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## briefs

### Black water report urges more research

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Research into nearby old underground mineworks should be required for permits for coal slurry ponds and new methods of slurry disposal should be considered, a yearlong study released on Friday recommends.

The Black Water Task Force also recommended more regular inspections of slurry ponds and piping.

The recommendations for management practices are contained in a 58-page report.

Coal slurry — commonly called black water — results from the washing and preparation of coal for market. The mixture of water and small particles of coal, rock and clay is typically pumped into an impoundment and allowed to settle.

In October 2000, black water in a Martin County Coal Corp. impoundment, which had been seeping into an abandoned underground mineworks, broke through and rushed in a flood of thick gooey sludge into open waterways.

The task force was composed of coal industry executives as well as environmentalists, led by Environmental and Public Protection Secretary LaJuana Wilcher.

"Through dialogue, education and a spirit of compromise, the task force members developed progressive recommendations to achieve this goal," said Bill Caylor, president of the

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# Martin group says complaints not being addressed

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

MARTIN — They say they want flood protection, but they don't want the "nuisance," the loss of business or the property damage.

The Concerned Martin Citizens group met informally last week to discuss possible litigation concerning the city's \$93 million redevelopment project.

"A flood is a bad thing. That's why when they started talking about all this, it sounded so good. They said, 'We'll take care of you. We won't disturb you.' ... They never told us we'd have to put up with this," said J.B. Carr, 72, pointing at dust covered businesses on Main Street. "They ain't gonna buy me out, they're gonna run me out."

Carr is one of seven concerned residents who retained attorney Frank

Heaberlin as legal counsel.

The major concerns voiced regarded city parking restrictions on Main Street, property damage caused by blasting, potential health problems caused by dust, and the loss of business due to the construction.

The group alleges that contractors involved with the excavation and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are purposely disrupting businesses on Main Street so

that the businesses will dry up before it's time to buy them out.

The bid contract for the excavation has been subcontracted on three separate occasions.

"My main concern is that eventually, they'll want to buy you all out and at that point in time, you won't have any businesses left to buy out," Heaberlin said.

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photo by Tom Doty

Sue Reed spoke about the ordeal of losing her sister, who was killed by her husband after years of physical abuse, at a memorial service for victims of violent crime that was held Thursday on the Big Sandy Community and Technical College campus in Prestonsburg and sponsored by the Commonwealth Attorney's Office.

# Victims of violent crime remembered during rally

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Big Sandy Community and Technical College was the scene Thursday for a memorial service for victims of crime, as well as an observation of "Child Abuse Awareness Week," which saw prizes awarded to area fifth- and sixth-graders for participating in a poster and essay contest concentrating on what individuals can do to fight the problem.

Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner hosted the event and began by highlighting the extent of child abuse.

"Last year there were 771 cases of child abuse or neglect reported in Floyd County," Turner noted. "Statistically, it is believed that 60-to-80 percent of cases never get reported."

Turner later added a degree of optimism for the crowd, saying, "This turnout is very encouraging. The reason you're here is that you care about this issue."

The evening began with awards handed out to winners of the poster and essay contest, with prizes going to all participants thanks to donations by Citizens National Bank, Pizza Hut, Dairy Queen, the Mountain Arts

Center, East Kentucky Science Center, Highlands Regional Medical Center and Family First.

First-place prizes went to two Mountain Christian Academy students, with Rebecca Potter winning the poster contest and Shikha Sachdeva getting the honors for best essay. Many of the prize winners were present with their works on display.

The second half of the program was a memorial service for local families who have lost loved ones due to crime.

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# Mother pleads not guilty to abuse charges

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — One half of a Floyd County couple indicted on four counts of physically abusing their 2-month-old child pleaded not guilty to the charges in circuit court Friday.

Gwendalou Shepherd, of Gunlock, appeared in court with her attorney, Jerry Patton. Patton asked that Shepherd's bond be reduced in the case. Stacy Marshall, standing in for Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner, objected to a lower bond.



Shepherd

The amount, which had been set at \$100,000 cash, was brought down to \$25,000 cash. Judge John Caudill stated that he was willing to reduce it by 75 percent but no less due to the seriousness of the charges.

Patton said that his client maintains her innocence and that she took the child to the doctor

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# Meade presents money to county

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Floyd County Fiscal Court met on Friday and got a long agenda off to a positive start with state Rep. Chuck Meade on hand to give out checks from the General Assembly which will see \$3 million go to road, water, gas and other projects for the county.

Meade noted that he and state Sen. Johnny Ray Turner worked hard at the General Assembly to obtain the money.

"We plan to stay vigilant on getting coal severance money," Meade said. "We really care

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# Two mine blowouts in past week raise concerns

by ROGER ALFORD  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HARLAN — Two separate blowouts at abandoned underground coal mines in Eastern Kentucky in the past week killed fish, turned a stream orange and closed a major highway for three days.

Blowouts, the equivalent to a dam bursting, are the result of a buildup of underground water that creates extreme pressure inside old coal mines.

Mark York, spokesman for the Kentucky Department for Natural

Resources, said blowouts, once common in the coalfields, now are rare, despite the back-to-back incidents.

"They can cause some environmental problems when they do occur," he said. "But we have not seen an increase in the number of blowouts that would cause us to become overly concerned at this point."

York said Kentucky began requiring coal companies to build stronger barriers in entrances and near outcroppings in underground mines after a series of blowouts a decade ago. In

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Forty-one JROTC students from Allen Central High School joined the PRIDE spring cleanup last week by staging a cleanup of their own. Concentrating on the road running by their school, the students picked up 251 bags of garbage.

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# Odds and Ends

■ **RENO, Nev.** — An alleged burglar was busted when he got stuck in a chimney and began yelling for help.

A neighbor on Lake Tahoe's north shore in Kings Beach, Calif., called authorities Wednesday night when he heard screams coming from the house next door. The home's residents were away on vacation.

Sheriff's deputies and a fire rescue team found Jose Francisco Martinez, 19, wedged halfway down the chimney. He apparently had been stuck for about two hours, said Sheriff's Sgt. Brian Whigam on Thursday.

Martinez suffered minor scrapes and did not require medical attention, Whigam said.

"The video we took is funny," Whigam said.

Authorities were forced to dismantle half the chimney brick by brick to free Martinez, doing about \$20,000 damage in the process, Whigam said.

Martinez was charged with burglary and held on \$25,000 bail.

■ **TWO RIVERS, Wis.** — Honesty prevailed when a couple turned in \$42,000 they found in a folder on the road and turned

it over to police.

Christopher Dondlinger and his wife, Cheryl, were driving to Cheryl's 8:15 a.m. appointment at a local clinic Thursday when he spotted a folder in the road.

"I thought maybe some child dropped it in the street and maybe we would find some children's drawings," he said. "I opened it up and found a substantial amount of money." A total of \$42,240 in cash and checks, to be exact.

They never considered keeping the money, Christopher Dondlinger said: "We were not brought up that way."

As an officer counted the folder's contents, authorities received a call from the woman who lost it — an accountant for a local fast-food company.

Police speculate she had set it on the roof of her car and drove off.

■ **VANCOUVER, British Columbia** — Marijuana Party officials kicked off their campaign in a British Columbia provincial election in a smoke-filled room at an art gallery here.

Campaign manager Kirk Tousaw told about 1,000 people at the rally Wednesday that Marijuana is anything but a fringe group.

"The majority of the people in this province smoke marijuana or have smoked marijuana," Tousaw said. "So either they're criminals or we're mainstream."

The party's main platform for the balloting on May 17 is to wrest control of marijuana from Ottawa.

"The provinces need to take over control, take back control from organized crime and begin to regulate and tax the marijuana industry," Tousaw said.

Some in attendance said they didn't know the event had anything to do with politics. Pot smoking at the museum has been an annual event on April 20 for about a decade.

The Marijuana Party plans to run candidates in 40 of the 79 legislative districts for the elections and asserted that Marijuana is anything but a fringe group.

■ **LOS ANGELES** — Call it a rude awakening.

A juror was cited for contempt and fined \$1,000 by a judge for yawning loudly while awaiting questioning in an attempted murder trial. The fine later was reduced to \$100.

The juror came after the man, identified as Juror No. 2386 in an April 1 court transcript, had been sitting in a courtroom for two days as part of jury selection.

"You yawned rather audibly there. As a matter of fact, it was to the point that it was contemptuous," Superior Court Judge Craig Veals said.

"I'm sorry, but I'm really bored," the juror said.

"I'm sorry?" the judge responded.

When the juror repeated his statement, he was admonished by the judge for having a "lousy" attitude.

"Your boredom just cost you \$1,000. I'm finding you in contempt," Veals said. "Are you quite so bored now?"

The judge later called the yawn disruptive.

"I can't run a court when I have someone behaving the way you did," Veals said.

The juror paid the fine after it was reduced to \$100. Ultimately, he was questioned but not selected for the trial.

## Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, April 24, the 114th day of 2005. There are 251 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:** On April 24, 1800, Congress approved a bill establishing the Library of Congress.

On this date:

■ In 1792, the national anthem of France, "La Marseillaise," was composed by Capt. Claude Joseph Rouget de Lisle.

■ In 1877, federal troops were ordered out of New Orleans, ending the North's post-Civil War rule in the South.

■ In 1898, Spain declared war on the United States after rejecting America's ultimatum to withdraw from Cuba.

■ In 1915, the Ottoman Turkish Empire began the brutal mass deportation of Armenians during World War I.

■ In 1916, some 1,600 Irish nationalists launched the Easter Rising by seizing several key sites in Dublin. The rising was put down by British forces several days later.

■ In 1953, British statesman Winston Churchill was knighted by Queen Elizabeth II.

■ In 1962, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology achieved the first satellite relay of a television signal, between Camp Parks, Calif., and Westford, Mass.

■ In 1968, leftist students at Columbia University in New York began a weeklong occupation of several campus buildings.

■ In 1970, the People's Republic of China launched its first satellite, which kept transmitting a song, "The East is Red."

■ In 1980, the United States launched an abortive attempt to free the American hostages in Iran, a mission that resulted in the deaths of eight U.S. servicemen.

**Ten years ago:** The final bomb linked to the Unabomber exploded inside the Sacramento, Calif., offices of a lobbying group for the wood products industry, killing chief lobbyist Gilbert B. Murray. (Theodore Kaczynski

was later sentenced to four life-times in prison for a series of bombings that killed three men and injured 29 others.)

Five years ago:

Concerned about the disappearance of a laptop computer with highly sensitive documents, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright announced a five-point plan to help guard against such lapses in the future. A teen gunman opened fire at Washington's National Zoo, wounding seven children.

**One year ago:** Suicide boat bombers attacked Iraqi oil facilities in the Persian Gulf, killing three Americans and disabling Iraq's biggest terminal for more than 24 hours. A U.N. plan to reunify the war-divided island of Cyprus collapsed when Greek Cypriots rejected the proposal in one referendum and Turkish Cypriots endorsed it in another. In Los Angeles, Vitali Klitschko stopped Corrie Sanders late in the eighth round to win the WBC heavyweight title vacated by the retirement of Lennox Lewis.

**Today's Birthdays:** Critic Stanley Kauffmann is 89. Actor J.D. Cannon is 83. Actress Shirley MacLaine is 71. Author Sue Grafton is 65. Actress-singer-director Barbra Streisand is 63. Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley is 63. Country singer Richard Sterban (The Oak Ridge Boys) is 62. Rock musician Doug Clifford (Creedence Clearwater Revival) is 60. Actor-playwright Eric Bogosian is 52. Actor Michael O'Keefe is 50. Rock musician David J (Bauhaus) is 48. Rock musician Billy Gould is 42. Actor-comedian Cedric the Entertainer is 41. Actor Djimon Hounsou is 41. Rock musician Patty Schemel is 38. Rock musician Aaron Comess (Spin Doctors) is 37. Actor Derek Luke is 31. Country singer Rebecca Lynn Howard is 26. Singer Kelly Clarkson ("American Idol") is 23.

**Thought for Today:** "To change and to improve are two different things." - German proverb.

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## Answers to Magic Maze and Super Crossword

**JOHNNY CARSON**

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**Martin**

Already, they say, businesses have faced significant loss.

Glenn Patrick, secretary of the AmVets office that recently closed its doors in Martin, said Thursday that the loss of business and dusty atmosphere were two substantial reasons why the organization pulled out of Martin. (The business, he said, eventually hopes to relocate in the city.)

"Of course, you have to tear things up to fix them up, you know how that is," Patrick said. "It's just not a good place to be right now, the way I see it. Insurance is so high, I couldn't see spending \$3,000 on insurance when you have no business ... They're definitely hurting businesses in Martin. We don't have many left."

Those who gathered Tuesday held the same argument and discussed several businesses that have relocated both inside and outside of city limits. Those businesses reside along the mandatory acquisition lines in the town and would be forced to move eventually.

"If somebody has got a lease or is renting, I suspect that they are going to move," Heaberlin said. "It would be foolish to stay when you know you're not going to do any business."

Other residents in the town, however, think differently.

"Martin has had no businesses, actually, for quite some time," Kenneth Shepherd said. "I moved here in 1996 — I worked in New Jersey for 37 years, but I was born here at Denwood, above Martin here ... When I moved back in January '96, there was not hardly anything in Martin at that time. I graduated from the Martin High School, class of 1952. It was a booming little town then, but it hasn't been that way for a long time."

Mayor Thomasine Robinson said the sight of empty buildings in the city has been a prominent one for many years. Repeated flooding has drowned the town economy, she argues.

Floods hit Martin in 1862, 1957, 1964, 1977, 1984, 1998, 2001 and 2003, the Corps of Engineers reports.

"I think everyone should hang tight and look toward the future for this city," Robinson said. "Without this project, there ain't no future for this city."

During Tuesday's meeting, the group asked Heaberlin to seek an injunction to reopen parking on Main Street. Heaberlin said a regular injunction was too expensive for "ordinary folk," but that a temporary injunction may be possible.

The discussion turned to the city's ability to legally regulate parking on the street after one citizen pointed out that it is a state-owned roadway.

Heaberlin said that, generally, the state Transportation Cabinet has an "understanding" with cities in regard to maintenance and parking regulations.

Darold Slone, PE, operations branch manager for the Department of Highways in Pikeville, says the only recorded agreement between the Transportation Cabinet and the city of Martin dates back to 1963.

"As with most city agreements, we have one on file for Martin that dates Sept. 28, 1963, and it addresses old KY 80 which is now KY 122," Slone reported via e-mail. "Part of it states that the department takes over maintenance of the vehicle portion of said streets (driving lanes). It further states that the city agrees to pass no ordinance relating to the said streets without first submitting a copy to the Department of Highways at least five days prior to a vote, and the city agrees to pass any necessary parking ordinances to ensure the maximum use of the said highway for vehicle travel consistent with safety determined by the department."

Coal trucks that are much larger in size than those carrying debris have been traveling the same road for more than 50 years, the group argues. They also allege that contract drivers are not obeying the 25 mph speed limit, a circumstance that could be hazardous to area residents and customers.

"We have a number of elderly patients and it's not safe for them to cross the road," Dr. Richard Salisbury said Wednesday. "We have one lady who comes in for medical treatment. She's 84 years old and it took her 20 minutes to cross the street ... They took our parking. They could have at least left us a handicapped spot ... The trucks come barreling down the street, and they're not enforcing the speed limit."

Gus Drum, community planner with the Corps, says it's possible that the speeding trucks aren't affiliated with the excavation project. Corps officials at the excavation site, he said, watched trucks from several different companies drive through town. He said the Corps extensively researched safety concerns during the planning stage of the project and that these issues were not "surprises" to city residents.

"I understand Dr. Salisbury's concern about setting a handicapped space on the street," he said, "but that's exactly the situation we were concerned about — an elderly person not paying attention when they're getting in or out of their car and getting hit by a truck going 25 miles an hour. That's the situation we want to prevent."

