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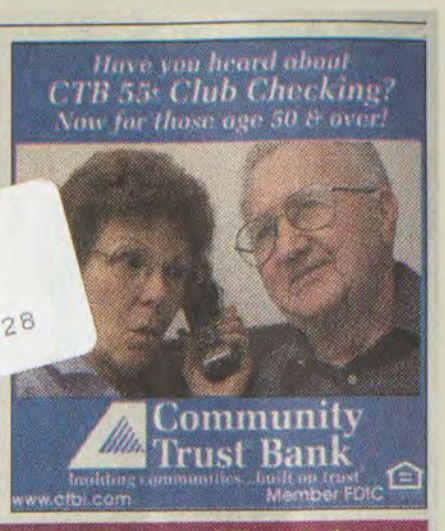

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Ladycats keep winning

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briefs

Sex offender faces judge

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A child sex offender from out of state had a hearing in circuit court Monday after moving to Kentucky and failing to notify the Department of Probation and Parole for two years.

Timothy Arnold, whose last known address was in Harold, appeared in court and asked for a reduced bond after being jailed for failing to notify probation and parole for two years, which carries a 1-to-5-year penalty.

Judge Danny P. Caudill heard the case and denied a motion to reduce Arnold's $10,000 cash bond.

Arnold's attorney, Jim Adkins, argued that Arnold did notify probation and parole several weeks ago but Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Wayne Taylor noted that Arnold still waited two years to do so and only came forward after recent media reports that authorities were looking for registered offenders in who had failed to keep their addresses current as required.

"I think the bond is lower than I would normally set," Caudill told Arnold. "I think you pose a risk. We do count this as a serious offense."

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Golf course closes

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Department of Parks announced the closing of Jenny Wiley's golf course Thursday, citing financial losses that began with the opening of the Stonecrest Golf Course.

Financial losses at the Jenny Wiley Golf Course have steadily increased since Stonecrest opened its 18-hole course to golf enthusiasts in 2000.

According to Commissioner George Ward, Jenny Wiley's course rounded out 2003 with losses totaling $27,500. Financial losses nearly doubled as popularity drew golfers away to Stonecrest last year. The golf course reported a loss of $43,900 for 2004, Ward said.

State parks spokesman Jim Carroll said that 5,500 rounds were played on the course in 2003. In 2004, the number drastically reduced to 2,850 rounds.

"You can't compare apples to oranges," Carroll said, referring to Stonecrest, "but if you compare apples to apples, revenue generated by this course was not comparable to that on other nine-hole courses in the state parks system."

In order to continue operations, Ward said the state would have to buy $45,000 worth of equipment this year to maintain the nine-hole course, which closed temporarily last summer because of flood dam-

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photo by Mary Music

Ken Termeer, of Virginia Beach, Va., and Steve Hammonds, of Georgia, played the last round of golf at the Jenny Wiley Golf Course Thursday afteroon.

photo by Kathy J. Prater

Peter Hodges, guest conductor, directs the 2005 Floyd County All-County High School Band as the members perform on the Mountain Arts Center stage. Performances by both the all-county high school and middle school bands, were presented Wednesday evening and Thursday morning. An all-county art exhibit was also on display, with an art awards program also being conducted. More in the Lifestyles Sunday edition.

Mock disaster scheduled for next week

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A rolling meth lab crashes into a loaded school bus at Prestonsburg High School. Students are injured, screaming. Chemicals seep into the air, causing respiratory damage, burns, and other injuries.

What would you do? Who would make the call for help? How quickly will emergency officials respond? How can anyone turn such a disaster into a successful rescue mission?

Those are some of the questions being pondered by the Floyd County School District's Crisis Support Team and community emergency responders.

The mock disaster planning committee held its last meeting Thursday morning to finalize plans for a mock disaster that will take place Tuesday, May 17, at Prestonsburg High School.

School bus driver Doug Derossett will pull onto the high school property around 9 a.m. His bus, loaded down with 20 students and three health assistants (acting as severely injured students), will crash with a "rolling meth lab" driven by Scott Young, from the Floyd County Health Department.

Someone, or possibly many someones, will call 911. Then, the real test begins.

Prestonsburg Police and Fire Departments, Kentucky State Police, Respond Ambulance, Transtar Ambulance and other officials will respond to the scene, where they will assess the damage and deal with the situation accordingly.

FYI

The mock disaster will take place at Prestonsburg High School on Tuesday, May 17, at 9 a.m.

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Lawsuit blames Stonecrest runoff for Brandy Keg flooding

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — One day after Prestonsburg city council members discussed residential code enforcement problems at Stonecrest, a lawsuit was filed against the city for flooding damage allegedly caused by the construction of Stonecrest Golf Course.

Brandy Keg Estates resident Brent G. Clark, represented attorney John T. Chafin, alleges that the construction of Stonecrest caused flooding at his home last year.

The suit alleges that the 20-inch drainpipes installed by the city on Stonecrest weren't large enough to carry the capacity of water it should have carried during last year's Memorial Day flood.

The "inadequate" drain pipes contributed to the flooding of Clark's residence, which was immersed in at least 20 inches of water, the lawsuit says.

Chafin also alleges that surface water from the mountain "eroded the land" and caused an accumulation of silt to be deposited on Clark's property, "killing the lawn" and creating a "visually unattractive patch of bare, often muddy ground."

Personal property was lost in the flood and the residential property has since diminished in value, Chafin argues.

Chafin accused the city of tres-

(See **LAWSUIT**, page three)

photo by Mary Music

Sam an' Tonio's customers and several passersby got a special visit Thursday evening from a black bear. The bear, dubbed "Sam" by restaurant owner Jack Absher, walked down the hillside behind the restaurant and helped himself to a meal in the dumpster. Prestonsburg City Police officers responded to the scene sometime after 7 p.m. and made attempts to contact Fish and Wildlife officials, but no one was available as of press time. Officer Mike Conn says Thursday's visit was the third sighting of the bear this week. Officers responded to a call at Long John Silver's Wednesday night, after the bear had torn into some garbage bags. Conn said he was concerned that the bear, wearing a tracking collar, was not afraid to come off the hill in view of so many people.

Woman injured in U.S. 23 wreck

Rescue workers examined the damage after this wreck yesterday on U.S. 23. The driver, an unidentified woman being tended by paramedics on the driver's side of the vehicle, received only minor injuries, officials said.

photo by Mary Music

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — An unidentified woman was injured Thursday afternoon in a collision on U.S. 23 near Holiday Inn.

Prestonsburg Police Officer Brian Walker, who investigated the scene, said the woman, driving a gray Concord CX in the northbound lane, rammed into the back of a coal truck as it

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Odds & Ends

■ LONG BEACH, Calif. — Real estate agent Wendy Heath is undressed for success.

Heath, 34, said a blazer and slacks just don't cut it in the highly competitive Belmont Shore housing market.

She chose to wear a bikini on a billboard that went up May 2.

"It's kind of flipped people out," said Heath, who reported receiving almost as many calls from Realtors upset with the ad as those voicing support. "A couple of agents are having a fit about it, but that's because they just didn't think of it first."

The billboard features Heath, a former personal trainer, wearing a bikini alongside the family English bulldog and the words, "Got real estate?"

"I'm here to create relationships with down-to-earth people who want to do business with me and appreciate who I am. More than anything, it's got people thinking," Heath said.

■ WASHINGTON — U.S. Rep. Bart Gordon is on the fast track - literally.

The dean of Tennessee's congressional delegation retained his claim as the fastest member of Congress in a three-mile road race on Wednesday.

Gordon, 56, finished the race in 18 minutes and 17 seconds, nearly a minute and a half faster than his nearest rival, Sen. John Ensign, R-Nev.

Gordon, a Democrat, holds the record for U.S. Representatives, running a blistering 16:59 in 1995, according to race records.

"Each year it seems the competition in the Capital Challenge gets younger and faster. But that's a challenge I look forward to facing," he said.

Gordon has won 16 times since he first entered the race in 1988.

The race included teams assembled from various offices and the media. Gordon finished 35th overall out of more than 620 runners.

■ OKLAHOMA CITY — Police have a pretty good idea who the burglar was who broke into a home, ate a meal, soaked in a hot tub and stole $4,000 worth of tools.

A driver's license was found near the hot tub in Nathan Sassamon's home.

"It's not a pleasant feeling to know someone has been in your home, especially when you see these people made themselves comfortable," Sassamon said.

Police still are searching for the 27-year-old man whose identification they found.

Sassamon said he was out of town over the weekend and returned home Sunday to find that an air compressor, eight tool boxes, a television and a stereo system were missing. Several other items had been taken, and dirty dishes were left in the kitchen.

Sassamon said his home was locked but the burglar apparently got in through a dog door in the garage and pried a door to get into the house.

■ SALT LAKE CITY — Identical twin brothers are in trouble with the FBI after one went to the other's job in a secure area of the Salt Lake International Airport.

The agency said Olimpiu Nedelcu looks exactly like his brother Silviu, who works as an aircraft refueler at the airport.

FBI agent Bob Wright said Silviu couldn't make it to work so his brother went in his place.

Airport police fingerprinted the man who showed up for work and found out that he was not Silviu.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, May 13, the 133rd day of 2005. There are 232 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On May 13, 1981, Pope John Paul II was shot and seriously wounded in St. Peter's Square by Turkish assailant Mehmet Ali Agca.

On this date:

■ In 1607, the English colony at Jamestown, Va., was settled.

■ In 1842, composer Sir Arthur Sullivan, who collaborated with Sir William Gilbert in writing 14 comic operas, was born in London.

■ In 1846, the United States declared that a state of war already existed against Mexico.

■ In 1917, three peasant children near Fatima, Portugal, reported seeing a vision of the Virgin Mary.

■ In 1918, the first U.S. airmail stamps, featuring a picture of an airplane, were introduced. On some of the stamps, the airplane was printed upside-down, making them collector's items.

■ In 1940, in his first speech as prime minister of Britain, Winston Churchill told the House of Commons, "I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears and sweat."

■ In 1954, President Eisenhower signed into law the St. Lawrence Seaway Development Act.

■ In 1954, the musical play "The Pajama Game" opened on Broadway.

■ In 1958, Vice President Nixon's limousine was battered by rocks thrown by anti-U.S. demonstrators in Caracas, Venezuela.

■ In 1985, a confrontation between Philadelphia authorities and the radical group MOVE ended as police dropped an explosive onto the group's headquarters; 11 people died in the resulting fire.

Ten years ago: Army Capt. Lawrence Rockwood was convicted at his court-martial in Fort Drum, N.Y., of conducting an unauthorized investigation of reported human rights abuses at a Haitian prison (the next day, Rockwood was dismissed from the military, but received no prison time).

Five years ago: Explosions at a fireworks warehouse in the Netherlands killed 22 people and injured nearly 1,000 others.

One year ago: Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld visited the Abu Ghraib prison camp in Iraq, where he insisted the Pentagon did not try to cover up abuses there. During a campaign swing in West Virginia, President Bush said he felt "disgraced" by the images of U.S. soldiers abusing Iraqi prisoners but reminded his listeners that actions of a handful of Americans should not sully the nation's military. TV anchorman Floyd Kalber died in Burr Ridge, Ill., at age 79.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Beatrice Arthur is 83. Critic Clive Barnes is 78. Actor Buck Taylor is 67. Actor Harvey Keitel is 66. Author Charles Baxter is 58. Actor Franklin Ajaye is 56. Singer Stevie Wonder is 55. Actress Julianne Phillips is 45. Basketball player Dennis Rodman is 44. Actor Tom Verica is 41. Country singer Lari White is 40. Singer Darius Rucker (Hootie and the Blowfish) is 39. Actress Susan Floyd is 37. Actress Samantha Morton is 28. Rock musician Mickey Madden (Maroon 5) is 26.

Thought for Today: "The worst-tempered people I've ever met were people who knew they were wrong." — Wilson Mizner, American playwright (1876-1933).

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Disaster

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What they won't know is which one of three scenarios will be picked out by Lola Ratliff, Floyd County safe schools coordinator. They won't know the extent of injuries at the crash site. They possibly won't even know about the "chemical spill" before it's too late and rescue responders are already contaminated.

"Victims" will be decontaminated at the scene and at Highlands Regional Medical Center and Our Lady of the Way Hospital.

The Prestonsburg Fire Department will host the designated command post and evaluators, organized by Floyd County Health Department Director Thursa Slone, will observe and take notes during the disaster. The information will be used to determine the strengths and weaknesses of school officials and those responding to the scene.

During the meeting, the group discussed a variety of possible scenarios that could turn the mock disaster into a real disaster for rescuers who respond. It's possible, they said, that a meth-crazed "gunman" will enter the school, or, it's just as possible that the school will be locked down with Principal Ted George caught outside and exposed to the dangerous "chemicals" himself. It's even possible that a real emergency occurs and the entire event will be canceled.

That, one member said, would be the real test for rescuers.

As ideas were tossed around the room, Jim Caldwell, director of public safety, asked if there would be any "fatal injuries."

The crowd grew silent.

One thing is certain, however: Rescuers will learn from this event.

Dwayne Osborne, a Respond paramedic, suggested that the entire disaster be videotaped for critiquing purposes. Respond Ambulance participated in a mock disaster three years ago at American Standard in Paintsville and they learned more from the video than they did the actual disaster, he said.

Ratliff and Beverly Crisman, community education coordinator for Floyd County Schools, say the District Support Team has been trying to plan a mock disaster in Floyd County for several years, but was unable to do so because such an event carries with it a lot of "liabilities."

Ratliff said the board is willing to risk those liabilities because the event will help ease problems that could arise during a real disaster.

"Anytime you go through anything as realistic as a real crisis, you can go back and reflect on it and find your weaknesses," Crisman said.

Every school in Floyd County has a crisis planning manual in place. The district, with the help of other agencies, has done extensive crisis planning research, and now Ratliff says, they want to take it to the "next level."

Prestonsburg Police Chief Mike Omerod expressed concern about passersby, who may think the crisis is actually occurring.

That, he said, could make the practice drill become a bit messy.

Signs will be posted on the highway and the media will be notified, the group decided.

Wreck

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reached the top of Katy Friend Mountain. The impact, Walker said, sent the car shooting across the southbound lanes "like a horseshoe." The car eventually crashed into the rock cliff adjacent to the southbound lane.

"I felt a jar and I looked up and saw her shooting across the road," said Arkansas Creek resident Daryl Adkins, who was driving the coal truck.

Jonathan Shepherd, a former EMT who witnessed the accident, said the rear end of the woman's car lifted up off the pavement. She crashed back down in the left northbound lane, he said, causing a jolt that sent the entire car at least 3 to 4 feet off the ground.

"The entire car was airborne," he said. "I'm surprised it didn't flip."

A trail of antifreeze marked the "horseshoe" path from the left bound lane to the rock cliff alongside the southbound lane after the accident yesterday. The front end of the totaled vehicle, which had Martin County plates, smashed against the rocks.

The coal truck received minimal damage. No other injuries were reported.

Shepherd, who remained on the scene with officers, firefighters and Respond Ambulance rescuers, said the woman was conscious when he approached the vehicle.

"She said she had glanced away and looked back up and the first thing she saw was the back end of the coal truck," Shepherd said.

Walker said the woman, who remained unidentified by press time, complained with neck pain. She was transported to Highlands Regional Medical Center by Respond Ambulance.

"The main thing is," Walker said, looking toward the vehicle, "cars can be replaced. People can't. She should be okay. I hope she is okay."

The woman was wearing her seat belt, Walker said, pointing out that it's rare to investigate non-fatality wrecks on U.S. 23.

Alcohol or drugs do not appear to be a contributing factor in the accident, he said.

Walker continues the investigation.

Closed

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age.

They decided to promote Stonecrest instead. Ward said the state plans to offer golf packages that include overnight accommodations at May Lodge.

Park visitors Ken Termeer, of Virginia Beach, Va., Steve Hammonds, of Georgia, and Bob Piper, of Grand Rapids, Mi., played the last round of golf on the course Thursday afternoon.

"It's a shame," Termeer said. "This is a nice facility. I always enjoy coming here."

Hammonds questioned what area children, who routinely practice on the course after school, will do now to occupy their time.

Plans for the future use of the golf course are still undetermined, state officials say.

The property could be used as an archery range, for croquet, Frisbee, disc golf, miniature golf, a playground or a fitness trail, Carroll said.

Carroll said the closing would not negatively affect the four state employees who worked at the course. One permanent employee, he said, chose to move closer to his home, where he will work in Fort Boonesboro. Three others, he said, have taken other positions at

Jenny Wiley.

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

Inspectors told to be on the lookout for drug-addicted coal miners

by ROGER ALFORD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PINEVILLE — Inspectors responsible for citing loose rocks and malfunctioning equipment inside coal mines now have a different sort of hazard to look out for — drug addicts.

The Kentucky Office of Mine Safety and Licensing has for the first time begun training its inspectors to identify miners who may be under the influence.

"We realize the drug culture is out there in our society," said Paris Charles, head of the state agency. "So, it stands to reason that it's in the mines also."

Kentucky State Police Trooper Walt Meachum, who led a training session Wednesday at Pine Mountain State Resort, said mine inspectors should look for the same telltale signs that other law enforcers look for, such as poor hand-eye coordination and slurred speech.

Meachum said black-market drug sales are especially lucrative in the mountain region. He said dealers can make more money in one weekend selling painkillers in small Appalachian towns than they can in an entire month in big cities.

"These guys who work in the mines get hurt and get hooked on this drug," Meachum said. "It's hurt our miners bad."

The issue came to the forefront in 2003 after a miner was killed and another seriously injured at the Cody Mining Co. in Floyd County. Marijuana was found at the scene, and an employee told investigators that he saw two miners snorting crushed painkillers. An autopsy found that the dead miner had taken illegal drugs.

Most large coal companies require miners to undergo random drug tests. Some smaller companies also have begun drug screening programs in recent years to try to identify impaired miners who may be a danger to others.

