral and loving support at a time when our hearts were breaking. For the ministers, Roger Bolen, Bill Tussey Jr., and Earl Miller, we thank you guys so much for comforting words and prayers. To the Floyd and Knott County Sheriff's Departments for escorting us safely to the final resting place. To the Knott County Coroner, Jeff Blair, for being so understanding and patient. Also the boys at Hall Brothers Funeral Home for such nice and compassionate services. To anyone whom we failed to mention, thank you so much. May God Bless You All.

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# New Jersey native chosen to head UK's Appalachian Center

by ROGER ALFORD  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PIKEVILLE — A New Jersey native who has worked extensively in the mountains of Kentucky and Tennessee is being recommended as the new director of the University of Kentucky Appalachian Center. Evelyn Knight, a researcher and associate professor in the university's College of Public Health, will begin her new duties on May 1, pending approval by the UK board of trustees, said Wendy Baldwin, the university's executive vice president for research. Knight worked 14 years in Appalachia before joining the University of Kentucky. She was an associate professor at East Tennessee State University in Johnson City, Tenn., and was a coordinator of planning and program development at Appalshop, an arts and

cultural center in Whitesburg. Knight, who has been at the Lexington campus since 2002, also served three years as director of health promotion and disease prevention at the Center for Rural Health in Hazard. "She's going to bring a lot of new energy and her broad vision to the Appalachian Center," Baldwin said. Knight said she is excited about the position. The first order of business, she said, will be to meet with people who have an interest in the Appalachian Center, whether they're students, professors or community leaders in eastern Kentucky. "I'm looking forward to it," she said. "The main thing I want to do is get out and talk with people. We'll be spending a lot of time in the car, really getting to know folks." The mission of the

Appalachian Center, which was created more than 25 years ago, is to enlist experts from every field of study at the university to help solve problems in the mountains. Knight will guide the Appalachian Center as it takes on various research, service and education projects involving mountain communities. What the initial projects will be haven't been decided. "My notion is we'll decide that as a collaborative effort," she said. "I'm not going to make the decision by myself." Knight, who received a doctorate in health education from the University of Maryland, beat out one of eastern Kentucky's best known champions for economic development for the job. Roger Recktenwald, who helped develop industrial parks and recruit factories to the region, was among the finalists selected by a search committee.

Recktenwald, 60, of Lawrenceburg, served from 2000 to 2004 as executive director of the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority, a state agency that helps identify and fund projects important to the state's economic development. Before that, he worked 27 years for the Big Sandy Area Development District in Prestonsburg. Baldwin said Knight's interests go far beyond the health issues that are her area of expertise. "Her background is in research and community-based activities in Appalachia," Baldwin said. "She has a commitment to the broad issues the center will face." Baldwin said the Appalachian Center will continue to "bring the research skills of the university to bear on the problems of Appalachia."

# Telethon raises \$52,000 for 'Hope'

HAZARD — The WYMT-hosted telethon for the Hope in the Mountains treatment center initiative held Sunday, April 3, brought in about \$52,000 in pledges. The non-profit organization will be conducting several fundraisers throughout the year as board members hope to open the 90-day drug and alcohol treatment facility by September. Although the center — located on Route 1750 in Johnson County — will house 20 to 25 women initially, board members will begin planning for a men's facility immediately upon opening. The facility offers a long-term approach to treating a person with a chemical depen-

dency problem in order to help the person establish a solid foundation for a new way of life before leaving the safety of the treatment center, as well as building a support system to ensure continued success. While the center hopes to use grants for funding when established, it must rely on community support for initial startup. The telethon brought in \$52,412 in pledges and though statistics show not all of those who promised a check will send one, a significant amount was from a few sources who will deliver. Among those were \$15,000 from Willard Kinzer, of Kinzer Drilling in Floyd County; \$5,000 from

board member Inez Baldrige; \$5,000 from Enchanted World Travel; \$2,000 from Highlands Regional Medical Center; \$1,000 from Johnson County Fiscal Court; and \$1,000 from Citizens National Bank. Any one who did not get an opportunity to pledge can send donations, regardless of how small, to Hope in the Mountains, 273 Horseshoe Street, Thelma, KY 41260. Churches wishing to participate in assisting this spiritually-based facility can send donations to the Thelma address or they can participate in a fundraiser hosted by the Paintsville Herald called "Churches for Hope," by sending a check or money

order made out to Hope in the Mountains to the Herald, P.O. box 1547, Paintsville, KY 41240-5547. Church pastors are asked to request each member of their congregation to donate at least \$1 a month at the beginning of each month. The Herald will list the churches and the donations at the end of each month on a special page to build community support and to show the efforts of people uniting for a common purpose — the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual health of Eastern Kentuckians.

# State Treasury holds second eBay auction of abandoned property

FRANKFORT — For the next week, a variety of items from the holdings of the Kentucky State Treasury's Unclaimed Property Division will be up for auction on eBay. The items for auction have been abandoned in safety deposit boxes in banks and financial institutions across the state and range from jewelry and old coins to a collection of rare Elvis trading cards. Like these pieces, property

that has been abandoned in financial institutions for a period of seven years must be handed over to the Treasury. These particular items have been in the Treasury's vault for at least three years, and efforts to reach the rightful owners have failed. Extraordinarily personal items (e.g., military medals) will never be auctioned off, and the treasurer's office will continue to seek the rightful owners. The first eBay auction of

unclaimed property was held in December 2004 and was a success. The 20 items up for auction received more than 500 bids and brought more than \$16,000 — more than 75 percent of the appraised value. The number of items this time has been increased to 39. The auction runs until 9 a.m., Monday, April 11. A link to the eBay auction can be found of the Treasury's Web page [www.kytreasury.com](http://www.kytreasury.com)

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<b>Cinema Five • PG-13</b> <b>HELD OVER</b>  <b>BEAUTY SHOP</b> Mon.-Sun. 7:05-9:15; Fri. (4:15), 7:05-9:15; Sat.-Sun. (2:05-4:15), 7:05-9:15	<b>Cinema Ten • PG</b> <b>HELD OVER</b>  <b>ROBOTS</b> Mon.-Sun. 7:00-9:10; Fri. (4:10), 7:00-9:10; Sat.-Sun. (2:00-4:10), 7:00-9:10

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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](mailto: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.

**A Day in the Park Scheduled, April 16**

The Big Sandy Family Caregiver Program and the Johnson County Grandparent Support Group announce "A Day in the Park" for grandparents and their grandchildren. This event is free and will be held April 16, at the Paintsville Recreation Center, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. There will be games for all ages, food and door prizes. All grandparents and grandchildren are welcome to attend. For more information, contact Melissa King at 1-800-737-2723.

**Revival at Wayland Church**

The people of the Wayland United Methodist Church invite all to their Revival, April 8, 9, and 10, at 7 p.m. Brent Tackett will be preaching, with special singing each night. Please join us!

**Pam Shingler to address Jenny Wiley 3528, AARP**

Pam Shingler, fund-raising director and producer at WMMT-FM public community radio and a part of Appalshop, in Whitesburg, will be the guest

speaker at Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528, AARP, at the meeting to be held Friday, April 15, at the Presbyterian Church, Prestonsburg. The installation of officers will also be conducted at this time. All members and friends are encouraged to attend.

**PHS Class of '84**

The Prestonsburg High School Class of 1984 is seeking members of the class for a 20/21st year reunion, scheduled to be held this coming July. If you are, or if you know of, a former classmate, please email [phs\\_class\\_of\\_1984@yahoo.com](mailto:phs_class_of_1984@yahoo.com), or call 606-638-3941.

**UNITE Drug Awareness Group**

To meet on Monday, April 11, at 6 p.m., at the Allen Baptist Church. This is an open meeting for all Floyd County citizens that are interested in learning more about the serious drug addiction and distribution problem in our county. The Unite Coalition strives to provide information and resources to those who are affected by this problem. Come, be a part of the solution to a terrible problem! We want, and need, your input! Unite members also urge the community to join them in prayer against drug abuse every Saturday at 9 a.m. at the Allen First Baptist Church. A county wide march is also being organized.

**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. to 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.

**Show some PRIDE!!**

The PRIDE spring clean-up will take place April 9-23 in the City of Prestonsburg. The city will pick up one dump truck load of trash per household. Additional loads will be picked up according to the city's regular pick-up fee. Pick-ups called in during this time only will be on the PRIDE clean-up list. City residents may arrange a clean-up, or volunteer their services, by calling 886-2335. The Floyd County PRIDE, Inc. is participating in this year's PRIDE clean-up from April 9-

23. Volunteers are needed. Supplies will be made available. To volunteer your organization or business, call 886-0498 to register.

**Spring Piano Recital**

Students of David Leslie will present their annual Spring Recital on April 24, at 5:30 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church of Pikeville. A reception will follow. The public is cordially invited to attend. For more information, call 432-0633.

**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.

**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 - April**

•April 9 - Childbirth classes, Meeting Place A & B, Highlands Medical Office Bldg., 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
•April 12 - Senior Advantage,

Meeting Place A & B, Highlands Medical Office Bldg., 9:30-11:30 a.m.

•April 23 - Healthy Living with Diabetes, Meeting Place A & B, Highlands Medical Office Bldg., 9-11:30 a.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: [dohallparsons@charter.net](mailto:dohallparsons@charter.net).

**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

(See CALENDAR, page nine)

**Odds**

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begun enforcing a law requiring motorists to use the left lane for passing only.

Since the patrol started enforcing the "Left Lane Law" three months ago, troopers have written about 460 tickets or about an average of five a day to drivers who dawdle in the left lane.

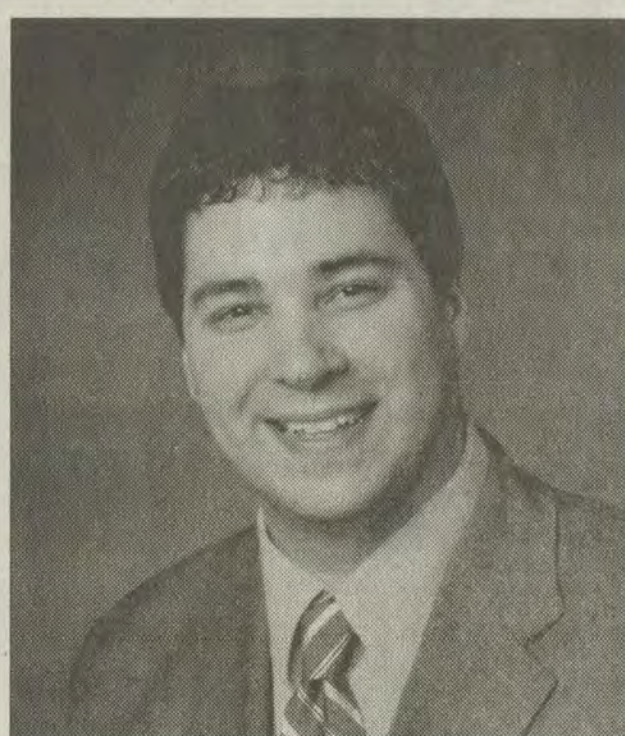
The law applies in zones with speed limits of 65 mph or higher. It took effect July 1, but troopers gave drivers until January to get used to the new law; warnings were issued instead of tickets.

Master Trooper Ron Watkins said that since the ticketing campaign began three months ago

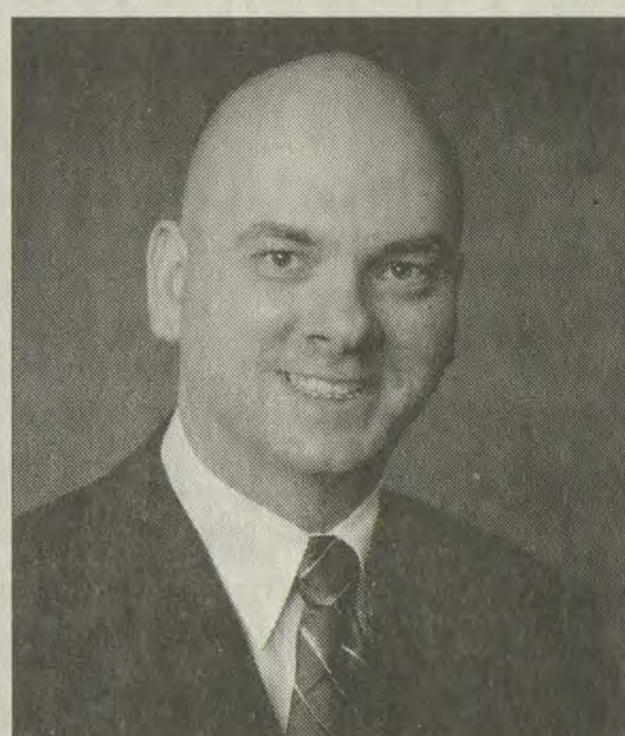
about 90 percent of the drivers he has pulled over for dawdling or cruising in the left lane said they didn't know that it was illegal to do so.

Violators of the left lane rule may be fined up to \$41 and have three points tacked onto their driver's licenses. The law is not enforced when the highway is too congested to allow drivers to pass.

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Calendar

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.

Age 55 or older?

If so, and you are also unemployed, and would like to make money while being trained in skills that will help you gain employment, or become re-employed, contact Bill Little, Senior Community Service Employment Program, Big Sandy Area Development District, at 886-2374. "Area Employers are Looking for Dependable Workers like YOU!"

External Diploma Program

Kentucky residents age 25 and older can earn a high school

diploma by demonstrating skills learned on the job or in raising a family. Flexible scheduling is provided and confidentiality maintained. Classes are held at the Carl D. Perkins Rehabilitation Center, in Thelma, Mon. thru Fri., with evening classes on Thursday, from 4:30-8:30. Contact Andy Jones at 800-443-2187, ext. 186, or Linda Bell, at ext. 160 to make an appointment.

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.

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

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

**Prestonsburg:** 2nd Tuesday,

1:30 p.m., Extension Office.

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

'Looking For a Support Group?'

**Alzheimer's Association Care-giver Support Group** - Meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the First Presbyterian Church (near Jerry's Restaurant), at 6 p.m. For more info., call Dana Caudill at 886-0265, or Jane Bond at FCHD.

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

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

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

**Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children** - Free, confidential assistance for unplanned pregnancy concerns. Talk with someone who cares about you and your baby. Call 1-800-928-5242.

**Disabled?** - You may be eligible for grant money to assist in your daily living. For an application or more information, call 886-4326.

**A.S.K. (Adoption Support for Kentucky)** - Support group for all adoptive parents (public, private, international, and kinship care), foster parents and all others interested in adoption. To be held the first Monday of each month, at the Department for Community Based Services office, 1009 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, from 6-8 p.m. Childcare will not be provided. For more information, contact Dedra Slone, adoptive parent liaison, at 432-4110 or 422-7927, or email to: doslone@eastky.net.

**PARENTS!** - Contact the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Inc. to find out about child care services in your area, the STARS for KIDS NOW licensing standards program, and how you can earn an income by staying home with your own children while caring for the children of others. Find out more by calling Cheryl Endicott at 886-1280, or 888-872-7227 (toll free).

**East Kentucky S.T.A.R.S. Homeschoolers** - Will hold monthly meetings at the Paintsville Recreation Center. For more information, call Trudy at 889-9333, or 297-5147. Everyone welcome.

**Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** - Each Wednesday, from 7-8 p.m., in the Atrium Conference Room, 2nd floor, May Tower, Pikeville Methodist Hospital. For more info., contact Chris Cook at 606-433-1119 or christophercook@hotmail.com.

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We are currently collecting 2004 Unmined Coal and Gas and Oil Taxes. The collection schedule is as follows:

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Face Amount	5/1-31/05
5% Penalty	6/1-30/05
21% Penalty	Thereafter

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Face Amount	4/1-5/31/05
21% Penalty	Thereafter

Please be sure to bring or mail your tax bill when making payment. The tax bill is needed to give you faster service. When paying by mail, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope if you want a receipt. If you have any questions concerning your taxes, you may call my office at 886-8965.

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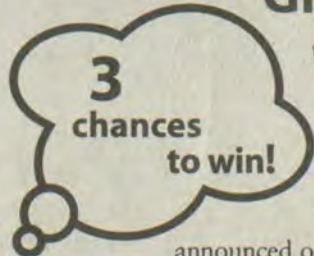
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Letters

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recovered from crash scenes showed elevated levels of blood alcohol. The study concluded that it was an issue of elapsed time, that being from the time of the crash until the body is brought to a hospital for examination. Once a person dies, their body begins to decay immediately. In an accident the body may be trapped and it may take hours from the time of death until the body is extracted.

Such was the case with our Mother. During this time, sugar in the blood without oxygenation begins to break down in a process many know as fermentation. Over the course of several hours, blood alcohol will rise as the fermentation process progresses, and a false reading of intoxication will be given when a sample of the blood is taken. The conclusion, in a nutshell, is that one could be as sober as a judge at the time of death and a few hours later be ruled as being intoxicated.

In direct support of our position that our Mother was not intoxicated is the fact that

the EMT who gave her mouth-to-mouth resuscitation testified under oath that he could detect no smell of alcohol on her breath. Further credibility is given to his statement by a neighbor's testimony which stated that she had talked to our Mother face to face minutes before the accident and that she saw no signs that our Mother had been drinking.

Evidence presented in this matter proves that the blood samples themselves, when received by the State Medical Examiner's office in Frankfort, were intermingled with other blood samples and our mother's blood samples were in containers bearing broken seals. For this reason alone, the compromised blood samples were ruled by the Hearing Officer as being inadmissible as evidence in this case. We were both shocked and publicly embarrassed to see the compromised results being trumpeted as a matter of fact in The Floyd County Times article.

2. The part of the article that reads: "Frank Miller, legal rep-

resentative for the Transportation Cabinet noted that the suit came about as the result of a drunk driving incident from 1992, in which a driver drove down the median on U.S. 23 and struck a guard rail."

This makes it sound to many as if our Mother was the one who did this, and makes her sound like the "drunk driver" referenced. This was in fact referring to an incident that happened more than a month earlier, and this along with other documentation proved that the sign was not in place when our Mother's wreck occurred.

Many will remember this time as being when the construction of four continuous lanes of U.S. 23 through Prestonsburg was completed. With the daily lane/route changes, poor striping, equipment sitting in or near the roadway, one thing that was heard over and over again in testimony taken by the deposition of several eyewitnesses was the word "confusion." It was so confusing in fact that not only was there another wreck

at the same time approximately one mile north of the wreck involving our Mother, but one person responding to our mother's accident scene almost wrecked himself upon arrival. As many will remember, there were numerous accidents and fatalities during this period of construction.

3. The part of the article that reads: "It is not known whether the sign warning of the guardrail was down before or after the accident ..." is in error as we have presented for the record documentation, expert testimony, official records, pictures and videotape which prove otherwise.

Unfortunately, others were injured in this accident. Reparations were justly made to the injured parties immediately following the accident, and though their experience was traumatic and should not be diminished in any way, they

have been able to conclude this matter and go on with their lives while our suffering remains a daily issue 13 years later.

While none of this will return our Mother to us, we feel that it is only just that the

writer of the article present both sides of this story. It's known as "objective reporting."