Closing the street, Drum said, also gives room for haulers to pull off the road if an emergency vehicle needs access.

Drum said the Corps analyzed 10 different truck hauling routes during the planning stage of the project. The route they chose, he said, is the "cheapest, most reasonable, environmentally friendly way" to move the 6.4 acre hillside.

He said it may be possible to designate handicapped parking in a recently constructed parking lot, located behind Main Street businesses. The Corps, he said, is willing to take suggestions or ideas to solve arising problems during the continuation of the project. Anyone with concerns about trucks speeding or other questions can contact Mike Maynard at 285-3384, he said, or post a suggestion or complaint on the project website ([www.martinredevelopment.com](http://www.martinredevelopment.com)), where project updates are regularly posted.

"We spent a fair amount of time developing ideas for this project," Drum said. "Some years ago, when this plan was put together, we had a pretty good idea of how it was going to work, but none of us are perfect. We certainly can't perceive all the problems that will arise. On other projects we did like this, as we started working on phase 2 and 3, we began discovering that things always turned out different than what we initially thought ... That's why we're open to suggestions or ideas from people as the project moves along."

The group alleged Tuesday that the Corps refused to meet with them to discuss their concerns. Drum said that the Corps would meet and discuss any issue during a regularly scheduled city council meeting, but said they refuse to "get into a screaming match."

At the meeting, Heaberlin recommended that all concerned citizens contact U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers, because the relocation project is "his baby" and he "isn't aware of what's going on." The group expects that Rogers could assist in dust, parking, business and property damage concerns.

Rogers' office did not return inquiry calls this week.

The group pointed out possible health problems that could arise from the extensive dust in the town. Parked cars, awnings and windows of Main Street businesses are covered with dust. They say the street dust sweeping system is

a "joke."

They also argue that "several" people have already been injured on the mud-caked street. Mayor Robinson confirmed that the city is repaying Naomi Martin, a resident who fell on a city sidewalk, for a pair of broken glasses. Robinson said no other injuries or property damage claims have been reported.

Robinson also denied allegations that she is "getting a piece of the pie," after hearing allegations that she owns one of the trucks currently hauling through the city. "I do not own the truck," she said.

At the meeting Heaberlin, threatening a lawsuit, said the

**Blowouts**

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one two-year stretch, between 1993 and 1995, 15 blowouts occurred in the state, records show.

"The number caused us to look at the issue and implement some changes in barrier requirements," York said. "As a result of those changes, the number of mine blowouts has decreased."

Underground coal mines can hold vast quantities of water. Some cities in the Eastern Kentucky coalfields have tapped into the abandoned mines for their drinking water supplies.

Inspectors from the Department of Natural Resources still are monitoring the effects of the latest incidents in Harlan and Knott counties.

The Harlan County blowout, which was reported to authorities at noon on Sunday, occurred at the former Helen Ann Mining Co. at Cranks, according to the Kentucky Division of Water. The release of a 30-foot-wide stream of tainted water turned Cranks Creek orange and killed some fish, inspectors said. They also said in a report that concentrations of acid and iron were found in the water, which continued to flow into Cranks Creek on Thursday.

Steve Mitchell, who lives near the site of the blowout, has seen two others in his community in the last 15 years.

"There are mines up in all these hollows," Mitchell said, adding that nearly everyone in Harlan County lives near an abandoned mine.

"Any of them could blow at any time and they might go 10 years and do it again," he said.

Mitchell said the blowouts could be dangerous depending on the situation.

The Harlan County blowout was followed on Monday by a similar incident at the former James Fork Mine in Knott County, which was operated in the 1980s and 1990s by CONSOL of Kentucky. The water from the mine came down in a clear waterfall, but turned yellowish as it churned against the clay soil alongside Route 80, which was flooded by the deluge. The road was closed for three days.

Tom FitzGerald, head of the environmental advocacy group Kentucky Resource Council, said blowouts can be damaging to streams and property, and, depending on where they occur, can be life-threatening to residents.

FitzGerald said the mines can take years to fill with water, which seeps down through cracks from the surface after rains. That water builds up pressure, and can cause blowouts where the underground portals come near the surface.

"There have certainly been hazards created for localized flooding, and obviously that's a concern," FitzGerald said. "It is an issue that has plagued the region for some time, and will continue to do so."

group will approach the Corps to plan a discussion of their concerns.

"If we don't receive some sort of substantive response, we'll have to do what we have to do," he said.

The excavation is well ahead

**Court**

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about what happens and what direction the county goes in."

Meade also said that he was aware of the high number of fatalities that have accumulated recently on a stretch of U.S. 23 that runs past the Holiday Inn. He said that he was meeting with Transportation Cabinet officials about it and added that Coroner Roger Nelson had informed him that there were 11 fatalities along that portion of the road last year. Meade theorized that hydroplaning was the problem and it was due to water buildup on the road, which isn't draining quickly enough.

The meeting, which had a very long agenda, changed gears after Meade's appearance and allowed for public comments before the agenda was begun. Concerned citizens from Ivel reported that they were in need of potable water in the lower Stratton Branch area. A representative from the golf course at Stumbo Park spoke and moved that the court consider changing the name of the course from "Beaver Valley" to "Paul Hunt Thompson" in honor of the judge-executive, who, along with the fiscal court, had been helpful in getting the course in shape.

The exchange prompted Thompson to point out that, "I would like to say that I didn't put him up to that."

A light moment followed wherein Magistrate Allen Williams pointed out that nothing was named after the judge, who said, "They wanted to name Otter Creek Prison after me, but I respectfully declined the offer."

No final action was taken on the proposal.

In other news the court reported that a grant was approved to clean up

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schedule, Drum said. Approximately 18 trucks are hauling between 4,000 and 5,000 cubic yards of earth a day.

The entire project will be expected to be completed in 10 years.

**Victims**

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Buckingham Mountain by PRIDE and that there will be \$75,000 allotted to cleaning up the baseball field in Drift for Allen Central and South Floyd use. An idea about leasing out the dumpsite at Garth for mining was tabled until the next fiscal court meeting May 20.

**Abuse**

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Turner introduced the crowd to Lana Branham, from the state Attorney General's Office. Branham praised the audience for getting involved and quoted Martin Luther King, saying, "Our lives begin to end the day we remain silent over something that matters."

Branham was followed by Sue Reed, who spoke about the darkness that descended on her family when her sister was killed four years ago. She noted that the only light her family has seen was when Turner's office prosecuted her sister's killer last February and won a life sentence against him.

Reed went on to describe her sister, Carolyn Bishop, who was murdered by Dwayne Earl Bishop in August 2000, and said, "She was 32 when she was taken from us and now her granddaughter who bears her name will never know her." Reed went on to say that the pain of losing a loved one never fully goes away but that she and her family received solace from Turner's office.

Reed also praised Kathy Lafferty, the victim's advocate for the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office, and said that she was available to them throughout the whole ordeal.

**Report**

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Kentucky Coal Association and a member of the task force.

"I believe that through the recommendations we will work to accomplish our goal of reducing black water incidents in the state," said Judy Peterson, director of the Kentucky Waterways Alliance and another task force member.

Other recommendations of the task force include:

■ Protecting slopes and disturbed areas with vegetation.

■ Waste disposal permits should include engineering and analysis of underground mineworks.

■ All areas used by vehicle traffic should have a durable surface.

■ Emergency plans should be created for all risky impoundments, including notifications of regulatory and law enforcement agencies and the public.

■ Bonds should be posted for the full cost of closure and reclamation of slurry ponds.

**Abuse**

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three times in one week when the child was showing signs of distress.

The abuse charges allege that the infant suffered a series of broken bones over a four-month period that began in October. The indictment charges that the baby sustained a broken arm, a broken rib, a broken leg and a skull fracture.

A pretrial hearing date of July 27 was set but Patton noted that his client didn't have much in the way of resources to bring to bear. Caudill noted that Patton was free to try and meet with the prosecution as soon as that same afternoon if he was so inclined and that the July 27 date was simply the deadline for such a meeting.

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# expression

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— Felix Frankfurter

## Our view

### Why bother?

Convicted killer Dwayne Bishop was back in a Floyd County courtroom last week, this time to stand trial for a DUI charge incurred the night of his wife's murder.

The most obvious question to arise from this circumstance is, "Why?"

There was literally nothing at stake in this case. Bishop, who is already serving a life sentence, didn't stand to gain or lose anything, regardless of the outcome.

Still, he chose to fight the charge, and maybe there is some logic behind that choice. Maybe he just wanted to go through the trial in order to come back home and be closer to his family, or maybe, angry at the court system that convicted him of murder, he just wanted to be a thorn in the side of the judge and prosecutors.

Whatever his reasons, we're not very concerned with them. What does concern us is why no one else bothered to prevent this meaningless exercise from taking place.

We've been told that Bishop's attorney could have had the case dismissed simply by filing a motion to that effect, yet didn't do so. Once again, if Bishop's true motives for carrying on with the case lay outside the courtroom, he could have nixed any effort by his attorney to dismiss the case.

But couldn't prosecutors have simply sought to dismiss the case themselves? Couldn't the judge have interceded to stop this waste of time, money and resources? There certainly were valid reasons for doing so:

■ Because Bishop is already serving a life sentence, any punishment resulting from a DUI conviction would be meaningless.

■ Since Bishop has been in jail since Sept. 1, 2000, he has already exceeded any sentence he could have received from the DUI conviction. He would have been eligible to receive credit against the DUI sentence for the time he has already spent in jail, meaning he had already served his time for the DUI conviction four years before he was actually convicted.

We're not legal scholars by any stretch of the imagination, so we can't rule out some technicality that prevented this case from being tossed out with the trash. But surely the very obvious extenuating circumstances of this case outweighed any reason to proceed.

There is one other possibility that could have motivated Bishop to take his DUI case as far as he did. Well known for his outrageous antics in the courtroom, he may have been seeking to once again make a mockery of the Floyd County court system.

If so, it worked.  
— The Floyd County Times

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### Rich Lowry Column

#### Can the Democrats do religion?

Howard Dean rolled into red-state Tennessee during Holy Week and promptly quoted Scripture twice. While Billy Graham shouldn't yet worry about being eclipsed by the Democratic National Committee chairman, Dean is an aggressive participant in a partywide attempt in the wake of the 2004 elections to, as they say in the revival meetings, "get right with God."

There is much good in this: The Democrats need to demonstrate greater openness to religion, and in the past, faith has informed great liberal causes, including the civil-rights movement. But there has been a fumbling quality to the Democrats' recent grappling with religion, bringing to mind the old Casey Stengel plait about his hapless New York Mets: "Can't anyone here play this game?" Dean, who used to be famously uncomfortable talking about religion, is

trying his best. But the effort behind his trying shows, which gives his religious references an off-key feel. A few weeks ago Dean compared Republicans to the rules-obsessed Pharisees and the Sadducees, pretty deep biblical allusions for someone who not too long ago thought the Book of Job was in the New Testament. You can imagine the briefing for Dean prior to this statement: "Mr. Chairman, it's pronounced — now repeat after me — 'sad'-ue-seez, 'sad'-ue-seez. Got it?"

Democrats oddly tend to go too far, overadjusting, when they do God talk. In his desperation to invoke religion toward the end of the 2004 campaign, John Kerry compared George Bush to a "false prophet" from the Bible, a harsh charge given that false prophets could be stoned or crucified.

The theorist of the new Democratic religious offensive is liberal evangelist Jim Wallis, author of the book "God's Politics." Wallis is an over-reacher himself, arguing that biblical verses directly mandate certain public policies. He suggests that a few lines in Isaiah, for instance, mean that we should only cut

international trade deals that include the labor and environmental strictures demanded by trade unions. Who knew that four out of five biblical prophets oppose NAFTA?

Wallis reminds us that Jesus wasn't "pro-rich," and extrapolates from that that Christians must support higher taxes. Now, the New Testament obviously enjoins us to care for the poor. But what mix of policies is best suited to do that is a practical question. Conservatives happen to think everyone is best served by a low-tax, high-growth economy and by social policies — e.g., welfare reform — that encourage the inner-city poor to work and marry.

To pretend that this mix of policies is forbidden by Christ is a frank abuse of religion. We can draw from the New Testament broad principles — value human life, care for the poor, create a free and just society — but we don't receive guidance about how to handle capital business expenses in the tax code. Jesus didn't work at the Brookings Institution.

Besides, teasing strict rules for public policy from the Good Book bears at least a little resemblance to the rules-bound errors of the Pharisees and Sadducees. And we know how much Chairman Dean abhors them.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.



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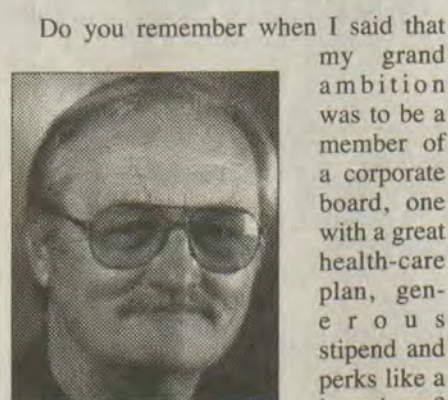
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### beyond the beltway

#### Primed and ready to be a CEO

by DONALD KAUL



Do you remember when I said that my grand ambition was to be a member of a corporate board, one with a great health-care plan, generous stipend and perks like a leased car? Of course you don't; why should you? I said it, take my word. My thinking was that it's a pretty soft job, no heavy lifting, the only requirement being that you sit whenever the chief executive officer says "sit" and don't move when he says "stay." I felt qualified for those duties and even thought about putting an ad in "The Wall Street Journal" saying "Wanted: Position on board of Fortune 500 company. Will roll over for cash." But I never got around to it.

Which is probably just as well because I've figured out an even better job for myself. What I'd really like to be is the CEO of one of those companies I

formerly wanted to be a board member of. Here are my reasons:

■ CEOs in these United States make a lot of money. And by a lot of money, I mean A LOT of money. "The New York Times" Sunday Business section tracked down the compensation packages of 179 large companies in 2004 and found that their top executives were paid an average of \$9.84 million dollars, up 12 percent from the previous year. That's only an average, you understand. Some CEOs had to scrape by on as little as \$2 million for the year but there were others, Robert Nardelli of Home Depot for example, who made \$35 million. It all evened out. Compare those figures with the compensation board members get — they typically max out at \$200,000 a year or so — and you'll see why I'm considering a career change.

■ CEOs have terrific retirement plans. Vance Coffman, who retired as chief executive of Lockheed Martin last August, was given a lump-sum payment of \$31.5 million as a reward for his years of service. Sure beats a gold watch, doesn't it? When Henry McKinnell, Jr., the chairman and CEO of drug giant Pfizer steps down, he will get \$6.5 million — every year until he dies (presumably with a smile on his face). "The Times" found that 113 chief executives now serving can expect to get retirement benefits of \$1 million a year or more. (Our friend Nardelli, by the way, will get \$3.9 million annually from Home Depot.)

■ It's pretty much impossible to fail at the job. Carleton Fiorina got fired at Hewlett-Packard for doing a lousy job, but collected a hefty performance bonus anyway. Similarly, Michael Eisner was

thrown out as chief of Disney, but collected a \$7.4 million bonus on his way out of the door. If that's failure, I'll take it.

■ You don't have to know anything to be a CEO; as a matter of fact, not knowing is an advantage. Bernard Ebbers, for example, recently was found guilty of defrauding WorldCom investors of hundreds of million of dollars. His defense? Other officers of the company did it; he didn't know what was happening. "I don't know about technology," he said, "and I don't know about finance and accounting." He was really great at recess, I guess. All the other corporate bigwigs accused of fraud — Kenny Boy Lay of Enron, Dennis Kozlowski of Tyco — sing the same tune: they didn't know what was going on. Despite this self-confessed ignorance, Lay once made \$141 million in a year and Kozlowski made \$170 million. As it happens, my major in college was Not Knowing What's Going On. I am a CEO waiting to happen.