Tracy Stumbo, chief investigator for the Office of Mine Safety and Licensing, said he has found marijuana and prescription drugs at mining operations. He said drug abuse can't be tolerated in mines because one person impaired can put an entire crew at risk.

Charles said inspectors who suspect miners are using drugs should report them to their superiors and notify local police.

"It's very dangerous," he said. "There's an inherent danger already in coal mines. Then, you put drugs in the mix, and anything could happen."

Lawsuit

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pass, because they "knew or had substantial reason to know," that the drain pipes were inadequate.

He also alleges negligence and breach of contract because the city failed to adhere to a promise in Clark's easement deed to "divert all water drainage from the area disturbed by the golf course construction to the opposite side."

Chafin alleges that there are "constant" mudslides on the hill due to water runoff. He says the suit was filed because the city failed to respond to correspondence sent by Clark to rectify the situation.

Clark is seeking compensation of more than $150,000, punitive damages and injunctive relief to stop the surface water from discharging on his property. Chafin asks that the deed pertaining to the two easements be declared null and void so that Clark can once again gain full ownership.

This is the second lawsuit filed recently against the city for property damage due to flooding last year.

Ronald and Connie Cooley, of Mays Branch, filed a similar suit last month, seeking more than $128,194 in damages. They claim the city installed small culverts in the creek upstream from their property, causing repeated flooding of their home.

City attorney Jimmy Webb said he didn't have enough information to comment on Clark's lawsuit. He did, however, say that the city will rectify any problems for which it is liable.

In regards to Cooley's complaint, Webb said that the culverts installed on Mays Branch were the appropriate size to carry a "normal" runoff flow and that runoff during flooding last year exceeded the normal capacity flow.

"The city is examining the situation and will file an appropriate response," Webb said.

Judge allows Newsome to keep office pending appeal

The Associated Press

HINDMAN — A state judge has ruled that Knott County judge-executive and convicted felon Donnie Newsome can keep his office, at least for now.

Special Judge James E. Bondurant issued a ruling last month declaring the office vacant, but decided Monday that Newsome could keep the seat until the Kentucky Court of Appeals issues a ruling in the case.

Newsome filed a notice of appeal Tuesday, and appeals-court clerk George Geoghegan said election-contest cases are expedited.

"A decision should be made within two weeks to a month," he said.

Bondurant's rulings were on an election-contest suit filed in Knott County Circuit Court by a defeated opponent in a 2002 county primary. Bondurant said Newsome admitted in federal court last September that he violated the state Corrupt Practices Act.

Newsome testified that he accepted $20,000 in illegal cash contributions for the race from Ross Harris of Pikeville.

Under Kentucky law, a convicted officeholder does not have to resign his office until his appeal is resolved.

In 2003, Newsome was sentenced to 26 months after being convicted of vote-buying in a 1998 county primary.

He was sent to prison, but was able to keep his job and $65,000-a-year salary while he appeals his conviction in federal court.

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— Samuel Butler

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Our View

Course deserves second chance

It is truly a shame to see that state park officials have shut down the Jenny Wiley State Resort Park golf course, especially with such little notice and without input from the community.

It could be argued that the move needed to be made. The course had lost money over the past couple of years and the opening of Stonecrest five years ago gave Floyd County a bigger and better course within easy access of the park. Plus, flooding had created a need to make some expensive repairs, and we imagine that the prospect of sinking additional funds into a money-losing course probably sealed its fate.

But while the Jenny Wiley course was certainly hurting, we don't believe it was quite dead, yet.

While Jenny Wiley was somewhat small and lacked the luster of Stonecrest, it had endeared itself to many local golfers with its distinctive features and from its days as the only game in town. Those are sentimental reasons, to be sure, but there are others that would have made the course worth saving:

■ Many communities in the area have turned to golf courses as a means to develop tourism, trying to mimic the success Myrtle Beach, S.C., has had. However, the range of opportunities golfers can now find in Eastern Kentucky are not being marketed very well. We think a course such as Jenny Wiley could have benefited tremendously from working with Stonecrest and Beaver Valley golf courses, as well as local hotels and other tourist attractions, to create package deals that would have brought golfers and their families to our region for extended stays.

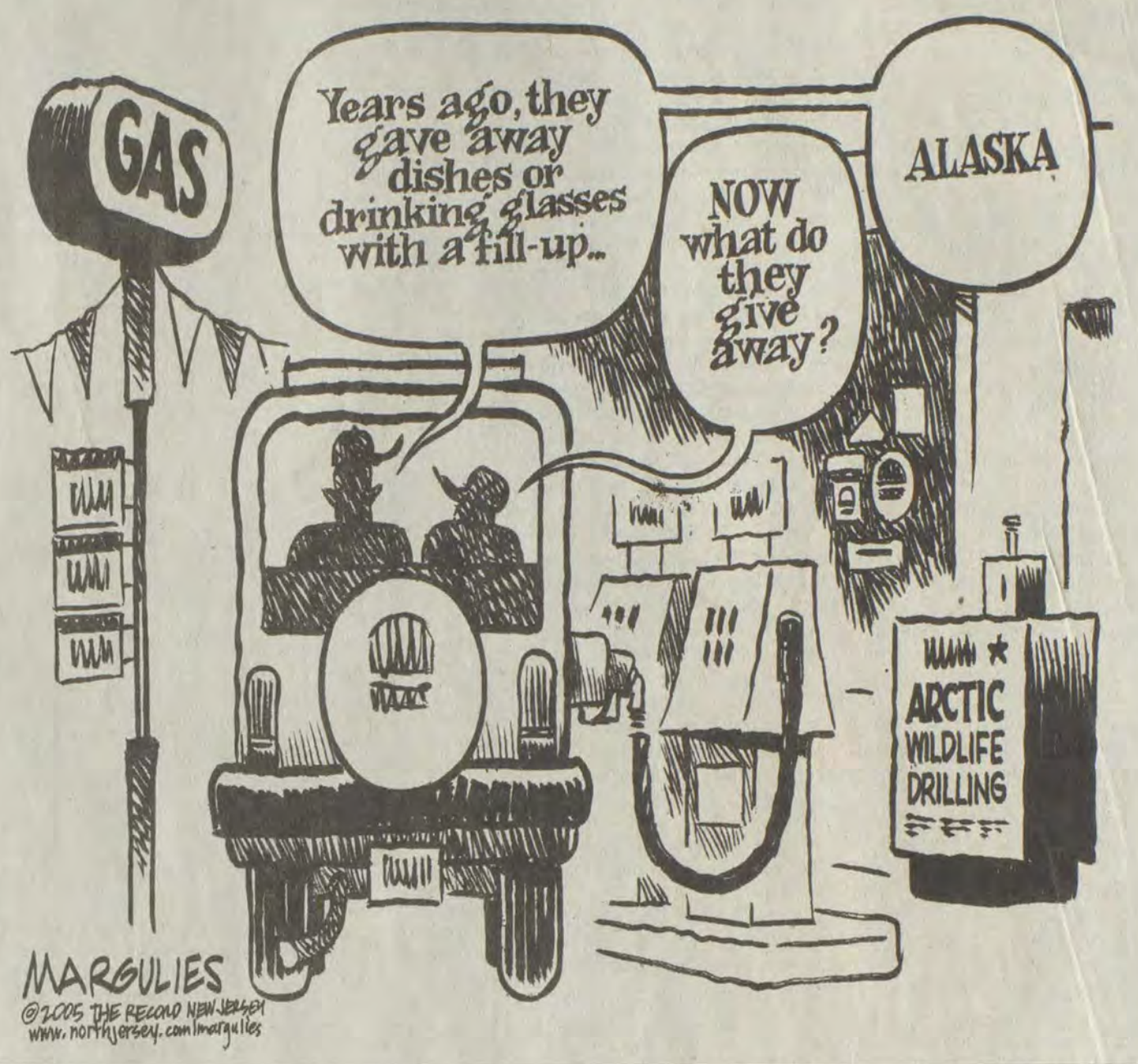
■ Jenny Wiley would have also been an ideal spot for a local chapter of The First Tee, a youth organization that introduces children to the game of golf. Such an affiliation would have served two goals by keeping a steady stream of customers on the course now and developing a larger generation of future customers who would fondly remember their days learning the game at Jenny Wiley.

■ With some work, Jenny Wiley could have been transformed into a par 3 course, something which is not readily available in this area. As a one-of-a-kind attraction in this region, the park would surely have gained more customers.

■ Finally, if park officials were just frustrated with trying to make the golf course work on their own, why not lease it to a private operator? Privatizing the course would have guaranteed a steady stream of revenue for the park, making that option far more financially sensible than closing it altogether.

We hope park officials will reconsider this decision.

— The Floyd County Times



Capitol Ideas

Pickup truck occupants the targets of latest seat belt campaign

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — The numbers add up to a very dangerous sum.

Barely half of the occupants of pickup trucks are wearing seat belts. In rural southeastern Kentucky, substantially less than half are restrained, especially if they're under age 35. More crashes happen on rural roads than elsewhere. Pickup trucks are twice as likely as ordinary passenger cars to roll over in a wreck. Occupants of pickups are more likely to be thrown out of their vehicles in a crash. Three-fourths of people ejected from their vehicles in a crash are killed. Seventy percent of pickup drivers killed in 2003 crashes were not wearing seat belts.

"They're alarming statistics," said Kentucky State Police spokeswoman Capt. Lisa Rudzinski.

Yet in Kentucky, the numbers apparently don't add up for many drivers, who wear their seat belts at the fifth lowest rate in the nation.

Officials estimate that 43.7 percent of the occupants of pickups in eastern Kentucky are wearing seat belts. Across the state, seat belt use among pickup riders is only 50.3 percent, compared with 70.4 percent of passenger car occupants, 70.9 percent of those in vans and 73.3 percent in sport utility vehicles.

Hard to figure, especially when this number is added to the calculation from the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration — Safety belt use is the single most effective way to protect people in vehicle crashes.

Kentucky law requires vehicle occupants to wear a seat belt. But there's a twist in enforcement. Kentucky has what is known as secondary enforcement — police can only cite people for

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Letters

Appreciation from Chamber

The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce recently held its Annual Awards and Installation Banquet on May 3, 2005. Together with members and friends the Chamber came together to honor the businesses and business leaders who contribute to the growth of Floyd County and the Big Sandy Region. On behalf of the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce I want to thank everyone that attended this event and helped make this banquet such a success. A special thanks to Misha Curnutte, Dr. George Edwards, Kelli Hall, Mary Begley, and Trish Cieslak, the Banquet Committee for all their time and work on this years banquet, it was greatly appreciated.

This event, sponsored by Appalachian Wireless, honors outstanding Chamber Volunteers and businesses who have excelled in service and much more. I want to thank all Floyd County Chamber Members and recognize them for their efforts to improve the business opportunities and economic growth of Floyd County. Thanks for your support and commitment that you have given over the past year.

I want to thank Terry Spurlock and Keith Taylor of Perry Distributors for sponsoring the Banquet Reception and Laura Ford Hall for providing entertainment for the event. Thanks also to our sponsors: Citizens National Bank, Prestonsburg Convention and Visitors Bureau, AEP/Kentucky Power, and Big Sandy Community & Technical College. Words can't express the wonderful and efficient service provided by the staff of Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. Rob Shepherd and ICC Technology Partners need to be commended for their work in producing the slideshow for the event, thanks so much! Thanks to Senator Johnny Ray Turner once again for installing our Board Of Directors and Officers. To Beverly Hackworth & Cindy Hackworth, and other volunteers' thanks for all that you do.

Mandy Stumbo
Executive Director
Floyd County Chamber of Commerce

Johnson to rally against drugs

As secretary of the Johnson County UNITE Coalition, I was pleased to see such strong support for Floyd County's Coalition March and Rally last week.

Many of us from Johnson County came to march with Floyd County, because drugs don't stop at the county line, and we all need to unite against this problem. I would therefore like to extend a personal invitation to all Floyd County concerned citizens to put on their Floyd County UNITE t-shirts and come join with Johnson County at our March, Rally and Gospel Sing on June 3.

We will meet in front of the courthouse at 5:30 p.m. Then we will march down Trimble Boulevard, to South Mayo Trail, and on to Mayo Plaza, where the rally and gospel sing will begin at 7 p.m. Flyers are currently being distributed and more information is available at our website at www.johnsonunite.org.

Cathy Combs
Secretary
Johnson County UNITE Coalition

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At the Movies: 'Monster-in-Law'

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"Monster-in-Law," a New Line Cinema release, is rated PG-13 for sex references and language. Running time: 95 minutes. **One and a half stars out of four.**

The possibility of watching Jennifer Lopez and Jane Fonda tear each other apart in "Monster-in-Law" inspires a certain morbid curiosity — something akin to Godzilla vs. Mothra, with bronzed skin and blond highlights.

By this point, J.Lo and J.Fo have created such larger-than-life personae that they are more than mere actresses: They're multimedia empires, separated by a generation.

That's part of the vague allure of "Monster-in-Law," Fonda's first film in 15 years. But it also begs the question: Why would she choose this project — which thrusts her into humiliating physical comedy — to mark her return to the screen?

She could have done anything. She has done everything — except play a true villain, which she gets to do as the movie's titular terror. And while she truly seems to be giving it her all and does exude a certain radiance, the film from director Robert Luketic ("Legally Blonde") and first-time screenwriter Anya Kochoff reduces her to two-dimensional, Joan Crawfordesque divadom.

Fonda plays Viola Fields, a high-powered, veteran news anchor patterned after Barbara Walters, who has a meltdown after she's fired for being too old. But she emerges from psychiatric treatment with the comforting thought that she still has her son — her precious baby boy, Kevin (Michael Vartan) — who has managed to become a hot young surgeon despite Viola's incessant smothering.

Then Kevin brings home his new girlfriend, Lopez's Charlie, just as Viola is struggling to maintain even a tenuous grasp on her mental health and sobriety. (Lopez's character is sweet and slightly bohemian for contrast, but she's much more fun to watch when she's the one with a meaty role to sink her perfect teeth into. Here, she's sort of gauzy, though not as inert as the part she played in the remake of "Shall We Dance?")

Once the too-good-to-be-true Kevin gets down on one knee and proposes marriage — right in front of his mother, over tea and cake on the terrace — the cartoonish game of sabotage begins.

Viola plans an engagement party for the happy couple, where she cruelly introduces her soon-to-be daughter-in-law to her esteemed guests from around the globe by saying, "This is Charlie. She's a temp." She also arranges to have a couture gown waiting for Charlie, which is too small, allowing Lopez a chance to poke fun at her famous posterior.

Viola then moves into Kevin and Charlie's love nest under the guise of needing constant care and companionship, and proceeds to track Charlie's every move and keep her awake all night with fake histrionics.

Being the heroine in a romantic comedy, Charlie has a cadre of trusty friends to whom she can vent, including the obligatory effeminate gay man (Adam Scott). Viola, meanwhile, gets help with her schemes from her wisecracking personal assistant, Ruby (Wanda Sykes — and it's a good thing she's there to deliver the movie's few funny lines).

Charlie finally gets wise to Viola's devious plan to derail her wedding, and the two women candidly confront each other, but the moment is more compelling in concept than execution. Waiting for what will happen when these two enormous creatures fill up the screen provides a juicy setup for a bitter, one-joke letdown. And you know Viola will have a change of heart in the end, though realistically such an evolution seems totally impossible.

On Charlie's wedding day, she and Viola literally come to blows, until the estimable Elaine Stritch arrives as Viola's own monster-in-law to give both women a beat-down and provide some grace and civility. By then, it's too little too late.

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Rental Central

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

Nothing but good news for renters this week, including plenty of entertainment and one collection of classic films which represents the best that Hollywood has to offer.

■ "The Life Aquatic" (with Steve Zissou) — Director Wes Anderson is back with another comedy featuring Bill Murray. Here he is cast as a Jacques Cousteau-type filmmaker with a myriad of problems. His best friend gets eaten by a shark, he's losing grants to an upstart, and he's just landed a money man from Kentucky who might be his son. Funny, but not as biting as their last collaboration ("The Royal Tennenbaums). Good supporting cast that offers roles to Luke Wilson and Jeff Goldblum.

■ "The Merchant of Venice" — Shakespeare's classic treatise on greed gets the big screen treatment here and stars Al Pacino in a fierce portrayal of Shylock (a role he has played to perfection on the New York stage over the years). Director Michael Radford ("Il Postino") gets it right along with a fine cast that features Jeremy Irons and Joseph Fiennes.

■ "Assault on Precinct 13" — French director Jean Francois-Richet is tapped here to remake John Carpenter's 1976 action classic which was itself a remake of the Howard Hawks/John Wayne film "Rio Bravo." Here the action is moved to a Detroit police station about to close down, wherein a skeleton crew must face off with a cadre of corrupt cops intent on making a witness remain silent forever. This one's fast moving and almost logic-free — the perfect Saturday night flick. Ethan Hawke, Lawrence Fishburne and John Leguizamo star.

■ "The Life and Death of Peter Sellars" — HBO Films continues to put quality movies on DVD with this effort that focuses on the off-screen life of funny man actor Sellars. This is an unpleasant film which achieves a fly-on-the-wall effect as viewers are subjected to the back stage life of Sellars, who was a brilliant comic but also tortured by self-doubt which manifested itself as anger directed against anyone who got close to him. Geoffrey Rush gives an all-systems-go performance as Sellars and makes this one not to be missed.

■ "Sometimes in April" — HBO is back with a second entry this week, which is a harrowing account of the genocide inflicted on Rwandans in 1994. Idris Elba (Stringer Bell on HBO's "The Wire") stars as a man who is exposed to the slaughter 10 years later when his brother is accused of war crimes. A visually stunning film that doesn't flinch from depicting the wholesale slaughter of countless innocents. Definitely not for children, and some adults may have trouble seeing the images that the international community all but ignored when this happened just 11 years ago.