Joe D. Weddington Jr  
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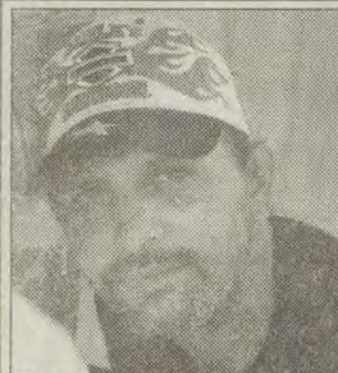
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**Does the Punishment fit the Crime?**

I am writing about the shooting that took place during an alleged burglary attempt at Luv's Homes in Ivel, Ky., on March 22, 2005.

I would like to take a moment to describe the kind of person that Ronald Craig "Tom" Dillion was. He was one of the most charismatic people that I have ever met. He was a father, son, brother, husband, and a friend. He was a witty and facetious thirty-three year old man who was full of life. He was dependable and was always willing to help out a friend in need. He was kind, fun loving, and he always had a smile on his face. He made friends everywhere he went. Tom lost more personality than most people possess. He made his share of mistakes, but who doesn't? Jesus said, "Ye without sin can cast the first stone." Tom did not deserve to die, he should have been afforded the opportunity to go on trial for his alleged crime. No one has the right to be both judge and jury! No one has the right to play GOD!!! Our forefathers set up the Constitution of these United States of America, giving everyone a right to a fair trial, "innocent until proven guilty." All of these people were afforded their constitutional right to a trial by a jury of their peers: Scott Peterson, Ted Bundy, Charles Manson, and Jeffery Dahmer. The accused child molester and child killer John Couzy will stand trial for the murder of Jessica Lundsford in Florida unless he pleads guilty to his unthinkable and horrible crime. Ronald Craig "Tom" Dillion was denied his constitutional right to stand trial by a jury of his peers. The 6th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution states: *In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial, by an impartial jury of the state and district wherein the crime shall have been committed, which district shall have been previously ascertained by law, and to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favour, and to have the assistance of counsel for his defense.* Lawyers, judges, and police officers have taken an oath to uphold the law. No one deserves to die for an attempted robbery of a vacant home. The U.S. Constitution has no place for Vigilante Justice and the punishment that Tom received did not fit his alleged crime!!!

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plied for them this year. Best in Care is available to registered nurses, licensed practical nurses and licensed vocational nurses who work in Kentucky in hospitals, long-term care facilities, public health agencies and nursing education. The popular program has already saved Kentucky nurses more than \$1.4 million in student loan payments.

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\$600 or more. The Student Loan People must issue an IRS Form 1099. Nurses should therefore consult their tax advisors about the possible tax consequences.

To download an application, visit [studentloanpeople.com](http://studentloanpeople.com) and click on the Best in Care icon.

For more information about Best in Care and low-cost student loans, visit [studentloanpeople.com](http://studentloanpeople.com) or call (888) 678-4625.

# Route 1750 closed for three days beginning today

Weather permitting, Highway District 12's Floyd County Maintenance Crew will close Route 1750 at mile point 1.932 to 1.967 (Bonanza-Whitaker Road) beginning Wednesday, April 6, according to Frank Castle, Floyd County maintenance engineer.

"The work will take about

three days, Castle said, and involves drilling to install railroad steel to correct an embankment failure.

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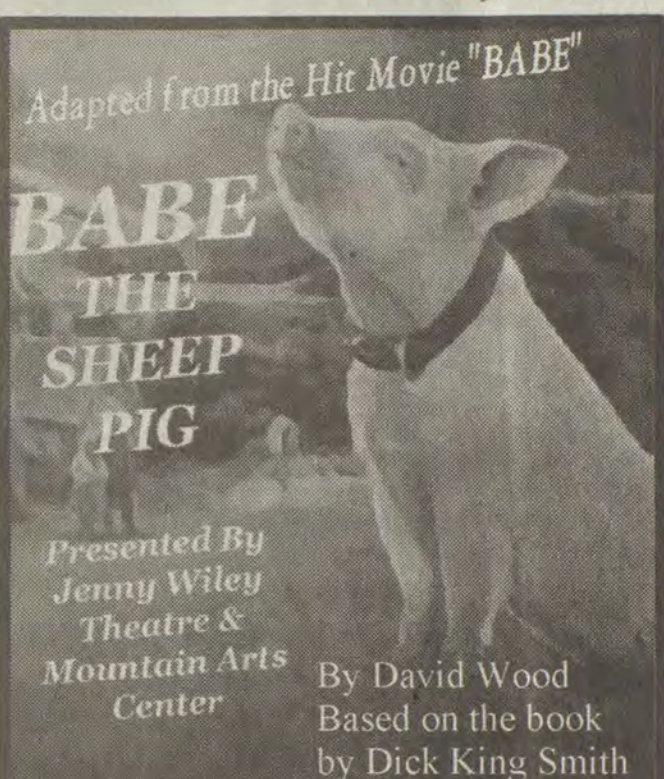
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 MAYOR'S PROPOSED SAVINGS .....	 \$100,000

### THE CITY WILL HAVE THE RIGHT TO SELL HRMC UTILITIES???

**KRS 81A.490—RIGHTS OF UTILITIES PRESERVED**—Notwithstanding any other provision in this Chapter, all rights of the utilities providing utility services in any area annexed by a city prior to annexation, existing under any other statutes, laws or regulations are hereby expressly preserved..

### LAWFUL ANNEXATION???

**"THE TERRITORY TO BE ANNEXED MUST BE CONTIGUOUS TO THE CITY"**—**KRS 81A.410(1)(a) and Ridings v Owensboro, 383 S.W. 2d 510 (Ky. 1964)**

**CORRIDOR ANNEXATION**—"In general, the courts disfavor finding one territory contiguous to another territory for the purposes of annexation when the only link between the two territories is a narrow corridor." *Griffin v City of Robards, 990 S.W. 2d 634 (Ky. 199)*

**ABUSE OF DISCRETION**—"...where the annexation of the corridor is nothing more than an attempt by the city to provide contiguity between the other property desired to be annexed and the original boundaries of the city, thus, a barren corridor would not suffice to find contiguity"

"...a court would be predisposed to set aside the annexation as an abuse of discretion..." *Ridings v Owensboro, 383 S.W. 2d 510 (Ky. 1964)*

**PUBLIC SUPPORT???**  
 The Floyd County Times Poll, April 4, 2005—  
**Do you support Prestonsburg's attempt to annex Highlands Regional Medical Center? 91.1% NO**

Paid for by Highlands Regional Medical Center



Megan Keathley, of Dwale, competed in the Kentucky Derby Festival Spelling Bee, held recently at Churchill Downs in Louisville. Pictured left to right are Steve McCormick, Kentucky Farm Bureau Insurance Company; Steve Sexton, Churchill Downs; Keathley; and David S. Beck, Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation. A total of 57 youngsters from Kentucky and southern Indiana competed in the annual event sponsored by Kentucky Farm Bureau, WHAS Radio and Churchill Downs. John Tamplin, 12, a seventh-grade student from Jefferson County, won the Spelling Bee for the fourth year in a row and will represent Kentucky in the Scripps-Howard National Spelling Bee, to be held June 1-2, in Washington D.C.

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areas offer companies a larger pool of potential workers, and other amenities not found in some rural areas, Gibson said.

Rural communities are often disadvantaged because of their distance to interstate highways, Hurst said. Areas where more people have jobs tend to be located near major transportation arteries, he said.

In Wolfe County, many people drive up to 70 miles one way to work, Hurst said.

"It's just harder for us," Hurst said.

Now, workers have to learn different skills "shift in their thinking" if they want to compete, Gibson said. For instance, tobacco farmers are in the process of trying to diversify their crops to tap other markets, she said.

"People are going to have to be retrained and retooled to

move toward this new economy — a more brain, less brawn type of mentality and skill set," Gibson said.

But, "all is not lost," Garen said.

Building on the state's tourism industry is a "viable option" to stimulate new job growth, he said.

Because of its proximity to the Red River Gorge, Wolfe County officials are hoping to capitalize on tourism, Hurst said. The county has hired an economic development director to focus on creating new jobs. One project could net the area more than 1,600 jobs, he said.

"We're going to be OK eventually," Hurst said. "It takes some time and work."

*Joe Biesk is a statehouse reporter for The Associated Press.*

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lung and colorectal cancer surpassed the national average.

In 2001, Kentucky's lung cancer death rate per 100,000 people was 80.8, far above the average of 54.2 deaths for each 100,000 among all states, according to the report, which did not list rankings for lung cancer deaths. Kentucky is also the leading burley tobacco producer, a correlation noted by Hacker.

"The cancer death rates is one reflection, once again, that Kentuckians smoke too much," Hacker said.

The report ranked Kentucky 44th in colorectal cancer deaths, with 22.4 such deaths among every 100,000 people. The state also was rated 38th for the percentage of adults 50 and older receiving colonoscopies, a common test for colon cancer.

Kentucky ranked slightly above the national average for the percentage of women age 40 and over who had a mammogram in the past two years. Its death rate among women with breast cancer averaged 27.4 per 100,000 women in 2001, compared with an overall average of 25.8 deaths.

The state's prostate cancer death rate was 26.8 per 100,000 men, lower than the 28.6 death

average nationally, according to the report.

Meanwhile, the higher-than-average rate of admissions for complications brought on by diabetes is also a reflection of lifestyle choices in Kentucky, Hacker said.

"That is a direct correlation to the fact that we weigh too much," he said.

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## LP Raceway announces dates for motorcycle rally

COEBURN, Va. – The 3rd Annual Lonesome Pine Motorcycle Rally will be held June 3-5. The Lonesome Pine Raceway motorcycle and four-wheeler dirt drags will be sponsored by Turner Chevrolet and Pepsi of Norton. A \$25,000 Poker Run will be held on Sunday, June 5.

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# College names Wheat first soccer coach

### TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE – After wide search to find the first head coach of soccer in school history, Pikeville College has settled on someone in its own back yard.

Calvin Wheat, the first soccer coach in Pikeville High School history, has been selected as the man to help get the program off the ground at Pikeville College. Wheat has coached both boys’

and girls’ varsity soccer the last three seasons at Pikeville High School.

During his three seasons, Wheat quickly built the program in status. Last season, he led the boys to their first district championship and the girls to a runner-up finish in district play.

“I’m very excited to be at Pikeville College,” Wheat said. “I am very familiar with the school and its mission and believe soccer is a natural fit here. I’m ready to get started and will begin

recruiting potential student-athletes immediately. It’s an exciting time for me and I’m glad Pikeville College has faith in me to be its first soccer coach.”

Wheat was well known throughout the area before taking over the soccer program at Pikeville High. For three years prior to coaching at Pikeville, he was director and CEO of the Pikeville Area Family YMCA. During his tenure there, Wheat oversaw the expansion of the YMCA to other areas of East

Kentucky, operating fitness programs in senior citizen centers in a five-county area.

“We are extremely excited about beginning our soccer program at Pikeville College and are pleased to bring Calvin into our family,” said President Hal Smith. “The addition of soccer to our roster of sports is a direct result of the increased interest and popularity of soccer in our community.

“Through his role at the YMCA and

later as coach at Pikeville High School, Calvin has played a major role in bringing soccer to the forefront of sports for the youth in our area, and therefore we think he is a natural selection to help us get our program off to a good start at Pikeville.”

“Calvin is very familiar with soccer in East Kentucky, and has had tremendous success coaching the sport,” said

(See **SOCCER**, page four)

## Area 3 Games set for Saturday

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG – Prestonsburg High School will welcome in Special Olympians from Floyd and surrounding counties Saturday morning when the Area 3 Games get underway.

Floyd County Special Olympics Coordinator Ed Senig and Prestonsburg High School football coach John DeRossett are again two of the driving forces behind this year’s Area 3 Games.

“The Area 3 Games is always a good event for our community,” said DeRossett. “We are honored to host them here at Prestonsburg High School.”

The annual event allows members of the Prestonsburg High football team a chance to get out and volunteer.

“Hosting Special Olympics allows our football players and other members of our program the chance to get out and work some on a Saturday,” DeRossett said. “This is a great event for the entire area. The City of Prestonsburg works hard and is a fine host. And you just can’t say enough about the participating athletes.”

Athletes participating in the Area 3 Games will have an opportunity to advance on to the State Summer Games. The State Summer Games are scheduled to be held in Richmond at Eastern Kentucky University, June 3-5

(See **GAMES**, page four)



The Alice Lloyd College golf team played its first matches last week. On Tuesday, the ALC golf team played at UVA-Wise. On Wednesday, the Eagles played in the Milligan College (Tenn.) Invitational. This Friday, the ALC golfers are scheduled to play in the Berea College Invitational along with six other schools. The ALC golf team is coached by Sean Damron. Members of the team include Robbie Johnson (Betsy Layne), Josh Cook (Topmost), John Varney (Phyllis), Jeremy Jackson (Manchester) Stewart Miller (Corbin), Weston Childers (Hindman), Brent Prichard Bolt, (W.Va.), and Derrick Porter (Cornettsville). Prestonsburg High grad Abby Shaffer is the team’s manager.

## UK Seniors returning to ACHS

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN – For a second straight year, senior members of the University of Kentucky men’s basketball will visit Allen Central High School as part of annual barnstorming tour. The UK Seniors’ Barnstorming Tour will make a stop at Allen Central High School on Friday, April 15. Kentucky seniors Chuck Hayes and Josh Carrier and other former UK greats will stop at ACHS for a game against an area team.



Chuck Hayes

The barnstorming tour is being sponsored as a joint effort of the Allen Central High School Rebel Band and the Junior R.O.T.C. program. Tip-off on April 15 is set for 7 p.m. with pre-game festivities slated for 5:30 p.m.

Pre-game festivities will include the UK Wildcat mascot, face and hair painting for the young Wildcat fans, raffles, dance team performances and music from the ACHS Rebel and Stage Band.

Hayes has left an indelible mark on the UK men’s basketball program. He started 110-consecutive games at Kentucky, tying the school record set by Alex Groza (1946-49). Hayes finished his career ranked 35th in scoring (1,211 points), seventh in rebounding (910), ninth in blocks (128), eighth in steals (170) and 16th in assists (292). The Modesto, Calif. native shot 50.3 percent from the floor and 73.3 percent from the charity stripe over four years. Hayes totaled a 109-25 record in his career, winning two SEC Championships and two SEC Tournament titles. Kentucky was 93-18 with Hayes as a starter. During his time as an active Wildcat, Hayes helped UK to three NCAA Sweet 16s and two NCAA Elite Eight finishes.



Josh Carrier

Carrier is a former Kentucky Mr. Basketball. The Bowling Green native was Mr. Basketball back in 2001. He had a storybook prep career before moving on to the University of Kentucky.

An independent basketball tournament is being held at Allen Central High. The winning team from the independent hoops tournament will play the UK barnstorming

(See **SENIORS**, page four)

## Rebels rap Breathitt, 13-7 Allen Central fresh off tournament triumph

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN – Host Allen Central got off to a slow start Monday evening against Breathitt County. But it didn’t last. The Rebels, playing some of the best baseball in all of Eastern Kentucky, shook off the slow start and bounced back nicely. Breathitt County held a 4-1 lead in the fifth inning when Allen Central rallied to take a 5-4 in the bottom half of the inning. The Bobcats were able to knot the game back up at 5-5, but Allen Central provided its most potent offensive pop late in the game. The Rebels scored eight runs in the bottom half of the sixth inning and went on to win 13-7, improving to 6-0.

In six outings, Allen Central has wins over Perry Central, Pike Central (twice), Prestonsburg, June Buchanan and Breathitt County.

The Rebel pitching held up on Monday night, too. Scott Little went to the hill for Allen Central again, but was left with a no decision. Justin Jacobs was credited with the win. Tyler Turner came on following Jacobs and finished off the Breathitt County batters.

Josh McKinney finished 1-for-4 for the Rebels

and drove in four runs. Jacobs, Turner and Scott Little were all 2-for-4 from the plate. Jacobs also drove in a pair of runs. Brock Kidd, who reached base in four out of five plate appearances, and senior Ryan Hammonds each had one RBI.

Allen Central Coach Ken Johnson, in his first season at the top of the Rebel baseball program, was pleased with his team’s comeback effort.

“We got off to a rough start against Breathitt,” Johnson acknowledged. “We trailed 4-1

going into the fifth, and we could have very easily given up. But we didn’t

and I am proud of my boys. We made a lot of bad choices early on, and

played very sloppy. I think we had like six or seven errors, and that is more

than we have had in the previous five games. But we showed heart, and that is something that can carry you through. I have been telling my boys they need

to develop a killer instinct and following the win over Breathitt County, they looked at me and said, “That good enough for ya coach.”

(See **REBELS**, page four)



photo by David Allio  
NASCAR driver Kevin Harvick held the Food City 500 trophy following Sunday’s race win. Harvick also won Monday’s Busch race. More on Harvick appears inside today’s edition.

## Clark, Daniels chosen for All-Star Game Betsy Layne senior center headed to Alice Lloyd

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

Layne duo’s inclusion in this year’s girls’ all-star game.

BETSY LAYNE – Two Betsy Layne High School senior girls’ basketball players have been selected to play in the girls’ Gatorade Appalachian Senior All-Star Game. Guard Kim Clark and center Kristal Daniels have each been chosen for the all-star event.

Event director Ira Combs recently notified Betsy Layne Coach Cassandra Akers of the Betsy



Kristal Daniels

The second annual Gatorade Appalachian Senior All-Star Games, featuring some of the elite boys’ and girls’ basketball players from the 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th and 16th regions, will be Saturday at Perry County Central High School. The girls’ game is set to get underway Saturday at 6 p.m. The boys’ game is slated to follow at 8 p.m.

Clark and Daniels made quite a one-two punch for Betsy Layne. The tandem joined with senior teammates Kristen

(See **CHOSEN**, page four)

photo by Jamie Howell

Kelly Key scored one of Prestonsburg’s five runs in Monday’s loss to visiting Magoffin County.



## Magoffin Co. 13, Prestonsburg 5

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG – The Prestonsburg High School softball team opened the 2005 season at home Monday night, playing host to visiting Magoffin County. The Lady Hornets entered Monday night’s opener with one win already behind them. Magoffin County beat Pike County Central 12-2 in a game played last Wednesday. On Monday night, Magoffin County clamped down the host Lady Blackcats. After Prestonsburg jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the bottom half of the first inning, Magoffin County answered. The Lady Hornets plated five runs in the top half of the first

(See **MAGOFFIN**, page four)

# Harvick bounces back from cheating scandal with Bristol win

by JENNA FRYER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BRISTOL, Tenn. — Kevin Harvick's team felt good about its chances at Bristol Motor Speedway until they uncovered the car a few short hours before the race.

Waiting for them was a puddle of leaking power steering fluid.

It was almost like kicking a team that was already down.

But if there's one thing Harvick and his Richard Childress Racing team have proven, it's that they are at their best when they are at their lowest.

They did it again Sunday by

winning the Food City 500, the first step toward shaking off an embarrassing cheating scandal.

When told of the problem, and that repairing it meant Harvick would have to start last in the 43-car field, Childress called a team meeting to rally the troops.

"I told all the guys, 'It's kind of a negative and we don't have our crew chief here, but we have to turn it into a positive,'" the car owner said. "And that's what Kevin did."

Harvick broke a 55-race winless streak with the victory, and then dedicated it to crew chief Todd Berrier, who was sitting at home serving the second of a

four-race suspension for cheating in Las Vegas on March 13.