Now, one could argue that the knowing nothing defense isn't working all that well — Ebbers was found guilty, after all — but so what? Going to jail can be a good career move; ask Martha Stewart. She became a billionaire while in jail and had two television shows waiting for her to host when she got out.

Money makes everything better, even jail. All I'm asking for is a chance.

Donald Kaul recently retired as Washington columnist for the "Des Moines Register." He has covered the foolishness in our nation's capital for 20 years, winning a number of modestly coveted awards along the way. Email him at donald.kaul2@verizon.net.

# Regional Obituaries

## FLOYD COUNTY

Joshua Blake Baldrige, 21, of West Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, April 19, at Pikeville, the result of an automobile accident. Funeral services were conducted Friday, April 22, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Norman Ray Bryant, 68, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, April 16, at the emergency room at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. He is survived by his wife, Edna Music. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 19, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Robert (Sambo) Hall, 55, of Garrett, died Friday, April 15, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 18, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Berlin Jacobs, 68, of Wayland, died Sunday, April 17, at the Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 20, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Alice Stephens Prater, 84, of David, died Friday, April 15, in Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 18, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Iness Richmond Stiltner, 87, of Eastern, died Tuesday, April 19, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 21, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Lula Tackett, 73, of Bevinville, died Saturday, April 16, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Healthcare. Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 18, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Dillard Royce Boyd, 56, of Dana, died Saturday, April 16, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. He is survived by his wife, Tina Peggy Lewis Boyd. Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 19, under direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Rose Marie McCoy, 59, of Auxier, died Thursday, April 14, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 16, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Alice Shelton, 74, of McDowell, died Sunday, April 17, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital. She is survived by her husband, Russell Shelton. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 20, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Julia G. Porter Curtis, 93, of Lawrenceburg, died Saturday, April 16, at Frankfort Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 19, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

Mary Ousley, 78, of Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, April 19, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 21, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Charles Clay Warrix, 69, of Roanoke, Indiana, a Floyd County native, died Sunday, April 17, at the Visiting Nurse & Hospice Home in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 21, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Ruby Arizmendi, 71, of Marshall, Michigan, a native of Spurlock, died Sunday, April 17. She is survived by her husband, Austreberto Arizmendi. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 21, under the direction of Craig K. Kempf Funeral Home, Marshall, Michigan.

Laura Margaret Goble Duff, 84, of Timberville, Virginia, a native of Garrett, died Tuesday, April 19, at her residence. A graveside service was held Friday, April 22, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

James Henry Hobson, 89, of Noblesville, Indiana, a native of McDowell, died Sunday, April 17, at Riverview Hospital in Noblesville. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 21, under the direction of Urban Winkler Funeral

Home.

Siltana Tackett Williams, 86, of Toler Creek, Harold, died Monday, April 18, at her home. Funeral services were held Thursday, April 21, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Winifred "Winnie" Lemaster Blackburn, 86, of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, April 20, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Private services were held, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

## PIKE COUNTY

Cameron Alexander Collins, infant son of Jeremy and Lou Ann Dompke Collins of Greasy Creek, was stillborn, Friday, April 15, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Monday, April 18, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Naomi Hamilton Hobson, 87, of Rattliff Creek Road, Pikeville, died Monday morning, April 11, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington. Funeral services were held Friday, April 15, under the direction of J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Helen Pinson Hardin, 82, of Inez, died Monday, April 18, at St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington. She is survived by her husband, Sheldon A. Hardin. Funeral services were held Wednesday, April 20, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

Mary Evelyn Jones, 69, of Rockhouse, died Monday, April 18, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Thursday, April 21, under the direction of Justice Funeral Home.

Della Justice, 88, died Tuesday, April 19, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral arrangements, under the direction of Thacker Memorial Funeral Home.

Reagan Nicole Morgan, infant daughter of Jeremy Dean and Lisa Nicole Morgan of Ashcamp, was stillborn, Tuesday, April 12, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Wednesday, April 20, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Matt Mullins Jr., 67, of Pikeville, died Friday, April 15, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Cora Tibbs Mullins. Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 19, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Mary Elizabeth Phillips, 81, of Ransom, died Friday, April 15, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 19, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Eugene Price, 75, of Pikeville, died Monday, April 18, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Ruth Edmonds Price. Funeral services were held Thursday, April 21, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Clayton Smith, 81, of Pikeville, formerly of Floyd County, died Tuesday, March 29, at St. Mary's Medical Center, Huntington, W.Va. A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 23, at Kingdom Hall, Pikeville. Arrangements are under direction of Phelps & Son Funeral Home.

John P. Tiller, 65, of Huddy, died Monday, April 18. Graveside services were held Tuesday, April 19, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

## MARTIN COUNTY

Ambrose J. "A.J." Pauley, 73, of Caldwell, Ohio, a native of Beauty, died Monday, April 4, at Cambridge Health and Rehabilitation Center, in Ohio. He is survived by his wife, Helen Rosella Nicholson Pauley. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 7, under the direction of McVey-Perkins Funeral Home.

Helen Pinson Hardin, 82, of Inez, died Monday, April 18, at St. Joseph Medical Center, Lexington. She is survived by her husband, Sheldon A. Hardin. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 20, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

Roberta Smith, 80, of Inez, died Friday, April 15, at Three Rivers Medical Center, Louisa. Funeral services were held Monday, April 18, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

## JOHNSON COUNTY

Charles Anthony Baldwin, 18, of Staffordsville, died Thursday, April 14, at his residence. Funeral services were held Sunday, April 17, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Gene Stewart, 79, of Van Lear, died Monday, April 18, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Ilene Calhoun Stewart. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 21, under the direction of Phelps & Son Funeral Home.

Mary Ellen Phelps, 61, of Paintsville, died Thursday, April 14, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, April 17, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Sherman "Tommy" Spence, 54, of Tomahawk, died Monday, April 18, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Venida Butcher Spence. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 21, under the direction of Phelps & Son Funeral Home.

Irene Little Compton, 84, of Paintsville, died Wednesday, April 13, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. A private family service was held Saturday, April 16, under the direction of Jonse-Preston Funeral Home.

Charles Anthony Baldwin, 18, of Staffordsville, died Thursday, April 14, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, April 17, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Mary Ellen Phelps, 61, of Paintsville, died Thursday, April 14, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, April 17, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

## LAWRENCE COUNTY

Bertha Marie Copley, 72, of Louisa, died Sunday, April 17, at Hospice Care Center. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 20, under the direction of Young Funeral Home.

Susan Jean Mowery, 41, of Columbus, Ohio, formerly of Louisa, died Wednesday, April 13, at Mt. Carmel West Columbus. She is survived by her husband, Charles Frank Mowery. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 16, under the direction of Young's Funeral Home.

Felix Diamond, 73, of Fort Gay, West Virginia, a native of Lawrence County, died Friday, April 15, at Three Rivers Medical Center, Louisa. Graveside funeral services were Monday, April 18, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

James Harrison "Jim" Williams, 75, of Ashland, a native of Lawrence County, died Friday, April 15, at King's Daughters Medical Center, Ashland. He is survived by his wife,

Catherine Callahan Williams. Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 18, under the direction of Kilgore-Collier Funeral Home.

## MAGOFFIN COUNTY

Billy Joe Marshall, 71, of Royalton, died Sunday, April 17, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Doris Whitaker Marshall. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 19, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Stacy Lyon, 41, of Salyersville, died Saturday, April 16, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Lora Hullett Lyon. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 19, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Adam Collins, 20, of Salyersville, died Saturday, April 16, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 19, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.



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# Faith Extra

*Minister's Moment*

## A time to march

by PASTOR STEVE PESCOSOLIDO  
COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The apostle Paul writes in I Corinthians 14:8, "if the trumpet does not sound a clear call, who will get ready for battle?" (NIV) Let me sound a clear call to the Christian community to stand up against illegal drug use and alcohol abuse. As many of you have heard there will be a public march next SUNDAY, MAY 1st. This march is for Floyd County folks who want to stand up for a DRUG-FREE FLOYD COUNTY. This march is for all citizens. All have eyes to see the problem, a voice to report the problem, a heart to support people with the problem and a duty to bring an answer to this problem.

Drug arrests, drug convictions, drug deaths are all increasing according to the Commonwealth Attorney and the Floyd County Coroner. This addiction problem is darkness. There is far more of a spiritual battle going on than we realize. In Galatians 5:20, Paul uses the Greek word pharmakeia and this translates into English as sorcery (NKJV) or witchcraft (NIV). You will recognize the word pharmacy or pharmacology from this Greek word. We can thus equate drugs or substances used for wrong reasons with sorcery or witchcraft.

Darkness, depression, destruction and death do have a prominent enemy — the

Light of the World: JESUS CHRIST. I realize that we cannot stop someone from taking drugs or drinking excessively. But we can offer these people a better way to live in Christ Jesus. Tim McGraw pointedly sums up our culture with his song: "Drugs or Jesus". All of us have a need to belong, a need for love and a need for purpose. But escaping into or depending on substances rather than the Savior will leave one very empty.

The battle is before us — and the battle belongs to the Lord. Our responsibility is to do our part as followers of Jesus. If He says pray, we pray (I.e. the Garden of Gethsemane). If He says sing, we sing (I.e. Jehosaphat) If He says march, we march. (I.e. Joshua and Jericho) In my heart, He is saying march, sing and pray. We will march up the main street of Prestonsburg on May 1, 2005. We may be praying, we may be singing, we may be speaking encouraging words ... but we will be out in public with the power and love of Christ!

Let me sound the trumpet again for all Christians in Floyd County to show that there is help in our Lord. We gather at the Floyd County Justice Center at 3 p.m. on that Sunday. (Come early as there will be a good turnout.)

Have you ever seen God change an area? I have read about it. I've seen Him save 187 last fall. If we will join together, God will bring the change. It is time to march.

## Kentucky Catholics react to selection of new pope

by BRUCE SCHREINER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — For Roman Catholic Archbishop Thomas Kelly, it was a familiar face that greeted the world on Tuesday as the new pope.

Kelly has attended about a half-dozen meetings with German Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger since the 1980s, the last one occurring a few months ago in December. On Tuesday, Ratzinger was selected as pope by his fellow cardinals and chose the name Benedict XVI.

The Louisville archbishop described the new pope as "warm and gracious" and a "good listener." Kelly said Ratzinger's experience as a priest, bishop, teacher and Dean of the College of Cardinals would serve the new pope and the church well.

"We American bishops have always enjoyed our time with Cardinal Ratzinger," Kelly said. "I don't want to sound irreverent, but he's a straight shooter. You know exactly what he's thinking. He does delight in the exchange of ideas, and that is of great appeal to us."

Across Kentucky, home to about 400,000 Catholics, Ratzinger's selection was greeted with hope and prayers. Ratzinger succeeds Pope John Paul II, who died April 2.

"We're overjoyed to have a new holy father," said Bishop John McRaith of the Owensboro Diocese, who was at the same bishops' meeting with Ratzinger in December that Kelly attended.

McRaith called the new pope a "very congenial, friendly and outgoing man."

In Covington, Bishop Roger Foys praised Ratzinger as a "very learned and respected theologian" and said "our prayers are certainly with him."

Lexington Bishop Ronald Gainer said the new pope "brings gifts of his own to the papacy" that were honed through his vast experience. "Like his predecessor, he brings an agile intellect, a warm personality and a deep faith," Gainer said.

Sister Susan Gatz, with the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, based near Bardstown, was among the cheering throng in St. Peter's Square when the new pope emerged.

"It was just a privilege to be a part of something as momentous as that, something as special in the life of the church as the election of a pope is," said Gatz, who was attending a health care meeting at the Vatican along with two other sisters from the religious order.

As word of Ratzinger's selection emerged, the Rev. Bill Fichteman was presiding over a midday Mass in downtown Louisville. Unaware of the outcome, the priest prayed for the conclave choosing the new pope and spoke of divisions within the church.

A short time later, the priest was informed a new pope was chosen, and he proclaimed the news to the few dozen worshippers at the Cathedral of the Assumption.

After the ceremony,

Fichteman said one of Pope Benedict XVI's main tasks would be to heal rifts within the church on social and ecclesiastical issues.

"I would like to see the new Holy Father work toward bringing together some of the divisions in the church that are obvious that are there, but we don't often talk about," Fichteman said. "There are some fairly significant divisions."

Ken Walsh, among the worshippers at the Louisville cathedral, said he hoped the new pope would follow in John Paul's footsteps.

Milly Flowers, another worshipper, said she hoped Benedict XVI would continue his predecessor's "ecumenical spirit" by reaching out to people of different faiths.

Flowers also hoped the new pope would be more open to allowing priests to marry.

Fichteman agreed with making celibacy optional for priests. But given Ratzinger's selection, the priest added, "I think under the new pope, that is extremely unlikely."

Sister Julie Driscoll, with the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, said she would like to see women given more positions of authority in the church, eventually leading to women joining the priesthood. She said the new pope, known as a hard-line conservative, might end up being more flexible than some think.

"Sometimes there can be a bigger change," she said. "We can have someone in, as it were,

one box and think they won't change. Often they do when they're confronted with the big job."

Another member of the religious order, Sister Chris Beckett, said she met Ratzinger in the late 1990s while traveling in Germany.

"My impressions of him at that time were that he is not officious," she said. "He's a good listener. He asked me what I thought about some theological things and he listened."

Kelly predicted the new pope would continue John Paul's emphasis on the sanctity of life — from conception to grave. But the archbishop said Ratzinger would "be his own man."

"It's very difficult to imagine him being pulled back and forth by different currents in the church," Kelly said.

Fichteman said he hoped the new pope would carry on John Paul's efforts as a champion of peace and social justice.

Kelly, 73, had no misgivings about Ratzinger's age and said it was difficult to view him as a transitional pope because of his vigor. The new pope turned 78 on Saturday.

Kelly also said Ratzinger was "extremely helpful" in assisting U.S. bishops deal with the clergy sex abuse scandal. In 2003, the Louisville archdiocese settled with 243 victims for \$25.7 million, one of the largest single payouts in the country.

"Without his assistance, and of course that of John Paul II, I'm not sure where we would be," Kelly said.

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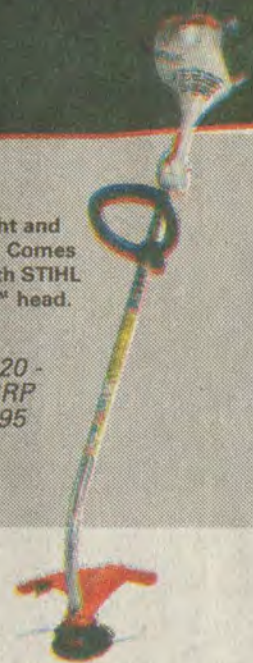
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# Lady Rebels smash South Floyd

## AC shakes rocky start, wins 24-3

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

GARRETT — After losing two of its last three games, Allen Central re-entered the win column Thursday night. In the 15th Region All "A" Classic earlier in the week, the Lady Rebels struggled against Floyd County rival Betsy Layne. Looking to avenge

a regional All "A" title game loss suffered to the Lady Rebels last season, Betsy Layne came into the tournament game and played some inspired softball, beating Allen Central 16-5. But the Lady Rebels didn't stay down for long. Allen Central Coach Mark Martin saw his team return to its winning form. The Lady Rebels topped South Floyd in commanding fashion,

winning 24-3.

"Against Betsy Layne, (Becky) Thomas pitched a good game, we just made to many mistakes in the field," Martin said. "We looked a lot better against South Floyd."

South Floyd, still searching for its first win of the season, got some early runs, but couldn't make the early lead, which turned out to be quite pre-

mature, stick.

South Floyd took advantage of some early Allen Central errors and jumped out to a three-run lead in the top half of the first inning. But Allen Central quickly answered. The Allen Central Lady Rebels answered by scoring 11 runs in the home portion of

(See LADY REBELS, page two)



Allen Central senior Becky Thomas helped her team to a convincing 24-3 win over South Floyd.