■ "Controversial Classic Collection" — In its 100-plus years, Hollywood managed to make some controversial films about real issues and this set collects seven of the best efforts made by old-time filmmakers to challenge their audiences. Each is available separately but the whole set of seven films is the perfect gift if you have a movie buff in your family. The set includes:

■ "Advise and Consent" — A thriller segues into drama here as a proud official crumbles when knowledge of a homosexual encounter in his past rises to destroy him. Henry Fonda stars alongside Charles Laughton and Don Murray.

■ "The Americanization of Emily" — A sharp script by Paddy Chayefsky turns what was supposed to be a light comedy into a searing indictment of war time. James Garner stars as an officer assigned to look after an ailing general and he loves the assignment as it keeps him off the front lines and gives him time to pursue romantic interests. But everything changes when he is chosen to be the first one out of the boat at Normandy.

■ "Bad Day at Black Rock" — Spencer Tracy stars as a wounded veteran who journeys to a small southwestern town to honor a fallen friend and finds a pocket of racism and greed in a small town. Excellent turns by Lee Marvin, Robert Ryan and Ernest Borgnine help this lean film which offers plenty of action and a smart message about the ugliness of racism.

■ "Blackboard Jungle" — The inequality of education offered at urban schools is examined in this effort which stars Glcn Ford and a young Sidney Poitier. This one richly observes the lives of teachers and is a sinister reminder that awareness of needs in education has yet to move government towards giving educators the funding and resources they desperately require.

■ "A Face in the Crowd" — Elia Kazan's study of celebrity benefits from a fine performance by Andy Griffith, who plays a drifter who gets discovered and thrust into the limelight. This is a grueling take on popularity and the corruption inherent in being adored by millions. This is a blackhearted satire which paints television as a vice that will bring all manner of messages and oily characters into your home. The movie is anchored by Griffith's character, whose easygoing charm masks a dark persona that is willing to do whatever it takes to fulfill his aims. It also has a whopper of an ending that would not be equaled until the 1976 film "Network."

■ "Fury" — German director Fritz Lang ("M") made his American feature debut with this powerful tale of mob violence. Spencer Tracy stars again as man hunted by a mob for a crime he didn't commit. The censors may have stepped in and ruined the ending but tis stands out as an examination of people behaving badly and the power of a group to over ride rules of conduct when they feel they are right.

■ "I Am a Fugitive from a Chaingang" — We have saved the best for last with this drama that profiles life on a chaingang. This film was initially banned from theaters but eventually leaked out to critical success. The power of film was never harnessed this well before or since as this film led to a governmental investigation into, and eventually reform of, the penal system.

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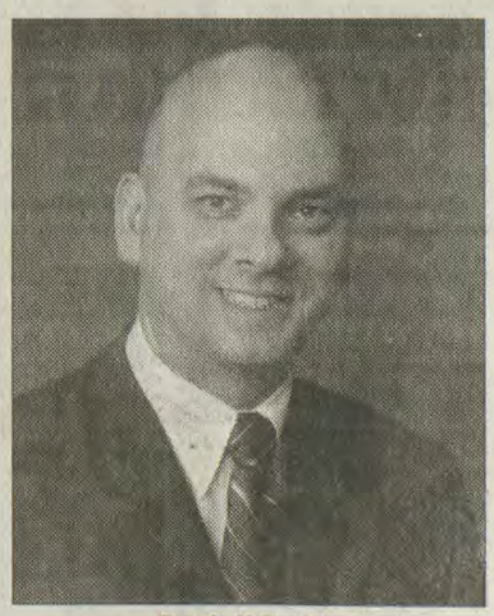
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Prestonsburg Church of Christ, 88 Hwy. 1428; Worship Service, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Richard Kelly and Nelson Kidder, Ministers.

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Highland Church of Christ, Rt. 23, Hager Hill; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Hueysville Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chester Varney, Minister.

Lower Toler Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lonie Meade, Minister.

Mare Creek Church of Christ, Stanville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Martin Church of Christ, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Gary Mithchell, Minister.

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

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

Weeksbury Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.mm.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Mike Hall, Minister.

CHURCH OF GOD

Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judith Caudill, Minister.

Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Crum, Minister.

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

Garrett Church of God, Garrett; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Bragg, Minister.

Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Prater, Jr., Minister.

Little Paint First Church of God, 671 Little Paint Road, East Point; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p..; Charles Heater Jr., Minister.

The Ligon Church of God of Prophecy, Saturday Services, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Ralph Hall, Pastor.

EPISCOPAL

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

LUTHERAN

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

METHODIST

Auxier United Methodist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.

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

Allen Christ United Methodist, Allen; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lemaster, Minister.

Community United Methodist, 141 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Neeley St.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steve Pescosolido, Minister.

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

Emma United Methodist, Emma; Sunday Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Jack Howard, Minister.

First United Methodist, 256 South Arnold Avenue; 9 a.m. Contempory Service; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. UMYS Service; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark D. Walz, Pastor.

Horn Chapel Methodist, Auxier Road, Auxier; Sunday Morning Service, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Mid-week Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday Evening Service held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.

Graceway United Methodist, Rt. 80, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday Night, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.

Salisbury United Methodist, Printer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby G. Lawson, Minister.

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

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

Vogle Day United Methodist Church, Harold; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wed. Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Dennis C. Love, Pastor.

Drift Pentecostal, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, Saturday/Sunday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Shannon, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thurs., 6:30 p.m.; Buster Hayton, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Church of God, Weeksbury; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; John "Jay" Patton, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ext. 46 off Mt.. Parkway at Campton; Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Crider, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Sanlan, Minister; David Pike, Associate Minister.

Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcom Slone, Minister.

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

Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Sat., 7 p.m.; Thurs., 7 p.m.; Elllis J. Stevens, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Church, Dwale; Services Saturday, 6 p.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Services, 11 a.m.; No Sunday Night Service.

PRESBYTERIAN

Drift Presbyterian, Route 1101, Drift; Worship Service, 11 a.m.

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

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

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

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

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

OTHER

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

Drift Independent, Drift; Sunday, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

Grace Fellowship Prestonsburg,(next to old flea market), Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m. Bill Stukenberg, Pastor 889-0905.

Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shepherd, Minister.

Faith Revelation Ministery, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Equipment; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Randy Hagans, Minister.

Faith Worship Center, US 460, Paintsville; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frye, Minister.

Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wed., 6:30 pm.; Lavonne Lafferty, Minister.

Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hall St.; Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.

Living Water Ministries Full Gospel Church, Conley Fork of Spurlock, Prestonsburg; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m. Pastor: Curt Howard.

Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship Service, 7 p.m., Saturday/Sunday.

Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Martin; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; John W. Patton, Minister.

Spurlock Bible (Baptist), 6227 Spurlock Creek Rd., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Stephens, Minister. 886-1003.

Town Branch Church; Sunday School 10 a.m except for first Sunday in each month.; Worship Service, Sun. morning 10:00 a.m.; Evening 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; No Sunday night services on first Sunday of each month. Tom Nelson, Minister.

The Father House, Big Branch, Abbott Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wright, Minister.

The Tabernacle, Rt. 321 (Old Plantation Motel), Christian Educator, 10:00; Sunday Morning, 11:00; Sunday Evening, 7:00; Wednesday, 7:00; Pastors, Paul and Ramona Aiken.

Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright; Monday-Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.

Zion Deliverance, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Prayer Line: 358-2001; Jeff Kinslow, Pastor

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

International Pentecostal Holiness Church, 10974 N. Main St., Martin; Rev. Ellis J. Stevens, Senior Pastor.

Rising Sun Ministries, 78 Court Street, Allen, Ky.; Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Pastor: D.P. Curry.

Church of God of Prophecy, Sunday School 10 a.m., worship Service 11 a.m., Sunday Night - 6 p.m., Wednesday Night - 6 p.m. Pastor Glenn Hayes. West Prestonsburg.

Return to your Bible

...Ye are come...unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels, to the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, and to Jesus...

HEBREWS 12:22-24

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May proposes unifying Big Sandy area counties

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A press conference held Wednesday to introduce the free distribution of a medical newspaper to Floyd County residents gave one man the forum to share his vision of creating the "third largest city" in the state.

Walter E. May, board president of Pikeville Medical Center says he's been contemplating a "vision" for several years, one that, if acted upon, would combine Prestonsburg, Paintsville and Pikeville into one city under one urbanized government.

May, who was "born and raised" in Pikeville, expressed his devotion to the Big Sandy region. He pressed local leaders to consider his proposal because he believes it would be a step in the right direction for all three counties involved.

"What would it change?" he asked. "It would change the way the rest of the world looks at us. It would change the way that we look at ourselves ... I think too many times we as leaders spent too much time talking about our problems and not enough time bringing up ways to fix it."

May said the area's biggest problem is that local communities are spread out, which prevents them from communicating effectively.

He also mentioned the "I'm better than you" mentality expressed between the three counties. This way of thinking, he said, is detrimental to future economic growth of the region.

May commended efforts of Floyd and Johnson County hospitals and governments and said that Pikeville Medical's intent is not one of competition with any other city or hospitals in Johnson or Floyd counties. The hospital, he says, wants to compete with larger cities, like Lexington, that now serve area patients who must travel because specialists are not currently available in Eastern Kentucky.

The "City of East Kentucky," as May called it, would not be easy to incorporate, but he hopes that area leaders will become interested enough in the idea to propose a discussion of it. It would benefit "our grandchildren," he said, referring to the move as "the natural progression of things."

"It will eventually happen anyway," he said. "It just isn't happening fast enough."

If joined, May estimated that the new "dynamic" city would house more than 20,000 people. If the three counties were combined, residency would shoot up to more than 100,000, he said.

Some of the benefits he pointed out included a regional airport, expansions in community services, more attention and economic expansion to the community as a whole because of the larger tax base and more governmental representation because of the larger voting bloc.

The press conference introduced the *Pikeville Medical Leader* to Floyd County, a publication of the Pikeville Medical Center Foundation, that will be distributed free to every Floyd County family.

The publication will focus on "good news," and "uplifting stories," about medical issues and community happenings, representatives said.

Other speakers at the conference (Joann Anderson, CEO; Laura Charles, editor; and Sherri Allen, sales manager) expressed their "excitement" in bringing the publication to Floyd County and outlined several new services offered or to be offered at the hospital.

"Eastern Kentucky needs to speak as one voice, and that's what we're trying to do with this," Allen said.

Police cracking down on downtown parking

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Attempts to add teeth to parking regulations in Prestonsburg are currently underway with the city council and the Prestonsburg Police Department.

During a council meeting Monday, Police Chief Mike Omerod said that people have been dodging the enforcement of the previous two-hour parking limit in front of Prestonsburg businesses on Court Street by moving their cars from one space to another before their time limit is exhausted.

The council passed a motion approving the enforcement of the two-hour limit during a meeting on April 11. Monday, Omerod said that the council's traffic committee changed the two-hour parking limit (which previously had not been enforced, he said) to three hours. Employees of local businesses, who pay $15 monthly for parking permits, can now park in any of the three parking lots in Prestonsburg.

The parking lot at the riverbank is considered free and does not require permits. Council members Kay Ross and Donna Wells said local employees don't want to park in the lot behind Billy Ray's Restaurant because vandalism has already been reported there.

Omerod said that the new parking regulation signs in the city should read, "three-hour on-street customer parking only."

In other news, Crestwood residents are not adhering to mandatory residential housing codes at Stonecrest.

Henry Hackworth, speaking on behalf of Crestwood residents, requested during a meeting Monday that the city council ensure that all residents on the hill are adhering to those regulations.

Hackworth thanked the city for citing two of his neighbors for noncompliance on Monday, but he said he still isn't sure that "everybody's getting it."

He complained of siding, fencing and satellite television noncompliances, and said that pieces of equipment are being left on project development sites after the projects are completed.

Hackworth also asked that the city routinely mow vacant lots in Crestwood because grass and weed seeds from those lots are being transferred to other residents' lawns.

Mayor Jerry Fannin said he would put Bobby Carpenter, the city's code enforcement officer, "on top of" the situation.

Carpenter, who was asked to inspect abandoned mines in the city during the last council meeting, then reported to the council that there are seven such mines that could potentially blow out like mines in Knott and Harlan counties last month.

Of those mines, Carpenter said, the most critical is around the S-curve. This mine, which ties into Joseph's Flats, Carpenter said, is currently not in danger of blowing out, but it will require the most monitoring in the future because of its location and connection with Dewey Lake.

Carpenter said mine blowouts are generally caused by material failure or by debris that filters through and covers up vents, creating a dam that eventually causes the mine to fill up with water.

Carpenter said that routine monitoring should be conducted on these mines and that any abnormal water discharge should be reported to the Department of Surface Mining.

The Big Sandy Area Development District, Abbott Engineering and the Department of Surface Mining assisted the investigation, Carpenter said.

During the meeting, the council also discussed littering caused by local teenagers. Council member Gorman Collins said that he witnessed some children stuffing garbage down a storm drain. He asked what the council could do to deter this behavior. Omerod said the child must first be cited for a juvenile criminal action before they can be assigned to do any type of community work.

Council members also handed compliments to Randy Lawson, the local artist who repainted the "Welcome to Prestonsburg" sign in front of the Justice Center.

Lawson has made an offer to do other murals throughout the city, Mayor Jerry Fannin said.

Before the close of the meeting, Fannin clarified that the funding for the horse ring at Stonecrest came from a federal grant that can only be used for trails and the construction of the horse ring. Those funds cannot be used for the ball fields or any other project, he said.

Capitol Ideas

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not wearing a seat belt if the traffic stop is made for another infraction.

All efforts to make Kentucky a primary enforcement state — officers could stop vehicles and cite occupants for not wearing seat belts without any other infractions — have failed in recent years.

Two years ago, the General Assembly crossed a threshold of sorts when the House passed primary seat belt enforcement legislation. But it died in the Senate, much like a proposal to require booster seats for larger children did earlier this year.

Rep. Hubert Collins, D-Wittensville, chairman of the House Transportation Committee, said sentiment is moving toward more stringent requirements for passenger restraint — at least in the House and its Democratic majority.

"I would think it would probably be able to pass the Transportation Committee and probably the House after that," Collins said.

The question remains in the Senate, where Republicans hold a majority.

"Some of the sentiment is basically, if you don't wear your seat belt, that's up to each individual person," said Sen. Brett Guthrie, R-Bowling Green.

Guthrie, chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee, acknowledged the apparent contradiction between that perspective and the existing legal requirement to wear a seat belt.

"Getting pulled over for not wearing your seat belt, there's some people who have issues with that," Guthrie said.

The Fletcher administration is straddling the fence. A spokesman said Fletcher strongly encourages the use of seat belts and booster seats for children.

Asked if the administration supports primary enforcement legislation for seat belt use and a requirement for booster seats, spokesman Mike Goins said, "There is a balance between the government's responsibility to protect its citizens and the citizen's responsibility to make decisions."

Capt. Rudzinski said there is a book full of traffic rules that police could use if they wanted to harass drivers for simply not wearing seat belts.

State police and most other law enforcement agencies around the state will be emphasizing seat belt use in a series of broadcast public service announcements and enforcement efforts this month.

The "Buckle Up in Your Truck" radio and television spots have already begun, targeted to eastern Kentucky. "Click it or ticket" will follow later in the month.

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For the Record

Marriage Licenses

Angela Lynette Akers, 21, of Banner, to Jamie Edward Mullins, 23, of Prestonsburg.

Diane Marie Jarrell, 32, of Paintsville, to James Wesley Lafferty, 27, of Prestonsburg.

Jessica Danielle Shepherd, 20, of Prestonsburg, to Scott Goble, 27, of Prestonsburg.

Kimberly Darlene Branham, 25, Boonscamp, to Timmy Evans, 37, Grethel.

Civil Suits Filed

Green Tree Servicing vs. Henry Burkett; complaint.

Bobby Coleman vs. Teresa Stephens and Progressive Insurance Company; complaint.

Mabel Watts vs. Roxie Galloway; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Mabel Watts vs. James Galloway; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Ella Crum vs. Amanda Knox; petition for health care insurance.

Cloteen Slone vs. Shelby Mosley; petition for health care insurance.

Charlene Hamilton vs. Homer Hamilton; petition for health care insurance.

Ellis Hall vs. Vanessa Hall; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Henry Lafferty vs. Paul Lafferty; petition for health care insurance.

William D. Guess vs. Ruddy W. McCrite and Schlei Dray Line Inc.; complaint.

Vicki L. Hill vs. John Preston; complaint.

Collins Receivable Funding Partners vs. James L. Hall and East Kentucky Guttering; complaint.

Michael Robinette vs John W. Boyd and Fuel Transportation Inc.; complaint.

Capital One Bank vs. Janice S. Wells; complaint.

Palisades Acquisition V, LLC vs. William Hinchman; complaint.

Patricia Williams vs. Rusty Hamilton; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Glenda Rogers vs. Kevin Hohenecker; petition for health care insurance.

Douglas Blevins vs. Tamara Howard; petition for health care insurance.

JP Morgan Chase Bank vs. Steve Conn and unknown defendant, spouse of Lola Conn on April 14, 1999.

Charlie Rose vs. Connie J. Poulter; divorce transferred from Nelson Circuit Court.

Brent G. Clark vs. Prestonsburg; complaint.

Small Claims Filings

Housing Authority of Martin vs. Jessie Artrip; unpaid rent.

Charges Filed

Amy Isaacs, 26, Prestonsburg; shoplifting.

Charles Alan Duncan, 27, Betsy Layne; public intoxication, disorderly conduct, terroristic threatening.

Jennifer Rowe, 19, Salyersville; public intoxication, fourth-degree assault.

Sigsbee Rowe, 30, Salyersville; public intoxication, fourth-degree assault.

Christine R. Thacker, 30, Prestonsburg; pickpocketing.

Brad Hunt, 31, Teaberry; third-degree criminal trespass, third-degree terroristic threatening.