The team has been reeling in the three weeks since, fighting the suspension and the 25 points Harvick was docked (their appeal was denied) and battling the court of public opinion that had branded them cheaters.

But with Childress in charge, Harvick knew the team would rebound.

"I think both of us have been beat down pretty far at some point in our racing careers and you have to learn how to get out of a hole," Harvick said. "I think that is one thing that RCR has

always been really good at — they always come back stronger than they were before.

"So this was a huge statement made by our race team, and you don't have to say anything else."

Childress, who used to be a regular atop the late Dale Earnhardt's pit box, decided to climb back on this week to coach Harvick in a show of solidarity for the team. It was the owner's first time on the box since the 2001 season.

Harvick said it showed how angry his boss was, and how determined Childress was to

turn things around.

So in a tense, wreck-filled race, Childress coaxed his driver around Bristol's tight 0.533-mile bullring and to Harvick's first victory since he won at Indianapolis in August 2003.

"He can't come down until we lose," Harvick said.

But Childress said his stay was only temporary.

"I'd stay up there if I thought it would help us win every week," he said.

Still, the tandem gave RCR its first win at Bristol since Earnhardt bumped Terry Labonte out of the way on the final lap in 1999.

Harvick qualified 13th, but when his crew uncovered the leak, they had to fix it, and the unapproved repairs forced them to start last. No driver had ever come from last to win at Bristol.

He took the lead with 66 laps to go, pulled away from the pack and easily beat pole-sitter Elliott Sadler to the finish line, with seven lapped cars separating the first- and second-place cars.

"Harvick had a great race car, he was able to pass cars, maneuver his around," Sadler said. "He was tough there at the end.

I didn't have anything for him."

Tony Stewart finished third in a Chevrolet, Dale Earnhardt Jr. was fourth in a Chevrolet and Dale Jarrett finished fifth in a Ford. Jimmie Johnson was sixth, followed by Travis Kvapil, Kyle Petty, Greg Biffle and Scott Riggs.

The race was stopped for almost 14 minutes with 167 laps to go when Bobby Hamilton Jr. slammed into the back of Ken Schrader, starting a 14-car pile-up. The crash collected many of the favorites, including Kurt Busch, who was looking for his fourth straight Bristol victory.

Because the accident collected so many contenders, the race restarted with just 12 cars on the lead lap.

Busch was one of them, but his day ended when Johnson and Jeff Burton made contact and Burton's car banged off the inside wall. As it ricocheted back onto the track, it moved directly into Busch's path and Busch couldn't avoid hitting him.

Busch sounded woozy when he slowly radioed his crew to say he was OK, and his steps seemed deliberate as he walked off the track.

"It was a hard hit, it took the wind out of me," Busch said. "I feel horrible, I've never hit that hard before."

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The Food City 500 wasn't without its share of wrecks. After winning the Food City 500 on Sunday evening, Kevin Harvick returned to Victory Lane Monday evening following a Busch Series win in the Sharpie 250.



## Chosen

Smith and Breann Akers in leading the Ladycats to a second 15th Region title in three seasons.

Daniels is set to sign with Alice Lloyd College. A signing ceremony for the Betsy Layne

senior center has been scheduled for Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in the BLHS library.

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## Seniors

team. Only the first 10 teams will be accepted into the tournament. Tournament rules will be given to teams upon payment of

the mandatory entry fee. No one that is high school eligible will be permitted to play in the qualifying tournament. For more

information, or to register for the tournament, contact Sgt. Jerry Hardy or Col. Larry Maynard at 358-5305.

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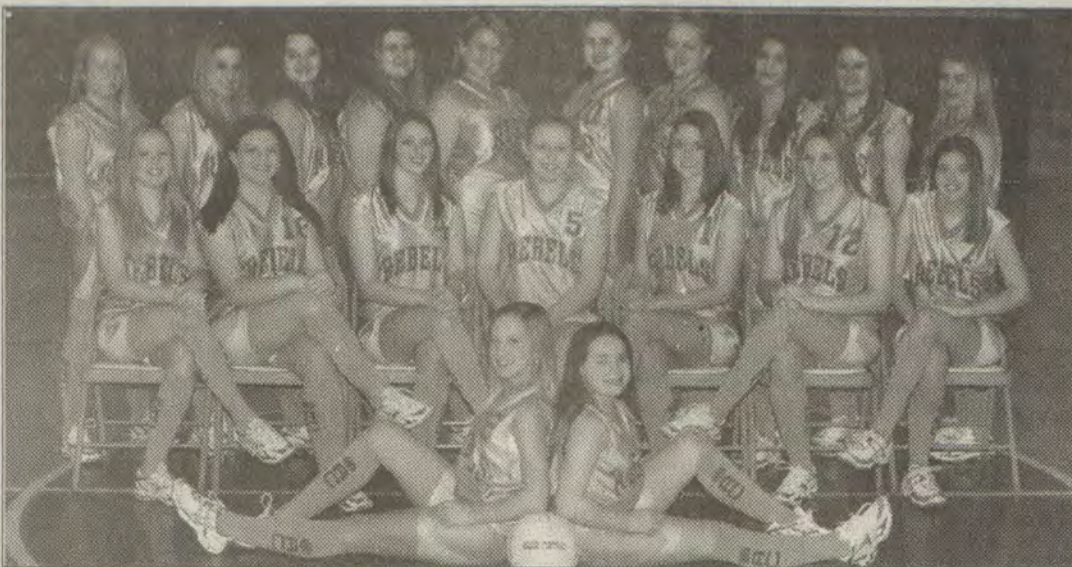


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The Allen Central Middle School volleyball team is off to another good start. Front Row: Hannah Howard and Morgan Wright. Second Row: Brittany Hodge, Natalie Glime, Tiffany Clark, Elizabeth Hughes, Brittany Clark, Kimbo Blevins, Brittany Smith. Third Row: Brianna Halbert, Kelsey Jones, Ashley Hale, Koko Martin, Chelsie Cordial, Sasha Jones, Brittany Johnson, Kristin Reed, Whitney Ousley, and Hannah Farmer.

# Myles, Garcia complete Cards' resurgence

by CHRIS DUNCAN ASSOCIATED PRESS

ST. LOUIS — Francisco Garcia and Ellis Myles hugged after Louisville lost to Illinois in the Final Four, then walked off the court together for the last time.

While disappointed in the 72-57 defeat, the Cardinals' junior star and senior leader hold a deep sense of accomplishment for how much Louisville improved after they arrived.

"I don't think anybody expected us to be here but ourselves," said Garcia, Louisville's leading scorer.

"This program is on the uprise right now," said Myles, the team's leading rebounder.

While the 6-foot-7, 245-pound Myles will graduate in May with a sociology degree, Garcia is suddenly leaving open the possibility of returning for his senior year.

Both Garcia and coach Rick Pitino have been saying all season that Garcia planned to leave school a year early for the NBA.

Now Pitino says he might encourage Garcia to come back.

"I said, 'Look, Francisco, you're going to be a first-round draft choice. Here is what you have to figure out in this whole equation: In other years, you'd be a lottery pick,'" Pitino said. "If he's a 26 pick in the draft, I would recommend coming back. If he's the 18th pick in the draft, I'd recommend going."

If he returns, the Cardinals could be as good as they were this year.

Junior Taquan Dean, Garcia's best friend and room-

mate, and sophomore point guard Brandon Jenkins form an experienced backcourt. David Padgett, a 6-11 Kansas transfer, and 6-9 Brian Johnson will form a formidable frontcourt with talented 6-8 freshman Juan Palacios.

Pitino will also welcome seven new recruits rated among the nation's best classes.

Even if Garcia bolts, Dean is optimistic the Cardinals can make another deep run in the tournament next year.

"Now, I have to go in with new guys, but at the same time they'll have the same hunger and fire of the guys who are leaving," Dean said. "It's time to move on."

Once the sting of their loss to Illinois wears off, the Cardinals can reflect on a season that completed a four-year climb back to national prominence under Pitino.

The Cardinals finished 33-5, matching the school record for victories set by the 1980 NCAA champions. They were also the first Louisville team to reach the Final Four since the 1986 championship team.

"It feels great, man, just to be a part of it," senior guard Larry O'Bannon said. "The program is definitely headed in the right direction."

The Cardinals won 22 of their last 24 games and swept the Conference USA regular season and tournament titles in their last year in the league. They'll join the Big East next season.

One challenge now is finding a locker-room presence as strong as Myles, the last player linked to the Denny Crum era.

When Pitino arrived, he was

ready to kick Myles off the team. But during four years, Myles made a remarkable transformation from the immature, out-of-shape kid Pitino first encountered.

Myles blossomed into a sharp passer this season and led Louisville in assists during the NCAA tournament. He was the team's best player in the loss to Illinois, scoring 17 points and grabbing seven rebounds.

But Pitino said Myles' attitude made a bigger impact than his play.

"There are certain games where I've said, 'Guys, you continue to play that type of defense and continue to rebound the ball like that, you're going to lose this one,'" Pitino said. "He would immediately say, 'We're not losing anything.' And he'd get after them."

With Myles and Palacios anchoring Louisville's inside game, Dean and O'Bannon joined Garcia as consistent perimeter threats. Dean made a school-record 122 3-pointers this season and O'Bannon shot almost 50 percent from 3-point range in Louisville's last 10 games.

The Cardinals also got vital minutes off the bench from senior Otis George, who coped with stress fractures in his right foot much of the season.

Pitino said he wanted to have Louisville on the path to elite status by the time his first recruiting class graduated. He's right on schedule.

"We've had an unbelievable season," Pitino said. "I wanted, in the fourth season, to have a top 10 program. We're legitimately there. We're where we need to be."

## Anderson heads inaugural Hall of Fame class

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEXINGTON — The Lexington Legends revealed their inaugural Hall of Fame Class on Wednesday. Eubank, Kentucky native Josh Anderson leads the way after his stellar 2004 season. John Buck, Jon Topolski and Charley Taylor, key elements in the Legends 2001 SAL Championship drive, were also enshrined.

The four members along with a fifth member of the class selected by the fans will be honored in a ring of fame during a ceremony on Hall of Fame night, June 4.

Stein was the surprise member of the class. At the end of the event, Legends General Manager Kevin Kulp caught Stein off guard by adding him

to the first class. The Lexington native was the driving force behind a 17-year quest to bring baseball back to the Bluegrass.

Anderson was the first native Kentuckian to play for the Legends. The former Eastern Kentucky All-American holds Legends records for average (.326) and stolen bases (48) in just 73 games. Anderson was a member of the 2004 South Atlantic League All-Star team.

Jon Topolski was the season MVP for a team that all future Legends teams will be compared to. Topolski led the South Atlantic League in hits (158), runs (98) and RBI (96). The Houston native was also the team leader in home runs (24) and walks (75).

John Buck was a stabilizing force for an outstanding pitching class. Buck also proved to

be an offensive force. The Salt Lake City, Utah native hit 24 home runs and collected 73 RBI. John Buck is the only Major Leaguer among the first class. Buck is currently the starting catcher for the Kansas City Royals.

Charley Taylor is the only remaining link to the 2001 Championship squad.

Taylor has been the opening day pitching coach for each of the Legends five seasons. Under his tutelage, Taylor has guided the Legends to four outstanding seasons. Lexington had the SAL's best team ERA in 2002. Taylor has been multiple selection to the SAL All-Star team.

On Thursday, Lexington hosts Delmarva in a season-opener. First-pitch is set for 7:05, gates open at 5:30.

## Magoffin

inning. After grabbing a lead, Magoffin County maintained an advantage en route to a 13-5 win.

Magoffin County scored runs in five of seven innings. Only one Lady Hornet reached base in the opening inning. However, the slow start didn't last for the visiting team. Prestonsburg battled back

and after plating three runs, pulled within one run in the bottom half of the fourth inning. Magoffin County led 6-5 at the end of the fourth inning and added two or more runs in each of the final three innings.

S. Gamble scored three runs and pitched Magoffin County to

the win.

Brittany Collins led Prestonsburg's offensive effort, going 3-for-4. Darcey Hicks and Amber Whitaker also had one hit apiece for the Lady Blackcats.

Prestonsburg was back in action yesterday, playing on the road at rival Betsy Layne.

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## Games

In Special Olympics, both area and regional level competitions serve as qualifying events for athletes who wish to advance to state competition.

In the sports of bowling and track and field, athletes must qualify for State events by participat-

ing in their respective Area tournament or competition.

In all other sports, sanctioned regional events are offered. By participation in one of these regional events, athletes will qualify for the respective state event.

The sport of basketball

serves as the exception to the "participation" rule of qualifying for State Level events. In basketball, teams must place first or second in their division at their assigned regional tournament in order to advance to the State Summer Games.

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## Soccer

Ron Damron, director of athletics at Pikeville College. "He has experience coaching both men and women, which was vital to our search, and is very familiar and comfortable with our regional recruiting area."

"We're very excited to bring

Calvin aboard at Pikeville College, and are appreciative of his interest both in Pikeville College and our athletics department. We look forward to beginning this stage of our relationship with him and his family."

Pikeville College will add

men's and women's soccer to its roster of sports for the 2005-06 school year. This will bring the total number of sports to 17 at the institution, which will be in its 117th year of providing educational opportunities to the people of the Appalachian region.

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## Rebels

Allen Central took its perfect 6-0 record into a 58th District/Floyd County Conference showdown last night with defending district champion Betsy Layne. This evening, Allen Central is scheduled to be on the road at Pikeville for a game 15th Region All "A" Classic game against Phelps.

Last week, Allen Central weathered the wet weather and all other teams, winning the East Kentucky Invitational. A breakdown of Allen Central's tournament games follows.

Allen Central 9, Pike Central 8: Senior Ryan Hammonds took the mound for the Rebels and pitched well for three innings. The Rebel pitching withstood a

strong Pike Central offensive effort and held on to win 9-8.

Allen Central 4, Prestonsburg 1: Scott Little took the mound for Allen Central and delivered a solid performance, fanning 10 Blackcats. The freshman went the distance for the Rebels.

Tyler Turner scored a pair of runs for the Rebels. Leadoff hitter Wilfredo Dominguez and second-place batter Brock Kidd scored a run apiece.

Leadoff hitter Brandon Campbell scored Prestonsburg's lone run.

Allen Central 10, June Buchanan 0: Josh McKinney took the mound for the Rebels and halted the Crusaders in a commanding pitching performance.

Allen Central proved to be

too much for June Buchanan. The Rebels, behind McKinney's strong pitching, beat June Buchanan in six innings, advancing to the championship game of the East Kentucky tournament.

Allen Central 10, Pike Central 4: Brock Kidd took the mound for the Rebels and threw four stout innings in the title game of the East Kentucky tournament. Kidd exited the game with a lead for his team when he gave way to teammate Ryan Hammonds who set it up for the final inning. Tyler Turner came along and closed the game out for Allen Central, turning back Pike Central's batters.

In the sixth inning, Allen Central took a 6-4 lead and stretched it out to a 10-4 advantage

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# Louisville holds first controlled scrimmage

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LOUISVILLE — The University of Louisville football team completed its fourth practice of the fall scrimmage with a controlled scrimmage on the practice fields at Papa John's Stadium.

The defense took control early in the scrimmage, stifling the high-powered Cardinal offense. Led by Elvis Dumervil and Matt Sanders, the defense stopped the offense on the first couple of possessions.

Sophomore quarterback

Brian Brohm paced the Cardinal offense by going 17-of-27 for 135 yards with the first unit, while talented juniors Michael Bush and Kolby Smith found running room tough to come by. Bush carried 16 times for 38 yards, while Smith logged the ball eight times for 38 yards. Bush scored on a three-yard run and also plunged in from one-yard on a fourth and goal play.

Redshirt freshman Mario Urrutia had five catches for 114 yards and a 30-yard touchdown catch, while sophomore Harry

Douglas had four receptions for 68 yards, including a 35-yard touchdown pass from redshirt freshman Hunter Cantwell, who was 10-of-17 for 162 yards.

Redshirt freshman George Stripling carried seven times for 40 yards, including a 33-yard TD run. Sophomore Reggie Bradshaw toted the ball six times for 62 yards, which included a long run of 40 yards for a score.

The Cardinals are scheduled to return to the practice field today at 3:30 p.m.

# UK FOOTBALL:

## Abdullah strives at strong safety

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEXINGTON — The more he plays strong safety, the more Kentucky defensive back Muhammad Abdullah likes the position.

"The strong safety has to play more 'in the box' (near the line of scrimmage) and make tackles. You have to be more of a physical player than a finesse player and that fits my game," Abdullah said following the Wildcats' two-hour, 15-minute practice Monday morning at Commonwealth Stadium. "It's not too much adjustment. I played there some last season."

Abdullah, a free safety for most of his collegiate career, switched to strong safety for the last three games of the 2004 season and the coaches have continued the position change this spring. Abdullah played well at both spots last year, totaling 58 tackles and three interceptions. He has led the team in interceptions the last two seasons and was named second-team All-Southeastern Conference both years.

"Muhammad is doing a great job," UK defensive backs coach Steve Brown said. "He's very good around the line of scrimmage and is a physical

player, so it (playing strong safety) definitely fits his personality. This has been a good move for him and the team."

Abdullah's leadership will be vital in a secondary that lost two starters from last season, strong safety Mike Williams and cornerback Earven Flowers. The two returning starters, Abdullah and cornerback Antoine Huffman, are the seniors among the UK defensive backs in 2005.

Kentucky returns to practice today from 9-11 a.m. Practices are held in Commonwealth Stadium or the Nutter Field House and are open to the public.

# Paintsville grad Slone earns first career win at Marshall

TIMES STAFF REPORT

OXFORD, Ohio — The Marshall University Thundering Herd baseball team split a doubleheader with the Miami RedHawks on Sunday afternoon. Marshall took the first game by a 10-9 score before Miami used a late rally to win game two by a 4-3 margin.

In game one, the Herd (8-16, 3-3 MAC) had to overcome an early deficit as the RedHawks (15-11, 4-2 MAC) tagged Marshall starter Chris Cummings (Huntington) for six runs in three innings. After scoring once in the first, Miami added three runs in the second and two in the third. Miami scored the three runs in the second on two hits and a Marshall error. In the third, two runs scored on two hits, a walk and an error. Cummings left the game after the third, giving up six runs, only three earned, on four hits.

Cummings was replaced by Jeremy Slone (Paintsville), who held the RedHawk offense in check while the Herd made its comeback. After being held

to one hit over the first four innings, the Thundering Herd got on the board in the fifth, with three runs crossing the plate. Roddy Stieger (Westchester, Ohio) and Tommy Johnson (Gaithersburg, Md.) both singled to lead off the inning. After advancing to second and



Jeremy Slone

third on a sacrifice bunt by Brent Mason (Sherwood, Ar.), Marshall Murray (Walnut Creek, Ca.) singled in the Herd's first run of the game. Two batters later, Aaron Levinson (Seattle, Wa.) knocked in two more runs with a single to make it a 6-3 game.