## PC women's bowling opens with win

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ROCKFORD, Ill. — Defending national champion Pikeville College rolled to a 4-0 win over Lindenwood University in Friday's opening round of the 2005 IBC national women's bowling tournament.

After struggling during Thursday's qualifying round, which saw Pikeville open a whopping 72 frames in 32 games, the Lady Bears limited the opens to a mere five in the first-round sweep. By comparison, Lindenwood, an otherwise NAIA school located in St. Louis, opened six times in the third game alone.

Two of Pikeville's opens came in the first two frames of the morning, but they were followed by a strike and seven spares in a 165-156 win. Game Two featured consecutive strikes in frames four and five by freshman Kayla Bandy and senior April Ellis as Pikeville rolled to a 178-123 win.

Game Three saw back-to-back strikes from senior Stacey Wyatt and junior Michelle Leonard in two-thirds in a 184-133 win. Game Four was the best of the set for both schools. Pikeville opened strong with back-to-back strikes by

(See BOWLING, page two)

## Kentucky Speedway to install safer barrier system

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SPARTA — Kentucky Speedway will install on its turns new, safer barriers that are designed to soften the impact of crashes.

The speedway chose to install the Steel And Foam Energy Reduction (SAFER) Barriers after analyzing every crash at the track since it opened five years ago. The barriers will be fitted inside the concrete retaining walls on the four turns of the 1.5-mile tri-oval.

When a car collides with the new barriers, square steel tubes buffered with polystyrene blocks are designed to dissipate impact energy. On-board collision data recorders have shown a 75 percent reduction in G-force felt by drivers, the track said.

The \$1 million installation will begin after the season-opening ARCA 150 race on May 14. The installation is expected to be completed before the June 18 NASCAR Busch Series Meijer 300.

The barriers were first installed in May 2002 on the outside retaining walls at Indianapolis Motor Speedway, the home of the Indianapolis 500. The barriers are also in use at all tracks that host Nextel Cup events.

# REBEL BASEBALL

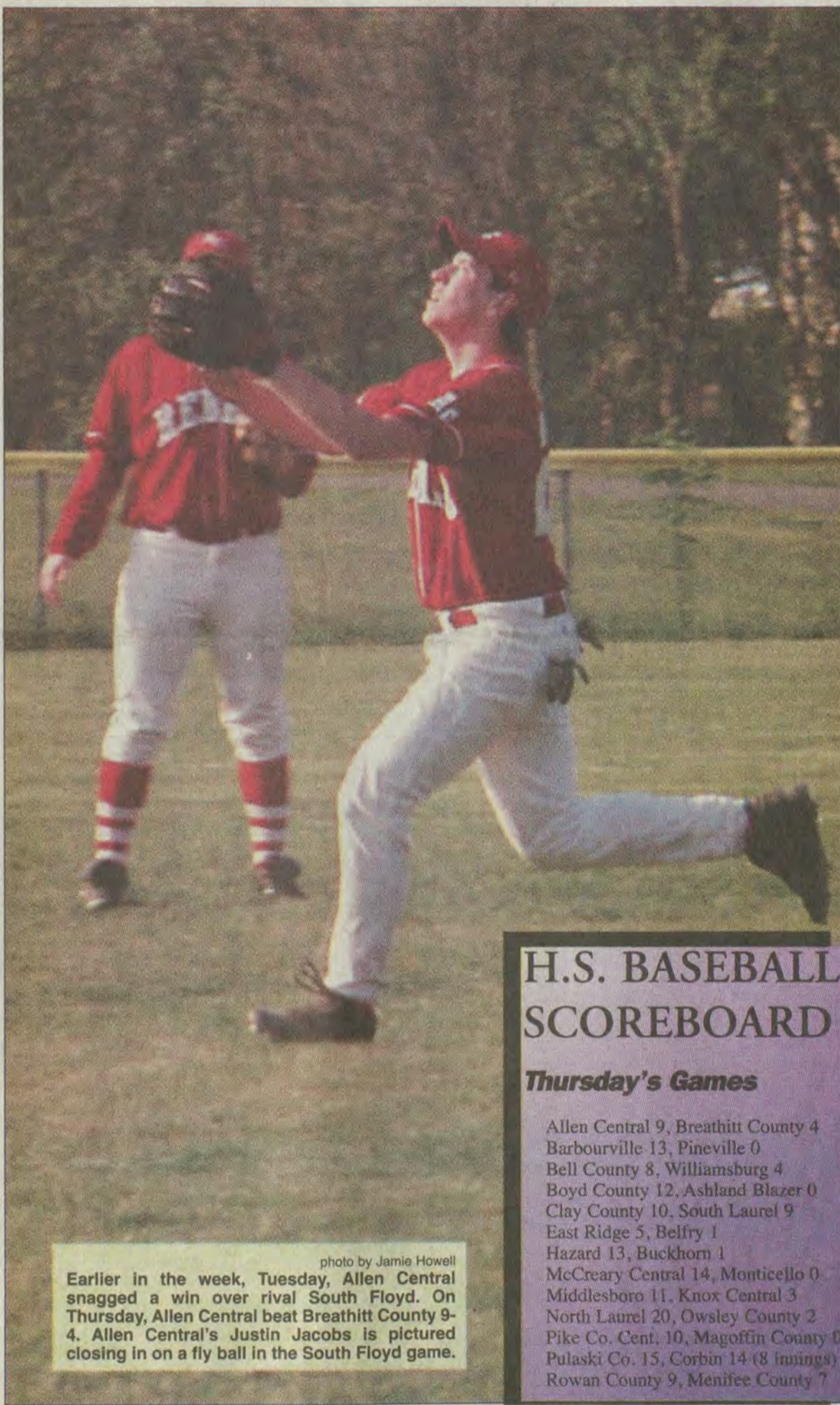


photo by Jamie Howell

Earlier in the week, Tuesday, Allen Central snagged a win over rival South Floyd. On Thursday, Allen Central beat Breathitt County 9-4. Allen Central's Justin Jacobs is pictured closing in on a fly ball in the South Floyd game.

## H.S. BASEBALL SCOREBOARD

### Thursday's Games

Allen Central 9, Breathitt County 4  
Barbourville 13, Pineville 0  
Bell County 8, Williamsburg 4  
Boyd County 12, Ashland Blazer 0  
Clay County 10, South Laurel 9  
East Ridge 5, Belfry 1  
Hazard 13, Buckhorn 1  
McCreary Central 14, Monticello 0  
Middlesboro 11, Knox Central 3  
North Laurel 20, Owsley County 2  
Pike Co. Cent. 10, Magoffin County 0  
Pulaski Co. 15, Corbin 14 (8 innings)  
Rowan County 9, Menifee County 7

## CATSPY Awards set for April 26

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEXINGTON — The third-annual CATSPY Awards, celebrating the 2004-05 athletic year at the University of Kentucky, will be held on Tuesday at Rupp Arena.

The event begins at 8:30 p.m. and the public is invited. Tickets cost \$10 each and may be purchased in advance at the Memorial Coliseum Ticket Office, on the phone by calling 800-928-2287, or online at ukathletics.com. Tickets also will be available on the night of the event at the High Street entrance to Rupp Arena.

A spin-off of the popular ESPY Awards held each year by ESPN, the CATSPY's feature 24 individual and team honors categories, chosen from among 82 nominations from UK's 22 varsity sports. Videos of the nominees in each category are shown. UK student-athletes and staff serve as presenters.

### The list of awards this year includes:

- Male and Female Scholar-Athlete of the Year
- Academic Team of the Year
- Community Service Award for outreach in the community
- Blue Heart Award for comeback of the year
- Lifetime Achievement Award for coach or staff member
- Male and Female Scratch Award for non-scholarship player who has made significant contributions to the team
- Supporting Role Award for scholarship player who contributes significantly to the team as a reserve
- Courage Award
- Men's Team Coach of the Year
- Women's Team Coach of the Year
- Mr. and Miss Wildcat
- Male and Female Play of the Year
- Male and Female Rookie of the Year
- Male and Female Performance of the Year
- Male and Female Athlete of the Year
- Male and Female Team of the Year



# Lonesome Pine Raceway to host media/test day

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

COEBURN, Va. — Lonesome Pine Raceway is set to host the Hooters Pro Cup Series' Food City 250, presented by Greased Lightning. Advanced tickets as well as bulk ticket packages are available.

In preparation for the upcoming Food City 250, Lonesome Pine Raceway will host a Media/Test Day on Monday for Hooters Pro Cup teams.

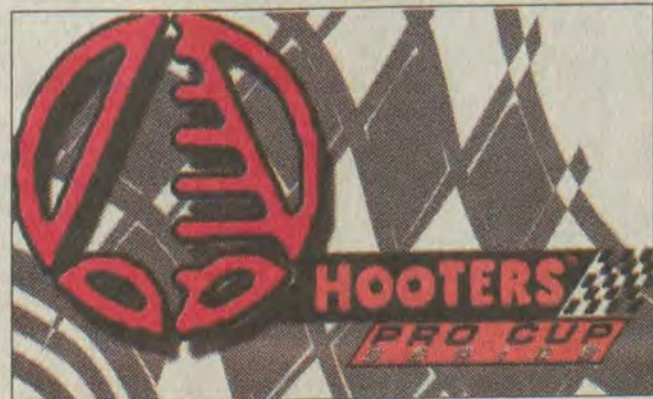
The test will run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and cost \$175 per team. At noon, the track will close for an hour, allowing media members a chance to meet the drivers.

The Hooters Pro Cup Series is making a return trip to the Southwest Virginia race track.

Lonesome Pine Raceway opened the 2005 season on a successful note on Saturday, April 16. Feature race winners included Brad Housewright (Honda of Prestonsburg Late Models); Rob Austin (Miner's Exchange Street Stocks); Jody Bostic (Mod 4's); Carl Lawson (Pure 4's); Travis Watson (McDowell Professional Pharmacy Legends); Carla Oakley (Ladies Pure 4's) and Brandon Osborne (Hornets).

The Lonesome Pine Raceway Dirt Dragway also had a successful start with the following winners — Bayley Copley (PeeWee Trophy); Caitlin Adams (Youth Trophy); Bryson Marshall (Youth Money); Charles Thomason (Standard ATV Trophy); Shane Dingsu (Open Trophy); Jim Taylor (Standard ATV Money) and Mike Brown (Open Money).

For more information on tickets for the Food City 250 or the media/test day, call the LPR office at 276/395-5001.



## Info released for PC women's basketball camps

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — Pikeville College women's basketball coach Bill Watson has announced the dates and information for this year's individual and team camps. Individual camp dates are scheduled for June and July. The individual camp is broken down into two age divisions — 6-11 and 12-18.

The cost of the individual camp is \$25 per date. The individual camp will run daily, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Lunch will be provided daily.

Dates for the team camp are spread out over the months of June and July.

The cost of the team camp is \$125 per team per date. There is a three-game guarantee per date. All games will be played at the Pikeville College Gym. On each date, four teams must be confirmed or the date will be canceled. Payment (nonrefundable) must be received by the confirmation date.

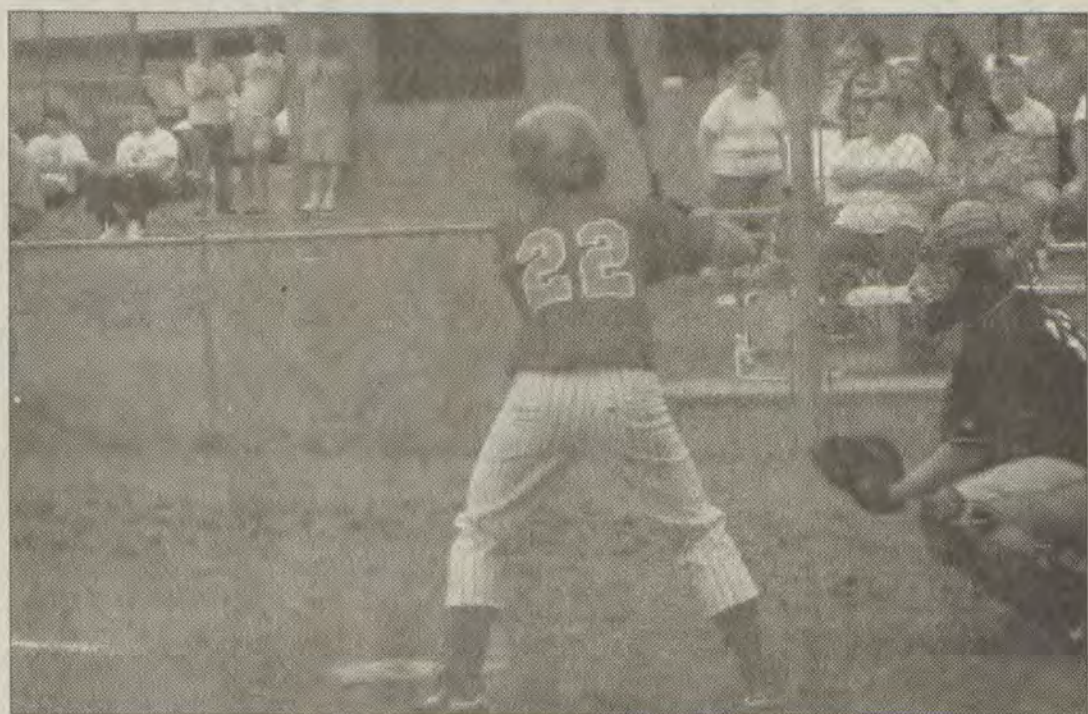


For more information, call Watson, 606/297-6522 (home), 606/218-5356 (office) or assistant coach Misty Prater, 606/432-5235 (home) 606/218-5354 (office).

Watson recently finished his eighth season as head coach of the Lady Bears after four years as an assistant in the men's program.

During his first season, the Lady Bears were KIAC Champions, played in the NAIA National Tournament for the first time and produced the school's first 20-win season. Watson was named 1997-98 Coach of the Year in the KIAC and again in 1999 - 2000.

# ACHS SOFTBALL



Top: Amanda Thacker stood in at the plate against South Floyd.



Second from top: South Floyd's Vicky Paige, pictured on first base following a single, watched for Allen Central's next pitch.



Third from top: Heather Dean stood in at second base following a successful advancement.



Bottom: South's Miranda Gregory tried to apply a tag on an Allen Central baserunner.



Betsy Layne junior Derek Case got into a pitch in a game against Phelps earlier this week.

## Bowling

senior Patty Trusty and Wyatt and ended with a turkey from Leonard, Bandy and Ellis to pull out a 200-195 win.

Leonard had three strikes and three spares, with Bandy and

Ellis striking twice. All five Lady Bears struck with nine rolled in the win.

Pikeville moved on to a matchup with surprising Missouri Baptist, the 15 seed,

which shocked No. 2 Fresno State 4-0 in the opening round.

*Editor's note: A complete breakdown of Pikeville College's national tournament run will appear in Wednesday's edition.*

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## Lady Rebels

the first inning and took control from that point on.

The Lady Rebels exited the first inning with an eight-run lead and never looked back, holding rival Allen Central scoreless the rest of the way.

Junior Alanna Cline and freshman Sara Johnson scored four runs as Allen Central evened out its regular-season record to 3-3. The win over South Floyd was Allen Central's first district/conference win of the 2005 season.

"South Floyd came out and put the bat on the ball early and we could not make the play," Martin admitted. "But the girls settled down."

Senior Becky Thomas led the Allen Central attack by going four-for-four from the plate. Thomas collected two doubles and drove in five runs as Allen Central evened its season worksheet.

All of the Allen Central players who saw action contributed.

Allen Central began the season back on April 7 with a 15-0 win over Buckhorn. Allen Central then lost to Cordia before returning to the winning side with a win over Sheldon Clark in one of two games played as part of a doubleheader.