Monica Akers, 28, Teaberry; third-degree criminal trespass, third-degree terroristic threatening.

Jason Lance, 22, McDowell; harrassment.

Linda Gayheart, 37, Wheelwright; harrassment.

Paul Sartin, 37, Wheelwright; misdemeanor theft (failure to make required disposition of property).

Rica M. McGruder, 19, Pensacola, Fla.; disorderly conduct.

Kevin Woods, 19, Allen; public intoxication and disorderly conduct.

Terrance Phillips, 20, Fayetteville, N.C.; disorderly conduct.

Lorenzo Williams, 18, Fayetteville, N.C.; disorderly conduct.

Camron Rowe, 19, Wayland; second-degree criminal trespass.

James A. Gilliam, 21, Blue River; public intoxication, possession of open alcoholic beverage in a motor vehicle.

Sandra Ousley Williams, 34, Prestonsburg; fourth-degree assault.

Steven J. Bobo, 22, Allen; disorderly conduct, public intoxication.

Tristina M. Burchett, 19, Prestonsburg; fourth-degree assault.

Cecil A. Hunter, 24, Auxier; possession of marijuana.

Jeremy S. Childers, 21, Prestonsburg; public intoxication.

Jason Alan Greer, 24, Allen; public intoxication.

Eric D. Flemming, 23, Salyersville; public intoxication, disorderly conduct.

Michael A. Cutting, 36, Wayland; public intoxication.

Joe D. Stumbo, 44, Drift; public intoxication.

Jeffrey W. Shepherd, 42, Hueysville; public intoxication.

Joseph C. Mullins, 30, East Point; public intoxication.

Dennis M. Greer, 26, Prestonsburg; public intoxication.

Hope Renee Setser, 24, Prestonsburg; hindering prosecution or apprehension.

Bobbie J. Bentley, 24, Prestonsburg; possession of marijuana, possession of a controlled substance, use/possession of drug paraphernalia.

Clifford E. Williams, 26, Auxier; second-degree burglary.

Pamela J. Smith, 36, Meta; theft of identity.

Tara Hamilton, 22, Beaver; reckless driving, driving under the influence, failure to produce insurance card, no/expired registrations plates, first-degree trafficking in controlled substances, trafficking within 1,000 yards of a school, first-degree possession of a controlled substance, prescription not in original container, use/possession of drug paraphernalia.

Inspections

Allen Elementary Cafeteria, regular inspection. Violations noted: Chemical test strips not in three-compartment sink, wiping cloths improperly stored, clean silvers stored without protective covering, garbage container in food prep area not covered, floor tile in disrepair, cleaning equipment broom stored in dry storage area (should be in utility room). Score: 93.

Down to Earth, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Restroom door not self-closing. Score: 98.

Allen Elementary School, regular inspection. Violations noted: Hand towels not available in the kindergarten restroom, shower room with restroom facilities should not be used to store food equipment, primary hallway structure in disrepair, student desk in room 205 and several other rooms in disrepair. Score: 91.

Property Transfers

Rose Marie Collins to Don C. Hall; property located at the right fork of Town Branch.

Obituaries

Elizabeth "Libby" Rowe Owens

Elizabeth "Libby" Rowe Owens, 54, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, May 9, 2005, at her residence.

Born October 16, 1950, in Prestonsburg, she was the daughter of the late Reverend Charlie Rowe and Cleo Gray Rowe. She was a homemaker and a member of the Faith Independent Freewill Baptist Church, in Prestonsburg.

She is survived by her husband, Charles Ray Owens.

Other survivors include a daughter, Angela Elizabeth Owens Williamson of Prestonsburg; two granddaughters: Emily Elizabeth Williamson and Hevin Nicole Faith Spears; five brothers: James Rowe of Winchester, Jack Rowe and Roger Rowe, both of Prestonsburg, and Jay Sammons and John Sammons, both of Prestonsburg; five sisters: Grace Woody of Prestonsburg, Sylvia Mosley of Cookeville, Tennessee, Dorothy Day of Lake Placid, Florida, Ruth Bridgett of Holiday, Florida, and Toy Ann Sammons of Louisville; her mother-in-law, Delta Owens of Prestonsburg; aunts: Kay Gray, Fay Gray, and Glenda Sue Gray; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her father-in-law, Homer Owens; two brothers: Charles C. Rowe and Charlie M. Sammons; uncles: John H. Gray and Charles Gray; an aunt, Florence Gray; a brother-in-law, Charles Woody; and a son-in-law, Keith Williamson.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, May 13, at 1 p.m., at the Faith Independent Freewill Baptist Church, in Prestonsburg, with Clinton Buddy Jones, and others, officiating.

Burial will be in the Gethsemane Gardens, in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

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PC seniors friends for life

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

In the spring of 1988, the little campus on the hill was bustling. Flowers were planted, grass was cut, weeds were mowed, as the entire place got its annual spring spit-shine.

Pikeville College prepared to graduate its 99th class.

In the small town of Varnville, S.C., the local elementary school held its own graduation. The kindergarten Class of 1988 received its diplomas. Two of the graduates were the excitable Justin Gordon and the quiet Larry Forester.

Forward to 1996. At Pikeville College, the fifth and final sport, baseball, finished its second season under former Major League shortstop Johnnie LeMaster, bringing an end to the athletics season. The college held commencement for its 107th class.

In South Carolina, grade school graduation was held at North District Middle School, sending its graduates to be among the 700 to enroll at Wade Hampton High School. At North District, the second middle school for most of its graduates, two of those receiving diplomas were Justin Gordon and Larry Forester.

Then came the summer of 2000. Things were really hopping at Pikeville College. The school had just announced the addition of three new sports, bringing the total to 14. At a February press conference, President Hal Smith told of its new additions – women's golf, men's bowling, and, finally, football.

(See **BENTLEY,** page two)

photo by Stephanie J. Stiltner/Pikeville College
Justin Gordon (left) and Larry Forester made the journey from South Carolina into Kentucky.

photos by Jamie Howell
Left: Prestonsburg's Andrew Shepherd took a lead off first base during the game against Morgan County. Below: Prestonsburg pitcher Brenton Hamilton eyed a Morgan County batter.

Betsy Layne silences South Floyd

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

MINNIE – In girls' softball, Betsy Layne beat 58th District foe South Floyd 15-2 Monday, snapping a two-game losing skid.

Host South Floyd got off to a quick, successful start, but soon fell behind. South Floyd scored its only two runs in the bottom half of the first inning.

The Ladycats, playing on the road at South Floyd, broke open a close game. After the game was tied 2-2 through the first inning, visiting Betsy Layne added one run in the top half of the first inning and went ahead 3-2. Betsy Layne plated 11 more runs in the top half of the third inning and sealed the win.

(See **BETSY LAYNE,** page two)

Blackcats blank Morgan
Hamilton allows one hit

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG – Prestonsburg High right-hander Brenton Hamilton can bring the heat. Hamilton, who first made a name for himself in a Prestonsburg High uniform earlier this schoolyear on the gridiron, carries his stout work ethic from the football field over onto the baseball diamond. On Tuesday evening, Hamilton pitched and held visiting Morgan County scoreless. Hamilton pitched a one-hitter, leading Prestonsburg to a 4-0 shutout win.

Hamilton was commanding in the winning pitching performance.

After going scoreless in each of the first two innings, Prestonsburg broke open the scoreless game in the third inning, plating three runs on only one hit. Freshman Nathaniel Stephens collected Prestonsburg's lone hit of the third inning, a single. Stephens, who as a freshman has already settled into a contributing role for the Prestonsburg High baseball team, scored one of Prestonsburg's three third-inning runs. Leadoff hitter Andrew Shepherd and number two batter Brandon Campbell also both reached base and scored in the third inning.

Leading 3-0, Prestonsburg got its fourth and final run of the game in the bottom half of the fourth inning when Tyler Layne, who had reached base after singling, scored. Shepherd also had a single in the fourth inning.

Hamilton started and finished strong for the Blackcats. The Prestonsburg starter retired the Morgan County batters he faced in order in both the first and seventh innings.

For Morgan County, starting pitcher Kevin Lykins took the loss.

Prestonsburg came into Tuesday's game following back-to-back 58th District losses to Floyd County rivals Betsy Layne and Allen Central. The Blackcats (14-8) are scheduled to host Belfry Monday evening.

15TH REGION
BASEBALL RECORDS . . .

(See **BLACKCATS,** page two)

Tigers top rival Johnson Central

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PAINTSVILLE – The Paintsville High baseball team took to the road Tuesday evening and got some revenge, beating rival Johnson Central 6-2. Earlier in the season, Johnson Central beat Paintsville in a game played at Charlie Adkins Field, home of the Tigers.

Paintsville senior Josh LeMaster started the game for the Tigers. Matt Hensley also came on and pitched for Paintsville. The Tiger pitching duo held Johnson Central to two runs on just three hits.

Paintsville had much more offense, scoring its six runs on 13 hits.

For Johnson Central, senior Adam Blanton, started and took the loss.

Paintsville sophomore Daniel Pugh carried a punch with his bat, clubbing a solo home run. Pugh connected on the home run when he caught up with a Blanton pitch while facing a full-count.

Kyle Sublett, another Paintsville sophomore, also added a couple of extra-base hits.

Paintsville senior Casey Young also aided the Paintsville offensive effort, finishing three-for-four from the plate.

In the junior varsity game, Paintsville

(See **TIGERS,** page two)

Brandon Thacker (pictured above) helped Betsy Layne to a couple of recent 58th District wins.

FOCUS ON BETSY LAYNE BASEBALL IN THE MONTH OF MAY

May 2	South Floyd	11-1	(W)
May 3	at Paintsville	5-13	(L)
May 5	at Prestonsburg	9-1	(W)
May 6	at Shelby Valley	9-7	(W)
May 10	at South Floyd	5-1	(W)
May 11	at Johnson Central	5- 12	(L)
May 12	at Allen Cent. (Score unavailable)		
May 16	at Magoffin County, 5:30 p.m.		
May 18	Sheldon Clark, 6:30 p.m.		
May 19	at Pike Co. Central, 5:30 p.m.		
May 20	Letcher, 5:30 p.m.		
May 21	Belfry, Noon		

YOUTH SOCCER: Shane Poynter of the Floyd County Untied and Mollie Dawahare of the Pike County Irish vied for possession of the soccer ball Saturday during the Irish's 5-0 victory over the Floyd County team.

Bentley

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The community could barely contain its excitement. About 50 citizens were at the Pikeville College Gym that morning, saying they had to see it to believe it. Football, at long last, was coming to The Hill. All that remained was to name a coach and find some players.

And finally, one last trip to Varnville. Today we visit Wade Hampton High School, as the first class of the new millennium receives its high school diplomas.

Among the 250 who persevered were Justin Gordon, now a mature young man with a robust laugh that will remind you of Eddie Murphy, and the quiet sureness embodied by Larry Forester.

That summer, they were visited by three football coaches, telling them about a small town in East Kentucky they'd never heard of. One of them, Larry, bought what the coaches were selling.

He went to his friend Justin, playing softball in a community league, and pulled him from the dugout. "You need to go," he said. "You need to come to Pikeville."

Justin, with that thick, hearty laugh that has been heard around campus more than the chimes of the Faith Chapel these last five years, agreed.

And, for the record, puts a different spin on things.

"I knew Bee (Larry's middle name, and what he's frequently called around campus) couldn't make it on his own," says Gordon, flashing that million-watt smile, who was heading to the University of South Carolina on a baseball ride. "So I figured I'd better come up here and take care of him."

Told this, Larry did what Larry always does when his friend "Juddy" talks. He laughs. "That's what he said, huh?"

High School Years

Be sure of one thing: Larry Bee needs nobody to look out for him.

He needed only one year of high school football to convince college scouts of his skills. He ran track, but before their senior year, his friend Juddy talked him into coming out for the team.

"And he got me running track," says Juddy, laughing still. "I was like, 'I don't wanna run no track!' But I did, and he played football."

Larry, a two-time all-region star in track who ran the 100, 200 and 400 and played baseball for three years, made an immediate impact on the gridiron – "He was just so fast," says Juddy – even if he got off to a rough start.

Justin tells the story of their first game that year, when Larry lined up at tailback and was the target of the pitch on the option play. "Bee missed the pitch, but didn't slow down – right down that field he ran!" he said, both of them doubling over in laughter.

"In practice, if it was a bad pitch the coach would blow the whistle and the play was over," Forester explained. "I thought it was over."

Needless to say, his football acumen has improved. After starting for the Bears as they went 7-1 as a club team the first year, Forester had three interceptions as a freshman and five as a sophomore, tying as the all-time leader in picks at the school.

The Red Devils of Wade Hampton were 10-2 that year, with Gordon providing much of the thrills. He ran for more than 1,000 yards and was named all-region and all-conference, just as in basketball and baseball.

He was named to the South Carolina Honor Roll, a top honor for football players, and was First-Team All-State as a shortstop for the baseball team. He also bypassed a chance to sign with the Atlanta Braves, something which made his mother proud. "They'd call the house for me," he said, "but my momma'd tell them I was already in college."

Bearing Down in College

These two weren't the only ones from Wade Hampton to sign with Pikeville. Two of their classmates, Eric Moore and Travis Washington, signed on as well. But like many of those on that first team, for one reason or another, they left.

It's worked out well for both, and Juddy and Bee are just as proud of them. Washington, who still holds the all-time record for tackles in a season, graduated last Sunday from Appalachian State University, while Moore will finish up next year with an engineering degree at South Carolina State.

But through time, these two persevered. They both questioned their decision – Juddy says the first year was tough, while Larry admits to doubting himself the first two years – but stayed the course.

And then came the winter of 2003, when their first coach, the one who brought them to Pikeville, left. A month later, his replacement came, stayed about a week, and went back to Morehead State.

"That was tough," Larry says. "I was like, 'What's wrong with us?'"

According to Jerry Mynatt, who had watched this transpire from East Tennessee State, nothing. "Those guys went through a lot during that time," he said. "But they stuck with it. And now, it's paid off for them."

After a 4-6 campaign as juniors under their first-year coach, it all came together last fall. Larry and Justin were seniors, and part of a rare group – nine fifth-year seniors who dubbed themselves the "Elite Nine" – that had made it from Day One.

With the leadership of those nine seniors, the Bears finished 8-3 and in second place behind only Georgetown in the Mid-South Conference race.

They talked this week about their appreciation for Mynatt and what he brought to the team. "He ain't the type of guy we're used to," said Larry. Justin, chiming in, said on the surface Mynatt is "nervous acting," and again laughs.

"Both of our daddies are stern fellows," continued Larry. "But Coach Mynatt was different. We liked it, though. We were tired of losing."

They will leave Pikeville winners.

On the field, where they leave 21-20 on the varsity level after the near perfection of their club season, they were winners.

Off the field, too.

Saying Goodbye

Remember earlier, when we took those trips to the Palmetto State? Graduations from Kindergarten, from grade school, from high school, there they stood – childhood friends, Larry and Justin, together.

Tomorrow is another day. Tomorrow is another chapter.

Tomorrow, President Smith will hand degrees to the Class of 2005. Tomorrow, the 116th class will graduate from Pikeville College.

Remember the Elite Nine? Those nine who stuck it out? Those nine *every one of them* will graduate.

Two of them will be the same two who walked through Varnville Elementary together, through North District Middle together, and through Wade Hampton High together.

Larry Bee Forester and Justin Jermaine Gordon will graduate, one final time, together.

Fittingly, they both leave with grade-point averages north of 3.0. And both with degrees in Business Administration, both emphasizing management.

And they wouldn't have it any other way.

"The first year or two, I wasn't sure," Gordon said. "But now, I'm getting that paper? No regrets."

"The first, second year, the coaches left, the others (players) left, I thought about it," Forester agreed. "But I stayed in it, and now I'll get that paper. I'd like to stay forever."

For some of us, they will.

Students come and students go, and after a while, you learn to enjoy them for the time they're with you. But this year is different. This year, part of us leaves. The part that brought us football for the first time will say goodbye.

I'm not ashamed to say that I love these guys, Bee, Juddy and all the rest. I'll miss them, will look for them every day on the bridge, every night at practice.

And somewhere, in our hearts, they'll be there. They'll always be there.

They will always be a part of Pikeville College, this group. And you know what?

Pikeville College will always be a part of them.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Andrew Shepherd, Prestonsburg High School Baseball

Amanda Hunter, Betsy Layne High School Softball

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Tigers

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also triumphed, winning 9-5. In the junior varsity game, Travis Ison and Jonathan Miller pitched for Paintsville, while J.K. Ratliff went the distance for the host Golden Eagles.

The excitement from Paintsville's varsity win over Johnson Central was short-lived, though. On Wednesday evening, Paintsville traveled to Fairview. Those Eagles – Fairview's group – blanked Paintsville 10-0.

Paintsville is scheduled to return to action at home today, hosting Hazard.

801 and counting...

One week ago today, Paintsville Coach Charlie Adkins won his 800th career game in a victory over Morgan County

Betsy Layne

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The Ladycats livened up in the third inning and got the 11 runs on nine hits.

"We had eight singles and one double bringing in a total of eight earned runs in the third," Betsy Layne Coach Christina Crase recalled.

After the third inning both teams were fairly quiet.

Amanda Hunter, Kim Clark and Kaitlin Lawson each had three hits for the Ladycats. Three different Betsy Layne players drove in two runs apiece.

Senior pitcher Breann Akers allowed South Floyd just three hits and got the win for the Ladycats. Akers recorded five strikeouts while walking six.

Tab Tackett, who had one of South Floyd's three hits, pitched and took the loss for the Lady Raiders.

Following the win over South Floyd, Betsy Layne improved to 6-0 in 58th District play.

"Our conference play this season has been excellent and we look forward to the tournament," Crase added.

Despite some recent adversity her team has had to face, the Betsy Layne head coach is looking forward to the post-season.