An RBI single by Miami left fielder Ryne Robinson in the sixth gave Miami a 7-3 lead, but in the top of the eighth, Marshall equaled its top offensive output for an inning thus far in the season, scoring seven runs to take a 10-3 lead. Levinson, who recorded his third hit of the day, and Adam Frederick (Franklin, Pa.) singled to start the inning and Aaron Jamieson (Lindsay, Ont.) walked to load the bases with no outs. Joe Glevenyak (West Beach, Fla.) was hit by a pitch to bring in one run, and

was followed by Stieger, who recorded his second hit of the day, a two-RBI single, to make the score 7-6.

Nick Wolle (Coatesville, Pa.) walked to load the bases once again to bring up Brent Mason. Mason came through with a base clearing triple to give Marshall its first lead of the game. The seventh run crossed the plate when Adam Ptacek (Assaria, Ks.) laid down a bunt for the suicide squeeze play to put the Herd up 10-7.

Slone, who came into the game in the fourth inning, had the best outing of his career. He went 5 1/3 innings allowing one run on five hits. With one out and a three run lead in the ninth, he was taken out of the game in favor of Brendon Bump (Lawrence, Ks.). Bump made things interesting, giving up two runs on four hits and two walks, but with two outs and the bases loaded, Bump got pinch hitter Sam Sellery to ground out to third to finish off the game.

Slone, a graduate of Paintsville High School, earned his first career win in the outing while Bump notched his second save of the season. Connor Graham, who pitched the final two innings, took the loss. He gave up three runs on three hits.

# NCAA Tournament

Play-In Game

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 59, 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 65, North Carolina State 56  
North Carolina 67, Villanova 66  
Championship  
Sunday, March 27  
At The Carrier Dome  
Syracuse, N.Y.

North Carolina 88, Wisconsin 82  
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, Southeastern

Louisiana 50

Southern Illinois 65, Saint Mary's, Calif. 56  
Second Round  
Saturday, March 19  
At The Wolstein Center  
Cleveland

Wisconsin-Milwaukee 83, Boston Coll. 75  
At The RCA Dome  
Indianapolis

Illinois 71, Nevada 59  
At Taco Bell Arena  
Boise, Idaho

Arizona 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 77, Wisconsin-Milwaukee 63  
Arizona 79, Oklahoma State 78  
Championship  
Saturday, March 26  
At Allstate Arena  
Rosemont, Ill.

Illinois 90, Arizona 89, OT  
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  
Michigan State 78, Duke 68  
Kentucky 62, Utah 52  
Championship  
Sunday, March 27  
At The Frank Erwin Center  
Austin, Texas

Michigan State 94, Kentucky 88, OT  
ALBUQUERQUE REGIONAL  
First Round  
Thursday, March 17  
At The Wolstein Center  
Cleveland

Wake Forest 70, Chattanooga 54  
West Virginia 63, Creighton 61  
At Taco Bell Arena  
Boise, Idaho

Pacific 79, Pittsburgh 71  
Washington 88, Montana 77  
At The McKale Center  
Tucson, Ariz.

Gonzaga 74, Winthrop 64  
Texas Tech 78, UCLA 66  
Friday, March 18  
At The Gaylord Entertainment Center  
Nashville, Tenn.

Washington 88, Montana 77  
Georgia Tech 80, George Washington 68  
Second Round  
Saturday, March 19  
At The Wolstein Center  
Cleveland

West Virginia 111, Wake Forest 105, 2OT  
At Taco Bell Arena  
Boise, Idaho

Washington 97, Pacific 79  
At The McKale Center  
Tucson, Ariz.

Texas Tech 71, Gonzaga 69  
Sunday, March 20  
At The Gaylord Entertainment Center  
Nashville, Tenn.

Louisville 76, Georgia Tech 54  
Semifinals  
Thursday, March 24  
At The Pit  
Albuquerque, N.M.

Louisville 93, Washington 79  
West Virginia 65, Texas Tech 60  
Championship  
Saturday, March 26  
At The Pit  
Albuquerque, N.M.

Louisville 93, West Virginia 85, OT  
FINAL FOUR  
At Edward Jones Dome  
St. Louis

National Semifinals  
Saturday, April 2  
Illinois 72, Louisville 57  
North Carolina 87, Michigan State 71  
Championship  
Monday, April 4  
North Carolina 75, Illinois 70

# ALC baseball team wins four of five

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PIPPA PASSES — The Alice Lloyd College baseball team won four of five games last week. On Tuesday, the Eagles, playing on the road in Danville, split a doubleheader with Centre College. Alice Lloyd took the first game, beating host Centre 9-8.

In the opening-game victory, Jesse Smith was the winning pitcher and Jeff Robbins was credited with the save. Alice Lloyd's Ronnie Johnson, Kevin Slone, Matthew Toney and Byron Hall each picked up two hits apiece. Hall also drove in a pair of runs.

Noah May had a hit and drove in three runs.

The Eagles lost the second game, falling 7-1. Slone again had two hits. Derrick Whitaker had a hit and Alice Lloyd's only RBI in the game.

On Thursday, Alice Lloyd traveled north to Ohio Rio Grande University and came away with a 7-6 win over the host team. Playing host to Alice Lloyd, Rio Grande was ranked as one of the top 25 teams in the country. Against Rio Grande, Joey Hager went to the mound for the Eagles — and he worked well, picking up the win.

On Friday, Southwest Virginia visited Alice Lloyd. The Eagles won both games of a doubleheader, beating the Virginia squad 15-2 in one game and 10-0 in another.

David Hatfield was the winning pitcher in the first game. May pitched an no-hitter in the second game.

This week, the Eagles played at UVa-Wise on Monday and are scheduled for a

At press time, Alice Lloyd was hosting Union College in a

doubleheader. The Eagles have a three-game series scheduled at Tennessee Wesleyan for the upcoming weekend.

ALC SOFTBALL: The Alice Lloyd College softball team opened its season last Wednesday with a doubleheader at the Hindman Park against Kentucky State University. Although they played well, the Lady Eagles lost both games, falling 7-1 and 4-0.

Brandy Smith pitched well in both games.

On Thursday, the Lady Eagles traveled to Berea College for another doubleheader. The ALC softball team fell 5-1 in the first game and 17-1 in the second game.

This week, the team will travel to Kentucky State on Thursday and UVa-Wise on Friday.

# Blackcats beat Knott Central, Cordia

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG — After starting the season with back-to-back losses, the Prestonsburg High baseball team entered yesterday evening's home game against Phelps winner of two of its last three games. The Blackcats, after losing to Sheldon Clark and Magoffin County in games played on back-to-back days last week, moved on to Knott County Central High School and the East Kentucky Invitational.

The East Kentucky Invitational got underway on Wednesday, March 30 and continued through last Sunday evening when Allen Central

beat Pike County Central for the tournament title.

Late last week, Prestonsburg beat Knott County Central 3-2. The Blackcats, coached by Bob Shepherd, also got a win over Cordia Monday night. The Blackcats hit the road and defeated the host Lions 9-1.

In the win over Knott Central, Prestonsburg provided some game-deciding play late, scoring two of its three runs in the last inning. Nick McGuire got the start on the mound for Prestonsburg. Josh Rodebaugh and Brenton Hamilton also pitched for the Blackcats. Hamilton also provided offense, finishing with a double and a single.

Ryan Hall scored both of Knott Central's runs. Trey Smith pitched and absorbed the loss for the Patriots.

Results from the Prestonsburg-Phelps game were unavailable at press time.

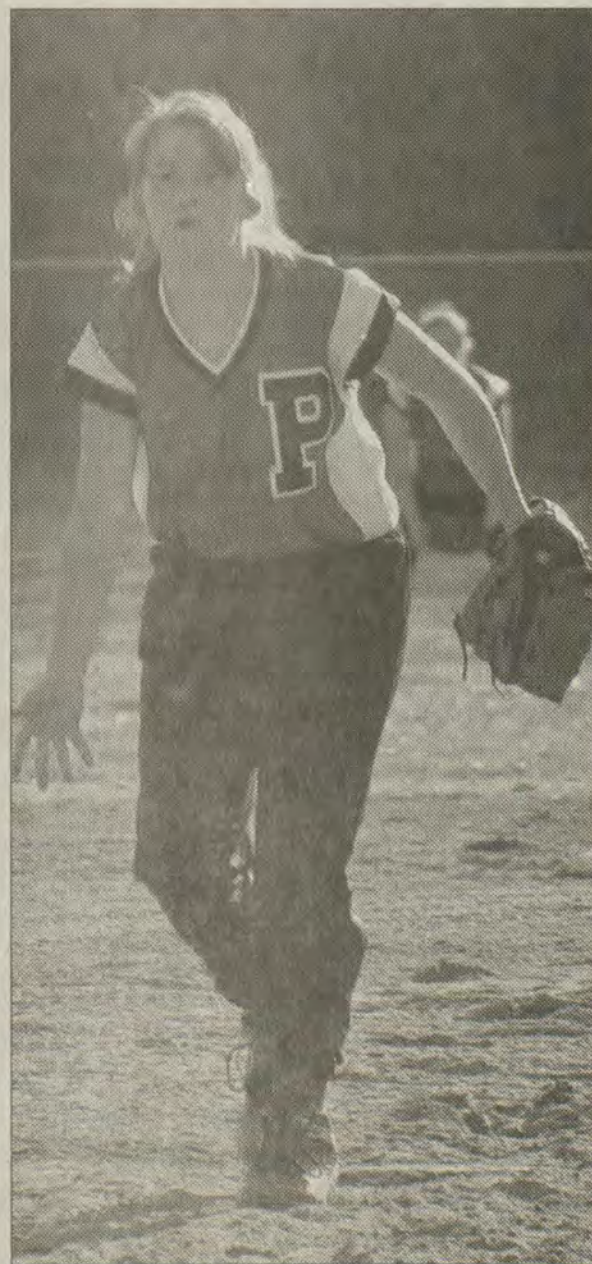
## East Kentucky Invitational

At Knott County Central

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Prestonsburg, after dropping a season-opener to Magoffin County, returned to the diamond yesterday, taking on Floyd County rival Betsy Layne.

photos by Jamie Howell

# NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP: North Carolina 75, Illinois 70

by EDDIE PELLIS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ST. LOUIS — Finally, Roy Williams had a good reason to cry.

Stymied so many times before in his pursuit of a title, the longtime coach broke through Monday night. The tears this time were tears of joy, the result a 75-70 victory over Illinois that finally gave Williams the national championship that was missing from his otherwise stellar 17-year career.

"I'm just so happy for myself, my family," Williams said. "These seniors ... they took me for a heck of a ride."

Sean May had 26 points and the Tar Heels didn't allow a basket over the final, excruciating 2 1/2 minutes.

Freshman Marvin Williams had a tip-in with 1:26 left, Raymond Felton made three free throws down the stretch and the Tar Heels (33-4) won their first title since 1993, back when Dean Smith was coaching and Williams was at Kansas, in the middle of his Final Four futility.

"He is the greatest coach," Felton said. "If he retired tomorrow, I would vote for him for the Hall of Fame. He told us he would bring us a championship and we did it as a team."

Led by May's 10-for-11

shooting, Carolina took a 65-55 lead with 8:51 left and it looked like Williams would win his 41st tournament game and first championship going away.

But Illinois (37-2) never quits. The Illini shot 27 percent in the first half and trailed by 13 at halftime.

They trailed by 15 early in the second and 10 a bit later. They tied the game twice in the last 5 1/2 minutes, but when they had a chance to force overtime, Luther Head missed a 3-pointer with 17 seconds left, ending their chance to set the NCAA record for wins in a season.

"We lost our poise down the stretch in the first half," Illinois coach Bruce Weber said. "That probably cost us because now you have such a margin to come back."

When it was over — after Felton had made his last two free throws, after May had cradled his 10th and final rebound — Williams took off his glasses and started looking for people to hug.

A few moments later, he was crying, much like he has at the end of every season. Usually, the tears come because he has to say goodbye. No goodbye will be as sweet as this one.

"For Coach to be able to say that the first team to get him a championship was the 2005 team is an honor," said May,

whose 26 points were the same as his dad, Scott, scored in leading Indiana to the 1976 title over Michigan. "He'll win a few more before he's done."

Head led Illinois with 21 points. He had a wide-open look at a 3-pointer that would have tied the game at 73, but it bounded off. Felton made the final two free throws and Weber's magical ride with the Illini wound up one win short of the real fairytale ending he hoped for.

"It goes down in history," Weber said. "Not only Illinois history, NCAA history. Tied the most wins ever, No. 1 for all the time. You get to the championship game. You know, I mean, if you're not happy with this, I feel sorry for you, because life ain't getting better."

It did get better for Williams, though.

The coach left Kansas to take over the Tar Heels two years ago, after the program Smith built had faltered and fallen to 8-20. Williams took a ton of heat for leaving the Jayhawks suddenly after losing in the title game in 2003 — his fourth close call at the Final Four.

He defended the move, saying coming back to his alma mater had always been his dream.

"The last three or four days, I

had five or six of them call me and wish me good luck," he said of his former players.

It took two years to rebuild, and this week he dealt with a more familiar issue: Did he need to win a title to call his career a success?

He told the story of Smith insisting he was no better a coach after he finally won one in 1982, but Williams conceded that answering that "same dog-gone question" did get a little annoying at times.

When he walked into the interview room after this win, his first statement echoed Smith. "I'm no better coach than I was three hours ago," Williams declared.

The win gave North Carolina its fourth overall title, fourth-most in NCAA history and one more than archrival Duke. Celebrating in the locker room afterward were former Tar Heel Michael Jordan and Smith, the coach Williams patterned his career after.

After May made a short shot with 11:22 left in the first half for an 18-17 lead, Carolina never trailed again — but this game never really got comfortable.

May was unstoppable for the first 12 minutes of the second half, scoring 16 points during

that stretch and dishing out two assists to help North Carolina push its lead to as many as 15 and fight off the Illinois rallies.

James Augustine, charged with stopping the 6-foot-9 center, was in foul trouble through most of it. He tried covering May one-on-one, and that didn't work. Then, he got help, but when May felt the double coverage, he dish out to a wide-open Jawad Williams, who made a 3-pointer for a 60-53 lead.

But Illinois hung in, and that was no surprise. This was the team that rallied from 15 down with 4 minutes left against Arizona in the regional to make it to its first Final Four since 1989.

This time, though, the Illini could never get a lead. And after Head hit a 3-pointer with 2:40 left, Deron Williams missed on an open look, Felton stepped in front of a bad pass by Head, then Head missed the potential game-tying shot at the end.

In all, the Illini missed five 3-pointers down the stretch, part of a night in which they shot 12-for-40 from long range — a season high for attempts — and just 38 percent overall.

Felton finished with 17 points and seven assists and Rashad McCants had 14 for the Tar Heels, all in the first half.

Deron Williams scored 17 and Dee Brown had 12 for the Illini, but they needed a combined 39 shots to get there — and, in the end, the 27-for-70 shooting night just couldn't be overcome.

The game turned in North Carolina's favor during a 13-2 run over the last 4:58 of the first half.

Felton, McCants and Jawad Williams each hit 3-pointers during the stretch. More significantly, though, was the way the Tar Heels dominated on defense.

Head squirmed open for a twisting shot from point blank on the baseline, but it missed. Roger Powell Jr. rebounded but couldn't get the ball to the rim — rejected twice by North Carolina's inside players.

In the end, the Tar Heels won the matchup that was billed as Team vs. Talent — North Carolina with the talent and Illinois with the team.

It turned out Carolina really had both.

"A lot of people said we were just talented, but not a team," May said. "But when times got tough, we banded together and came through. We showed we're not just talented. We're a team."

And the team with the right coach, to boot.

# Tubby Smith earns national coach of the year honors

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEXINGTON — After leading his team to a 28-6 record, University of Kentucky head coach Tubby Smith was rewarded with 2005 Jim Phelan National Coach of the Year award, edging Illinois' Bruce Weber by ten points.

"This might be Tubby's finest coaching job," says Rice head coach Willis Wilson who is one of 20 members on the Phelan Award committee. "He got so much out of his team, which was very young. His ability to motivate and get the most of out what he has to work with has

always been a staple of Tubby Smith. This season was a prime example of that. Tubby really deserves this award."

Smith received 10 first-place votes, while Weber received 8. Utah's Ray Giacoletti and Wisconsin-Milwaukee's Bruce Pearl each received one first-place vote. Pacific's Bob Thomason finished third overall in the voting, followed by Pearl, Boston College's Al Skinner and Giacoletti.

The Wildcats began the season winning 10-of-11 and 19-of-21. And much to the surprise of many, UK won its first ten Southeastern

Conference games. Kentucky's come-from-behind win at Alabama (Feb. 26) clinched the school's 43rd SEC title. It was Tubby's fifth SEC title in eight seasons.

Over the past three seasons, Smith has led Kentucky to 51-4 mark against SEC opponents. The total ties the SEC record for most wins over conference foes in a three-year period. Kentucky has previously reached the 51-win mark over two spans (1995-97 and 1996-98).

"Despite all he has accomplished I still don't believe that Tubby has received the credit he deserves," says Joe Dwyer (pictured above) who is

the editor-in-chief of CollegeInsider.com and a member of the Phelan award voting panel. "In my opinion, being the head basketball coach at Kentucky is the single most challenging job in all of sports."

Smith is the third recipient of the Jim Phelan Coach of the Year award, which was originally established in 1996 as the CollegeInsider.com National Coach of the Year award. In March 2003, the award was renamed to honor long-time Mount St. Mary's coach Jim Phelan.

Mercer's Mark Slonaker was the 2003 recipient and St. Joseph's Phil Martelli took the honor in 2004.



Kentucky head coach Tubby Smith has received a national coach of the year honor.

# Twenty-nine years later, May matches his father's title

by KEITH PARSONS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ST. LOUIS — Before the biggest game of his career, Sean May followed the same ritual that served him so well all season.

He had a conversation with his father, who did most of the talking.

"You've been playing long enough, you know what you have to do," Scott May told his son. "You have one shot. You'll never forget this moment if you get it done."

The moment they shared was brief, but Sean May got the message. He made all but one of his 11 shots and scored 26 points in a dominating performance Monday night, controlling the paint and leading North Carolina past Illinois 75-70 for the NCAA championship.

In the process, May forced one of his defenders to foul out and left another with four fouls. And the burly Tar Heels center left with the Most Outstanding Player award.

No surprise there. May carried North Carolina to the Final Four by averaging 21.5 points and 11.8 rebounds in the tournament, slightly better than his regular-season numbers. In the final, his 26 points matched the total his father scored in the 1976 final, when Scott May and Indiana completed an undefeated season with a victory over Michigan.

"It means a lot, because I tried to live up to my father's expectations, even though he hasn't wanted me to," the younger May said. "It's very gratifying to know that you set goals for yourself and you're able to achieve those goals."

Sean May did beat his old man's effort in one way — he finished with 10 rebounds, two more than Scott May had in his final game.

"We'll have some fun with that," Sean May said with a smile.

When May and his teammates arrived in St. Louis, he showed them the videotape from that final 29 years ago,

the first time they had seen it together. Perhaps now May can put it away for good, since he has one of his own. Quite a night on his 21st birthday.

"This celebration is a lot better than that '76 celebration, 'cause it's my celebration and this team," May said. "My dad talked about it for so many years, and I never really understood what it was like. I never won anything on this level."

The Illini had rarely faced someone as rugged as May, listed at 6-foot-9 and 250 pounds. And they were ill-equipped to handle him, particularly when 6-foot-10 center James Augustine left with five fouls. Reserve Jack Ingram finished with four.