Johnson Central 10, Paintsville 0: Host Paintsville fell victim to archrival Johnson Central. The home-standing Lady Tigers couldn't find any offense. Johnson Central won its third straight game and improved to 5-3.

The loss was Paintsville's second straight. The Lady Tigers lost to Shelby Valley in the opening round of the 15th Region All "A" Classic.

Pikeville 5, Shelby Valley 0: The Lady Panthers played shutout softball and in the

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process beat Shelby Valley and claimed the 15th Region All "A" title.

Natalie Gooch led Pikeville, throwing her fourth no-hitter in five games. Earlier in the week, Gooch baffled both South Floyd and Betsy Layne.

## H.S. SOFTBALL SCOREBOARD

### Thursday's Games

Allen Central 24, South Floyd 3  
Corbin 13, Williamsburg 1  
Estill County 15, Berea 0  
Fairland, Ohio 3, Boyd County 2  
Fronton, Ohio 3, Ashland Blazer 2  
Jackson City 15, June Buchanan 4  
Johnson Central 10, Paintsville 0  
Lee County 7, Jackson County 2  
North Laurel 2, East Ridge 0  
Pikeville 5, Shelby Valley 0  
(15th Region All "A" Classic Championship Game)  
Rockcastle County 15, OBI 0  
Whitesburg 12, Cordia 1

# Clark helps Louisville triumph in conference tourney opener

### TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE - Third-seeded Louisville defeated No. 5 seed UAB 5-0 Friday on the second day of the 2005 Conference USA Men's Tennis Championship.

Prestonsburg High School graduate Jeremy Clark won in both singles and doubles play.

The Cardinals started the match by taking the doubles point. Mark Kennedy and Damar Johnson defeated Sebastian Falk 8-5 and Johannes Spangenberg at No. 3 while Slavko Radman and Jhonny Berrido beat Kristijan Mitrovski and Anton Mavrin 8-1 at No. 2 to clinch the point.

In singles action, Berrido gave Louisville a 2-0 lead with a 7-5, 6-1 win over Adrian Tollstam at No. 6. Gustafsson defeated Andre Maier 6-1, 6-3 at the three-spot to make it a 3-0

match. Radman beat Mavrin 7-6, 6-1 to clinch the match. Clark closed out the win moments later with a 6-2, 7-6 decision over Filip Kanczula at No. 5 for a final score of 5-0.

"UAB is a very good team, just as we projected, and they pushed us to the limit" said U of L head coach Rex Ecarma. "I credit their head coach Derek Tarr for their team's high level of play. We prepared for this tournament for 16 straight days, and you never know how a team will perform after such a long layoff. We are definitely in the right mindset to take advantage of our opportunity to play at home during the tournament."

Louisville (20-8) moved on to face the winner of the TCU/Southern Miss match Saturday. Results from that match were unavailable at press time.

### Match Summary -

### Louisville 5, UAB 0

#### Singles

1. Damar Johnson, UL vs. Sebastian Falk, UAB 7-6, 3-2, susp.
2. Slavko Radman, UL def. Anton Mavrin, UAB 7-6 (7-3), 6-1
3. Jakob Gustafsson, UL def. Andre Maier, UAB 6-1, 6-3
4. Octavian Nicodim, UL vs. Kristijan Mitrovski, UAB, 7-5, 1-1, susp.
5. Jeremy Clark, UL def. Filip Kanczula, UAB 6-2, 7-6(3)
6. Jhonny Berrido, UL def. Adrian Tollstam, UAB 7-5, 6-1

Order of finish: 6, 3, 2\*, 5 (2 clinched)

#### Doubles

1. Gustafsson/Clark, UL vs. Kanczula/Maier, UAB 6-4, susp.
2. Radman/Berrido, UL def. Mitrovski/Mavrin, UAB 8-1
3. Johnson/Mark Kennedy, UL def. Falk/Johannes Spangenberg, UAB 8-5

Order of finish: 3, 2

# Tar Heels lose May, Felton and Marvin Williams

by KEITH PARSONS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. - North Carolina players Sean May, Raymond Felton and Marvin Williams are entering the NBA draft, leaving the NCAA champion Tar Heels without their top seven scorers for next season.

"I've coached a lot of great players and these three here are at the top of the list," coach Roy Williams said during a news conference Friday on the floor at Dean Smith Center.

Junior guard Rashad McCants already decided to leave early and Jawad Williams, Jackie Manuel and Melvin Scott completed their eligibility.

North Carolina now has only one player on its roster who started a game last season - point guard Quentin Thomas, who replaced the suspended Felton in the opener.

Felton, May and McCants were part of a heralded class

recruited by former coach Matt Doherty. But the team sputtered during their freshman year and Doherty resigned under pressure.

In their second season under Roy Williams, who left Kansas to coach his alma mater, the Tar Heels won the NCAA crown, beating Illinois 75-72.

"It's been a lot of tough times, and it's been a lot of great times, especially winning the national championship this year," Felton said.

May addressed the coach, who joined his players for their group announcement.

"I really didn't know the talent I had and when you came here, you brought that out," May said.

May had said immediately after the season that he would be back, but the burly, 6-foot-9 center backed off in recent days. He was magnificent during the NCAA tournament, averaging 22.3 points and 10.7 rebounds while shooting 67 percent.

Williams said May's decision made sense considering he was voted the outstanding player at the Final Four.

"I don't think he's a cow or a piece of beef or anything, but his stock is pretty high," Williams said.

Felton, a 6-1 point guard, averaged 13 points and shot 44 percent on 3-pointers, up from 34 percent the previous two years. Marvin Williams averaged 11 points while never starting a game in his only season in Chapel Hill, but the 6-9 forward likely would have been a lottery pick had he entered the NBA right out of high school.

Roy Williams has one of the best recruiting classes coming to campus, and he'll need as many top players as he can get. Forward David Noel, mostly a reserve during his career, is the leading returning scorer with an average of 3.9 points. Noel and Thomas are the only players from the regular rotation coming back.

# N. Ky. softball team sets record for consecutive wins

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

HIGHLAND HEIGHTS - Northern Kentucky tied the NCAA Division II record for consecutive wins by a softball team Thursday, extending its winning streak to 40 games.

Behind pitcher Krystal

Lewallen, the Norse (40-0) swept Indianapolis 5-1 and 6-2 in a doubleheader to tie the mark set by Kennesaw State (Ga.) in 1995. Kennesaw State went on to win the national title that season.

Northern Kentucky is ranked No. 1 in Division II. The Norse

was looking to break the record yesterday when they were playing host to Southern Indiana.

"It's exciting, but it's not a focus," senior Angie Lindeman of the team's winning streak. "We're looking for the last game of the season. Just another stepping-stone - that's how I think of it."



# BCS goes back to work this week

RALPH D. RUSSO  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Bowl Championship Series officials are set to meet in Phoenix this week, again faced with the task of coming up with a new way to determine which teams will play for a national title.

The BCS reworked its standings formula last year, simplifying the equation and putting more emphasis on The Associated Press Top 25 and the coaches poll. But the increased scrutiny on poll voters and the importance of every vote spawned new controversies and criticism.

The AP asked the BCS to stop using its poll after last season, leaving the BCS in need of another component to insert into

its calculations. The AP media poll and coaches poll each counted for one-third of a team's points in the BCS standings last year. A compilation of computer rankings made up the final third.

BCS officials were generally pleased with the scaled-down formula and would prefer not straying far from it this year.

"There was a comfort level with nature of the formula," BCS coordinator and Big 12 commissioner Kevin Weiberg said Tuesday in a phone interview.

But that would mean creating another poll to take the spot occupied by the AP, and where that poll would come from is one of the items on the agenda next week.

"We know we have a coaches poll and computer poll folks

who have worked with us in the past, but we have not eliminated any options," Weiberg said.

Introducing a selection committee made up of former college football administrators and coaches — possibly even some media members — into the process has also been discussed.

"How you populate a committee or a poll for that matter is an important issue," Weiberg said. "Under a committee approach, you probably need fewer participants than you do in a poll structure."

It's unlikely the BCS would convert to a system solely reliant on a selection committee.

"There could be a hybrid I suppose," Weiberg said. "What I mean by a hybrid, you could still use elements of the old structure — coaches polls, computers, per-

haps a new poll — and couple that with a committee approach and have that standings piece be out there on a weekly basis with a committee providing oversight. Maybe a committee's function would be voting on a 1-2 matchup at the end.

"There are a lot of different ways you can structure it. All of them have different weaknesses and probably different strengths."

The next week's meetings will include commissioners from all 11 Division I-A conferences and will run from Monday through Thursday.

Weiberg said there's no urgency for the BCS to complete its work by the end of those meetings.

"I do believe it's an important meeting though in a sense that we need to have some direc-

tion as we go forward so we can moved toward trying to finalize something in, ideally, 60 to 75 days," he said.

Last year, the BCS unveiled its new formula in mid-July.

The BCS was faced with something of a worst-case scenario last year when Southern California, Oklahoma and Auburn all finished the regular season unbeaten. The system, which was implemented in 1998 and has been tinkered with almost every year since, is devised to match the consensus top two teams in the nation. USC and Oklahoma earned those spots and played in the Orange Bowl for the BCS title last season. The Trojans beat the Sooners to finish No. 1 and Auburn, which completed a 13-0 season in the Sugar Bowl,

ended up No. 2.

Only expanding the BCS system to make it more like a playoff would have given Auburn a chance to play for a national title and there appears to be no chance of that happening in the near future.

The other BCS controversy involved Texas and California. The Longhorns passed Cal in the final BCS standings after gaining ground for several weeks even though the Bears were winning their games.

The BCS, which includes the Fiesta, Rose, Orange and Sugar Bowls, will expand to five games and 10 teams, starting with the 2006 season. The No. 1 vs. No. 2 BCS title game will be played a week after the bowls and rotate between the four existing sites.

## Marshall's Mike Barber headed to College Football Hall of Fame

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

MORRISTOWN, N.J. — John F. Hanson, Chairman of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame announced Thursday that Thundering Herd great Mike Barber, the school's all-time leader in career receptions, is one of five individuals that will be inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame as part of the Divisional Class (Players from NCAA Divisions I-AA, II, III, and the NAIA) of 2005.

Barber will become only the second player in school history to be inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame. He joins Marshall legend Jackie Hunt who was enshrined last year.

A two-time First Team All-America selection, Barber was named National Player of the Year in 1988 by the American

Football Coaches Association. The Thundering Herd's first three-time First Team All-Conference pick, he led the nation in receiving while setting single-season conference records with 106 receptions and 1,757 yards in 1987.

Barber, a native of Winfield, W.Va., still holds many school records. He is Marshall's career receiving yards leader (4,262), and is the school's all-time single season leader in receptions (106 in 1987) and receiving yards (1,757 in 1987).

The Southern Conference's all-time career leader in receptions (249) and receiving yards (4,262), Barber was voted Marshall's Athlete of the Decade for the 1980s and is a member of the Marshall Athletics Hall of Fame.

Prior to graduation, Barber was selected in the fourth

round of the 1989 NFL Draft by the San Francisco 49ers. Following a five-year professional football career, Barber has become a successful businessman in West Virginia.

A community minded individual, Barber maintains a very active role in local affairs while serving as a coach and member of the board of directors for Little League Baseball and youth basketball.

This year's class, which also includes Kirk Baumgartner of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, Leo Lewis of Lincoln, Willie Totten of Mississippi Valley State, coach Roger Herring of Wisconsin-La Crosse, and coach Frosty Westering of Parsons, will be inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame during Enshrinement Ceremonies, August 12-13, in South Bend, Indiana.

## Marshall downs Eastern Ky., 5-4, in 10 innings

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. — Senior Joe Glevenyak scored on a bases-loaded balk in the bottom of the tenth inning to give the Thundering Herd baseball team a 5-4 win over Eastern Kentucky at University Heights on Wednesday afternoon.

Glevenyak was hit by a pitch to lead off the inning. He moved to second on a sacrifice bunt by Aaron Jamieson and moved to third on a wild pitch when Bubba Pfaff was being intentionally walked. With two outs and two batters on, Adam Ptacek walked to bring up Brad Helm. During Helm's at-bat, ECU pitcher Greg Harper balked to bring in the winning run.

With the win, Marshall (12-20, 6-6 MAC) splits the season series with ECU, who dropped to 10-21 with the loss.

The Herd jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the second inning. With one out, Tommy Johnson walked and Roddy Stieger reached on an error. After Stieger reached, Adam Ptacek started his 3-3 day at the plate with an RBI single to score

Johnson. The next batter, Brad Helm, hit a sacrifice fly to bring in the second run.

EKU came back in the top of the third to tie the game. Adam Viscic was hit by a pitch to start off the inning and quickly made his way around the bases, advancing to second on a wild pitch and on to third on a passed ball. He would later score on an error. With two outs, left fielder Brett Bolger doubled to bring in the second run.

The bottom of the fourth saw MU retake the lead. Tommy Johnson, who reached on a fielder's choice, advanced to third on a double by Stieger and scored on a sacrifice fly by Adam Ptacek.

The Colonels wasted no time, scoring runs in the fifth and sixth innings to take a 4-3 lead. In the fifth, Brett Bolger knocked in his second run of the game on a single and in the sixth, a run scored on a single by Adam Viscic.

Marshall tied the game up at four in the bottom of the seventh on an RBI double by Joe Glevenyak. In the top of the eighth, it looked as if ECU

would come right back as they loaded up the bases on David Slovak with one out, but Slovak got two ground outs to keep the game tied.

After a scoreless ninth inning, the ECU offense was put down in order by Slovak to start the tenth. In the bottom of the inning, the Herd loaded up the bases and would eventually score on a balk by the Colonel closer Greg Harper, who was tagged with his first loss of the season. Slovak was credited with the win for the Herd and improved his record to 2-4.

MU's offense mustered 11 hits, led by three hit performances by Ptacek and Adam Frederick. Ptacek also led the team in RBI's with two. The Colonels also had two three-hit performances with Brett Bolger and Adam Viscic registering three hits apiece. The pitching for the Herd was steady. Starter Brian Knippelmeyer went five innings and gave up three runs, two of which were earned. Brendon Bump pitched two innings allowing a run while Slovak pitched three scoreless innings.

## Cards conduct final scrimmage



SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LOUISVILLE — The University of Louisville football team conducted its final scrimmage of the spring on Saturday afternoon at Papa John's Cardinal Stadium.

Sophomore quarterback Brian Brohm completed 17-of-26 passes for 213 yards and five touchdowns on the day. It was the best outing for the Cardinals' starting quarterback this spring. Red-shirt freshman Hunter Cantwell also was 9-of-15 for 144 yards.

Junior Michael Bush carried 16 times for 98 yards, including the highlight run of the scrimmage. Trapped in the backfield, Bush reversed field and scampered 16 yards for a touchdown. Junior Kolby Smith carried six times for 28 yards.

Redshirt freshman Mario Urrutia caught six passes for 127 yards and three touchdowns, while sophomore tight end Gary Barnidge caught three passes for 67 yards, including a 55-yard touchdown reception.



## Louisville adds women's lacrosse

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Louisville has added women's lacrosse as a club sport and will make it a full intercollegiate sport in 2008.

Lacrosse is a major sport in the Big East, which the Cardinals will join in all sports beginning in the fall. Six schools in the league — Boston College, Connecticut, Georgetown, Notre Dame, Rutgers and Syracuse — field women's lacrosse teams.

UofL vice president for athletics Tom Jurich said Louisville plans to build a lacrosse stadium off Floyd Street, just north of Papa John's Cardinal Stadium.

"We're very proud and excited to add to our athletic program with a rapidly emerging sport in women's lacrosse," said Jurich. "It's a premier championship sport in the Big East and there is increased participation and interest for women's lacrosse in this area. We have a stadium site planned and are

ready to move forward."

The UofL Athletics Association Board of Directors is expected to approve the addition of the new sport at a June 8 meeting.