"The end of the season has been pretty difficult for the Ladycats," said Crase. "We have had players injured and sick for almost the last two weeks. I can't remember the last time we had a complete, healthy team on the field.

"Even though we have had some misfortune, our players have improved. Lately we've had a lot of players really take it to the next level. It seems like every game there are different players who excel. As a coach, there's nothing better than a well rounded team. Our goal right now is to come together as a team, excel to the next level, and compete for (the) region (title)."

Betsy Layne has games remaining against Belfry (May 16), Paintsville (May 18), Phelps (May 19) and East Ridge (May 20).

15TH REGION SOFTBALL RECORDS

Team	Record
Shelby Valley	17-5
Pikeville	16-4
Johnson Central	12-4
East Ridge	12-6
Belfry	10-6
Betsy Layne	10-7
Paintsville	10-8
Magoffin County	8 -7
Allen Central	6 -6
Phelps	6-7
Prestonsburg	6-11
Sheldon Clark	4-16
Pike Co. Central	1-11
South Floyd	0-12

Blackcats

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15TH REGION BASEBALL RECORDS

Team	Record
Pikeville	21-3
Johnson Central	19-7
Paintsville	15-6
Prestonsburg	14-8
Sheldon Clark	13-11
Allen Central	13-14
Betsy Layne	11-8
Pike County Central	10-14
Magoffin County	9-6
Phelps	9-9
Belfry	9-14
Shelby Valley	8-9
East Ridge	7-15
South Floyd	0-16

Willis beats Astros to improve to major league-best 7-0

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Dontrelle Willis has been so dominant in his first seven starts this season that his ERA jumped to 1.08 after he held Houston to one run in eight innings.

Willis improved to a major league-best 7-0 Wednesday night, limiting the Astros to six hits in the Florida Marlins' 2-1 home victory. The high-kicking left-hander has allowed one run or less in five of his seven starts.

"These games are key," Willis said. "People put so much emphasis on September and August, but these games are key because we have to play well now to get to those key situations in September."

Willis got all the runs he needed on Damion Easley's two-run homer off Roy Oswalt (4-4) in the third. Easley's two-out shot went 405 feet to straightaway center field.

"I didn't know if it was gone because of where I hit it," Easley said. "I didn't miss any of it, but here, you never know."

In other National League games, it was: Chicago 4, New York 3 in 10 innings; Colorado 6, Atlanta 5; San Diego 7, Cincinnati 2; Milwaukee 5, Philadelphia 2; St. Louis 9, Los Angeles 3; Arizona 3, Washington 2; and Pittsburgh 7, San Francisco 2.

Willis, who struck out five and walked two, retired 18 of 19 batters before allowing Morgan Ensberg's double off the wall in the eighth.

The next batter, Lance Berkman, walked. But Willis escaped by striking out Mike Lamb – a left-handed batter – on three pitches, the last a fastball that left Willis pumping his fist and pirouetting off the mound.

"If you're going to beat me, man, you're going to beat me on my pitch," Willis said. "And that's my best pitch, the fastball. It was just one of those situations that I like to be in. It's on me."

Todd Jones pitched the ninth for his third save, striking out Craig Biggio on three pitches to end it.

"Jones did his job," Marlins manager Jack McKeon said. "Scary, but he did it."

Ensberg had an RBI single in the first for the Astros, 2-16 on the road.

Oswalt allowed two runs and five hits in 7 2-3 innings.

"Guys are throwing really well and doing their jobs, doing everything they're asked," Ensberg said. "And we just don't seem to be able to get runs in."

U12 TIDE DOUSE FIRE

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BELFRY – The U12 Tide traveled to Belfry on Saturday to take on the Fire, missing two of their 10 players. Fortunately, the opponent graciously agreed to play eight-on-eight, rather than the usual nine; even though the Fire had 14 players available. The Tide quickly found itself in an unfamiliar position, trailing 1-0 shortly after the game began, the first time all season the Tide has been on the short end of the score. Belfry went on to win 6-1.

It took the Tide several minutes to knot the score at 1-1 on a goal by Alexis DeRossett, playing the right forward position. Her running mate on the left side, Kaitlyn Minix, added another goal shortly thereafter, and the Tide didn't trail again. The Tide earned several corner kicks in the game, choosing to play the corner kicks short, due to the extreme crown on the rocky Belfry field. On their third corner, midfielder Kathleen Smith took the pass back from DeRossett, and placed a centering kick directly in front of the Belfry goal, where Minix and midfielder Clara Osborne were waiting, resulting in the Tide's third goal.

The Tide was pushing the ball toward the Belfry goal again when Smith was injured and had to leave the game. Down a player, the Tide defense, led by Tori Hunt, stepped up and kept the Fire from seriously threatening. Allison Conley played goalkeeper the entire game, and directed her defense of Hunt, Joseph Kidd and Austin Newsome well. When Smith returned to the field, she and Osborne moved to the forward position, and DeRossett and Minix dropped back to midfield. Osborne and Smith immediately began to press the attack, capped off by a nice goal by Smith.

At the start of the second half, DeRossett moved back to center fullback, and Hunt and Minix took over at midfield. Osborne made several nice runs with the ball, and took some nice shots, but couldn't connect, much to her frustration.

Without subs, the Tide again had to rotate players through the midfield position. When Minix and Hunt went up to forward, they quickly capitalized. Minix recovered the ball from a Belfry defender, made a nifty move from the left side and found the back of the net to push the score to 5-1.

Minix and Hunt got behind the defense again, and when Minix's shot bounced off the right post, Hunt was there to punch it in. Newsome, Kidd and DeRossett played stellar defense in the second half, Conley made a couple of great saves, and Belfry was unable to score again, making the final score 6-1.

The Tide remains undefeated at 4-0, and plays the Belfry Falcons next Saturday at home

YOUTH SOCCER – Above: The defense of the U12 Tide is tough, as Tori Hunt and Alexis DeRossett demonstrated during the Tide's 6-1 victory over the Belfry Fire.
Above, right: Clara Osborne, playing midfield for the Floyd County Tide, won possession of the ball for her team. Above, left: Forward Kaitlyn Minix of the U12 Tide looked at her options early in Saturday's 6-1 win in Belfry.
Left: Fullback Austin Newsome booted the ball away from the Belfry attacker and out of his backfield, as teammate Kaitlyn Minix looks on.

Patriot track takes first, second at Berea Invitational

TIMES STAFF REPORT

WILLIAMSBURG – Cumberland College's women's track team took the top spot in the team rankings recently at the Berea Invitational, scoring 175 points with the next closest team scoring 144 in 19 events. The men's team finished in second place with 175 points barely edging out the top spot by Lindsey Wilson College with 185.5 points in 20 events.

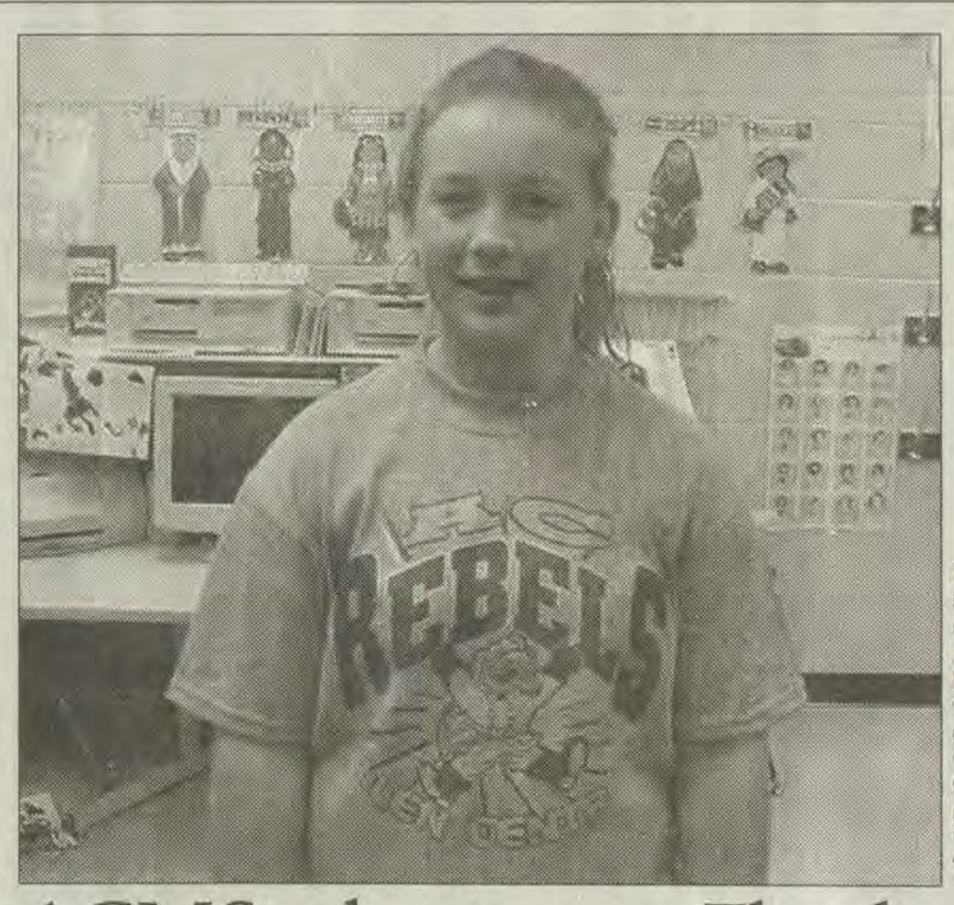
In the men's competition Jordan Jeffers (Fairview, Tenn.) took the top spot in the 100m dash with a time of 10.75 while Lawrence McGee (Quitman, Ga.) came in third with a time of 11.15sec. In the 200m dash Jeffers took first as well with a time of 21.42 while McGee came in seventh, his time 22.96. Brandon Careathers (Rome, Ga.) came in 11th with a time of 23.46 in the 200m dash as well. Jarred Tackett (Jenkins) took first in the 400m run, Kraig Kitts (Sharp's Chapel, Tenn.) came in fifth with a time of 52.95, and Caleb Brooks (Louisville) came in seventh, his time 55.23. Cumberland's Michael Veatch (Middletown, Ohio) took second place in the 800m run with his time of 1:59.09, Alex Revlos (Troy, Ohio) came in seventh with his time of 2:11.58, and Aaron Jefferies (Williamsburg) came in eighth, his time 2:12.21.

In the 1500m run Derrick Breylen (Ft. Thomas) took fourth place with a time of 4:21.38 and Josh Patrick (Williamsburg) took eighth place with a time of 4:50.19. In the 5000m run Carl Roberts (Austin, Ind.) came in third with a time of 16:02.00, Malcom Tipton (Middletown, Ohio) took fourth place with a time of 16:19.27, and Adam Honnold (Frankfort, Ohio) came in ninth with a time of 17:54.49. Landon O'Banion (Camden, Ohio) took fourth place in the 1000m run. In the 110m hurdles Lemuel Holifield (Johnson City, Tenn.) took first place with a time of 15.73 and Brandon Careathers took second with a time of 17.22. Holifield also took first in the 400m hurdles with a time of 55.67, Moses Cochran (Thomasville, Ga.) took second place with a time of 56.33, and Thelton Detry (Port St. Lucie, Fla.) took third with a time of 58.48. In the 3000m steeplechase Brad Wells (Portage, Ohio) took the top slot with a time of 10:11.49 and Landon O'Banion took second with a time of 10:44.63.

The men's teams swept the relays taking first in the 4x100 with a time of 41.95, the 4x400m with a time of 3:22.61, and the 4x800m with a time of 7:46.83. In the long jump Moses Cochran finished fourth with a distance of 21-00.50m while Jordan Jeffers took sixth place with a distance of 19-04.00m. In the javelin throw Caleb Brooks came in 12th with a distance of 120-00m and Caleb Dodson (Valpraiso, Ind.) finished 17th.

What was painfully absent from this meet was the pole vault event. Realizing that this is a hypothetical scenario, Cumberland does have probably the best pole vaulter in the conference and if this event had been present at this meet the men's team could have very possibly won the team scores with a first place finish by Caleb Dodson.

The Patriots will wrap up their season at the NAIA Outdoor Nationals on May 26-28 in Louisville.



Erica Meade showed her support for the Allen Central Middle School volleyball team earlier in the week during the Floyd County Volleyball Tournament.

ACMS advances to Floyd County Tournament Semifinals

TIMES STAFF REPORT

EASTERN – The Allen Central Middle School volleyball team pulled off a win over Stumbo in first round action of the Floyd County Volleyball Tournament, 2-0 (21-7, 21-11).

The host Mustangs could not mount an offense from their serve receive formation miscuing 22 serves and allowing two Aces. Koko Martin put 12 serves in play recording an Ace while Brittany Hodge put six in play and received Allen Central's other Ace.

The Rebel defense returned 25 Stumbo point attempts setting up their offense 14 times while taking eight Attack tries. Hannah Howard earned four confirmed digs without error and Hodge turned back three Mustang attempts without error. Brittany Johnson returned six Stumbo volleys committing two errors. Kimbo Blevins and Martin each earned three digs, Kristin Reed returned two attempts, and Tiffany Clark, Sasha Jones, Brittany Smith, and Whitney Ousley dug up one each.

Howard ran the offense five times getting two assists setting Hodge three times. Martin ran the offense six times earning an assist and Brittany Clark received an assist placing one for Jones. Kimbo Blevins' attack game was perfect on the night, getting one kill on the Martin set and popping in a backcourt hit on a broken offense set. Hodge thumped in two kills in four tries and Jones skidded one in with one attempt.

ACMS was back in action last night in the semifinals against Mountain Christian Academy, a winner over Betsy Layne. Results were unavailable.

photo by Jamie Howell
Visiting Paintsville beat Prestonsburg 11-1 Tuesday evening in a fast-pitch softball game held at Archer Park. Pictured at the plate is Prestonsburg's Rikki Hughes.

Heart condition caused basketball player's death

– THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE – Western Kentucky basketball player Danny Rumph's death was caused by cardiomyopathy, a condition that causes cardiac arrhythmia and sudden death, the school said Wednesday.

Rumph collapsed and died Sunday during a pickup game in his hometown of Philadelphia. The 21-year-old junior guard was visiting his family when he died.

Funeral services were scheduled for May 16 at 11 a.m. at Mt. Zion Baptist Church of Germantown in Philadelphia.

Arrangements were being made for a memorial service in Bowling Green.

The 6-foot-2 Rumph started 29 of 31 games last season, averaging nine points and three assists.

Blackcats take two from Pike Central

Five-run fourth inning lifts P'burg in opener

by JAMIE HOWELL
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BUCKLEYS CREEK – After opening the season by winning 9 of 13 games the Prestonsburg Blackcats have struggled of late, but after traveling to Pike Central and taking both games of a double-header the Blackcats seem to have hit stride once again. Pike Central scored early in the game as Tyler Smith's double to the gap in left field scored J.R. Chaney and the Hawks took a 1-0 lead after one inning. Prestonsburg answered and went on to win 8-4.

Andrew Shepherd would silence the Hawk bats over the next three innings as Pike Central could not muster any offense.

Prestonsburg got on the board in the third inning after Tyler Layne opened the inning with a base hit and came around to score on the heels of a hit bats man and an RBI single from Brandon Campbell. Campbell came in to score on a sac fly from Bobby Hughes to give P'burg a 2-1 lead.

Prestonsburg took control of the game in the fourth inning as the cats scored five times capped by a two run double from Tyler Layne. Josh Rodebaugh finished the night with two doubles to his credit. Shepherd picked up the win for Prestonsburg as the Blackcats improved to 12-6 on the season.

Game 2: Prestonsburg 12, Pike Central 10:

In the nightcap it was Prestonsburg that came away with the win again in a high scoring affair. Pike Central once again jumped out to the early lead by scoring two runs in the bottom of the first inning, but the lead would by a short one as the cats scored five times in the top of the second. Prestonsburg got base hits from Josh Rodebaugh, Corey Tincher, Brandon Campbell, Bobby Hughes and Nick McGuire in the explosive second inning. Prestonsburg scored three more runs in both the third and fourth inning to take help take control. Tincher, Rodebaugh and Andrew Shepherd all got in on the Blackcat hit parade in the third inning.

Brenton Hamilton and Bobby Hughes combined to help pick up the win on the mound for Prestonsburg. With the sweep of the twin bill, Prestonsburg improved to 13-6 on the season.

JCHS looking for girls teams for holiday tourney

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PAINTSVILLE – The Johnson Central Lady Eagle basketball team will host its Country Music Holiday Classic on Dec. 20-23. Participating teams will play four games, with two counting on each team's schedule.

"There will be two Round Robin pools of four and depending on how you do in your pool will decide on what place you play for when we cross the two pools," said Johnson Central Coach Phillip Wireman.

"We will pay for five rooms for teams and coaches. Also, we will provide one meal for each team per day and give team members a t-shirt along with a coaches gift."

For more information on the Johnson Central holiday tournament, call Phillip Wireman at 606/789-2500 or email him at pwireman@johnson.k12.ky.us.

■ Morgan County High School needs two teams for its girls' basketball summer league.

Dates are June 7, 14, 21 and 22. Two games per evening; the fee is $250 per team. Each team will get a total of eight games.

■ Georgetown College Women's Basketball One Day High School Team Shootout Saturday, July 16 Open to the first 16 teams who sign-up.

Each team is guaranteed three games.

First game starts at 11 a.m. and play will be completed by 7:30 p.m.

All games played in air conditioned facilities on the campus of Georgetown College.

Cost is $150 per team.

Payment due in full by Friday, June 24.

For more information, contact Mark Ciociola via email at mark_ciociola@georgetowncollege.edu or 502/863-7020, or Susan Johnson at sjohnson@georgetowncollege.edu.

HAP LITTLE LEAGUE

Recently in HAP (Harold-Allen-Prater) Little League B-team play, the Cubs beat the Reds 14-5. Peyton Case and Dustin Rogers (pictured below) are two key players for the Cubs. In his pitching effort against the Cubs, Case allowed no hits and recorded nine strikeouts. Rogers had two inside-the-park home runs.