"It's tough to stop May," Illini coach Bruce Weber said. "They had probably more inside threat with May than we had, and it made the difference in the game."

In the final 20 games of the season, May had 15 double-doubles, and he added the final one when it mattered most. May didn't take a shot after making two free throws with 4:21 left to give the Tar Heels a 70-67 lead, but he found other ways to help.

Luther Head later missed a 3-pointer that would have given Illinois a tie in the final minute, and May leaped high to tip the carom to North Carolina point guard Raymond Felton. When Felton got fouled, a couple of his teammates began celebrating a bit, and May was there quickly to squash it.

He finally allowed himself to smile when it was over, racing over to hug coach Roy Williams.

"Sean came up with the ball. He's running at me," Williams said. "I just wanted to hug that big rascal as long as I could hug him."

May also soaked in the atmosphere in what might be his final college game. All season long, he insisted he would be back for his senior season, but his performance in the tour-

nament is sure to make the NBA an option.

"It's been unbelievable," May said. "My teammates, friends, family, they supported us. I'll never forget this 'til the day I die. This is the best moment I've ever had in my whole life."

At the start of the second half, May scored North Carolina's first two baskets, then added another less than 2 minutes later when he followed up a miss by Jawad Williams with a powerful dunk. Time and again, when the Tar Heels needed points, they went to May, and he almost always delivered.

"Man, Sean was absolutely just killing those guys," North Carolina guard Melvin Scott said. "I wish we could have gotten him the ball 12 extra times and gotten him 50."

Even when Illinois surrounded him with double teams, May couldn't be stopped. He threw a nifty crosscourt pass to set up a 3 by Jawad Williams to give North Carolina a 60-53 lead, then May had a chance for a three-point play on the next possession after making a jumper over Ingram.

Missing the free throw didn't slow him down. May converted 3-of-4 at the line to make it 65-55 before adding his final points on those free throws to set up the finish.

"They play really good defense, but they extend so much, it leaves a wide gap," May said. "Our guards did a great job getting me the ball, and they just kept feeding me."

He also had a hand in helping the Tar Heels take the lead for good, getting good position alongside teammate Marvin Williams when Rashad McCants missed a reverse layup. May and Williams both jumped for the tip, but Williams was credited with it, and the Illini couldn't recover.

"You know, it's not supposed to be easy," May said. "We have to tip our hats to them. They played well, but we didn't give up. We wanted to win."



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### POISON OAK

## I never liked cake, anyway

During the NCAA basketball tournament, a week or so ago, I heard one of the announcers on TV comment that a team had won in a "cakewalk."

A lot of basketball champions have been crowned since I first heard that term. Of course, in this case, the commentator simply meant that the team to which he referred, had had an easy time with its opponent. Let me say here and now, however, that winning real, genuine cakewalks was... well, no piece of cake.

Back in the 1940s, pie suppers—or if you were a member of the upper crust, "pie socials"—were frequent fund-raising events at the H. S. Howes Community School. Cakewalks were always a part of the pie suppers.

In Loretta Lynn's movie, pie suppers were depicted exactly as I remember them. Boys old enough to be gainfully employed, most likely at the North East Coal Company mine, would bid on a pie, and whomever bought it got to share it with the girl who had made it. Sometimes, depending upon how pretty the girl was—and coal-camp girls were a good looking bunch—a pie would go for as high as six or seven dollars. The money paid for the pie went to the organization sponsoring the event. Most of the time, at least in our case, it was the PTA.

After the auctioneer—I remember that once it was Charlie Bailey, a preacher at the Free Will Baptist Church—would sell half a dozen, or so, pies, he'd take a break and we'd have us a cakewalk. Sometimes as many as eight or ten of the older women would each bring a home-

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### KIM'S KORNER

## Repeat Advice

During a weekend trip to the grocery, I was approached by a young woman who asked if there was any way I could repeat a column or, if that was just totally impossible.

She told how a member of her family was experiencing such grief and turmoil over out and out false rumors. And of how those involved don't ever seem to stop and think of the harm such things can cause. She told me she had searched and searched for the copy of the paper that had this very subject discussed in it and said she thought she had kept it, but wasn't able to find it anywhere.

She told me how she believed God put us in that store at the same time so that she could ask me to please publish it again.

With that in mind, the following article is a repeat from June of '04:

Reading the book of Job a few days ago brought to mind, occurrences some have endured lately that led to prayer of what and how to share with you in this particular space this month. Chapter 19:23-24 & 29

"Oh, that my words were written! Oh, that they were inscribed in a book! (29) "Be afraid of the sword for yourselves; For wrath brings the pun-

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## RIF Challenge at Prestonsburg Elementary

Prestonsburg Elementary continued its participation in the 2005 RIF (Reading Is Fundamental) Community Reading Challenge on Wednesday, February 23 by inviting readers from the community into their school. This activity is a part of a national competition that encourages children to read and brings community members into RIF sites as volunteer readers. This challenge is conducted in any two-week period during January and February

and must include a variety of activities that motivate children to read. This challenge is made possible by MetLife Foundation.

Community readers participating were Highlands Regional Medical Center employees, local attorneys, retired teachers, Prestonsburg Fire Department members, local ministers, dental assistants, and other prominent community members.

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Maggie Banks from Highland Regional Medical Center is reading to Mrs. Vickey Stumbo's Second Grade class.

# BSCCTC Hosts National History Day Contest

## National History Day Contest a success

By Rachelle Burchett  
PUBLIC RELATIONS ASSISTANT, BSCCTC

"We welcome your to our College," stated Nancy Johnson, Big Sandy Community and Technical College (BSCCTC) Provost, as she overlooked a crowd of 280 students and teachers from around the region to the Annual National History Day Contest. The National History Day (NHD) Contest was held on the Prestonsburg Campus of BSCCTC on March 24, 2005. National History Day is a program designed to engage students in grades 6-12 in active learning as they prepare theme related presentations for the contest. Communication in History: The Key to Understanding, was this year's theme and students who participated in the contest had to prepare a theme related paper, project, documentary or dramatic presentation.

"The contest held in this district is the oldest continual History Day Contest in the state," stated Dr. Donald Barlow, associate professor of history at BSCCTC and coordinator of the eastern Kentucky District of the National History Day program. "It has been 14 years of building to reach such success with the contest and I am proud of all that we have accomplished together in the Eastern Kentucky District. According to the NHD website the contest is the oldest and most highly regarded humanities contest and it engages more than 700,000 students annually," he said.

Dr. George D. Edwards, BSCCTC President said, "I am delighted that Big Sandy Community and Technical College can host the National History Day Contest. It is encouraging to see the many students from the Big Sandy area schools, here on our campus and engaged in activities that exemplify excellence and learning. It is my honor to congratulate all of the participants in this annual history event."



Counselor Beverly Martin judges one of the many projects submitted to the National History Day Contest on the Big Sandy Community and Technical College Prestonsburg campus.

### CRITTER CORNER

## Thunderstorm Phobia

By Dr. Carol Combs-Morris, DVM

The first of the spring thunderstorms has come and gone, in the wee hours of last Thursday morning. If the dogs had slept through it, I probably would have too. As it was, a loud crash of thunder coincided with Destiny diving under the covers and Gunner leaping completely across the bed to get to his "cave" under the night table (not that an 80-lb dog FITS under a night table).

I was late for work the next morning, since I had to help Pat load Gunner into the truck and drive him to our chiropractor to have his neck adjusted. He had apparently slammed headfirst into the closet door when he jumped off the bed. At work, Teresa was as bleary-eyed as I was,

having spent a similar night with her dogs reacting fearfully to the storm. Several people that day mentioned having problems with their dogs because of the weather.

Fear of storms is common in animals and people, and it is grounded in the reasonable instinct to seek shelter and avoid injury. Fears turn into phobias when they get so bad that they are out of proportion to the actual danger. Most dogs that show signs of anxiety during storms fall in the category of fearful. They may hide, shake, pace or drool. The really phobic dogs are a different story. These animals tend to be truly frantic, and often hurt themselves or do damage to their sur-

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"Sadie Lou." Sadie Lou is an australian shepard/ border collie mix. This beautiful portrait of Sadie Lou was painted by local artist, Randy Lawson, who, along with wife, Mandy, owns the gorgeous girl.

# School Calendar

## Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

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

■ 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

■ 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 Element-

ary 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; kinder-

garten, 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.

■ "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

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# YESTERDAYS

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

## Ten Years Ago

April 5 and 7, 1995

In what is being described as a plea for help, a group of Floyd Countians are planning to converge on the Floyd County Courthouse, Saturday morning, in a protest against alleged local government corruption. Recent reports that approximately \$800,000 in 911-funds are missing, and that \$2.5 million in solid waste "user fees" were unaccounted for are the reasons for Saturday's event, according to a written release from the group...Two Indiana men were arrested, Tuesday, by Prestonsburg Police and are being questioned in the Monday evening robbery of a BP station at Stanville. Jack D. Cooler, 22, and Mark Mills, 23, both of Jeffersonville, Indiana, were booked into the Floyd County Jail on theft by unlawful taking charges, after police reportedly discovered the vehicle they were riding in was stolen...State education officials will divide almost \$200,000 between four Floyd County schools for high achievement on student performance tests. It was announced, Tuesday, that Betsy Layne High School and Harold, Auxier and Duff elementaries will receive the monies as rewards under Kentucky's Education Reform Act...Prestonsburg's finance and revenue committee met Monday to discuss the use of city gas in Mayor Jerry Fannin's personal vehicle, and his use of a cellular phone...In a surprise to some, Floyd County Democrats chose their candidate, Monday, to run for judge-executive in November, and it wasn't Floyd County Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson. Members of the Democratic Executive Committee unanimously nominated Ben Hale, son of former Sheriff Henry Hale, to face off against the Republican challenger in November...A Floyd County man is facing an extortion charge after allegedly threatening to kill people if the McDonald's Corporation did not send him money. Donald Howell, 32, of Mink Branch at Craynor, was arrested at his home on March 25, by Kentucky State Police trooper Les Stapleton...Five first degree rape charges were filed against a Floyd County man, Sunday, for allegedly raping a 41-year-old woman in February. John Glenn Tackett, 33, of Beaver, was charged by Kentucky State Police detective Leslie

Gannon for allegedly raping the woman repeatedly on February 8...Two unidentified persons were taken to area hospitals, Monday afternoon, after being injured in a four-car crash at an intersection at Martin...Floyd County deputy judge-executive Jimmy Stumbo was sentenced to two years probation, Friday, after pleading guilty, earlier this year, to drug trafficking and stealing county funds...A total of nine forest fires in Floyd, Pike and Martin counties won't be under control until some rain falls, according to state forestry officials. A Jackson weather official reported a slight chance of rain, Saturday...A six-man delegation from Poland is touring eastern Kentucky to learn how cable-television and telephone service can be provided to rural areas in their country...It looks like Floyd County's Fiscal Court won't be borrowing any money to replenish the county's depleted 911 fund, because excess monies have been found in other accounts...The bidding process for phase I renovations to the Samuel May House will have to begin again, because the bids came in at approximately \$100,000 over cost estimates...There died: Lenna Adams, 80, of Prestonsburg, Friday, March 31, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Sterling Turner Waddles, 81, of Eastern, Wednesday, March 29, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Lona E. Hayes, 80, of Dayton, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County, Wednesday, March 29, at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Dayton; John H. Osborne Sr., 79, of Mims, Florida, Friday, March 31, at his residence; Tina Kaye Manns, 14, of Wayland, Sunday, April 2, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Carla Francis Osborne, 26, of Winchester, a Floyd County native, Saturday, April 1, in Mt. Sterling, from injuries suffered in an automobile accident; Bernice L. Schepers, 79, of Celestine, Indiana, Wednesday, April 5, at the Jasper Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center in Jasper, Indiana; Betty Sue Spencer, 54, of Hueysville, Wednesday, April 5, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington; Josephine Hall, 65, of Weeksbury, Wednesday, April 5, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Dorothy Hereford Cunningham, 77, of Margate, Florida, formerly of Prestonsburg, Saturday, April 1, at Northwest Regional Medical Facility in Margate; Sam Henry Marsillette, 31, of Auxier, Tuesday, April 4, at

Highlands Regional Medical Center; Edna Mae Castle Martin, 89, of Garrett, Wednesday, April 5, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

## Twenty Years Ago

April 3, 1985

Captain Samuel Maurice Isbell II, 26, of Floyd County, lost his life when his plane crashed in California, last Wednesday morning...For the second time in two weeks, a Floyd high school principal has been asked to step down by Superintendent E.P. Grigsby Jr...There died: Darwin Spradlin, 60, of West Prestonsburg, Sunday, at the Veteran's Hospital in West Virginia; Hie Conn, 94, of Dana, Tuesday, at his home; Kenis Hamilton, 93, of Beaver, Monday, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; W. K. "Bill" Woods, 58, of Allen, Sunday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Dempsey Paige, 62, of Beaver, last Wednesday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Stella Mae Shepherd, 75, of West Prestonsburg, Sunday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Jerry Hall Jr., 48, of Drift, last Wednesday, at St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington; Grace Wicker Bays, 81, of Garrett, March 26, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital.

## Thirty Years Ago

April 2, 1975

If legislation amending the National Flood Insurance Act is voted by Congress—and there is no apparent major opposition to it—communities in flood-prone areas will not lose any federal funds for failure to join the federal flood insurance program, a Washington reporter says...At least two of the county's four magistrates have complained, following the recent publication of their salary raises, that raises for other county officials were not published...For the second time in his young school career 12-year-old Jackie Jarrell, seventh-grade pupil of the Prater Creek school is Floyd County's spelling champion...Abbott Creek suffered some isolation, Monday, when the water rose to its highest stage of the year there, cutting the highway...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Jeff McGuire, of Maytown, a

son, Jeffery Scott, March 20, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital...There died: Gladys Jarrell Ratliff, 86, Monday, at her home at Justell; George W. Hensley, 80, of Melvin, March 19, at Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Mrs. Malta Bays Cole, 58, of Martin, Wednesday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Elbert K. Burchett, 71, of Endicott, March 24, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Mrs. Lily Hall Martin, 63, Monday, at her home at Halo; Wootsie Moore, 75, of Langley, Sunday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Joan Leslie Craven, 69, of Prestonsburg, last Tuesday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

## Forty Years Ago

April 1, 1965

The fear of flooding eased over the week-end as streams were back within their channels by Sunday...One of two federal prisoners who choked a turnkey, gained possession of his keys and fled the Floyd County Jail, late Sunday afternoon, is the object of a wide search by Floyd County officers and state police...Bricks from the old Floyd County Courthouse were utilized, this week, for construction on the first building at Archer Park here...Fathers of dependent children who are given work under the Economic Opportunity Act will be going back to school soon—or off the payroll...The Prestonsburg Jaycees have pledged \$1,000 toward construction of eight tennis courts at Archer Park, and a spring dance will be the first of the club's fund-raising efforts...Coach of the Martin Purple Flash basketball team, Denzil Halbert, has been named coach of the East squad in the East-West all-star game, and Martin star Larry Hall was selected by The Courier-Journal for a place on the All-State team...There died: N. M. "Bud" White, 74, Monday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Laura Bell Hamilton Ramey, 78, of Beaver, Thursday, of last week, at the Beaver Valley Hospital; Albert Ray Harrison, 38, of Ivel, last Thursday, at Ashland; Mrs. Ottie Robinson, 64, of Water Gap, last Thursday, Mrs. Millie Hall, 73, of Melvin, Monday, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional

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**Yesterdays**

Hospital; Mrs. Elizabeth Stricklin, 86, formerly of Prestonsburg, Monday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital.

**Fifty Years Ago**

**March 31, 1955**

An action taken by the Floyd Fiscal Court, last Friday, threatens reopening of a whole flock of court cases involving present and former county officials, who allegedly received pay for their services in excess of the Constitutional limit...What is possibly the biggest fish-killing operation ever undertaken in Kentucky waters was begun at Dewey Lake, Tuesday, as poison was sprayed from an airplane in an attempt to rid the impoundment of an over-supply of large shad...Floyd County faces the threat of typhoid fever as an aftermath of floods which have affected every section of the county, it was said here this week by M. V. Clark, Floyd County Health Department administrator, as he reported four cases of the disease...Talk of anti-stream

pollution measures to be taken by Prestonsburg, and other towns of this section, has reached the "tough talk" stage...13-year-old Rodney Bussey, of David, was winner of the Herald-Dispatch spelling bee, and Euvonda Lawson was winner of the Courier-Journal bee here, Saturday...There died: James Henderson Nunnery, 62, prominent Prestonsburg businessman, Monday, at Prestonsburg; Mrs. Elsie Music VanHoose, 58, of Estill, last Saturday; Jerry J. Boyd Sr., formerly of this county, March 15, at Mount Sterling; Miss Florence May, 37, of Allen, last Thursday, at Lexington; Mrs. Serrilda Smith Boyd, 75, of Dana, last Saturday, at the home of a daughter on Prater Creek.

**Sixty Years Ago**

**March 29, 1945**

The list of Floyd war dead rose this week to 103, as the deaths of Pvt. Ernest Scutchfield, 21, formerly of Bull Creek, and Lt. Lawton Clark, of Alphoretta, and

Prestonsburg, were officially reported. The wounded: Cpl. Willie James Goodman, of Emma, in Germany, February 13; Pfc. Edward D. Allen, of Langley, March 3, in France; Pfc. John W. Ferguson, of Wheelwright, in Italy, March 8...The United Mine Workers voted Wednesday, by a 26 to 1 ratio, to strike. The Big Branch Coal Company of Harold, was chartered this week...Born: to Sgt. and Mrs. Paul C. Combs, at a Lexington hospital, March 25, a son...There died: William H. Reitz, 83, Wednesday, of last week, at Drift; James Morrison, 69, Tuesday, at Bypro; Lee Burchett, 22, near here, last Thursday; Robert Muir, 73, of Wheelwright, last Thursday, at a Pikeville hospital; Isaac Stephens, 74, of Martin, Saturday, at a Martin hospital; Bobby Jarvis, 2, Friday, at Endicott; Mrs. Martin Combs, 77, Tuesday, at Garrett.

**Seventy Years Ago**

**March 29, 1935**

Contract for grade and drain construction of the Left Beaver Highway was awarded, Tuesday, to the Ralph H. Mills Company on its bid of \$56,790...Five new "relief" projects have been approved in this county: A steel bridge across Right Beaver Creek, above Garrett; surfacing of the road through Bosco, the road from Harold to Branham's Creek, and the road from Maytown to Warco. Three hundred fifty-eight men will be employed, and all five jobs will cost an estimated \$22,000...Miss Jean Thomas will appear at the Unique Theatre, here, Thursday, as a film of the 1934 American Folk Song Festival will be shown...The new law firm of B. M. James and W. S. Wallen is opening offices in the Hopkins building...Married: Miss Minerva Stephens and Mr. William Cornelius Allen, both of West Prestonsburg, March 23, at West Prestonsburg...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Brady Shepherd, of Prestonsburg, March 21, a daughter—Catherine Jean...There died: the nine-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Hyden, March 11, at West Prestonsburg.

**Korner**

ishment of the sword, That you may know there is judgment."

How many of us ever stop to think our mouths, the words they utter are as sharp as the sword? How many of us ever stop to think that our words can cause great harm to others and our selves come judgment day?