Women's lacrosse will be the 22nd varsity sport at Louisville and the 12th offered for female athletes.

Meghan McDonogh, the coach for UofL's club level squad, will serve as the Cardinals' acting women's lacrosse coach and will assist in managing the transition to a full varsity team.

A 2001 graduate of American University, McDonogh started her college career playing soccer at Syracuse and switched to lacrosse after transferring to American.

McDonogh, of Atlanta, served as player/coach for the 2002 University of Georgia club team that was ranked second nationally among club teams. She was an assistant coach at California in 2003 when the Golden Bears produced an 11-6 record.



Meghan McDonogh



Tom Jurich

## MSU tennis players collect honors

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — Punctuated by Greg Johnstone being named Ohio Valley Conference Men's Tennis Player of the Year, several Morehead State University tennis athletes earned league honors.

The MSU men finished third in the OVC Championships, held April 15-17 in Nashville. The second seeded Eagles defeated number seven seed

Murray State 5-0 in the first round on Friday. They lost to the eventual champion, third seeded Jacksonville State 4-2 in Saturday's semifinal round. MSU then defeated fifth seeded Tennessee Tech 4-3 in the consolation match on Sunday.

The MSU women finished seventh in the championships. The seventh seeded Lady Eagles lost 4-0 to second seed Murray State in the first round and 4-1 to number six seed Jacksonville

State in the consolation semifinals. MSU beat Eastern Illinois 5-0 in the seventh place match.

In addition to earning the league's top individual award, Johnstone was named first team all-conference. Jacob McLeod and Adam Storti also earned first team honors.

Lady Eagle newcomer Yolando Araujo was named Women's Tennis Freshman of the Year and was on the all-conference second team.

## Carmel's McRoberts won't play for Indiana All-Stars

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CARMEL, Ind. — Josh McRoberts, the most valuable player in last month's McDonald's All-American game, will miss this summer's Indiana-Kentucky All-Star basketball series to make sure he's in top physical condition when he enrolls at Duke.

The 6-foot-10 McRoberts, who suffered a stress fracture in his back as a high school junior, averaged 17.9 points and 11.4 rebounds a game last season as a senior at Carmel. He was named first-team All-State by The Associated Press and first-team All-American by USA Today

and Parade magazine and finished third in voting for Indiana Mr. Basketball.

Patrick Aikman, the Indiana game director for the annual two-game series with Kentucky, said McRoberts asked not to be considered for the games June 18 in Bowling Green, and June 25 in Indianapolis. The Indiana All-Star roster will be announced next week.

"He feels very honored that he would be considered for that, but it's been the consensus of the Duke doctors ... that because of his back, because of his ankles, they want him to be in top condition, to be physically

ready when he attends Duke," his mother, Jennifer McRoberts, told the AP on Thursday.

McRoberts also turned down an invitation to participate in the annual Hoosier Basketball Boys Top 40 Senior Workout scheduled for Sunday.

"Josh is going to hopefully have a long career in basketball, and the intense practice they have for those All-Star games could very easily hurt his back more," his mother said. "And when you hear a doctor say, 'We do not want him to play in this game,' I'm not going to go against Duke, which is paying his four-year education."

## Bruce, Satterlee earn pitcher, player of week honors

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BARBOURVILLE — Union College swept the Appalachian Athletic Conference baseball honors this week as senior Greg Bruce (Harlan) and junior Erin Satterlee (Youngstown, Ohio) were named the Appalachian Athletic Conference's Pitcher and Player of the Week, respectively, on Wednesday.

Bruce, a right-handed reliever, picked up two wins last weekend, both coming against No. 24 Tennessee Wesleyan College. He pitched three and third innings of shutout ball, allowing three hits and three walks with five strikeouts. On the season, Bruce is 8-1 with a 0.62 ERA and two saves. He has struck out 28 batters and walked nine in 29.0 innings

pitched. Satterlee, a second baseman, batted .500 with five runs scored and five RBIs. His best game came against No. 16 Spalding University when he went 2-of-4 with a double, two runs scored and four RBIs. On the year, Satterlee is hitting .372 with six home runs and 48 RBIs. He has also scored 42 runs and stolen 12 bases.

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# Thursday's game: Pirates 4, Reds 2

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Jason Bay figured he still knew how to hit home runs.

The NL Rookie of the Year hit his first of the season and drove in two runs Thursday as the Pittsburgh Pirates stopped a five-game losing streak with a 4-2 win over the Cincinnati Reds.

"We were in desperate need of a win," Pittsburgh manager Lloyd McClendon said. "Hopefully, we can get on a roll. I told the guys to keep on fighting."

Bay had three hits, finishing a triple short of the cycle, and his solo homer in the fifth to center field off Eric Milton (2-2) was his first since Sept. 29.

"I wasn't trying to do it, but

it's good to know I still can," said Bay, who hit 26 homers last season, when he became the first Pittsburgh player to win the rookie award.

Kip Wells (1-3), pitching on his 28th birthday, won for the first time in six starts since Aug. 7 at San Diego, allowing two runs, three hits and five walks in five innings.

"It wasn't a real good outing, but the last three or four have gotten progressively better," Wells said. "I didn't feel like I pitched well, but I made pitches when I had to."

Wells, 3-0 in his career when pitching on his birthday, avoided what would have been the first 0-4 start of his career.

"I thought his stuff was

tremendous," McClendon said. "He just threw too many pitches."

Jose Mesa pitched the ninth for his fifth save in five chances, giving up a two-out double to pinch-hitter Jacob Cruz and a walk to Ryan Freel before retiring Ken Griffey Jr. on a ground ball to second base. Griffey went 0-for-3 with two walks and is homerless in 46 at-bats this year. His previous high at the start of the season was 44 in 1991.

"I was hoping for his first one right there," said Cincinnati manager Dave Miley, who watched his team continue to struggle with runners in scoring position. The Reds were 0-for-7, and are hitting .096 (5-for-52) with runners in scoring position

in their seven losses. They are hitting .349 (22-for-63) with runners in scoring position in their eight wins.

"It was just one of those days," Griffey said. "We couldn't get the big hit."

The start of the game was delayed 12 minutes by rain and play started under cloudy skies with a temperature of 52 degrees. Milton (2-2) struggled with the weather, giving up three runs and five hits in five innings.

"It was tough to get a feel out there," he said. "I tried everything. I licked my fingers and blew on my hand, but I couldn't spot the ball. When you don't have velocity and you can't spot the ball, that's a deadly combination. It just felt like I was

throwing a cue ball. Their guy did a better job of pitching in the elements."

Wily Mo Pena put Cincinnati ahead with an RBI double in the first, extending his hitting streak to a career-best six games.

Pittsburgh, just 5-11 this year, went ahead for good in the third when Matt Lawton was hit by a pitch. Bay doubled off the right-field wall, Craig Wilson hit an RBI single and Ty Wigginton had a run-scoring grounder.

A run-scoring wild pitch after Freel's leadoff double in the bottom half pulled Cincinnati to 3-2. David Ross drove in a run with a squeeze bunt in the fifth after Adam Dunn dropped Freddy Sanchez's fly ball to left

for a three-base error.

"We did a good job of taking advantage of their mistakes," Bay said. "We only had six hits, but we've had games where we had 13 and didn't score enough runs. It was good to finally get a lead and hold on to it."

Notes: Lawton did not lead off for the first time this season. He extended his streak of consecutive games reaching base to 12 when he was hit by a pitch ... Pirates manager Lloyd McClendon used his 16th lineup in 16 games. ... Slumping Pirates SS Jack Wilson batted leadoff for the first time this season, but went 0-for-4 to extend his hitless streak to 19 at-bats. ... Reds 3B Joe Randa got the day off, his first of the season.

## Legends sweep Power

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — The Lexington Legends won their fourth straight game Thursday night, dispatching West Virginia 8-1. Frankie Caraballo had three hits including a 3-run double in the fourth inning to break open the game. The Legends improve to 8-6 and pull within three games of first place Hagerstown.

The Power picked up the

games first run thanks to an error by Lou Santangelo in the first to take a 1-0 lead. It wouldn't last. The Legends evened the game in the second



inning on a

Frankie Caraballo RBI single scoring Scoot Robinson.

Caraballo's

three-run double in the fourth made it 4-1. Saul Torres bumped the lead to 5-1 with an RBI single in the fifth frame. Hunter Pence

added a solo home run in the

seventh. Mario Garza started a two-run eighth inning with a solo shot to centerfield. Caraballo raced home on a fielder's choice by Jonny Ash to end the scoring at 8-1.

Jimmy Bartha continues to be impressive. The Roswell, Ga. native tossed six innings, allowing just an unearned run. Bartha struck out a season eight batters.

The Legends win over the Power was their sixth straight over West Virginia. The Legends wrapped up the road trip at 4-3. The four-game win streak is the longest of the season.

## Legends to salute horse industry

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEXINGTON — Baseball and apple pie are as American as you can get. Throw in a race horse and that's about as Kentucky as you can get. And that's just what one lucky fan at an upcoming Legends game will win—a share in a Thoroughbred race horse.

This week, the Lexington Legends and Drexel Heritage Furniture announced their "Horse Industry Appreciation Day" and Racehorse Giveaway. The winner will be awarded 10 percent ownership for one year in Devine Afternoon, a two-year-old thoroughbred filly, owned by former Governor and Mrs. Brereton Jones.

On Saturday, the Lexington Legends and Drexel Heritage will host "Horse Appreciation Day" during the Legends' game against the Lake County Captains. The day will feature a variety of equine-related activities, including a performance by the Kentucky Horse Park's Parade of Breeds and appearances by some real horse industry "legends." The featured charity of the night is the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation.

To coordinate this event the Lexington Legends and Drexel Heritage joined forces with the Kentucky Equine Education Project (KEEP) and other equine organizations including:

Airdrie Stud Farm, American Farriers Association, American Hackney Horse Society, Darby Dan Farm, Gainesway Farm, Keeneland, Kentucky Derby Museum, Kentucky Horse Council, Kentucky Horse Park, Kentucky Thoroughbred Farm Manager's Club, Kentucky Thoroughbred Association, Lane's End Farm, Sallee Horse Transportation, Taylor Made Farm, Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation, United States Equestrian Federation, and Winstar Farm. They have organized several displays, performances and prizes to enjoy during the game. Plus, some lucky fan will win a share in the racing Thoroughbred!

All attendees at Saturday's Legends game over the age of 18 will receive a ticket. During the evening, tickets will be drawn for giveaways. The drawing for the horse will be the featured prize and will come during the seventh inning stretch.

"We felt like this was a fun and exciting way to bring attention to the horse industry," said Claria Horn Shadwick, KEEP Executive Director. "The lucky baseball fan will become an instant horse owner and be able to watch the horse as she begins her racing career. The Legends will keep all of their fans updated throughout the baseball season on how Devine Afternoon is performing."

"I was more than happy to donate a share of this horse for a year. Especially if it will give others an opportunity to learn about our state's signature industry," said Governor Jones. Devine Afternoon is a two year old filly by Afternoon Deelites out of Holy Speed. She is currently training at Churchill Downs with trainer Greg Foley. The winner will receive a 10 percent interest, which would include 10 percent of the net profits (if any). After a year, the 10 percent interest reverts back to Governor Jones.

"This new horse owner is getting the best deal—they'll receive a portion of the horse's net profits if it wins, but not be responsible for any expenses," said Jones.

"We are thrilled with our partnership with the horse industry," Legends President/CEO Alan Stein said. "From the very beginning of our project, we knew that wanted to honor all of the legendary pieces of Lexington and Central Kentucky. That plan has always included the horse industry."

For tickets to the Legend's game and "Horse Industry Appreciation Day" on Saturday, contact the Applebee's Park box office at 859/ 422-7867. Gates open at 5:30 p.m. and the Legends game against the Lake County Captains will begin at 7:05.

## Louisville 10, Norfolk 2

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NORFOLK, Va. — Aaron Holbert hit a three-run homer and Stephen Smitherman had a two-RBI double Thursday to lead Louisville to a 10-2 victory over Norfolk in the International League.

The Bats roughed up Tides starter Neal Musser for five runs in the first inning and five in the third.

The first three Louisville

batters reached base. Edwin Encarnacion had a sacrifice fly, Dane Sardinha followed with an RBI single and Alex Pelaez doubled in a run before Smitherman capped the first-inning scoring with his two-run double.

Holbert's first homer of the season came after Kenny Kelly singled home a run and Pelaez scored on an error in the third.

Brian Daubach scored both of Norfolk's runs. He doubled

and scored on a ground out in the second inning and hit a solo homer, his third of the season, in the fourth.

Louisville's Jeriome Robertson (1-1) allowed two runs on four hits in six innings.

Musser (1-1) gave up 12 hits in four innings. After that, the Bats managed only three more hits against five Norfolk relievers, including Benji Gil, who moved over from shortstop to pitch a scoreless ninth.

## Former boxer to be discharged from rehab facility

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Paralyzed former world heavyweight champion Greg Page will be released from a Louisville hospital after receiving medical treatment and therapy for two months.

Page, 46, of Louisville, had been receiving physical, occu-

pational, pulmonary and speech therapy at Jewish Hospital's Frazier Rehab Institute since March 11, the hospital said on Thursday. He was transferred to the rehab center after being treated for pneumonia at Jewish Hospital beginning on Feb. 20.

Page suffered traumatic brain injuries in a March 2001 match in northern Kentucky. He

slipped into a coma, then had a stroke during post-fight surgery. He has since been paralyzed on his left side and confined to a wheelchair.

"This has been a difficult few months for my family and me, but God has been good to me each and every day," Page said through the hospital in a written statement.

## N.Y. appoints attorney as racing, wagering executive

by MICHAEL GORMLEY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ALBANY, N.Y. — A state lawyer has been named executive director of New York's Racing and Wagering Board, which regulates horse racing and games of chance.

John G. Cansdale of Saratoga Springs replaces Ed Martin, a longtime Pataki administration hand who left the job earlier this month to become president and chief executive officer of the Association of Racing Commissioners International, a regulatory group based in Lexington, Ky.

Neither had an extensive background in horse racing, which commands much of the state regulatory board's attention. Cansdale has been an assistant counsel to the state Department of Economic Development since 2003, where he was paid \$87,125, according to state payroll records. He will be paid \$120,000 in the new job.

"In my opinion, it doesn't hurt to have a background in racing," said Tom Law, news

editor of the Thoroughbred Times, a major racing publication. "But I don't know that it's a necessary requirement. They are dealing with a lot of governmental and bureaucracy issues."

Cansdale's business and law background were key to his appointment to the board that regulates the New York Racing Association's thoroughbred tracks as well as harness tracks statewide.

"His many years of experience in business and as an attorney will serve the board well, particularly as we work to reform and strengthen the regulation and oversight of the racing and gaming industry in New York state," said Todd Alhart, spokesman for Gov. George Pataki.

Racing and Wagering Board spokeswoman Stacy Clifford said Cansdale, formerly of Lancaster in Erie County, negotiated the \$88 million deal that brought the massive Bass Pro Shops store to Buffalo and was general counsel to the state Olympic Regional Development Authority.

Cansdale would report to the Racing and Wagering Board, which includes several members with significant experience in horse racing and gaming.

Cansdale is the brother of Lancaster village Mayor, William Cansdale, who in 2003 switched to the Republican party. In 1997, village Trustee Francis X. Stock accused the mayor and his brother, as well as the village clerk, of benefiting from a federal loan program administered by a village revitalization group. The clerk, mayor and Cansdale owned four of about 20 downtown buildings that would qualify for low-interest loans to pay for the painting of store fronts, to hire extra help or to buy a new sign, according to a past article in The Buffalo News.

An Erie County official at the time said no elected official could get a loan. The program never issued any loans, state officials said Thursday. Stock, the mayor and Cansdale didn't respond to requests for comment.