Kentucky freshman to declare for NBA draft

by MURRAY EVANS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

photo courtesy of UK Athletics
University of Kentucky freshman Randolph Morris has declared for the NBA Draft.

LEXINGTON – Kentucky freshman center Randolph Morris will enter this year's NBA draft but has not hired an agent, thus retaining his college basketball eligibility.

Kentucky athletic department spokesman Scott Stricklin wouldn't confirm Morris' decision, but Kentucky coach Tubby Smith told the Lexington Herald-Leader on Tuesday that Morris was "going to test the water."

Attempts to reach Morris' family in Atlanta were unsuccessful and Morris' high school coach, Bryan Bartley, did not immediately return a phone call left at his office Wednesday morning.

Morris is the second Kentucky underclassman this year to decide to enter the draft. Junior swingman Kelenna Azubuike announced his plans last month and signed with an agent, Joel Bell, thus ending his college eligibility.

The deadline for underclassmen to enter the NBA draft is Saturday. The draft will be held June 28. Morris could withdraw his name from the draft as late as June 21 and, because he hasn't hired an agent, return for his sophomore season at Kentucky.

Before Azubuike's departure, Kentucky figured to have four starters return for next season. Now, if Morris leaves, the Wildcats will have only two: guards Rajon Rondo and Patrick Sparks.

The 6-foot-10, 266-pound Morris chose Kentucky over Georgia Tech after considering a jump straight from high school to the NBA. Morris started 33 of Kentucky's 34 games this past season, averaging 8.8 points and 4.2 rebounds in 19.8 minutes per game as the Wildcats finished 28-6.

Morris struggled much of the season with foul trouble – he led the team with 102 fouls – but played his best basketball in the NCAA tournament. He had his first career double double against Cincinnati, finishing with 11 points and 12 rebounds in a 69-60 second-round win. In a 94-88 double-overtime loss to Michigan State in a regional final, he scored 20 points.

Morris, a McDonald's All-America selection who attended Landmark Christian School in Atlanta, was part of a ballyhooed recruiting class that included two other McDonald's All-Americans, Rondo and guard Joe Crawford, as well as guard Ramel Bradley.

Morris' primary backups were a pair of sophomores, 7-foot Lukasz Obrzut and 7-foot-3 Shagari Alleyne, who combined to average 4.0 points and 2.5 rebounds per game. Kentucky also has signed another center, 7-foot-2 Jared Carter of Georgetown.

As of Wednesday, only three freshmen had declared for the NBA draft: Morris, Auburn guard Toney Douglas and North Carolina forward Marvin Williams. Williams has signed with an agent.

Eagles rally from 9-0 deficit to defeat Marshall 10-9

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD – The Morehead State University baseball team rallied from a 9-0 deficit to defeat Marshall, 10-9, Wednesday evening at Allen Field in Morehead.

Sophomore Donald Cheney smacked a walk-off single in the bottom of the ninth inning that scored Pete Troyer to give the Eagles the victory.

Marshall's Joe Glevenyak hit a three-run home run in the first inning, and the Herd scored six more runs in the second inning, four on a grand slam home run by Tommy Johnson, to take the 9-0 lead.

Eagle starter Michael Rebok lasted only the two innings. But, four Eagle relievers combined to pitch two-hit shutout baseball over the final seven innings to give the MSU offense a chance to erase the deficit.

Still trailing 9-0, MSU struck for eight runs in the sixth inning. Senior left fielder Travis Rima hit a grand slam home run. Three batters later, senior Bryan Ingram hit a two-run shot to make the score 9-6. The Eagles added two more runs in the inning on a ground out by catcher Jarred Seasor and a single by right fielder Dustin Miles.

MSU tied the game in the eighth inning on a single by senior center fielder Kevin Bryant that scored Cheney, setting the stage for the ninth inning heroics.

Reid Kittleson, MSU's fifth and final pitcher, pitched a scoreless top of the ninth inning and got the win to raise his record to 4-2. Brandon Bump, the fourth Marshall pitcher, hurled the Herd out of trouble in the bottom of the eighth inning, but then surrendered the winning run in the ninth to see his record fall to 3-4.

MSU is now 27-21 overall, Marshall is 15-29. The Eagles, who are in first place in the Ohio Valley Conference standings, will play host to league foe Eastern Illinois for a three-game series this weekend. Saturday's doubleheader will begin at 2 p.m. EDT, Sunday's single game at 1 p.m. Mid-American Conference rival Ball State will visit Huntington Friday-Sunday for a three-game series with the Herd.

Tight points race highlights O'Reilly NARA BoB DirtCar Series

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – The sixth points race of the 2005 racing season for the O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series presented by Arizona Sport Shirts is set to take place Saturday night at the Soggy Bottom Speedway in Morgantown. Heading into the event, a mere 60 points separates series leader Whitney McQueary from fourth-place Chris Combs. A Letcher County native, Combs is quickly climbing the Late Model racing ranks.

It will be the fifth ever appearance for Kentucky's premier Dirt Late Model sanctioning body at the Mack and Lesa Gabbard-promoted facility which opened in 1989. In four previous O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series visits, Johnny Wheeler has two wins with Aaron Hatton and Victor Lee each claiming one victory. Also on the race card for the first time this season will be the NARA Battle of the Bluegrass Modified Series.

There will be a complete race program for the BoB drivers with Racing Optics Time Trials, VP Fuels Makin' Power Heat Races, B-Mains and the O'Reilly Auto Parts A-Main. The Late Model feature will pay $3000 to win and the Modified feature will pay $1500 to win.

After five O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series events thus far in 2005, five different drivers have graced victory lane, four of which have been first-time winners. Rick Combs took the season opening Spring 50 Tune-Up at Florence Speedway with Dan Schlieper winning the following night's Spring 50. Scott James collected his fourth win with the series at Paducah Int'l Raceway while Shannon Babb and McQueary each garnered their first victories at Bluegrass Speedway and 201 Speedway, respectively.

Going into Soggy Bottom, McQueary leads the O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series standings with 890 points followed by Mike Jewell with 870 points, Michael England with 860 points, Chris Combs with 830 points, and Tim Tungate with 750 points. Chris Combs leads Rick Combs, Wayne Chinn, Frankie Coomer, and Blake Chinn in the Rookie of the Year point standings.

Soggy Bottom Speedway is located in Morgantown, take the Western Kentucky Parkway to exit 27 at the Natcher Parkway, then go two and a half miles south on State Route 70. The track phone number on race day is 270/ 526-0600. For further information about directions please log on to the track's website at www.soggybottomspeedway.net.

Waltrip has found whole new audience to entertain

by MIKE HARRIS
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When Cale Yarborough dubbed Darrell Waltrip "Jaws," it certainly was not meant as a compliment.

Yarborough, who often battled bumper-to-bumper with Waltrip on the racetrack and jaw-to-jaw off it, liked to say: "That guy just never shuts up."

Waltrip, who often refers to himself as "Old DW," chuckles when reminded of those long-ago run-ins with his fellow three-time NASCAR champion, and his reputation as one of the most outspoken drivers in the sport's history.

"It's funny if you think about it," Waltrip said. "Now I make a pretty decent living talking."

That he does.

Waltrip, who retired from NASCAR's top stock car series following the 2000 season, is a color analyst on Fox Sports TV's coverage of Nextel Cup racing.

Combined with the latest in high-tech electronics and cutting-edge graphics, Fox commentators' "down home" style of humor and their relaxed approach in the booth – they often sound like race fans sitting and jawing about their favorite sport in a sports bar – has reinvented TV race coverage.

Waltrip, who went from a hated villain in his early driving days to a revered elder statesman before he retired, has been a big part of that.

His inventive "Boogity, boogity, boogity!" – shouted as the field takes the green flag for the start of the race – has become a signature line.

"I heard the word boogity a lot as a kid growing up in Kentucky but, a combination of three of them together, I don't think I'd heard that before," Waltrip said. "That `Green, green, green! Go, go, go!' didn't do it for me.

"I just blurted that out one day and Mike (Joy) and Larry (McReynolds) both looked at me like, `Where in the world did you get that from?'

"We at Fox are supposed to be provocative, supposed to be cutting edge, a little different," Waltrip added. "There's people who love `Boogity, boogity, boogity!' and there's people who hate it. You can't make everybody happy. When you're driving a car, you've got people who like you as a driver and you've got people who dislike you as a driver. I'm accustomed to that."

Waltrip insists he never expected to remain in the spotlight once he stopped racing on a full-time basis – he still races a NASCAR truck once or twice a season.

"You don't usually get a chance to go from one successful career to another successful career," he said. "It's kind of unique. It's not an easy transition.

"The thing about when you drive, you can have a lot of fans. I had 10,000 members in my fan club. That's a big fan club. Now, I've probably got millions of members in my fan club, because that's how many people watch the races.

"I'm not saying everybody agrees with what you do. I'm not competing against anyone, so I am one with an audience of millions. Your face is more recognizable because you're not hiding behind a helmet. People see you on TV and they recognize you."

Waltrip said one thing he gets a big kick from is that more people now recognize his voice than his face.

"I can be walking around in a mall or in a grocery store or airport or anywhere and people will come over and say, `I thought that was you. I recognized your voice.'

"It's been rather amazing to me," Waltrip said. "I figured that after I retired, I'd be done and people would forget about Old DW for a while. Then, someday, they'd induct me into a Hall of Fame and remember that I had a great driving career. But the TV thing has actually turned out to be bigger and better than my driving career ever was."

And, as he expected, Waltrip, tied for third on the career victory list with Bobby Allison with 84 wins _ one more than Yarborough – made it into that Hall of Fame. He was inducted into the International Motorsports Hall of Fame in Talladega, Ala., on April 29 in his first year of eligibility.

photo courtesy of Toyota Motorsports

Kentucky native Darrell Waltrip has taken his auto racing expertise into the broadcast booth.

Michael Waltrip, Darrell's younger brother and a current Cup driver, presented Old DW for induction.

"He's a wonderful person, a great role model on and off the track," Michael said in introducing Darrell. "He broke the mold on what a race driver was supposed to be about."

Now, the elder Waltrip is breaking some ground in TV, too.

"The thing that's so neat about it is I'm having more fun now than I've had in my life," Old DW said. "Whenever I start thinking about what's coming next, I just think, `Boogity, boogity, boogity! Let's do it.'"

Busch's team wins Pit Crew Championship

by JENNA FRYER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MOORESVILLE, N.C. – Kurt Busch's team won the National Pit Crew Championship, defeating Jeremy Mayfield's crew in the final round with a mistake-free stop Monday night.

Busch's crew, which helped him win the Nextel Cup championship last season, didn't make a single mistake during the competition and picked up $100,000 for the win.

Mayfield's team earned $25,000 for finishing second.

Joe Nemechek's crew was third – missing out on a spot in the finals because of a two-second penalty for a loose lug nut in the semifinals.

The competition was a bracket-style tournament that pitted crews against each other in four rounds. Teams had to change four tires and fill the car with fuel in a race against the stopwatch. Each tire changer had to push a button on the wall to stop the clock, and many teams had a team member pick the changer up and throw him at the wall.

Penalties were issued for loose lug nuts, excessive fuel spillage, or not getting enough gas in the car.

Busch's team made it through each round without a single penalty.

"I tell you, this team is awesome," crew chief Jimmy Fennig said. "All the stops tonight, everything was perfect. That's awesome."

Mayfield's crew had a tough battle to get into the finals, squaring off against Kasey Kahne's crew – their teammates at Evernham Motorsports – in the semis. Both teams were sloppy with several loose lug nuts, and Mayfield's made it in based on fewer errors.

Then the crew went up against Busch's team, which completed its stop in 16.342 seconds. Mayfield's team clocked in at 16.439, but was penalized four seconds for two loose lug nuts.

An additional $500,000 was up for grabs in a bonus round, open to the top three finishing teams and one wild card, which was Greg Biffle's crew.

The crews had to complete an error-free stop in 14.437 seconds to earn the money. Busch's crew came close – front tire changer Scott Ward did his part in 14.121 seconds and celebrated by jumping on the hood of his car. But rear changer Kevin Gillman clocked in at 14.900, just short of the bonus.

Gillman was thrown by a teammate to the wall in that round for the first time and it wasn't clear if he hit the button on the first try.

"I don't know if I missed it or not," he said. "We tried something different with my carrier throwing me against the wall, and I wasn't sure if I got the button on the first try so I gave it a second swipe."

There was no denying that Ward did, though.

"I was kind of dumbfounded when I saw the time," he said.

Ward's effort impressed his fellow competitors.

"Scott, I'm jealous, man," said Slugger Labbe, crew chief for Mayfield's team. "That was a great effort. Where else can you go for half a million dollars in 14 seconds?"

The winning crew members were: Mark Full (front tire carrier), Ward (front tire changer), Scott Radel (jackman), Doug Newell (fueler), Jim Gaudette (catch can), Gillman (rear tire changer), Jason Binger (rear tire carrier) and Wayne DeLoria (coach).

Busch's team is the most recent crew from Roush Racing to win this sort of competition. The crew of Roush teammate Matt Kenseth won two consecutive titles under a previous format.

"We have the best pit crews in NASCAR," DeLoria boasted. "If nothing else, you could see tonight what athletes these guys are."

The competition was created by the Crew Chief Club, which wanted a contest that rewarded the behind-the-scenes team members who play such a pivotal role in a driver's success.

Unocal sponsored a similar contest for 36 years at North Carolina Speedway, but the fuel company pulled out of NASCAR last season. The competition went with it.

So the Crew Chief Club came up with this one, which pitted the top 30 teams in the Nextel Cup points standings and the top 10 Busch series teams against each other in a bracket-style tournament. The four Cup teams from Hendrick Motorsports declined to participate.

Shortly after the event was announced, NASCAR and Nextel said they, too, would hold a pit crew competition. That event is scheduled for May 19th at the Charlotte Coliseum, and the Hendrick teams are participating in that one.

Because two competitions is one too many, both sides have agreed to try to merge it into one event next season. So all eyes were on this one to see how it would unfold.

Except for long pauses between rounds, and the event running well over its scheduled end time, it seemed to go well. The temporary bleachers were filled to capacity – roughly 4,000 fans – and several drivers were on hand to support their crews.

There was some controversy during the first round, when Biffle's pit crew appeared to hit the buzzer that stopped the timer before the gas man had finished filling the car. Officials reviewed tape of the stop several times, and commentator Larry McReynolds, who helped organize the event, came out of the broadcast booth to participate in the ruling.

It was decided that the gas man was done pumping in the fuel when the buzzer was hit, and Biffle's crew advanced to the second round.

Ex-football stars run rising Busch team

by JOHN ZENOR
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The FitzBradshaw Racing team draws from the quarterback's calm-under-fire presence and the linebacker's fiery emotion.

Terry Bradshaw and Armando Fitz are ex-football players who partner on the Busch racing team, with management styles that mesh with each other – and their former positions.

Fitz was a four-year starting linebacker for Vanderbilt.

"If something happens on the track, he's throwing stuff," FitzBradshaw driver Tim Fedewa said.

Bradshaw is a folksy ex-quarterback who won four Super Bowls with the Pittsburgh Steelers.

"Terry, believe it or not, he takes a step back and looks at the whole thing and keeps Armando calm," Fedewa said. "They balance each other out real well."

Together, Fitz and Bradshaw are nurturing the up-and-coming racing team toward a move up to Nextel Cup competition. In the meantime, Fitz and his Pro Football Hall of Fame partner have had to learn that losing is a big part of NASCAR.

"That's probably been the hardest thing for him with this sport," Fitz said. "Both of us grew up playing football. When we both showed up on game day, we had a 50 percent chance of winning. With this sport, there's only one winner and 42 losers.

"It's hard to get used to the fact that there's only going to be one winner."

So far, that winner hasn't been one of the FitzBradshaw drivers, but they've been edging closer to contention as the team has grown from one car in 2002 into a three-car team.

David Stremme, 27, has driven the No. 14 U.S. Navy Dodge into seventh place in the Busch standings, recording four top-five finishes and another top-10 result in 11 races this season. He was 10th last year and won rookie of the year honors in 2003.

Fedewa, 38, hasn't had as much success in the No. 12 Supercuts/Hot Tamales Dodge and ranks 20th, four spots worse than last year's finish. Veteran Sterling Marlin (30th) and Scott Lagasse split time in the third car.

Fitz and Stremme agree FitzBradshaw isn't quite ready for a rise to Nextel Cup competition.

"There's a lot more we need to do here in the Busch program, but for the most part we've turned it around this year," Stremme said. "I think they've made that corner and we're improving each race."

Fitz said being competitive is paramount – at whatever level.

"We don't have any desire to get up there and just run in the back," he said. "We're just now turning the corner on the Busch series. It's taken us a while. We started from scratch and we've slowly just built our team."

Fitz and his wife, Mimi, purchased the Busch team of her father, Felix Sabates, at the end of the 2000 season. Fitz met Bradshaw when the ex-quarterback was serving as grand marshal at Daytona. Bradshaw was a longtime NASCAR fan, but it took a while to forge the partnership.

Fitz wasn't looking for a partner. He especially wasn't looking for a token celebrity who would get his name on the ownership role then fade out of the picture.

"I just said, 'Let's just see if you and I can even be friends before we do something like this,'" Fitz said. "The worst thing that can happen is you bring on a celebrity sponsor who makes promises of going to the racetrack, going to commercials, that you're going to deliver off-track stuff, and then you don't."

It hasn't been a problem with Bradshaw, though as an NFL studio analyst for Fox he has to miss most of the fall races.

"When he comes here, he's just kind of one of the guys," Stremme said. "He'll give us his opinion on teamwork. He's a big celebrity and he's a big part of our organization.