Over the years different writer's have contributed (including self) how our "miracles are in our mouth". Yet, day after day, week after week, month after month, and year after year, STILL, a negative, word can be spoken or heard and all the while, knowing such utterance will wreak havoc and dismay.

It's amazing to think that the tongue has such power. Yet, God's Word tells us time and time again! As a matter of fact, if we'd only just think for a minute the clarity of positiveness v.s. negativeness of our tongues would become like fine crystal, sparkling ever so bright.

Psalm 34:13  
"Keep your tongue from evil,  
And your lips from speaking guile."

Some of us, more than others have had to endure "rumors" and the repercussions that result. Some, Praise the Lord have never had to deal with such, and may you never have too, either.

When the little paperback book "There's a Miracle in Your Mouth," came across these hands positive speech became a Number 1 priority.

Just hearing a negative word

uttered from another sent and still does chills up the spine. It's one of those things that wants to make the hands grab hold to each side of the head and pull the hair out strand by strand. Talk about wanting to step up on a soapbox and shout to the heavens, "Speak Positive" this is one person who would love to do just that.

Yet, calmness shall prevail, prayer must take place, and this very topic has to be discussed and shared until it takes hold in the mouths of those of us who must practice what we speak.

To think our words can inflict pain, sorrow, harm, and headache just breaks my heart.

To think we live in a world where adults use such vile, guile, words against one another, and even children is even worse!

Proverbs 10: 31-32  
"The mouth of the righteous brings forth wisdom. But the perverse tongue will be cut out. The lips of the righteous know what is acceptable. But the mouth of the wicked is perverse."

When we are victims to tales carried by another, or engage in such ourselves NOTHING "good" can, nor will, come from such behavior.

From grade school on I can remember my mother and even grandmother saying to me, "If you can't say something good about somebody then don't say anything at all." Good advice to pay attention too, and worth repeating.

If you have children you've experienced this tale carrying, rumor spreading ordeal at least in one fashion or another.

Another aspect of experiencing it is in the workforce, and in the office setting. "Surely NOT," you say - think again! It happens!

Some people just aren't aware of how harmful words and the tongue can be, especially, if they haven't been on the receiving end of the hurt.

The poison that erupts to strike and burn the very depth of a soul and all in the form of words being spouted from the tongue.

James 3:6  
"And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity. The tongue is so set among our members that it defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire by hell."

From this day forward, I pray Lord Jesus all those reading this now may toss the negative words from our tongues. I pray that we will be Positive, Speak positive towards others, as well as our circumstances.

I pray that each of our tongues are used to Praise You Lord Jesus, to Share Your Kindness, Your Joy, Your Peace, and most of all that we can Love one another here on earth as in Heaven. May we forgive those who trespass against us, and May Your Words and Your Ways be ours! In Your Precious and Holy Name Father, Amen!

**Oak**

made-from-scratch cake. Apple stack cakes were popular, and there were always a couple of those up for grabs.

Those of us too young to have jobs, and didn't have enough money to bid on a pie, would save what little we had for the cakewalks, especially since you could take the cake home, and didn't have to eat it right on the spot with the woman who made it.

With a piece of chalk, Mr.

Chandler, the school's principal, would draw a line on the oily floor of the school auditorium, and participants—at a dime a whack—would line up behind that line, sometimes 30 or 40 at a time. Someone would yell "Go!" and everybody would start walking around the room. After a designated time, whomever yelled "Go!" would yell "Stop!" and the person closest to the chalk line would win the cake.

As easy as it sounds to win, after probably 25 or 30 attempts over the years, I never did. As a matter of fact, it seems as if the yellor waited until I had reached the farthest distance possible from the chalk line before he'd yell "Stop!"

Despite how the term is used (or in this case, misused) today, in a real-life 1940s situation, you can rest assured there was nothing easy about winning a cakewalk.

**School**

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**  
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For additional informa-

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

**Floyd County Adult Ed Class Schedule**  
BSCTC, Prestonsburg campus: Mon., Wed., Fri. - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Tue., Thur. - 11:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Contact: Jason Cassell - 886-3863, ext. 67219. Room m207 (second floor, Library).  
Auxier Lifelong Learning Center: Tue., Thur. - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Contact: Lucille Fuchs - 886-0709.  
Martin Extended Educa-

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

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

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

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

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

**Critter**

roundings in their attempts to get away from the storm. They often urinate or defecate, and they may dig or chew holes in walls, tearing out toenails in the process. Dogs have been known to hurl themselves through windows, sometimes several stories above the ground. For some reason, cats are not often affected, as badly as dogs, maybe because they are better at hiding, and therefore isolating themselves from the perceived danger.

We tend to think of storms as causing a type of noise phobia, a reaction to the thunder, but there are many other factors involved. The lightning is obvious, as is the sound of wind and rain. Animals most likely are also very sensitive to the changes in air pressure, the smell of ozone and the presence of static electricity in the air.

I had really not given much thought to static electricity until I was reading some material for this article. Several sources mentioned dogs who headed straight for the bathroom during storms, to take refuge next to, or inside the tub, or to wedge in

next to the plumbing for the toilet. This was very familiar; if Gunner is not behind the bed, he can always be found in the bathroom next to the tub during a thunderstorm. I had always assumed it was part of the instinct to hide in a small space, since our bathroom is tiny. The current feeling is that dogs may actually be trying to discharge static buildup through the natural conduction of the pipes.

No one knows why some dogs develop a fear or a phobia of storms while others seem to hardly notice them. Why do two dogs in my house become so nervous while six others take little or no notice of a storm? Gunner is anxious about everything in general; Desi is not. There is probably a genetic component, as the literature mentions the condition is more common in certain breeds, but there is probably also a great deal of learning involved. A tree falling on the house during a storm, or an actual electrical shock, such as through a telephone jack that a dog was sleeping near when lightning struck nearby, could trigger a very justifiable fear of

something horrific happening again. Dogs may also learn their fear through their owners' behavior during a storm. In most cases, we never know what causes the problem.

I am always worried that I may contribute to Gunner's and Destiny's fears. My mother was terrified of thunderstorms, and I think that made me more jumpy than I need to be. I try really hard to remain calm and pretend to ignore the thunder and lightning, and I know they can see right through the charade.

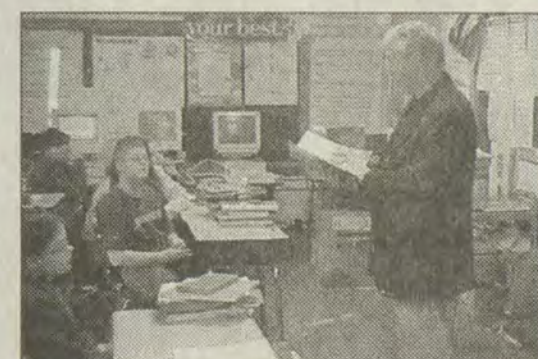
A definite no-no is to try to reassure a frightened animal during a storm. We have a natural instinct to pet dogs and tell them "It's all right." What we intend to communicate is that there is nothing to worry about, but what they may hear is that it's "all right" to behave fearfully. We may actually be rewarding them for their fearful behavior! It is equally useless, and downright unfair, to scold dogs for being afraid.

There are several recommended ways to reduce thunderstorm fear/phobia in dogs, and I will discuss some of them next time.

**RIF**

Other activities for this challenge include reading at home, hat day, buddy reading, Prestonsburg High School TAG readers, PES support staff readers, and the swearing in of readers by Judge Julie Paxton.

If chosen as a state or national winner, PES would be awarded additional funds to buy books for distribution to students.



Local attorney Tom Smith is reading to Ms. Debra Holland's Fifth-grade class.

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SHeDAISY's career got off to a quick start five years ago. The group's first four singles - "Little Good-Byes," "This Woman Needs," "I Will...But" and "Lucky 4 You (Tonight I'm Just Me)" - all went Top 10. The Whole SHeBANG sold nearly 2 million copies, making it one of the most successful debut albums by a country act since the Dixie Chicks. It

spent 99 weeks on Billboard magazine's Top Country Albums chart, leading to awards nominations from the Grammys, the Country Music Association, the Academy of Country Music, the Blockbuster Music Awards and the American Music Awards.

And now that the single, "Passenger Seat", has raced up the charts faster than any previous SHeDAISY single, and with the new CD entitled Sweet Right Here scheduled to be in stores June 8th, the possibilities before them suddenly are wide open again.

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# Renovating Hay Fields, Pastures Makes Good Economic Sense

by Ray Tackett  
FLOYD CO. EXTENSION OFFICE

Grasses dominate the seven million acres of pastures and hay fields serving Kentucky's animal-based agriculture. Renovating grasses to renew productivity is one of the most important management practices to improve this acreage.

Research data and farmer experiences over more than 50 years have proven the benefits of higher yield, quality and summer production from establishing legumes in grass pastures and hay fields. Since legumes also fix nitrogen, renovation lowers fertilizer costs and use. In one study, using red clover to renovate a fescue pasture produced higher yields than using the equivalent of 180 pounds of nitrogen per acre.

A legume-grass mix increases palatability, intake, digestibility and nutrient content, compared to grass alone. Research shows that legumes improve animal growth rates, reproductive efficiency and milk production.

Inoculated legume seed pro-

vide a valuable nutrient by fixing nitrogen in the soil. Different legumes fix varying amounts of nitrogen. Alfalfa fixes the most at 200 to 300 pounds of nitrogen an acre per year; annual lespedeza, about 75 to 150 pounds. The value of this nitrogen can vary from \$50 to more than \$200 an acre annually. Legumes can put up to \$75 worth of nitrogen into the soil.

Another advantage of renovation is that legumes produce more summer growth than cool-season grasses, providing forage during a slack-growth period.

The ultimate forage use is one consideration when deciding which legume to use. For instance, alfalfa and red clover usually are best for hay. Ladino and red clover and annual lespedeza work well in pastures alone. A combination of red clover and ladino clover are good for both hay and pasture.

Using legume and grass varieties that perform well in your geographical area is another important factor in successful renovation. Data

from University of Kentucky variety trials will help you pick varieties that are appropriate for your area. This information is available from the (County Name) Cooperative Extension Service, the "Variety Performance" information on the Department of Plant and Soil Sciences Web page at <http://www.ca.uky.edu/Ag/Agronomy/Extension>, or the Forage Variety Trials information on the UK Forage Extension Web site at <http://www.uky.edu/ag/forage>.

To successfully establish legumes, you must control competition from grasses and weeds that reduces the light, nutrients and water young legume plants need. Graze or mow grass until new legume plants are three to four inches tall; then cease for four to six weeks to allow the young plants to become well established.

Legumes need a higher soil pH and fertility level than grasses so take soil tests and apply the recommended lime and fertilizer. Do not add nitrogen during the establishment year because it will stimulate growth

of grass that will compete with the seedling legumes.

Buy certified seed. Mix a high-quality inoculant with the seed before planting and use a sticking agent to help the inoculant adhere to seed.

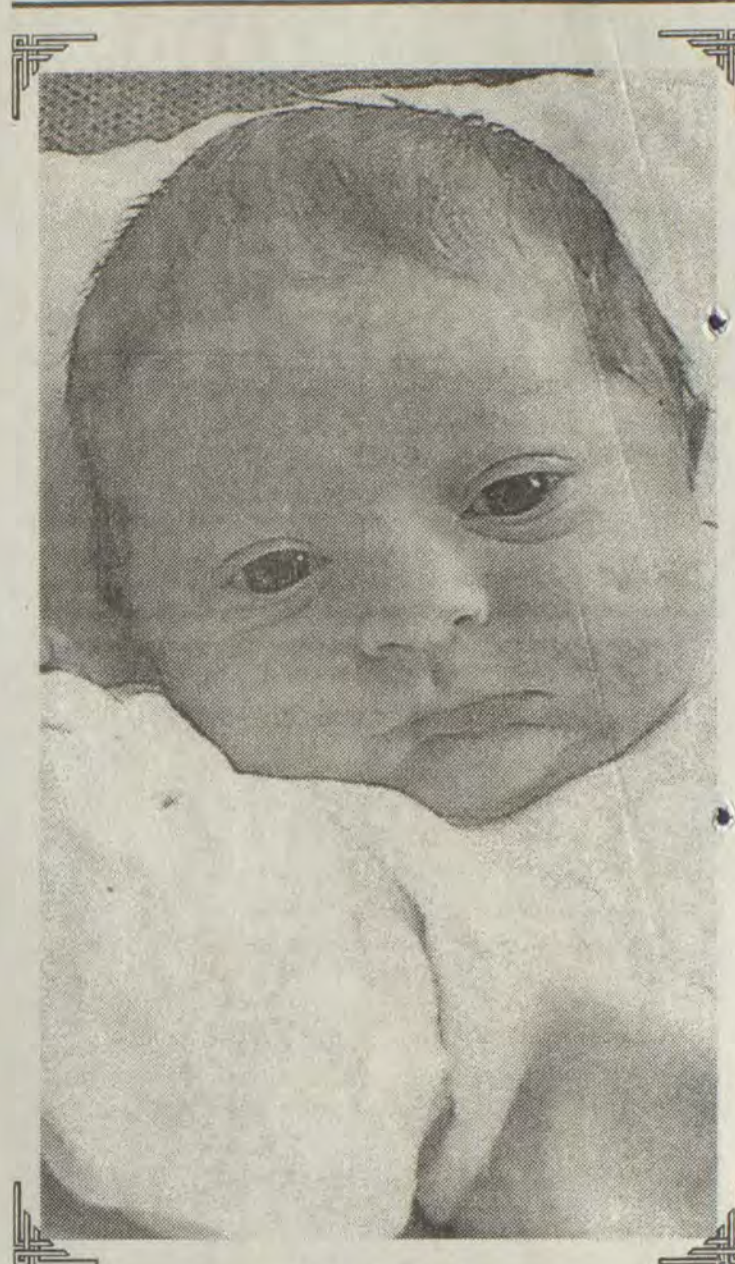
To improve seed-soil contact, use a disk, field cultivator, or field tiller to break up soil to improve the potential for seed germination and growth. Another method is to use a no-till renovation seeder. Broadcast legume seed on the soil surface in the late winter so soil freezing and thawing will cover them. This method does not work well with alfalfa.

Source: Garry Lacefield

For more information on pasture renovation, consult Ray Tackett at the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Service, or visit the Department of Plant and Soil Sciences Web site at <http://www.ca.uky.edu/Ag/Agronomy/Extension>.

Make plans now to attend the UK College of Agriculture Field Day on July 28, 2005 at the Research & Education Center in Princeton.

## Births/Birthdays



### New Arrival

Justice Connor Gregory Campbell was born on February 22, 2005 to proud parents Sera and Justin Campbell, of Knoxville, Tennessee. He weighed 8 lbs., 4 oz. and was 20 inches long. Justice is the grandson of Greg and Cathy Campbell, of Dwale, John D. Sammons, of Prestonsburg, and the late Connie Sammons. He is the great-grandson of Ralph and Palma Elkins and Irene Wallen, of Allen.

## Paintsville Lake visitor assistance telephone numbers and web sites

The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers is listing the following telephone numbers and web sites important to visitors in obtaining information on or about activities at Paintsville Lake.

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers Resource Manager's Office/Visitor Center

Administration, Park Regulations and General Information: Phone: 606-297-6312 or 606-297-6323, Fax: 606-297-6305

Internet Address:

<http://www.lrh.usace.army.mil>

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Internet Address for all

Huntington District Lakes and

### Outflow

<http://www.lrh-wc.usace.army.mil>

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Paintsville Lake Recorded

Lake Information Line: Hunt-

ing and Fishing Information,

Flood Information, Trout

Stocking Schedules, etc.,

Phone: 606-297-4111

### Paintsville Lake State Park

Superintendent's Office:

Park Administration, Picnic

Shelter Reservations, Boat

Launch Fee Information and

Re-created 1850-1875 Liv-

ing History Farm: Phone: 606-

297-1850

General Information, Phone: 606-297-8486,

Campground Phone: 606-

297-8488

### Paintsville Lake Marina

Boat Rentals and Restau-

rant: Phone: 606-297-5253

(297-LAKE)

### Mountain Homeplace

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ing History Farm: Phone: 606-

297-1850

### Patoker Branch Campground

A privately-owned and oper-

ated campground adjacent to

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Branch in Morgan County,

Phone: 606-522-3400

### Paintsville Lake Outdoor Classroom

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ation District as an environ-

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dents to discover and appre-

ciate the world of nature.

Phone: 606-789-5263

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Phone: 606-743-3898

### Johnson County Rescue Squad

For emergencies, Phone:

606-297-5555 or 911

These phone numbers

and email addresses are list-

ed to assist visitors in

obtaining desired informa-

tion concerning Paintsville

Lake in a quick and effi-

cient manner.

For additional informa-

tion, contact the Resource

Manager or the Ranger at

Paintsville Lake at (606) 297-

6312, Monday through Fri-

day from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm

or write to: Resource Man-

ager, Paintsville Lake, 807 Ky

Rt 2275, Staffordsville, KY

41256-9035.

## New Arrivals

### P.M.C. New Arrivals



**March 13:**  
- A daughter, Sydney Michelle Meade to Pamela and Jason Charles Meade.

**March 21:**  
- A son, Charles Edward Smith to Donetta Baisden and Joseph Thomas Smith.

**March 22:**  
- A daughter, Sydney Erin Thompson to Sabrina and Wesley Thompson.  
- A son, Bradley Quinn Newman to Marleana and Jamie Brent Newman.  
- A son, Joseph Dean Johnson to Dalila Fugate and Roy Dean Johnson.  
- A son, Brady Douglas Miller to Courtney Belcher and Matthew Miller.

**March 23:**  
- A son, Ethan Thomas Spears, to Randi Mullins and Stevie Spears.

**March 24:**  
- A son, Ronnie Dalton Hamilton to Althea Tackett and Ronnie Dale Hamilton.  
- A son, Joshua Alan Perkins to Tammy and John Lee Perkins.  
- A daughter, Audree Keana Griffith to Jackie Sue and Jamie Allen Griffith.

**March 25:**  
- A daughter, Kylie Grace Hall to Lacey Ann and Timothy Hall.  
- A son, Gage Maddox Thompson to Danita Sue and Mark Truman Thompson.

## 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!*

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[www.floydcountytimes.com](http://www.floydcountytimes.com)

### WRMC New Arrivals



**March 27, 2005**  
- A son, Jacob Nathaniel Grimm, to Heather Renee and Nathan David Grimm  
- A son, Michael Anthony Ritchie, to Kristie and Kyle Ritchie

**March 28, 2005**  
- A son, Devon Taylor Castle, to Stacy and Anthony Castle

**March 29, 2005**  
- A daughter, Sophie Aliva Slone, to Deborah and Jason Slone  
- A daughter, Charity Paige Danielle Boggs, to Catrina and Eric Boggs

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- Floyd County Central Office 402 John M. Stumbo Langley, Ky. 41645
- Ivy Creek Townhouses Ivy Creek Rd., Ivel, Ky. 41642
- Left Beaver Creek Townhouses Minnie, Ky. 41651

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that Kathryn Collins, 63 Weddington Lane, Emma, Ky., has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet for placement of fill. The property is located at Emma, Ky., 2 miles from Allen. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be direct-

ed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE**

**PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 836-0294, AMENDMENT 1**

(1) In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Miller Bros. Coal, Inc., 25 Clydean Drive, Leburn, Kentucky 41831, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining operation, located 1 mile southeast of Weeksbury, in Floyd and Pike counties. The amendment will add 31.22 acres, and will delete 2.15 of surface disturbance, making a total of 639.97 acres within the amended permit boundary.