On the Net:  
<http://www.state.ny.us>

## Zito has jockeys lined up for his five Derby horses

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Hall of Fame jockey Gary Stevens will ride Noble Causeway in the Kentucky Derby, completing trainer Nick Zito's roster of riders for his five Derby contenders.

Edgar Prado, who rides Noble Causeway and Sun King, will retain the mount aboard Zito's Sun King despite the colt's fourth place finish in last Saturday's Blue Grass Stakes.

Noble Causeway, owned by Leonard Riggio's My Meadowview Farms, finished second in the Florida Derby on April 2 in his last start. Sun King is owned by Tracy Farmer.

"It's really good to have our riders lined up," Zito said in a news release issued by Churchill Downs.

The rest of Zito's Derby lineup has Javier Castellano riding Wood Memorial winner Bellamy Road, Jerry Bailey

aboard Florida Derby winner High Fly and Corey Nakatani on Andromeda's Hero, third in last Saturday's Arkansas Derby.

The only other trainer to send out five starters in one Derby is D. Wayne Lukas, who won the 1996 edition with Grindstone. His other entries that year were Prince of Thieves (third), Editor's Note (sixth), Victory Speech (10th) and Honour and Glory (18th).

## Afleet Alex to run in Kentucky Derby

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOT SPRINGS, Ark. — The owner of Afleet Alex said Tuesday his Arkansas Derby winner will run in the Kentucky Derby with Jeremy Rose at the reins.

"It is my pleasure to announce that Jeremy Rose will ride Alex in the Kentucky Derby," Afleet Alex owner Chuck Zacney said on his Web site.

Rose rode Afleet Alex to the Arkansas Derby win Saturday.

Afleet Alex will start the 10-hour journey for Kentucky on Wednesday. He worked out Tuesday on the track at Oaklawn Park, where he ponied 1 mile then galloped another mile alone.

Since he tops the list of graded stakes money earned by the 3-year-old crop, Afleet Alex is

assured of a starting spot in the Kentucky Derby.

Trainer Tim Ritchey was not too concerned heading into the May 7 race.

"We all do the best we can do to have our horses ready, and there will be a lot of talk about all of us," Ritchey said. "But when we finally put them in the gate, that's when we'll find out for sure."

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## This Town, That World

**Editor's Note:** For years, Floyd County Times founder and former publisher Norman Allen wrote a weekly column that looked at Floyd County through his eyes. His columns are being reprinted due to request.

We re-echo sentiments heretofore, expressed: This is a great country; it continues to exist, despite elections.

As, day by day, the sun shines brighter, the colors in the seed catalogues grow dimmer and dimmer.



Norman Allen

### GOOD FOR THEM!

We have been observing democracy in action in the schools here.

What we like most about these youngsters is the recognition of the individual on his or her merits. Apparently, they've rid themselves of one of mankind's major diseases, which in plain English is known as snobbishness...Bless 'em!

### ONLY 34 YEARS

The morning paper tells of the Richmond, Virginia, woman who called police to report her husband missing. Asked how long he had been gone she replied "Thirty-four years." It developed that the long-deserted wife finally had made up her mind to marry again, and she didn't want to take a chance on Hubby No. 1 turning up at an inopportune time in the old Enoch Arden role.

### REPORT NO. 2

One acquaintance stopped us long enough this week to report that he was so hard up for cash he couldn't buy enough oats to feed a nightmare.

### UNDERSTANDING

One fisherman will tell you his wife is especially understanding. Another that his wife understands his yen for angling not at all. We, offer the following as proof that at least one was "with" her husband in the matter.

She caught the poor dope fishing in the bathtub. Said she to her neighbor: I'd take him to a psychiatrist but, really, we need the fish."

### "IT"?

When, in a discussion of fishing and the no-good qualities

(See THIS TOWN, page six)

## Celebration for music: A Concert for Spring



Members of the BSCTC Community Choir, are, front row, from left: Rachel Sanders, Rachael Hayes, and Morgan Franklin. Middle row, from left, Mary Lou Lavender, Garnett Falrchild, Rebecca Haerberlin, Kay Wingham, Amanda Stepp, Tabitha Rogers, Bridget Baker, Nellie Baldwin, and Louanna Calhoun. Back row, from left, Laura Ford Hall, Director, Bertha Daniels, Susan Chafin, Mary Going, Robin Notton, Judy Yunker, Judith Valade, Betty Hunt, Frances Branham, Deborah Castle, Tim Cooley, Doug Herman, Mike Froman, James Eason, and Kaney Goble.



The Big Sandy Singers: Front, from left, Amanda Stepp, Misty Collins, and Louanna Calhoun. Back, from left, Samantha Horn, Troy Burchett, James Eason, Clayton Case, and Frances Branham.

# BSCTC Choir and The Big Sandy Singers present Spring Concert

The Big Sandy Community and Technical College Community Choir and The Big Sandy Singers, a student performance group made up of students from all of the Big Sandy area, will present A Celebration of Music: A Concert For Spring on Saturday, April 30, 2005 at 7:00 PM in Gearheart Auditorium, in the Pike Building, on the Prestonsburg Campus. The program will be directed by BSCTC Instructor and Kentucky Opry member Laura Ford Hall. Candace Nall, Mountain Arts Center Instructor, will serve as accompanist.

The forty-member Community Choir is made up of BSCTC faculty, staff, students, and community mem-

bers from Floyd and surrounding Eastern Kentucky counties. The choir will present a variety of music including "I Hope You Dance," "The Phantom of the Opera Medley," "Rockin' Robin," "You Raise Me Up," and others.

The Big Sandy Singers is an auditioned singing group with 10 members, made up of students from the four BSCTC campuses. The group serves as ambassadors for the college as well as presents exciting on-campus performances, such as the one on Saturday. Their portion of the performance will include a mix of group singing, duets, and solos with a variety of styles: from jazz to country to

disco and pop. Members of the group include: Frances Branham, Misty Collins, Mandy Stepp, Samantha Horn, Louanna Calhoun, Brandon Maynard, Troy Burchett, James Eason, and Clayton Case.

"This is a performance you won't want to miss," said Hall. "It is truly a celebration of music with the presentation of the various styles. There will be something for everyone, and we welcome everyone to join us."

The performance is free and free tickets will be available at the door. If you have questions, you can contact Hall at (606) 886-3863 ext. 67227.

## MOVIES FROM THE BLACK LAGOON

## 'Race with the Devil'

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

Two couples run afoul of a blood-thirsty satanic cult in this high-octane fusion of action and horror flicks. Car chases are blended here with a devilish conspiracy to produce an excellent hybrid that features hair-raising stunts along side paranoid chills.



Tom Doty  
Staff Writer

This one played at the Strand in August 1975 before moving onto the Prestonsburg Drive-In, where it was paired with "The Devil's Nightmare" (a.k.a. "The Devil Walks at Midnight," a.k.a. "The Devil's Longest Night," a.k.a. "Succubus," a.k.a. "Castle of Death," a.k.a. "Nightmare of Terror" ... this film had so many aliases that it was probably double booked on at least one occasion).

The film follows Stuart and Marsh, who have joined the nouveaux riche after patenting a newfangled motor engine. To celebrate their success they take their long suffering wives on a vacation, but since this is a horror movie you know that those wives aren't done suffering just yet.

The idea is to take a customized RV to Aspen, Colo., for a few days of skiing. The trip doesn't go as planned, however, and the road to Aspen becomes plagued with danger.

The trouble begins on the first night of the trip, as our couples park in a desolate spot to fire up the barbecue and throw back a few cold ones. The men spy a fire across the way and sneak up to find a group of young people cavorting without their clothes on. They enjoy the spectacle but are soon alarmed when the party turns out to be the prelude to a human sacrifice.

The goons who murder the girl, all decked out in black robes, spy the men watching them and the chase is on. They escape from the cultists after a brief chase and head to the nearest town with only a broken window on their RV to convince the law of what they saw. The sheriff takes them out to the site of the carnage but finds no clues and accuses the men of excessive drinking.

The wives step up at this point and locate the town library to look up the runes depicted on a piece of paper that turned up in the RV where the window was broken. The symbols on the paper turn out to be a curse. They decide to leave town and get back on the road to Aspen but begin to feel as if they are being watched.

(See LAGOON, page six)

# Let's celebrate!

by LYNELL GRAY

## "CHICKEN SOUP TO INSPIRE A WOMAN'S SOUL"

I celebrate the uniquely human ability to celebrate — to ritualize affirmations of our most significant events and deeply held values. Since I am a sentimental seeker of reasons and ways to celebrate, I am usually the one who engineers family events.

Our oldest daughter, Christina, however, showed the potential to be a celebrator par excellence on a certain Mothers' Day, about 10 years ago, when she was 16.

I was feeling shellshocked that year, suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder before the trauma of mothering three teenagers was

even close to being over. I felt shaken, off-balance, unanchored in a very big, unknown sea, which I had come to feel completely unqualified to navigate. I no longer knew how to be a mother. It had been a very rough year.

I awoke that Mother's Day morning with a feeling of dread. I had never felt more like burrowing under the bedding and never coming out. But when I finally opened my door, there was Christina, grinning in triumph, her eyes glistening faintly with tears.

My firstborn had artistically laid down a "carpet" of white sheets, winding down the hallway, through the family room and kitchen to the dining room. On it she had scattered hundreds of fresh pink rose petals from our own bushes, which had

perfumed the air with their deep scent. She took my arm and escorted me to the breakfast table, where my husband had waffles and strawberry butter waiting. It was a conspiracy of love.

I had never felt more grateful to be the mother of such a child, and never more successful in the job, than I did at that moment. I will never forget the blessing of that Mother's Day and its essential message of hope.

Yes, I love celebrations, and I continue to create them. But I never expect to top the celebration of the mother-daughter bond that



Christina engineered with such sensitivity and flair one Mother's Day, and era ago, when she let me know, without words, that I was a mother worth celebrating.

Now every Mother's Day, in my mind, I am crowned once again Queen of Mothers amid a swirl of white bed-sheets and pink rose petals. And through my incredulous tears, I see Christina, one of three amazing, God-breathed miracles — my babies all grown taller and stronger and more beautiful than I can say.

Jim Davidson

Life in America before 1945

Several weeks ago I got a note from Doris Brown, who reads this column in the Times-Leader, published each Wednesday and Saturday in Princeton. These are good people over in Kentucky and I have enjoyed my relationship with them for several years now.

Doris passed along something titled, "For All the Folks Born Before 1945." She just barely caught me, because I was born in 1938 and by 1945 I had not yet perfected my jump shot. Come to think of it, I never did perfect that thing.

Something very important happened in the history of our nation in 1945. Do you know what it was? Most older

Americans can tell you that World War II started on Dec. 7, 1941, when the Japanese bombed our Naval Base at Pearl Harbor, but would be hard pressed to tell you the date World War II ended.

On Sept. 2, 1945, the final instrument of surrender was signed on the battleship Missouri anchored in Tokyo Bay, and the fighting in World War II ended. We have had wars since then, but none as pivotal as this Great War, because the very survival of our country was at stake.

From all accounts, I know many young people read my column. If you are a young person, I

hope you will really tune me in because what I am going to share may give you a leg up, when it comes to planning your life and your career.

In fact, all Americans should have an interest in taking a trip back in time, because the free air we breathe and the wonderful economic opportunities we have were made possible because of the tremendous sacrifices of people who lived before us. As I thought about the years leading up to 1945, it was interesting to think about many of the outstanding Americans who lived and made a great contribution back in those days.

The list is inexhaustible, but a few off the top of my head are Paul Revere, Orville and Wilbur Wright, Alexander Graham Bell, Thomas Edison, Henry Ford, Andrew Carnegie, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson,

Abraham Lincoln, Bob Hope, John Wayne, George Burns, Gracie Allen, Clark Gable, Gene Autry, Roy Rogers, Dale Evans, Ralph Waldo Emerson, Benjamin Franklin, Babe Ruth, Ty Cobb, Dizzy Dean, Jesse Owens, George Washington Carver, Eleanor Roosevelt, Helen Keller and on and on. These are people who just came to mind. I know that if you were compiling a similar list, you would leave off some while adding others.

At this point I would like to share the article I mentioned earlier, and it begins with the words, "Consider the changes we have witnessed. We were born before television, before penicillin, frozen food and 'The Pill.' We were born before radar, split atoms, laser beams and ballpoint pens, dishwashers, clothes dryers, electric blankets, air conditioners, drip-dry clothes and before man walked on the moon. We got married first, then lived together. In our time, closets were for clothes, not for 'coming out of.' Bunnies were small rabbits and not

Volkswagens.

"Designer jeans were scheming girls named Jean, and having a meaningful relationship meant getting along well with our cousins. We thought fast food was what you ate during Lent and outer space was the back of the Riviera Theater. We were before house-husbands, gay rights, computer dating, dual careers. We never heard of FM radios, tape decks, yogurt and guys wearing earrings. For us, time-sharing meant togetherness — not computers or condominiums; a "chip" meant a piece of wood; hardware meant hardware and software wasn't even a word.

"Made in Japan," meant junk and the term 'making out' referred to how you did on your exam. Pizza, McDonald's and instant coffee were unheard of. The 5- and 10-cent stores were where you bought things for 5 and 10 cents. Ice cream cones were a nickel or a dime. For one nickel you could ride on a streetcar, make a phone call, buy a cola or enough stamps to mail one letter

and two postcards. Gas was 11 cents a gallon. In our day, 'grass' was mowed, 'Coke' was a cold drink and 'pot' was something you cooked in. 'Rock music' was Grandma's lullaby and 'AIDS' were helpers in the principal's office."

To be honest, I don't know what I could add to this article that would make it any better, but I am grateful for my heritage. I deeply appreciate the sacrifices, the dedication, the work, the creativity, the patriotism, the ingenuity and the moral, family and character values that has made the United States of America the greatest nation in the history of civilization. These people built the foundation. Now it's up to us to continue to build or see it crumble.

Thanks, Doris, for sharing. I hope my readers enjoyed this article as much as I did.

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photo by Guillermo Cuenca  
 Peter Fonda and Warren Oates come out with guns ablazing to take on a satanic cult in this ad for RACE WITH THE DEVIL which promoted the film's run at the Strand theater in August of 1975.

Lagoon

Clearly there are satanic forces at work here and a good, old-fashioned conspiracy to boot. A stop at a trailer park confirms that they are being followed. Things get progressively worse as they find a rattlesnake in their pantry and some sicko kills their dog while they are out to dinner.

At this point they decide to hit the road with no looking back, but it's too late and the film goes from one action set piece to another as the cultists chase them in various vehicles and try to send them off the road at every available opportunity. This is prime stuff that should appeal to action and horror fans alike.

This film works, in part, due to its sense of dread. The cultists could be anybody and that means that there is no kindness in the face of strangers. The characters must accept that anyone could be out to get them and that is the stuff of great horror, folks, with nods to other paranoid/satanic conspiracy

thrillers like "Rosemary's Baby" and "The Sentinel."

The film also benefits from some good performances. Warren Oates stars as Stuart and he is probably the finest character actor ever to grace the screen. Best known for his work with director Sam Pekinpah ("The Wild Bunch"), Oates delivers a solid turn here as a normal guy in a paranormal situation. Loretta Switt ("M\*A\*S\*H") is also fine as Oates' wife.

Peter Fonda threatens to derail the film at times with another of his non-performances as Marsh but he's never given enough dialogue to do any major damage.

The chief acting honors go to L.Q. Jones (also in "The Wild Bunch"). His turn as a seemingly benign sheriff eventually morphs into a sinister portrayal of an evil lawman who tosses off lines like, "You and Booger give this area a thorough going over," with just the right touch of underlying menace.

Director Jack Starret ("Cleopatra

Jones") handles the action with a sure hand, but the real kudos go to stunt coordinator Paul Knuckles, who stages the vehicular mayhem tightly enough to rank with the best of car carnage flicks (think "The Road Warrior").