"Armando is in the shop every day. He'll come out in the morning, have a cup of coffee, walk around and talk to all the guys in the shop, no matter whether he's a parts guy or a guy who cleans the floors or crew chief."

Fedewa hopes FitzBradshaw can find the same winning formula that Bradshaw's Steelers employed.

"You don't have to have all No. 1 draft picks on your team to win the Super Bowl," he said. "You just have to have a good group of people that work hard together and has one goal in common. That's at least what we strive for."

2005 NASCAR Nextel Cup schedule and standings

Feb. 20 – Daytona 500,
Daytona Beach, Fla. (Jeff Gordon)
Feb. 27 – Auto Club 500,
Fontana, Calif. (Greg Biffle)
March 13 – UAW-DaimlerChrysler 400,
Las Vegas. (Jimmie Johnson)
March 20 – Golden Corral 500,
Hampton, Ga. (Carl Edwards)
April 3 – Food City 500,
Bristol, Tenn. (Kevin Harvick)
April 10 – Advance Auto Parts 500,
Martinsville, Va. (Jeff Gordon)
April 17 – Samsung/RadioShack 500,
Fort Worth, Texas (Greg Biffle)
April 23 – Subway Fresh 500,
Avondale, Ariz. (Kurt Busch)
May 1 – Aaron's 499,
Talladega, Ala. (Jeff Gordon)
May 7 – Dodge Charger 500,
Darlington, S.C. (Greg Biffle)
May 14 – Chevy American Revolution 400,
Richmond, Va.
May 29 – Coca-Cola 600,
Concord, N.C.
June 5 – MBNA America 400,
Dover, Del.
June 12 – Pocono 500,
Long Pond, Pa.
June 19 – Michigan 400,
Brooklyn, Mich.
June 26 – Dodge/Save Mart 350,
Sonoma, Calif.
July 2 – Pepsi 400,
Daytona Beach, Fla.
July 10 – Chicagoland 400,
Joliet, Ill.
July 17 – New England 300,
Loudon, N.H.
July 24 – Pennsylvania 500,
Long Pond, Pa.
Aug. 7 – Brickyard 400,
Indianapolis.
Aug. 14 – Sirius at The Glen,
Watkins Glen, N.Y.
Aug. 21 – GFS Marketplace 400,
Brooklyn, Mich.
Aug. 27 – Sharpie 500,
Bristol, Tenn.
Sept. 4 – California 500,
Fontana, Calif.
Sept. 10 – Chevy Rock & Roll 400,
Richmond, Va.
Sept. 18 – Sylvania 300,
Loudon, N.H.
Sept. 25 – MBNA 400,
Dover, Del.
Oct. 2 – UAW-Ford 500,
Talladega, Ala.
Oct. 9 – Banquet 400,
Kansas City, Kan.
Oct. 15 – UAW-GM Quality 500,
Concord, N.C.
Oct. 23 – Subway 500,
Martinsville, Va.
Oct. 30 – Bass Pro Shops MBNA 400,
Hampton, Ga.
Nov. 6 – Dickies 500,
Fort Worth, Texas
Nov. 13 – Checker Auto Parts 500,
Avondale, Ariz.
Nov. 20 – Ford 400,
Homestead, Fla.

Driver Standings

1. Jimmie Johnson, 1,519
2. Jeff Gordon, 1,392
3. Greg Biffle, 1,371
4. Kurt Busch, 1,290
5. Elliott Sadler, 1,267
6. Mark Martin, 1,226
7. Tony Stewart, 1,222
8. Jamie McMurray, 1,217
9. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 1,212
10. Ryan Newman, 1,205
11. Kevin Harvick, 1,204
12. Dale Jarrett, 1,203
13. Carl Edwards, 1,189
14. Rusty Wallace, 1,184
15. Jeremy Mayfield, 1,133
16. Jeff Burton, 1,113
17. Michael Waltrip, 1,097
18. Sterling Marlin, 1,074
19. Kasey Kahne, 1,071
20. Joe Nemechek, 1,003

Padres 7, Reds 2

by JOE KAY
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CINCINNATI – Top draft pick Tim Stauffer got a win on his very first try, helping Bruce Bochy get No. 800.

Stauffer repeatedly pitched out of jams of his own making during his big league debut, and Ryan Klesko hit a three-run homer Wednesday that led the San Diego Padres to a 7-2 victory over the Cincinnati Reds.

San Diego's eighth victory in 10 games handed Bochy his 800th win as a manager. Only Bobby Cox, Joe Torre and Tony La Russa have more wins with their current clubs.

Dave Roberts had four hits and Mark Loretta got five at the top of San Diego's order, leading a 16-hit outburst. Klesko's sixth homer in his last nine games put San Diego ahead to stay in the fourth.

The Reds have lost 11 of 13, taking a nosedive into last place in the NL Central.

Stauffer (1-0), the fourth overall pick in 2003, calmed himself with deep breaths and made good pitches when it mattered. The right-hander gave up two runs, four hits and three walks in six innings, turning a 5-2 lead over to the bullpen.

Reds starter Paul Wilson (1-4) failed to retire any of the eight batters he faced in his last outing – a 10-run first inning by the Dodgers last Friday. The right-hander struggled through five-plus innings this time, and ultimately got beat by an old nemesis.

Klesko's three-run homer in the fourth put the Padres up 4-2 and left him 8-for-16 career against Wilson with six homers. Wilson matched his career high by giving up 12 hits overall, a fitting ending to a 2-7 homestand that was horrific and historic.

It started with St. Louis pulling off the greatest ninth-inning comeback in its history, seven runs for a 10-9 win. Closer Danny Graves got booed off the field after the Reds' biggest ninth-inning collapse since 1952.

That year became a reference point again in Wilson's last start, when the Reds gave up 10 first-inning runs for the first time since 1952.

Finally, Graves blew another big ninth-inning lead on Monday, allowing the Padres to rally from a 5-1 deficit to a 6-5, 13-inning victory that dropped the Reds into last place.

The final game will be remembered more for what it meant to the Padres – an eagerly awaited debut.

Stauffer, a 21-year-old with boyish looks, repeatedly pitched in and out of trouble. He throws four pitches – fastball, changeup, curve and sinker – and is known for his composure.

It was tested right away. Stauffer hit the first batter he faced – Ryan Freel – on a 1-2 pitch, then gave up Felipe Lopez's fourth homer. Five pitches, and he was pitching from behind. And, it was about to get worse.

The Reds went on to load the bases with none out – Stauffer also hit Adam Dunn on a 1-2 pitch – and Darrell May was warming up in the bullpen. That's when Stauffer got a reprieve. Joe Randa grounded into a third-to-home double play, and Austin Kearns lined out.

Stauffer jogged to the bench, took another deep breath, sipped water from a bottle and took it all in.

The Reds loaded the bases again in the third with one out, helped by a pair of walks, but Randa popped out and Kearns swung through a 93 mph fastball. Stauffer's coaches and teammates applauded and patted him when he got to the bench.

Notes: The Padres left the bases loaded twice. The Reds did it once. San Diego stranded 15 runners overall, 10 in scoring position. ... Stauffer beat out an infield single in his first major league at-bat. ... Bochy is the 65th manager to get 800 career wins. ... Ken Griffey Jr. had a double and a single. He has hit safely in 14 of his last 15 games. ... Wilson is 1-7 in eight career starts against the Padres with an 8.84 ERA. ... Reds C Jason LaRue was hitless in three at-bats, leaving him 0-for-22.

Utility player Ryan Freel pleads guilty to DUI

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NEWPORT – Cincinnati Reds utility player Ryan Freel pleaded guilty Tuesday in Campbell County District Court to a charge of driving under the influence of alcohol.

A judge suspended Freel's driver's license for 90 days and assessed fines and court costs totaling $600.

Freel, 29, was arrested in the northern Kentucky community of Bellevue, across the Ohio River from Cincinnati, the night the season started. He was charged with operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol, careless driving and having an open container in a motor vehicle.

He has been free on bond, and entered his plea at Tuesday's pretrial hearing. In enchange for his plea, the other charges were dropped. He will be required to undergo alcohol evaluation and treatment.

Freel declined comment following his plea.

Reds put Aurilia on DL

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI – The Reds put shortstop Rich Aurilia on the 15-day disabled list Wednesday with a strained hamstring, replacing him on the roster with a pitcher.

The Reds called up right-handed starter Elizardo Ramirez from Triple-A Louisville, protecting themselves in case left-hander Brandon Claussen has to miss his next start. Claussen twisted an ankle in the fourth inning of Reds' 5-1 victory over San Diego on Tuesday night.

Aurilia was hitting .198 when he strained his left hamstring while running out a ground ball on Tuesday night, forcing him from the game. Aurilia is in a 4-for-32 slump.

His injury opens the way for Felipe Lopez to take over at shortstop.

Ramirez was 2-1 with a 3.32 ERA in six starts for Louisville. He made his major league debut last year with Philadelphia. The Reds got him as part of a trade that sent Cory Lidle to the Phillies last season.

Norfolk 3, Louisville 1

– THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE – Brian Daubach went 3-for-4 as the Norfolk Tides beat the Louisville Bats 3-1 in an International League game Wednesday.

Norfolk reliever Juan Padilla (2-0) came into the game in the fifth inning and struck out the first seven batters he faced for the win.

Louisville starter Miguel Saladin (0-1) allowed two runs on six hits in three innings and was tagged with the loss.

Louisville's lone run came when pinch-hitter Luis Lopez singled in the fifth to score Alex Pelaez.

Legends stop four-game slide

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

GREENSBORO, N.C. – The third time was charm for the Lexington Legends. Like the first two games of the Greensboro series, the Legends jumped out to a lead Wednesday evening, but this time Lexington held on for a 10-1 win.

The victory ended a season high four-game losing streak. Lexington improved to 20-13 and stayed three games behind first place Hagerstown and just a half game behind the Grasshoppers in the Northern Division.

Troy Patton worked just 3.2 innings. Patton allowed a run on five hits. Chad Reineke was terrific out of the bullpen, allowing a single in 3.1 innings. Ryan Thompson closed the game with two scoreless innings.

Mitch Einertson had two hits, including his first homer this season and Jonny Ash contributed three hits to lead the Legends attack. Ash was just a home run shy of a cycle. Lou Santangelo and Hunter Pence had two singles. Saul Torres doubled in a run.

Outdoor recreation for boaters, hunters and anglers second to none in Bluegrass State

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FRANKFORT – The Kentucky Derby brings a lot of people and their money to Kentucky each May to watch horse racing. But that's not the only state attraction that does. Think about this: Nearly $5 billion each year is generated in the Kentucky tourism industry from outdoor-related recreation such as hunting, fishing, boating and wildlife watching.

These kinds of activities are provided, regulated, monitored and managed for Kentucky residents and tourists through various programs administered by the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR).

Kentucky has a number of tourism-drawing assets that often residents don't realize because they have grown up with opportunities that other states simply don't have. For Kentuckians, some of these opportunities are just routinely available to enjoy. For out-of-staters, coming to Kentucky opens a whole new world they've never had access to in their home state.

Perhaps the single biggest drawing card the Bluegrass State has for attracting outdoor-related recreational dollars from nonresidents is the abundance of water-related sports. Kentucky's 17 major reservoirs, and thousands of miles of rivers and streams is something most other states don't have. Every region of Kentucky has big and small lakes for boating, and for the angler, several types of world-class fishing.

Just a couple examples include Lake Cumberland's 50,000 acres in southcentral Kentucky, where striped bass fishing in the lake, and rainbow and brown trout fishing in the tailwater are as good as anywhere in the nation.

The Kentucky Lake and Lake Barkley area in west Kentucky offers a combined 210,000 acres of water for boaters to explore, and is well-known for outstanding crappie and bass fishing throughout the country. The Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area is a tremendous asset to Kentucky which attracts thousands of hunters, campers and nature enthusiasts year after year.

And to the east, the Daniel Boone National Forest's 600,000 acres, and the beauty of 8,270-acre Cave Run Lake in the fall when trophy-class muskie start returning to shallow water is yet another jewel in the state's crown of attractions.

Likewise, there are many, many other waterways where beating the heat on a scenic cruise, canoeing trip or float-fishing excursion on the river, or by enjoying a fun-filled day of jet-skiing or tubing on a large reservoir is a short drive away.

While Kentucky has also become known in hunting circles for excellent deer and wild turkey hunting, it's newest opportunity to hunt elk truly is a unique drawing card in the Eastern United States.

Now with more than 5,000 free-ranging elk in eastern Kentucky, the opportunities to both see and hunt elk in the fall are quickly expanding. This once native species has been restored by the KDFWR, and is becoming a top attraction for wildlife watchers and big-game sportsmen wanting to try a new experience.

Other wildlife-related activities Kentuckians and tourists alike can take part in include winter weekend viewing tours for bald eagles in the west, and elk watching in the east, offered at some of the state's superb park facilities.

No matter what kind of outdoor recreation you enjoy most, or when you like being out there, Kentucky has something going on somewhere all the time. Fishing, boating, hunting and wildlife-watching are hard to top for ways to enjoy the natural world and its resources, and there's no better place than the Commonwealth of Kentucky to do it.

For more information on a trip or vacation to Kentucky, visit the KDFWR website at fw.ky.gov and find out more about what makes the Kentucky outdoors outstanding. Links to other Commerce Cabinet agencies for state park and tourism-related information are available on KDFWR site.

Fish and Wildlife Commission will accept resumes for KDFWR Commissioner through May 30

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FRANKFORT – The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources Commission will continue accepting resumes in its nationwide search for the agency's next commissioner through May 30.

Commission Chairman Doug Hensley calls finding the right person to head the state agency charged with the protection and conservation of the Commonwealth's wildlife resources a top priority for the nine-member commission.

"This is a big job and a great opportunity for the right person," said Hensley, of Hazard, an 18-year member of the Department's guiding body. "Every member of this commission is committed to getting the best person for this job."

"This agency has done so much for the wildlife, sportsmen and women and citizens of this state," he said. "The KDFWR is regarded highly among state fish and wildlife agencies across the country for its wildlife restoration successes.

"We've made huge gains with wildlife restorations, public land acquisition, increased hunting, fishing and wildlife recreational opportunity, youth hunting and outdoor skills advancement, conservation education, and wildlife and boating law enforcement," said Hensley. "And this department is on more solid fiscal ground today than at any time in its history.

"We have better fishing and wildlife recreation in Kentucky now than we have ever had," said Hensley. "This is the best job in the country. We will find the right person."

Hensley is inviting persons with a knowledge of and experience in the requirements for the protection, conservation and restoration of the wildlife resources of the Commonwealth to apply. He says the commission prefers persons with a college degree in a relevant area and 10 years of experience, but allows that exceptional experience may substitute for the education requirements.

By law, the Commissioner works for the Fish and Wildlife Commission and has general supervision and control of all activities, functions, appointments, and employees of the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. The KDFWR commissioner enforces all provisions of the laws of the state relating to wild animals, birds, fish and amphibians. A more complete description of the position and requirements is posted at the KDFWR website at http://fw.ky.gov.

Interested persons should send a detailed resume' to: Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources Commission, 1 Game Farm Road, Frankfort, Ky. 40601. Resumes must be received no later than May 30.

HORSE RACING

Belmont Stakes still possible for Bellamy Road?

by RICHARD ROSENBLATT
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NEW YORK – Bellamy Road has not been ruled out of the Belmont Stakes, although it's unlikely that the beaten Kentucky Derby favorite owned by Yankees boss George Steinbrenner will be healthy enough to run in the final leg of the Triple Crown.

Edward Sexton, who runs Steinbrenner's Kinsman Farm in Ocala, Fla., said Wednesday that Bellamy Road's popped splint in his left front leg was "a very minute injury" and the 3-year-old colt would resume light training in two weeks.

"He'll be back in full training in three to four weeks," Sexton said. "The Belmont is looking doubtful, but we'll just have to see what happens."

On Tuesday, trainer Nick Zito told the Web sites of The Daily Racing Form and The Blood-Horse that Bellamy Road would miss the Preakness on May 21 and the Belmont on June 11, then be pointed to the Travers at Saratoga on Aug. 27.

The Preakness is definitely out, with Sexton saying the report "was blown out of proportion."

"The injury is not serious. It's just bad timing," Sexton said in a telephone interview. "We could run him in the Preakness and Belmont, but he'd never race again. This is not about greed. We have to stop. The horse comes first and you have to admire Mr. Steinbrenner for that. He took it like a man."

After Bellamy Road finished seventh in Saturday's Derby as the 5-2 favorite, the injury was discovered Tuesday at Churchill Downs. A popped splint is a racing term for inflammation of the tissue covering a splint bone – a small bone between the ankle and knee.

If Bellamy Road misses the Belmont, Sexton said the son of Concerto would be pointed to a schedule that includes a prep race or two before the Travers, followed by the Jockey Club Gold Cup on Oct. 1, and the Breeders' Cup Classic on Oct. 29, both at Belmont Park.

Giacomo scored the second biggest upset in Derby history with his victory at odds of 50-1. Sexton said the injury affected Bellamy Road's performance.

"The horse that was supposed to win the Derby didn't win," Sexton said. "If the horse (Bellamy Road) was 100 percent, there would have been the right winner. He's a super horse. He's a champion, and he'll be back, bigger, better and bolder."

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THROUGH MY EYES

Reflections:

PHS Prom 2005

Cost of formal evening gown: $100+; Cost of sparkly, sequined shoes: $40; Cost of sparkly accessories: $65; Cost of make-up and "prom-do": $50; Cost of tuxedo rental: $130; Cost of tickets, flowers, photos and dining out (per couple): $250; Cost of those who helped single mom afford costs: Awe-inspiring.