(2) The proposed amendment area is approximately 1 mile southeast from Kentucky Route 466's junction with Caleb Fork County Road, and is located on Pine Fork of Caleb Fork, in Floyd County, and Abel Tackett Fork of Long Fork, in Pike County. The latitude is 37 degrees, 19 minutes, 09 seconds. The longitude is 82 degrees, 41 minutes, 01 seconds.

(3) The proposed amendment is located on the Wheelwright USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed under the amendment is owned by Collins and Mayo Collieries Company, Joyce N. Johnson, Clinton & Eva Little, and Joe & Mary Tackett. The operation will use the surface area method of mining.

(4) The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

The Floyd County Schools is soliciting companies qualified to perform an Energy Service Provider Contract (ESPC) project in the school district. A request for proposal is available at the Floyd County Schools Website (www.floyd.k12.ky.us) or by contacting Gregory Adams, Director of Facilities at (606) 874-9569. A mandatory pre-proposal conference will take place on April 11, 2005, at 1 p.m., local time, at the District Maintenance Facility, located at 23 Martin Street, Allen, Kentucky. Respondents must contact the contact(s) listed below at least 48 hours prior to the conference to indicate their intention to attend. Failure to contact the Floyd County Public Schools shall be reason to eliminate the respondent from consideration. Access for

site visits will be scheduled at the pre-proposal conference.

Gregory Adams or Linda Hackworth  
Floyd County Public Schools  
23 Martin Street  
Allen, KY 41601

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR SEALED BIDS**

Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission is accepting sealed bids for the following: Grass Cutting and Weed Trimming of All Specified Commission Locations, for the Period April 1, 2005, through November 1, 2005.

A complete listing of the locations to be maintained may be picked up at the office of Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission, at 2560 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, telephone (606) 886-6871.

Bids will be accepted through 3:00 p.m., on Friday, April 15, 2005, at which time the sealed bids will be opened. The winning bid will be announced as soon as possible after Commission management has examined all bids.

Bids must be sealed and addressed as follows:

Mr. David M. Ellis, Superintendent  
Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission  
2560 South Lake Drive  
Prestonsburg, KY 41653

Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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**FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO. 99-CI-359 FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY PLAINTIFF VS.**

Edward M. Kuss, Rebecca S. Kuss, Norwest Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee, Assignee of Oceanmark Financial Corp., Wickes Lumber Company, City of Prestonsburg Defendants

**RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

**BY VIRTUE OF** Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 12th day of April, 2004, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above-styled action, in the principal sum of \$350,857.00, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 7th day of April, 2005, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described real estate, located at 526 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Parcel No. 2 Situated on the waters of the Big Sandy River in the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky.

Being Lots Nos. 1, 2, and 3 shown upon that certain plat dated July 17, 1953, and prepared by H. Salisbury, Engineer, and filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Floyd County Court. These lots are adjacent to and adjoin the property now owned by Duran Moore, in South Prestonsburg, Kentucky, on U.S. Highway #23.

Parcel No. 1 A certain tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on South Lake Drive, described as follows:

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No. 23 at the cross fence above what is known as the Seibert Place, corner of line of Reba H. Mayo, et al; thence up said highway with line of said state highway a stake 552 feet from the beginning corner and opposite the present lower cross fence of Anna B. Allen; thence a straight line up the hill parallel with line of said Reba H. Mayo, et al., to center of ridge between Mayo Branch and Big Sandy River to a stake 613 feet from corner of Reba H. Mayo, et al., and J.D. Mayo; thence up the ridge with center of same 613 feet to said corner of Reba H. Mayo, et al., and J.D. Mayo; thence down the hill with said line of Reba H. Mayo, et al., to the beginning.

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**TERMS OF SALE**

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or \$5,000.00 of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America, and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County and City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2005, and all subsequent years, which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County and City of

Prestonsburg, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Defendant/Cross-Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Defendant/Cross-Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Plaintiff's Attorney: Hon. Kristen J. Mudd Lerner, Sampson & Rothfuss P.O. Box 5480 Cincinnati, Ohio 45201-5480 513/241-3100 William S. Kendrick Master Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

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**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 836-0313, TRANSFER**

In accordance with 405 KAR 8.010, notice is hereby given that HNR Mining, Inc., 2000 Ashland Drive, Ashland, Kentucky 41101, intends to transfer permit number 836-0281 to LCC Kentucky, LLC, P.O. Box 250, 7 North Front Street, Dwale, Kentucky 41621. The new permit number will be 836-0313. The operation disturbs 592.47 surface acres. No new acreage is affected by the transfer.

The application is located 2.75 miles northeast of Stanville, in Pike and Floyd Counties. The operation is approximately 2.39 miles northeast from CR-1027 and CR-1028 junction with US 23, and located along Shop Branch of Mare Creek. The operation is located on the Broad Bottom and Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department of Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

**ADVERTISEMENT OF BIDS-REQUEST FOR QUALIFIED BIDDERS FOR THE SALE OF: FLOYD COUNTY GAS SYSTEM**

The Floyd County Fiscal Court will receive sealed bids 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.

**S Y S T E M 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.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 836-0315**

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Motts Branch Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 2765, 436 Daniels Creek Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation, affecting 205.7 acres, and will underlie an additional 14.4 acres, located 2.9 miles northeast of Hueysville, in Floyd County.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.5 mile northwest from Route 2029's junction with KY Route 7, and located in Salyers Branch and Raccoon Branch of Saltlick Creek, and Grassy Creek of Licking River.

The operation will use the contour strip, area mining, and highwall/auger methods of mining. The surface area is owned by CONSOL of Kentucky Inc., Carl Reed, Jimmy & Carl Reed, I. Richmond-Heirs, Dosie Bailey, et al., Delphia M. Hale & Carol S. Wireman, and Knott Floyd Land Company, Inc. The operation will underlie surface area owned by Dosie Bailey, et al., and Knott Floyd Land Company, Inc.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Sealed bids for CIAP KY36P157-501-04, Modernization, will be received by The Floyd County Housing Authority, thru Friday, April 29, 2005, at 2 p.m. (local time), and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud. The project consists of: Remodeling of 62 bathrooms and 20 one-half baths with new PVC Tub/Shower Liners, Lavatories, Toilets, Faucets, and Vinyl Floor coverings.

The Information for Bidders, Bid Form, Form of Contract, Drawings, Specifications, and forms of Bid Bond, Performance Bond and Payment Bond, and other contract documents may be examined at the following locations: The Floyd County Housing Authority, 402 John M. Stumbo Drive, Langley, KY 41645,

606-285-3833; Lynn Imaging, 328 Old Vine Street, Lexington, KY 40507, 859-255-1021.

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

The Floyd County Housing Authority, 402 John M. Stumbo Drive, Langley, KY 41645, Telephone 606-285-3833; Fax: 606-285-3835, Attention: Harry Bennett, Capital Grants Coordinator. Copies must be obtained from Mr. Harry L. Bennett at the office of the Floyd County Housing

Authority, 402 John M. Stumbo Drive, Langley, KY, 41645, Telephone (606) 285-3833.

Partial sets will not be issued.

Bid Bonds and Performance and Payment Bonds must be secured by a guaranty or surety company listed in the latest issue of U. S. Treasury Circular 570 and shall be within the maximum amount specified for such company in said Circular 570. The "Bid Bond" and the "Performance and Payment Bond" must be issued by a surety company authorized to do business in the state where the project is located, and must be listed in U. S. Treasury Circular No. 570.

**AIR QUALITY PERMIT NOTICE Draft Title V Operating Permit No. G-04-001**

Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company, LLC, Dwale Station General Permit G-04-001 covers natural gas transmission stations and processing plants in Kentucky which are major sources. An electronic copy of the Division's draft permit should shortly become available at <http://www.air.ky.gov/permitting/>. Official copies of the Division's draft permit and supporting information are available for inspection by the public during normal business hours at the following locations: Division for Air Quality, 803 Schenkel Lane, Frankfort, KY 40601; Division for Air Quality Hazard Regional Office, 233 Birch Street, Suite 2, Hazard, KY 41701-2179 and the Floyd County Clerk's Office, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, KY. The Division is soliciting comments on the draft permit and affording the opportunity for a public hearing. To be considered, any written comments or requests for a public hearing must be postmarked within 30 days following the date of this notice. Comments and/or public hearing requests should be sent to Mr. James Morse at the above Frankfort address. Any person who requests a public hearing must state the issues to be raised at the hearing. If the Division finds that a hearing will contribute to the decision-making process by clarifying significant issues affecting the draft permit, a hearing will be announced. All relevant comments will be considered in issuing the proposed permit. U.S. EPA has up to 45 days following issuance of the proposed permit to submit comments. The status regarding EPA's 45-day review of this project and the deadline for submitting a citizen petition can be found at the following website address: <http://www.epa.gov/region4/air/permits/Kentucky.htm>. Further information can be obtained by calling Ralph Gosney at (502) 573-3382 or email at: [Ralph.Gosney@ky.gov](mailto:Ralph.Gosney@ky.gov). The Commonwealth of Ky. does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of service and provides, upon request, reasonable accommodation including auxiliary aides and services necessary to afford individuals an equal opportunity to participate in all programs and activities. Materials will be provided in alternate format upon request.

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- 1 WHAT.**  
Describe the type of sale you're hosting. Is it mostly household goods? Nursery furniture? Apparel?
- 2 WHEN.**  
Give dates and time of sale, and rain date information.
- 3 WHERE.**  
Where the sale will be held, with directions or phone number for directions.
- 4 WHY.**  
Reason for sale, especially if it is a "moving" sale, since these tend to attract more customers.

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# Kid Scoop .com

This Week: Snails

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## Kid Scoop Gets the Dirt on Snails

Snails. Many parents dread them. Kids are often encouraged to smash them and get them out of the garden.

Sid, the snail scholar, wants kids to hear the snail's side of the story. He's agreed to share some special snail information with us today.

Standards Link: Life Science: Animals have structures that serve different functions in growth and survival.

### The Beautiful Snail

**The Shell** Snails hatch from eggs as teeny, tiny snails. As they grow, the shell grows, too.

Snails don't live just in gardens. They can also be found in ponds and even in the ocean. They are related to oysters, clams and even octopuses. They are part of the group of animals with soft bodies known as mollusks.

### Tentacle Eyes and Nose

A snail's eyes are at the end of its long tentacles. The short tentacles are for smelling.

### Breathing Hole

Snails breathe through a hole near their shell.

### One Fine Foot

Snails slide along the flat part of their body, called the "foot." Snails make a trail of silvery slime. This helps them to slide up walls and even crawl upside down.

Make a ...

## Snail Motel

VACANCY

You can make a comfy motel and invite some snails for a visit. Look for snail visitors under rocks and leaves.



- Partially fill a large jar with moist soil.
- Add a piece of chalk, some leaves, grass, and chunks of bark.
- Give the snails lettuce and cabbage leaves to eat.
- Keep the jar covered with a piece of nylon stocking or window screen.
- Keep the Snail Motel in a shady place.
- Twice a week replace the old soil and food.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow multiple-step written directions

How many snails can you find on this page?

Help this snail find its way to the Snail Motel.



If the weather turns very cold or very dry, a snail pulls into its shell and waits for the cool, damp weather it loves. It fills up the opening of its shell with a mucus-like slime, that hardens into a snug door.

### Extra! Extra! Snail Trail

Circle one snail on this page each time you read 2 column inches of the newspaper. Can you circle all of the snails before the week is out?

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Read for a variety of purposes.

The snail has a latin name that means "a belly-footed animal." Use the code to find out what this name is.

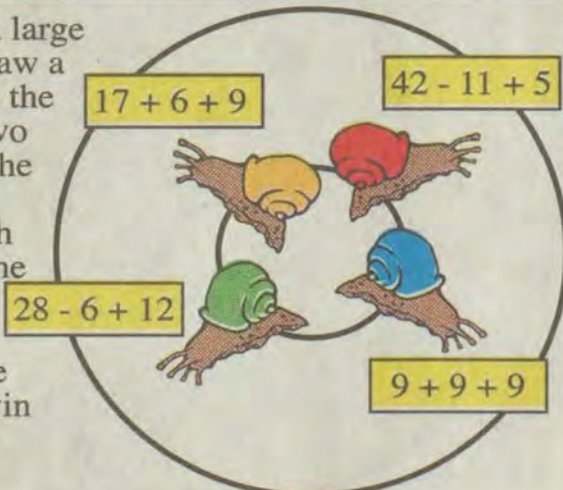
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### Have a Snail Race

Draw a circle on a large piece of paper. Draw a small circle inside the large circle. Put two snails or more in the small circle and watch to see which one slides out to the large circle first.

Do the math to see which snail will win the race. Highest number wins!



Standards Link: Math: Compute sums and differences.



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### Double Double Word Search

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TENTACLE  
OCEAN  
WINDOW  
SLIME  
CHALK  
WEATHER  
SMASH  
SHELL  
LETTUCE  
MOIST  
TRAIL  
MOTEL  
SCREEN  
CHUNKS

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

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E S N E E D A R A L  
L E L L S N O W L S  
T I L E T O M W K E

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

### Weekly Writing Corner

I built my house out of ...

Finish this sentence and then write five details.  
... bright green and pink giant marshmallows. I built my garage out of Hershey's chocolate. I built my shed out of graham crackers. In my back yard, I have a giant fire pit where I roast pieces of my house. Then I break off pieces of my garage and shed and I can make s'mores! Home SWEET home!

Kelsea, 6<sup>th</sup> grade

... giant toothpicks. I glued them together with kid's toothpaste. The roof, well, it was made with huge ribs with sauce as the paint. The front yard has two toothbrush trees. People living here will never get cavities.

Peter, 5<sup>th</sup> grade

... candy. The chimney is made of red "Mike and Ikes." To make the roof shingles I used pieces of chocolate. To keep warm inside during snowstorms I made some sturdy candy cane walls.

Keilan, 6<sup>th</sup> grade

... Skittles, Gummies and frosting. When I grew out of my house, I ate it all up and it was tasty!

Annie, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

... sugar cubes. Whenever I want sweets, I bite my house. My water is Gatorade and my bed is made of Laffy Taffy. My pillow is stuffed with Sour Warheads and my books are made of Sour Strips.

Savannah, 6<sup>th</sup> grade

...chocolate. When it's over 90 degrees, it melts. Instead of shopping for food, we eat our windows. The beds are made of caramel. The pillows are peanuts. That's my house!

James, 6<sup>th</sup> grade

... wood. It has five bathrooms, six rooms, one library, two pools and three exercise rooms.

Selena, 4<sup>th</sup> grade

... limestone and granite. It is in the shape of a pyramid and it is made of the same stone as a real pyramid. It gets very hot in my pyramid house since there are no windows and I constantly worry that it will collapse on me.

Elena, 6<sup>th</sup> grade

### Write On!

I built my house out of...

Deadline: April 31, 2005  
Published: Week of May 29, 2005

Send your story to:

I built my house out of...  
P.O. Box 390  
Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653

Please include your school and grade.

### BEYOND Kid Scoop

#### Snails For Sale

Study the advertisements in today's newspapers. Rewrite one to sell snails. Include three opinions and three facts. Use this page to gather snail facts.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Understand fact and opinion; Writing Applications: Revise writing; Write brief descriptions.

IT'S AS SLOW AS A SNAIL, BUT YOU CAN NEVER CATCH IT. WHAT IS IT?



ANSWER: Your shadow

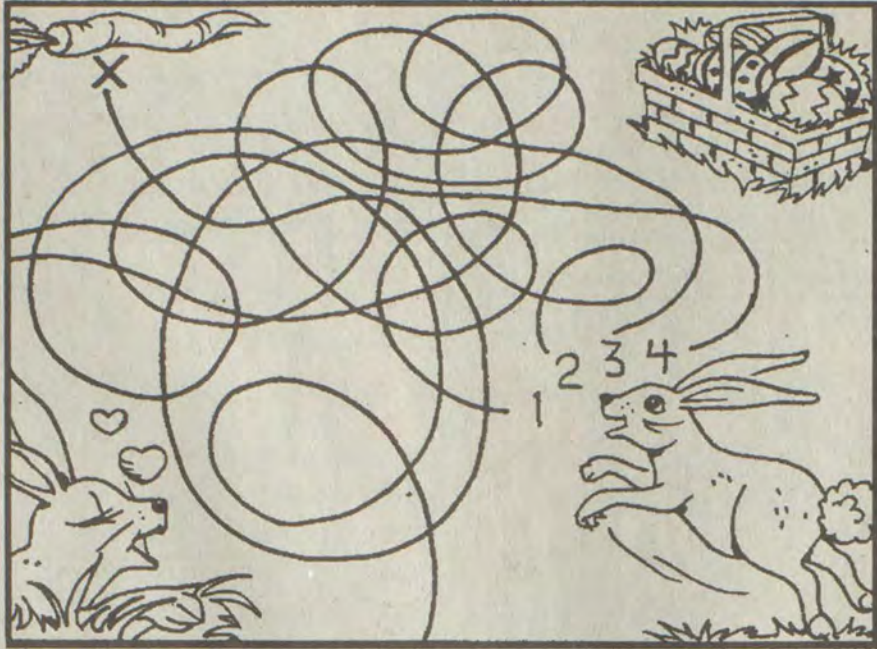
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**HARE, HARE!** "No time to tarry...love those carrots," says the Easter bunny. Which path leads to his goal?

## Junior Whirl

by Hal Kaufman



### CRITTER-CAL BLOOM WITS TESTER

ADD the names of real or mythical creatures to complete the names of members of the plant world listed below. Pictorial clues to the first three are presented at left. No. 1, for instance, is a dandelION.

1. Dande — .
2. — slip.
3. — spur.
4. — glove.
5. — lily.
6. Snap — .
7. — chestnut.
8. — cabbage.
9. — balm.
10. — willow.

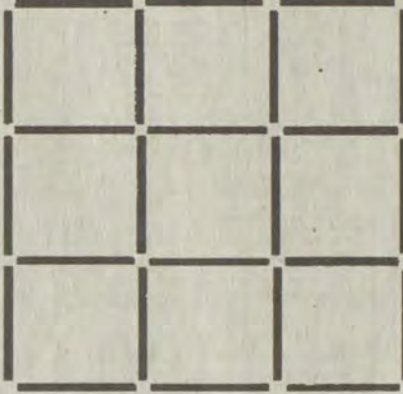
See how quickly you can name at least 8 of the 10.

1. Lion. 2. Cow. 3. Lark. 4. Fox. 5. Tiger. 6. Dragon. 7. Horse. 8. Skunk. 9. Bee. 10. Pussy.

**EGG HUNT!** A large plastic egg contains four smaller eggs, and inside each of these four eggs are four more still smaller eggs. How many eggs is that altogether?  
That's a total of twenty-one eggs.