This one is about to get the deluxe DVD treatment from the good folks at Anchor Bay Video and it's about time. A remake has also been announced and will be helmed by Chris Moore ("Project: Greenlight").

Best line: "You pass out. You fall down. Leastways that's how it is around these parts."  
 1975, rated PG.

CONTEST ALERT

Our latest trivia contest has fallen victim to a computer glitch which ate up all of the responses that readers sent in. If you have already entered this month's contest, that means you'll have to do it again. We apologize for any inconvenience.

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This Town

thereof, I hazarded the opinion that, maybe, they (the bass) are nesting at Dewey Lake, another who shares my fishing woes chortled mightily. Finally, between gasps, he explained that he was laughing at any reference to "they."

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A FABLE

E. J. W. Fennell, deputy commissioner for fire insurance in the state department of Insurance, received this telegram, sent collect by his colleagues while attending a meeting at Hot Springs, Ark.

"Once there were two weevils. One worked hard and prospered. The other was lazy and loafed his way through life, becoming a Deputy Fire Insurance Commissioner. As a consequence, he always remained the lesser, of two weevils."

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Click and Clack Talk Cars

Where there's smoke, there might be a brake problem

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray:

My new Honda Civic did something different today. After a 10-mile drive, I parked the car in my garage, and noticed smelly smoke coming from the rear, passenger-side tire. When I felt the tire, it was not hot, but the wheel WAS very hot, and the smoke



seemed to be coming from the holes in the wheel. I felt the other wheels, and the other rear wheel was hot, too, but no smoke there. What could be the problem? Is it dangerous to drive now? — Dolat

P.S. Please hurry with an answer; I need to go shopping!

RAY: Dolat, I apologize for the delay in responding. I hope you've at least ordered takeout while you've been stranded in your house waiting for our answer these past seven years.

TOM: Actually, we're going to recommend that you take the car back to the dealer and have your brakes checked.

RAY: My guess is that you drove with your parking brake partially applied. Since it's a new car for you, you might have forgotten to release it, or might have released it only partway without knowing it.

TOM: The parking brake applies the rear brakes on this car. And if you drive 10 miles with the brakes partially applied, you'll certainly heat up the brakes enough to make smoke. The danger is that if you heat them even more, you could boil your brake fluid. And if that happens, you won't be able to stop. This is what's known in the medical profession as "a bad outcome."

RAY: Now, before you protest that you would never, ever drive with the parking brake on, another possibility is that you DID release the parking brake, but either the cable or the caliper remained stuck in the "on" position. This seems unlikely, since it's a new car, but you never know.

TOM: A third possibility is that what you saw smoking was just the rust-preventive that they apply to new cars. They want to keep the stuff you can see from rusting until you've owned the car for at least 10 days. So they spray this stuff on the drums, and it quickly wears off — or in your case, perhaps burns off.

RAY: So first, check to be sure the parking brake is all the way off before you drive away — make sure you can push it down no farther. Then ask the dealer to take a look at the parking brake and rear brakes, and make sure they get clean bills of health. And then, shop 'til you drop, kiddo.

glycol-based antifreeze. But I know that stuff kills so many animals, and I want to use the animal-friendlier propylene glycol. In fact, I can't for the life of me figure out why anyone would still use ethylene glycol when this safer alternative exists. Is there any reason I shouldn't use the safer antifreeze in my car? So many innocent lives would be saved. — Janice

RAY: The country needs to get embittered about this, Janice.

TOM: Sadly, most new cars now come with long-life, organic coolants. These are all ethylene-glycol-based, and they're all poisonous to neighborhood dogs and cats. And worse, they smell and taste

sweet, so when this stuff leaks out of somebody's engine, animals lap it right up. It takes only a few tablespoons of ethylene-glycol-based coolant to cause kidney failure and death in an average dog.

RAY: So, several companies (Peak's Sierra, most notably) came out with a safer coolant based on the chemically similar propylene glycol, which is much less toxic. Not everybody switched to it, because it's more expensive. But it's a perfectly adequate substitute for any car that uses regular old (non-long-life) coolant. In fact, it's probably fine for your Subaru. But some manufacturers will void warranties if you don't use the coolant they specify, so you shouldn't take that risk.

TOM: As far as we know, there are no long-life coolants — which is what Subaru and others now require — based on the safer propylene glycol.

RAY: But here's why we all need to get embittered. California and Oregon now require that any coolant sold in those states be "embittered," so that it tastes awful to dogs, cats or little kids. The manufacturers do that by simply adding a chemical "stink agent" that costs about 2 or 3 cents a gallon.

TOM: It's the same stink agent that was originally identified by Lawrence Livermore Laboratories in my brother's gym bag.

RAY: It's an idea that's overdue. So, if you don't live in one of those states, you need to start demanding "embittered" coolant at your local auto-parts store. And Janice, you can help educate your clients and encourage them to do it, too.

TOM: The good news is that in our experience, trends that start in California eventually spread to the rest of the country. So I think it's only a matter of time before every state is embittered.

RAY: I'm feeling embittered already!

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**ORDINANCE NO. 5-2005**

An Ordinance of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, by which the City proposes their intent to annex into the City Corporate Limits Highlands Regional Medical Center and the Consolidated Health Care properties.

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to annex certain property located along Ky. State Rt. 321 and lying on the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River near the Village of Auxier, Floyd County, Kentucky.

WHEREAS, the area is hereinbelow more particularly described, and reflected in Exhibit A hereto (Proposed Annexation Map) lies adjacent to or is contiguous to the City's current boundaries; and,

WHEREAS, the property intended to be annexed is urban in character and are in receipt of city services; and,

WHEREAS, the property to be annexed is all situated within the county of Floyd, Kentucky and not within another incorporated city or in the process of being incorporated, nor within an agricultural district and fits the cities comprehensive plan for development; and,

WHEREAS, all the real property owners within the territory to be annexed have not voluntarily given consent; and,

WHEREAS, the Prestonsburg City Council having considered the matter and determined after due discussion and deliberation that it is in the best interest of the City and best interest of the property owner within the area proposed to be annexed; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council, through passage of this resolution and the ordinance set forth hereinbelow, declares it desirable to annex into the corporate limits of the City of Prestonsburg that certain area more fully described below:

Now, therefore, it is hereby resolved and is hereby Ordained by the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky as follows: Section 1: The City of Prestonsburg does hereby declare its intent to annex into the municipal corporate limits the property described as follows:

A certain tract(s) or parcel(s) of property lying near Ky. State Rt. 321 along the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River, near Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point on the right of way line of Ky. State Route 321 (Deed Book 173, Pg. 17 and Deed Book 347, Pg. 339), said Ky. Rt. 321 being the Bays Branch connector route to U.S. 23 and

being 50' right of centerline station 158+93; thence with the right of way line, N 52° 11' 24" E, 478.45' to a point, said point being 50' right of Ky. Rt. 321 centerline station 163+73; thence with the right of way line crossing Edgewood Lane, with a curve to the right, having an arc length of 698.90', a chord bearing of N 75° 42' 16" E, and having a chord length of 676.83' to a concrete right of way marker (found), said marker being 50' from Rt. 321 centerline station 171+13; thence with the Ky. Rt. 321 right of way line, with a curve to the right having an arc length of 208.59'; a chord bearing of S 74° 38' 49" E and having a chord length of 208.53' to a wooden fence post, said fence post being a corner of the Butler Horn Heirs (Deed Book 228, Pg. 442); thence leaving the Ky. State Rt. 321 right of way, with a fence line and with the Butler Horn Heirs line, S 01° 10' 41" W, 61.90' to a wooden fence post; thence S 00° 29' 19" W, 77.03' to a wooden fence post corner; thence N 89° 55' 19" W, 198.42' to a point; thence with the Horn Heirs line, S 00° 05' 10" W, 120.47' to concrete marker (found); thence S 00° 05' 10" W, 428.42' to an Iron Pin (found), said iron pin being in the edge of the pavement of Edgewood Lane and being a corner of the Butler Horn Heirs and J. G. Stepp, (Deed Book 199, Pg. 253); thence leaving the Horn Heirs line and up the hill with the J. G. Stepp line, S 01° 20' 44" E, 372.16' to a 20" Sycamore (found), thence with the Stepp line S 05° 02' 57" E, 43.54' to a point on the line of the existing Prestonsburg Corporate Limits

(ORDINANCE 12-96) said point being at 800' in elevation; thence leaving the Stepp line and with the Prestonsburg Corporate Limit line, running with the 800' elevation, N 71° 24' 28" W, 510.23' to a point; thence with the Prestonsburg Corporate Limit line crossing a gravel access road to the Wells Cemetery, S 22° 49' 10" W, 301.13' to a point, said point being a corner of the Prestonsburg Corporate Limit line; thence leaving the Prestonsburg Corporate Limits, S 41° 29' 42" W, 202.74' to a point, said point being 50' left of the centerline of Ky. State Route 321, Prestonsburg to Auxier Road at centerline station 59+20; thence with a curve to the right having an arc length of 246.02', a chord bearing of N 42° 25' 50" W, and a chord length of 245.23' to point, said point being 50' left of the Rt. 321 centerline station 56+63; thence N 37° 09' 18" W, 308.71' to a point, said point being 50' left of the Rt. 321 centerline station 53+32; thence with a curve to the right, having an arc length of 471.71', chord bearing N 05° 37' 55" E, and a chord length of 418.99' to the point of beginning, containing 23.37 acres more or less. The above described property being parts of the Consolidated Health Systems (Deed Book 377, Pg. 235 and Highland Regional Medical Corporation d/b/a Highlands Regional Medical Center Deed Book 197, Pg. 560).

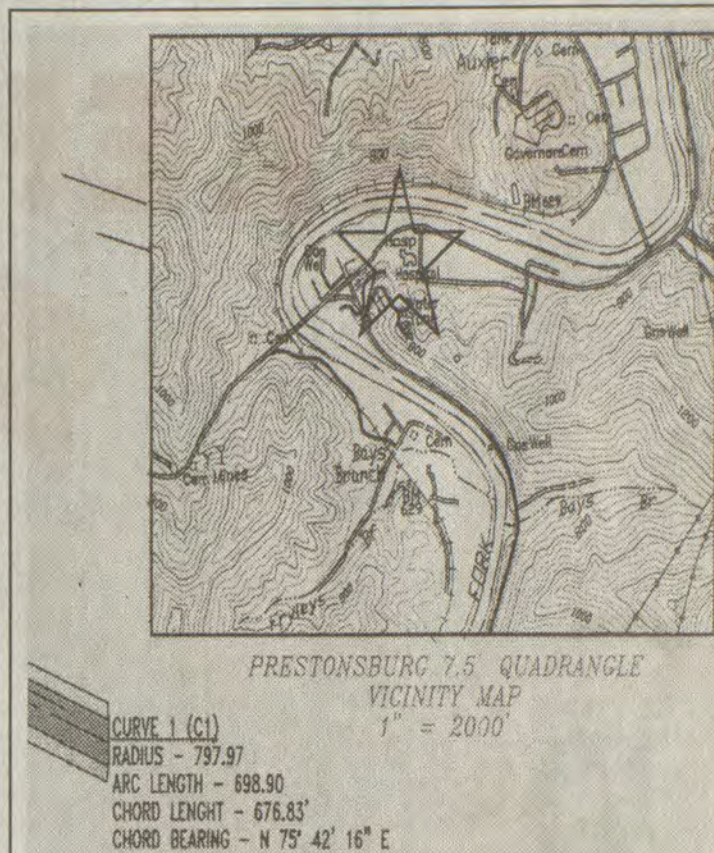
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JERRY FANNIN, MAYOR  
ATTEST:  
SHARON SCHOOLCRAFT CITY CLERK  
1st Reading: March 14, 2005  
2nd Reading: April 11, 2005  
Published: 4/22/05

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**A NOTICE OF RIGHT TO PETITION**

Per KRS 81A.420, this publication shall serve to put on notice all resident voters and real property owners within the territory proposed to be annexed by the City of Prestonsburg Ordinance 5-2005, of their right to petition the mayor of the City of Prestonsburg to place the question of annexation on the ballot for a vote. The territory to be proposed to be annexed is described below:

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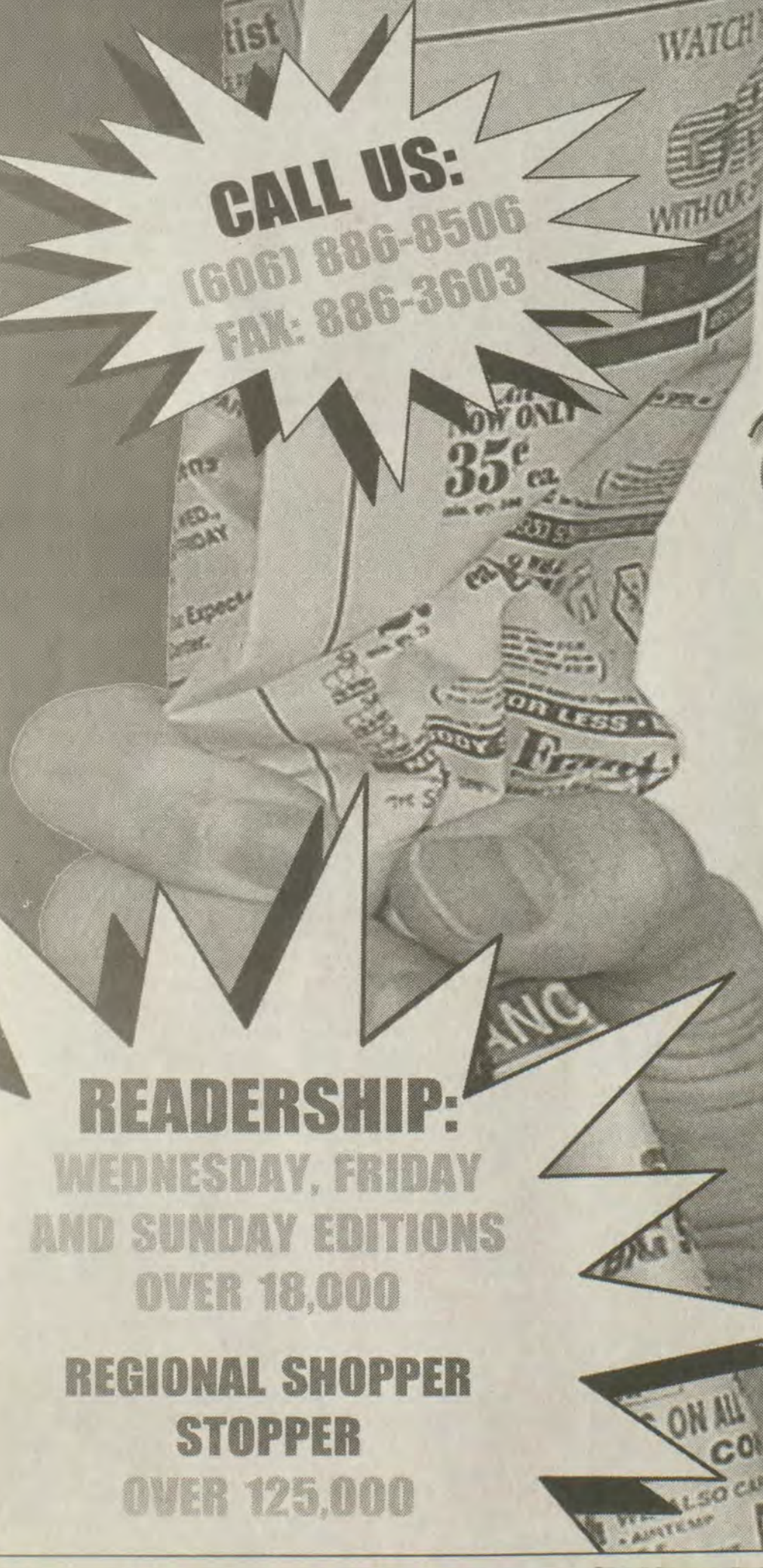
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