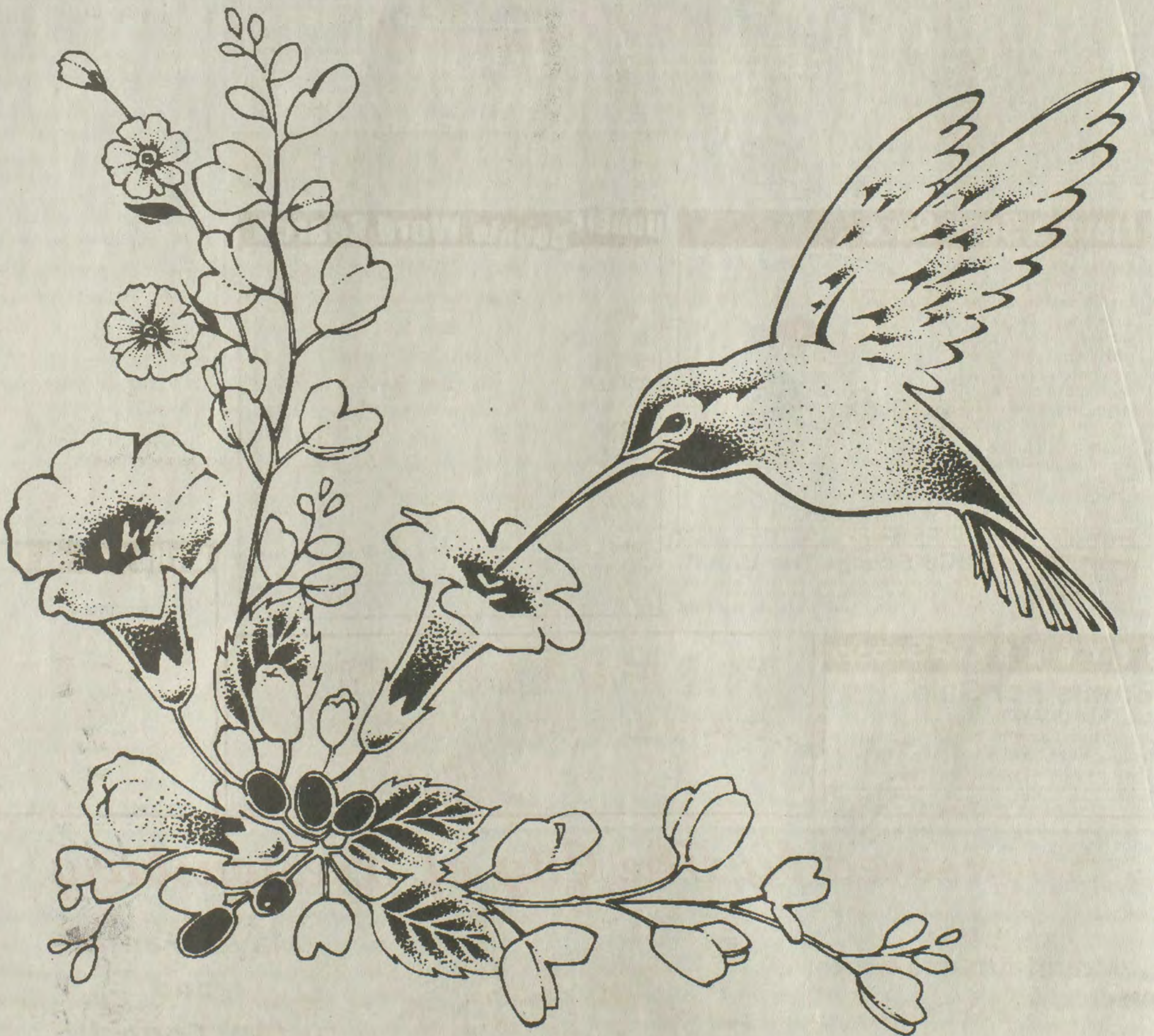
**9-5 DROPOUT!** Challenge: To remove just four of the lines from the diagram at right and have the total number of small squares reduced from nine to five. How is it done?

Alakazam, it is also possible to remove four of the lines from the original configuration and have the number of squares continue to total nine, albeit they will be of more than one size.



See if you can meet both challenges.  
Time limit: 2 minutes each.  
Nine to five (small squares): Remove the four middle lines of outside rows. Nine to nine (any size): Remove two lines from each of two diagonally opposite corners.

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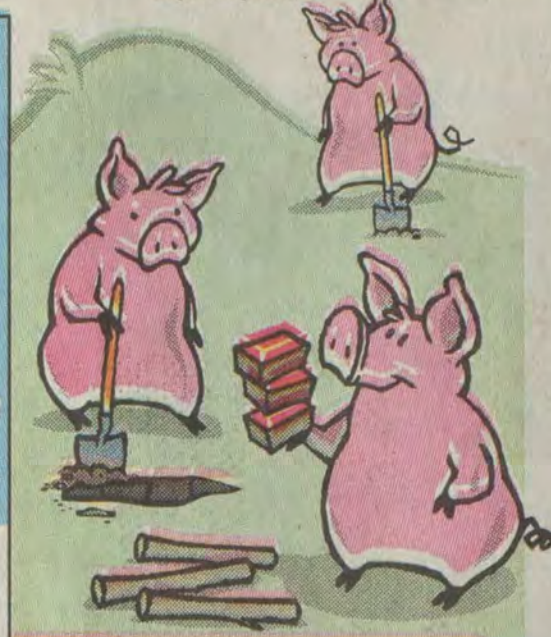
# My Kid Scoop™

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**Learning Buddies:** Spell your child's first name, using the lines to write large letters. Use an uppercase letter for the first letter in the name and lowercase letters to spell the rest. Have your child trace the letters with a finger, crayon or pencil.

## Penguin Places

Color the hats and scarves **on top** of the igloo GREEN.  
Color the hats and scarves **inside** the igloo RED.  
Color the hats and scarves **next to** the igloo BLUE.



## My Rhyme Time

To market, to market,  
To buy a fat pig,  
Home again, home again,  
Jiggety jig.

## My Letters

I is for Igloo  
i is for igloo



**Learning Buddies:** Read the two phrases aloud. Have your child read with you. Trace the uppercase and lowercase letter I. Say the letter as you trace it.

How many pictures can you find on this page that have the same middle sound that the letter i makes in the word pig?

## My Numbers

How many ?

How many ?

How many ?



**Learning Buddies:** Trace and say the number. Read the questions. Touch and count to find the answers.

## My Sentence

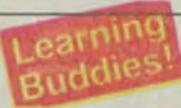
**Learning Buddies:** Read the first part of the sentence aloud. Ask your child to think of a way to finish the sentence. Write your child's words in the lines. Read the entire sentence to your child while pointing out that reading is done from left to right. Older children may want to trace all or some of the letters in the sentence.



Igloos are \_\_\_\_\_



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Letter Identification</b> With your child, look through the newspaper to find pictures of things that have the same sound as the letter I in igloo. It can be at the beginning or in the middle of a word.	<b>Math Play</b> Point to the number 3 in the newspaper. Have your child say the number and, if it's large enough, have your child trace the number.	<b>The UPPERCASE &amp; lowercase Game</b> Look at one page of the newspaper with your child and say, "The big I, called uppercase I, is looking for her little brother, called lowercase i. Let's see how many big I, little i matches we can find!"	<b>The IT Game</b> Cut out the letters i and t from the headlines. Then cut out the letters h, k, s, b and p. Show your child how you can spell the words hit, kit, sit, bit and pit simply by changing the first letter in front of the it.	<b>In or Out</b> Look through the newspaper for pictures of people and/or things that are inside and outside. Color the people and things inside RED. Color the people and things outside GREEN.	<b>Top or Bottom</b> Talk with your child about where things are in a picture. Ask, "What is at the top of the picture?" "Is the car at the top or bottom of the picture?"	<b>Watch Where You Hop</b> Practicing following directions is fun with this game! Lay one sheet of newspaper on the floor. Give your child directions like, "Hop to the top of the page." "Hop over the page." "Hop around the page."



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4	6	7	5	4	3	2	5	2	8	3	2	4
L	N	J	N	E	E	I	O	N	S	C	S	N
2	3	2	5	8	4	3	8	3	7	3	4	2
U	A	P	T	E	D	L	C	L	O	S	I	E
5	2	7	5	8	7	8	7	5	8	2	5	4
B	R	U	O	U	R	R	N	R	I	I	I	D
7	2	5	7	5	2	4	2	8	4	8	4	4
E	O	N	Y	G	R	I	S	T	D	Y	E	A

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## Rational Numbers

by Linda Thistle

Using the clues, simple arithmetic, and a little logic, place a single digit (0 to 9) in each empty box in the diagram. To help you get started, one digit has been entered in the diagram.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	6		7					
9			10					
		11			12			
13	14			15				
	16			17				

- ACROSS**
- 9-Down minus 8-Down
  - Nine more than 10-Down
  - Ten less than 11-Down
  - Three times 10-Across
  - Three more than 5-Down
  - 6-Across minus 11-Across
  - Sum of the digits of 1-Across
  - 15-Across minus 11-Across
  - 3-Down plus 12-Down
  - Consecutive digits in descending order
  - Three less than 15-Down
  - 3-Down plus 15-Down
- DOWN**
- 1-Across plus 13-Across
  - Consecutive digits in ascending order
  - Digits of 17-Across reversed
  - Forty more than 14-Down
  - One-third of 4-Down
  - Two times 12-Down
  - Digits of 3-Down reversed
  - Two times 15-Across
  - Digits of 7-Across reversed
  - One-fourth of 4-Across
  - Three times 11-Across

## Rational Numbers answers

4	8	1	2	9	3	7	6	8
4	2	0	5	4	4	7	3	7
8	1	7	7	3	7	0	8	1
6	7	8	1	0	9	8	2	4
9	8	2	4	3	6	7	7	9

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Giant anteater  
*Myrmecophaga tridactyla*



Three-toed sloth  
*Bradypus tridactylus*

Anteaters, armadillos and sloths are members of the Edentata group of animals. Edentates share an evolutionary connection of having few or no teeth. Edentata means "the toothless ones."

Anteaters, armadillos and sloths have very low metabolic rates and body temperatures, characteristic of the ancient Xenarthra order of animals.



Nine-banded armadillo  
*Dasypus novemcinctus*

The nine-banded armadillo is the most common of armadillos, but the only one found in North America. Armadillos grow to about 2 feet (61 cm) long and weigh around 15 pounds (6.8 kg). One of the most amazing things about this species is that it almost always gives birth to identical quadruplets (four), either all male or all female.

## Anteaters, armadillos & sloths

There are four species of anteaters.

They are native to southern Mexico and northern South America.

The giant anteater (sometimes called the ant bear) is the largest and most well-known of anteaters. It can grow to be more than 6 feet (1.8 m) in length, with tails measuring up to 3 feet (0.9 m) long. It is found in tropical Central and South America, but hunting and habitat loss has damaged populations and the species is listed as threatened. This species walks on the sides of its feet to protect its sharp claws; this gives them a strange, shuffling gait.



Silky anteater  
*Cyclops didactylus*

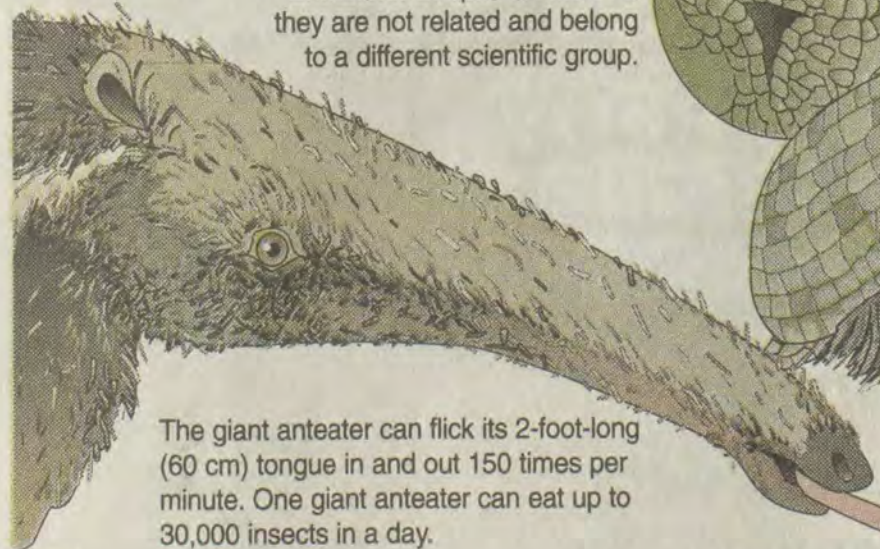
The silky anteater is about the size of a squirrel and grows to about 20 inches (50 cm) long. It has a prehensile tail that can wrap around tree limbs.

Anteaters are the only members of the scientific order Edentata to be

completely toothless. As their name suggests, anteaters love to eat ants but they are also very fond of termites and will sometimes eat soft fruit. They have long, thin snouts and very long, sticky tongues, ideally suited for trapping and devouring insects. They will stop briefly to feed and then move on, taking care not to destroy a nest that could feed them again later.

Anteaters are generally solitary creatures. The mother will give birth to one offspring a year and will carry the baby on her back.

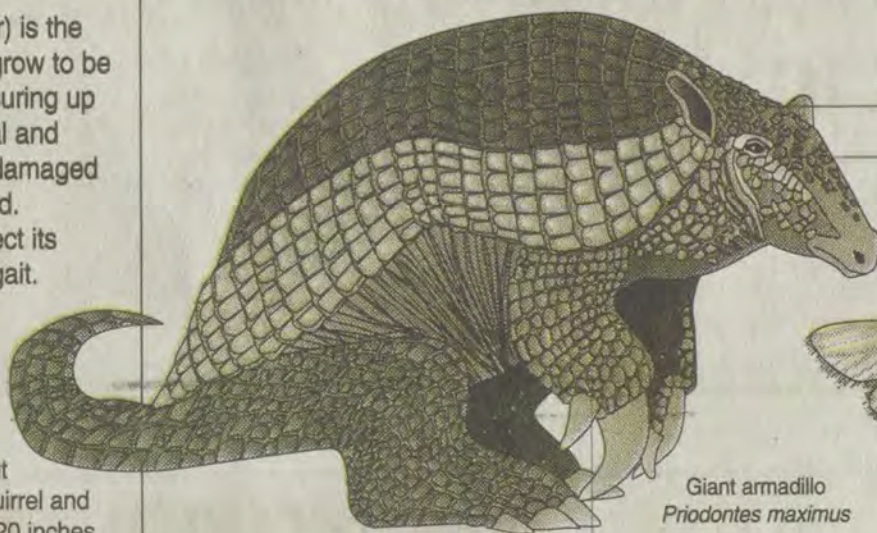
Aardvarks, pangolins and echidnas can be confused with anteaters. Despite similarities, they are not related and belong to a different scientific group.



The giant anteater can flick its 2-foot-long (60 cm) tongue in and out 150 times per minute. One giant anteater can eat up to 30,000 insects in a day.

There are 20 species of armadillo.

They can be found in South America and in some southern U.S. states.



Giant armadillo  
*Priodontes maximus*

Armadillos are named for the Spanish word "armado," which means "one that is armed." This is because armadillos have hinged, bony plates that form strong, flexible bands which protect their bodies. This heavy outer skin should cause an armadillo to sink like a stone in water, but they have a special ability to blow up their intestines with air for added buoyancy — they can swim if they have to. Armadillos have long, sharp claws, ideal for digging and burrowing. They mainly eat insects, earthworms and spiders, but will eat plants and sometimes small invertebrates, like snakes.

Many species are nocturnal and only come out at night. They do not have very good eyesight, but do have an excellent sense of smell.

Baby armadillos have soft, leather skin that hardens a few days after birth. Armadillos are the only animals known to be able to transmit leprosy to humans.



Three-banded armadillo  
*Tolypeutes matacus*

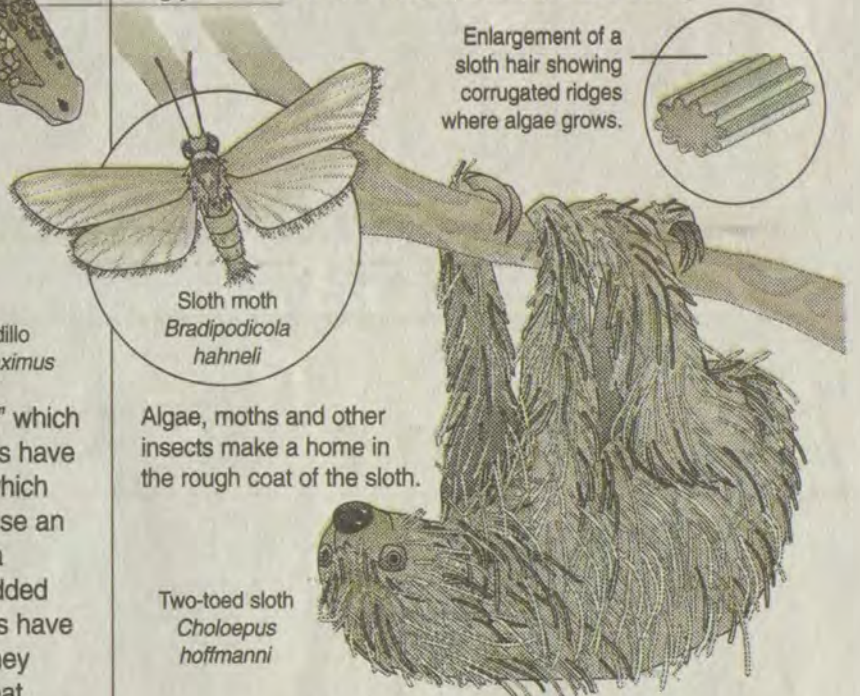
This small creature is considered a pest by many landowners because its burrowing can damage crops and undermine buildings. But armadillos also benefit people by eating harmful insects and grubs. In South America, some people eat armadillos.

The three-banded armadillo is the only armadillo that can roll itself into a ball when threatened. Most armadillos will run away or dig a hole to hide in.

There are five species of sloths.

They are found in the tropical rainforests of Central and South America.

Hidden in the trees, the three-toed sloth can easily be mistaken for a branch. The animal moves so slowly as to be almost undetectable. It may take 30 seconds for it to move a leg just a few inches. Sloths even sneeze slowly!



Enlargement of a sloth hair showing corrugated ridges where algae grows.

Algae, moths and other insects make a home in the rough coat of the sloth.

Two-toed sloth  
*Choloepus hoffmanni*

Sloths are extremely slow-moving creatures that spend most of their lives hanging upside down. They move so slowly that most predators do not see them. Sloths live in the rainforest canopy and only come down to the ground to defecate (once every week or so). While on the ground they are quite awkward and helpless. Sloths have almost no tails or ears and their noses are flat. Depending on the species, they have two or three toes on their front feet, with long, hooked claws that wrap around branches. Because they have spent so much of their evolutionary lives upside down, their hair grows in the opposite direction from other furry mammals.

Their shaggy, coarse hair is home to a plant and an insect. The plant is a microscopic algae that grows in the grooves of the sloth's corrugated hair. This gives the animal a greenish color and is an excellent camouflage against enemies. The insect is a tiny moth that weaves its way in and out of the fur eating the algae.

Sloths feed on leaves, buds and young twigs. Their low metabolism (the process of turning food into energy) means they do not eat much compared to animals of a similar size.

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