Kathy Prater
Lifestyles editor

Cost of gasoline to pick up son and friend at after-prom party, at 3 a.m.: Minimal; Listening to son and friend laugh about swinging "Tarzan style" on old rope tree swing in middle of night while watching misty road through sleepy eyes: Heads and tails above other possible Prom night scenarios; Cost of Sunday morning weekend visit to ER to have son treated for poison oak allergic reaction (Yay! Swinging on rope swings "Tarzan style" in the middle of the night! And, "Happy Mother's Day" to me - yeah, right!): $150 co-pay, with larger bill sure to follow; Cost of prescription medication and over-

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POSTSCRIPT

Political Cats

In light of the dismal political situation this country seems to be wallering in these days, I just have to share a little story that a long-time friend of mine in Pennsylvania sent me, via email.

Pam Shingler
contributing writer

A Senate staffer is taking a stroll around Capitol Hill when he meets a little girl carrying a small basket with a blanket over it. Curious, he says to the girl, "What's in the basket?"

She replies, "New baby kittens." She opens the basket to show him.

"How nice," he says. "What kind are they?"

The little girl says, "Republicans."

He smiles, pats the little girl on the head and continues on.

About three weeks later, he and another member of the Senate staff are again strolling on Capitol Hill

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BSCTC Spring Concert: a success

Big Sandy Community and Technical College Community Choir and the Big Sandy Singers presented A Celebration of Music: A Concert for Spring this past April 30 on the Prestonsburg Campus in the newly renovated Gearheart Auditorium. The performance was directed by Laura Ford Hall and the choir was accompanied by Candace Nall.

The choir presented its performance during the first portion of the program, as they took the audience on a journey through styles and generations of music. The audience was thrilled with songs such as "The Circle of Life," "Over the Rainbow," "Rockin' Robin," and "The Phantom of the Opera Medley," among others. Solos were presented by Nellie Baldwin, Louanna Calhoun, James Eason, Bridget Baker, Violinist Rachael Hayes, Tim Cooley, Judith Valade, Nall, and Hall.

A ten-minute intermission was fol-

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photo by Kathy J. Prater
Tim, right, with mother, Connie Slone, a 30-year employee of Citizens National Bank. Connie worked for The Bank Josephine prior to its purchase by Citizens.

Tim has been in and out of hospitals, suffering with pancreatitis, since age 4. Here, he flashes an optimistic smile during a stay at Vanderbilt Medical Center, in Tennessee, at age 11.

A wish for normalcy - local man seeks assistance with organ transplant

by Kathy J. Prater
FEATURES EDITOR

Imagine life consisting of daily bouts with nausea, dizziness and vomiting; a swollen, tender abdomen; and, feverish sleepless nights followed by daytime bouts of depression.

This is the life of one Corn Fork resident, Timothy Slone, age 29, who suffers with a condition known as chronic pancreatitis. From the age of 4, Tim has periodically fallen ill with debilitating attacks of pancreatitis. In and out of hospitals nearly all of his life, it wasn't until Tim was 11 years old that doctors were finally able to correctly diagnose his condition.

"I don't blame our doctors at all," said Connie Slone, Tim's mother. "They did the best they knew, it's just rare for a child to suffer from pancreatitis."

Despite frequent attacks, Tim was able to live a relatively normal life while growing up and hope always existed that his condition would eventually be controlled. But, says his mother, following a surgical procedure to correct the condition, performed at Vanderbilt Medical Center, in Nashville, Tennessee, when Tim was 11, no significant changes occurred to improve Tim's condition. For the past seven years, according to the family, Tim has suffered from almost daily chronic pain. Pain that prevents him from attending college, holding down a job and engaging in the normal social interactions that young adults his age enjoy.

"We just want to see Tim have a normal life," said Connie. "It's been a long time and he really has no life at all. He stays so sick that he really can't do anything. You know,

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THINGS TO PONDER

Medications for Kids

(Last week, someone recommended the topic of children taking mental health medications. The following was written over four years ago and is repeated, given that the information still holds true today, in my opinion.)

Since I've always been interested in working with children and their families, a study described this winter in the Journal of American Medical Association caught my attention. The results reportedly found that an increasing number of parents were accepting the "putting their toddlers on psychiatric drugs." Of the more than 200,00 children followed across the United States, there had been more than a 50 per cent increase in the use of these drugs between 1991 and 1995. What do you think about the question of "should children of any age be given medication?" Should youngsters with symptoms such as hyperactivity and anxiety be treated with drugs like Prozac or Ritalin or do parents try to cope with these problems through therapy, communication and a lot of patience?

Of course, experts gave different reactions to the outcome of the above study. The chairman of the psychiatry department of Harvard Medical School felt that the study revealed "a troubling trend. There is no empirical evidence to support psychotropic drug treatment in very young children", plus he expressed valid concerns that such treatment could impair brain development. In contrast, the response of the chairman of the American Psychiatric Association's Council on Adolescents and Their Families was, "(medications) can be extremely helpful for some children, even quite young children," as long as they are prescribed only after a comprehensive evaluation and are used in conjunction with other therapy. The researchers' suggested that the increase is partly due to a growing acceptance of psychiatric drugs, and also to the fact that more children are attending daycare, where care providers often do not have time or patience to give special attention to children who repeatedly misbehave. In turn, parents are likely to be under pressure to do whatever is deemed necessary to get their children to conform to school standards of good behavior. The above psychiatrist involved with children and families felt that the use of the drugs is increasing in part because doctors are getting better at diagnosing behavior disorders at an early age.

The discussion of this study's outcome reminded me of a couple of kids that have been seen over the years. One is Toby, a real cute, blonde-headed, big talker, about 2 1/2 year old. He was so bright and his level of mental functioning seemed to be a miracle, since his biological mother had used various drugs while pregnant with him. A hypothesis was that his general lack of behaviors related to the probably impact of his mother's substance abuse on his brain and nerve development while he was in the womb. Toby had been taking Ritalin for about a year, due to his extreme-

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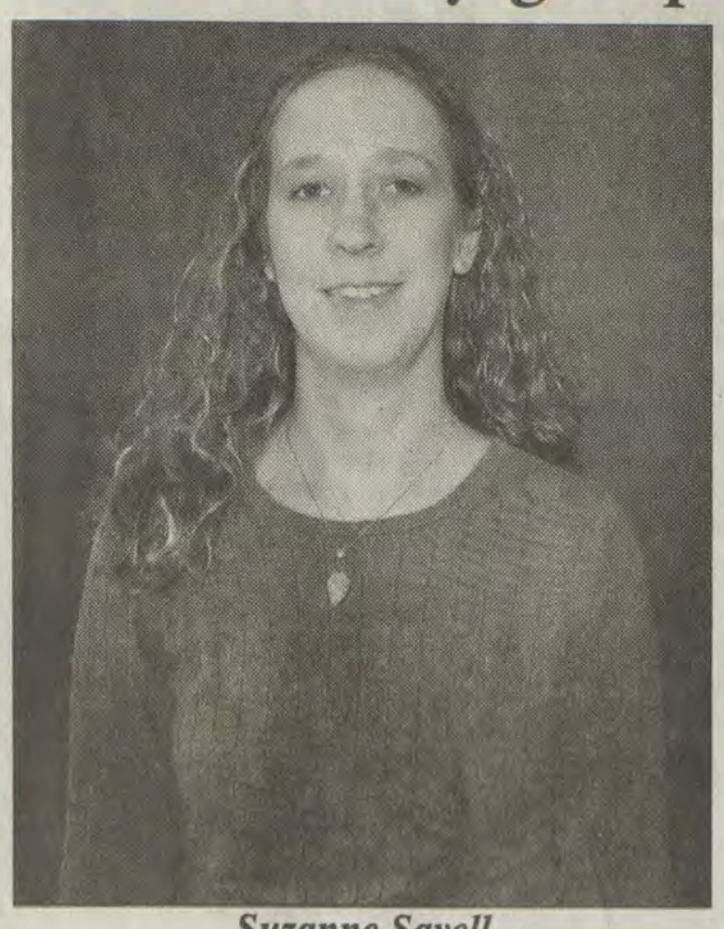
Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

Appalshop's Savell named to HCTC national advisory group

The Appalshop Traditional Music Coordinator will serve on an advisory group for a new Professional Music Program at Hazard Community & Technical College. Suzanne Savell has been named to the National Advisory Council to assist in the development of a program deemed to be the only one of its kind in the country and based in Hyden.

Suzanne Savell has worked at Appalshop, Inc. since July 2003. As the Traditional Music Coordinator, she organizes community based music education programs, including an after-school program for children to learn old time mountain music. Her work also involves documenting and presenting Central Appalachia's traditional musicians, including Appalshop's Old Time Days workshop and concert series and the Seedtime on the Cumberland Festival. She is a native of Maryville, TN.



Suzanne Savell

"Establishing a professional music school in the region, in association with other professional arts programs like the Kentucky School of Craft in Hindman, is a way to honestly invest in southeastern Kentucky communities," Ms. Savell said. "If we can establish in this region a strong foundation in education and the arts, southeastern Kentucky will cease to be a place of exodus and begin to be a place that people want to live and can make a living, a place where tourists want to visit and students want to study. I worry about the communities in this region dying out, along with the rich musical heritage that they hold. That is why I am so excited to be a part of the HCTC's Professional Music group," she said.

"I expect to see a professional music program that values the rich musical traditions of Kentucky and those musicians still living here and playing in those traditions. I also expect to see a program that empowers students interested in a music or production career to be able to make a living wherever they decide to live, whether in be in the music business in Nashville or from an independent studio in Hyden, Ky.

"I am honestly impressed with the vision of Dr. Box and the KCTCS system. In this day and age, it is really bold to invest so confidently in the arts. Working at a non-profit arts and education center, I understand the underlying fear that any moment more funding for the arts will disappear. That is why it is so refreshing and inspirational to see Hazard Community & Technical College seriously invest in the arts. I am proud to be part of the board and have every confidence that these professional arts programs will one day be heralded across the state and the nation as model programs," Ms. Savell said.

A 2003 graduate of Appalachian State University with a master's degree in Appalachian Studies, Suzanne Savell earned a bachelor's degree in Integrative Studies from Warren Wilson College in Ashville, NC and has studied at the University of Stirling in Scotland. Previously Suzanne spent a considerable amount of time working as an editorial assistant and book review assistant for the National Women's Studies Association Journal in Boone, NC and the Writers Workshop in Ashville, NC. Throughout her collegiate and professional career she has actively pursued her studies of the Appalachian region's culture and has both written and presented papers on a variety of topics related to culture and the development of community.

Professional Music Program holds Community Bluegrass Concert

Hazard Community & Technical College Professional Music Program will hold a Bluegrass Concert on Thursday, May 19 at 7 p.m. at the Leslie County Center in Hyden. The event will serve as an introduction of the new professional music program to begin at Hazard Community & Technical College. National and regional advisory committee members for the program will be in attendance. This is an opportunity for the council and community members to meet and share ideas, and get a taste of what our region has to offer in terms of its abundant musical talent.

The show will be kicked off by the Wooton Family with Riley Hendrix. Other performers will include Kenny Baker and the Dean Osborne Band. A special guest will be Bobby Osborne, a Grand Ole Opry member, inductee in the International Bluegrass Music Hall of Honor and a Kentucky Music Hall of Fame member.

Although admission is free, donations for the Professional Music Program Scholarship Fund will be accepted.

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Engagements

Akers-Mullins

Mr. and Mrs. James Akers, of Banner, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Angela L. Akers, to Jamie Mullins, the son of Eddie Mullins, of McDowell, and Donna Bradley, of Prestonsburg.
The couple will be wed on May 28, 2005, at three o'clock in the afternoon, at the Betsy Layne Freewill Baptist Church.

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School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

■ May 14 - 8th grade trip to King's Island.

■ May 17 - Career Exploration Day for 8th grade.

■ May 18 - Youth Services Center Advisory Council meeting, 4 p.m.

■ May 21 - 8th Grade Dance.

■ May 26 - Honors Day ceremony.

■ May 27 - Last day of school for students. School will dismiss at 2:15.

■ May 27 - 8th Grade Graduation, 5:30 p.m.

■ Adams Middle School Youth Services Center is open each weekday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The center offers services to all families regardless of income. For more information about any of the activities or services of the center, please contact the center at 886-1297. Center Coordinator - Michelle Keathley; Assistant - Sheila Allen.

Allen Central Middle School

■ If your child has left any article of clothing at school, please contact the Youth Service Center office.

■ The ACMS Youth Service Center is open each day from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or later by appointment. For more information about the center, call LaDonna Patton, coordinator, at 358-0134.

Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth Service Center

■ May 16 - SBDM Council election for Parent Representatives, 6:30 p.m., in school library. Nominations may be made in school office from April 27 thru May 13, until 3 p.m. each day.

■ Call now to learn about Kindergarten registration at Allen Elementary, 874-2165. AES is a "Great Place to Learn."

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

Betsy Layne Elementary

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

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

Clark Elementary

■ A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is in the center weekly and sees WIC patients, does well-child exams (birth-18 years), and gives immunizations. Currently scheduling exams for students who will be in the 6th grade in the next school year. Call for an appointment - 886-0815.

■ The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Clark Elementary School building and can be reached by calling 886-0815.

Duff Elementary

School is currently engaged in a fundraiser activity to help pay for bus transportation for a week day camp at Camp Shawnee. If you would like to help with the Little Caesar's Pizza Fundraising Program by ordering pizza kits for your family, or by helping to sell the kits, please call or stop by the school's Family Resource Center.

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

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

May Valley Elementary

■ May 16 - Puttin' on the Hits, K-2nd, 6 p.m.

■ May 17 - Puttin' on the Hits, 3rd-5th, 6 p.m.

■ May 20 - Dollars & Sense Program, 5th grade.

■ May 23 - Bugz Play, 6:30 p.m.

■ May 25 - Honors Day.

■ May 25 - Regular SBDM meeting, 4:30 p.m. Public invited to attend.

■ May 26 - Kindergarten Graduation (Mrs. Price - 8:30 a.m., Mrs. Burke, 9:30 a.m., and Mrs. Hopkins, 10:30 a.m.)

■ May 26 - Headstart Program, 11:30 a.m.

■ May 26 - 5th grade Awards Program, 1 p.m.

■ For questions about any of the above activities, call Donna at 285-0321.

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

■ Floyd County Health Dept. nurse at school every Wednesday. Services include Head Start physicals, kindergarten physicals, 6th grade physicals, well-child physicals, immunizations, TB skin test, WIC program, blood pressure checks, and more. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 for an appointment.

McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center

■ GED classes offered on Mondays and Wednesdays, from 8:30-11:30 a.m., at the Family Resource Center. Call 377-2678 for more information.

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

Mountain Christian Academy

■ Now accepting applications for enrollment for Kindergarten for the 2005-06 school year. Call 285-5141 for more information.

Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

■ May 24, 25 - Kindergarten registration for 2005-2006 school year, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., in school auditorium. The following information is required before enrollment: Student's birth certificate, social security card, immunization records, physical exam, and eye exam. Please bring these documents the day you register your child.

■ The Family Resource Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and later by appointment. Office provides services for all families, regardless of income.

■ After School Child Care, 3-6 p.m., school days.

■ Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center or its programs.

South Floyd Youth Services Center

■ May 17 - Open House for SFHS and SFMS. FREE dinner to be served from 5-5:30 p.m. Teacher and parent visits, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

■ May 18 - CPR training for 8th graders.

■ South Floyd is participating in the Apples for Students program. Please turn in your Food City receipts.

■ School athletic physicals will be available early in summer. Watch for advertisements and flyers with date and location times.

■ "Character Camp" will be held during summer - watch for date on schools' marquee.

■ "Back to School Health Fair" will be held during summer - watch for date in Floyd County Times.

■ Committee sign-ups may be done through the Youth Services Center office.

■ Walking track open to public.

■ The center has a one-stop career station satellite that is available to the community as well as students.

■ Anyone interested in Adult Ed may contact the center for information.

■ All new students and visitors, stop by the Center, located on the South Floyd campus, Room 232, and see Mable Hall.

■ For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood, ext. 242.

Stumbo Elementary/Mud Creek Family Resource Center

■ May 16 - Voting for SBDM parent members, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., in Family Resource Center. Votes will be counted immediately after the close of voting at 5 p.m.

■ May 13 - Magic show, 1:30 p.m., for Headstart thru 3rd grade.

■ May 16-20 - Book Fair, in school library.

■ May 18 - 4-H, 3rd and 6th grades.

■ May 19 - Field trip to the Kentucky Science Center, 4th grade.

■ May 20 - "Dollars & Sense" program for Floyd County 5th grade students. To be held at the Martin Community Center.

■ May 23 - KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION, 9 a.m. until 2:30 p.m., in Family Resource Center. Please bring: Immunization record, birth certificate, social security card, completed KY eye exam form, completed physical exam form.

■ May 25 - "Career Day," K-8th.

■ May 26, 27 - "PRIDE" presentation, K-8th.

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

■ Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

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

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

■ May 19 - Election for SBDM parent members, 7-9 a.m. and then again from 6-7 p.m., in school library.

■ May 20 - Dollars & Sense Program, for all fifth grade students.

■ "Lost & Found" is located in the FRC. If your child has lost any clothing or other personal items, please remind them to check in the FRC. Items not claimed within 2 weeks, become the property of the FRC.

■ Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center is located in the W. D. Osborne Elementary School. Hours of operation - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or later by appointment. Call 452-4553 and ask for Cissy or Karen. Parents/community members free to visit any time.

Wesley Christian School

■ Wesley Christian Daycare and Infant/Toddler Care accepts infants and toddlers up to 2 years and Preschool age 2-4. Daycare hours: 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

■ For additional information, call 874-8328. Summer office hours: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Floyd County Adult Ed Class Schedule

■ BSCTC, Prestonsburg campus: Mon., Wed., Fri. - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Tue., Thur. - 11:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Contact: Jason Cassell - 886-3863, ext. 67219. Room m207 (second floor, Library).

■ Auxier Lifelong Learning Center: Tue., Thur. - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Contact: Lucille Fuchs - 886-0709.

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

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

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

■ McDowell: Mon., Wed. - 8:30-11:30 a.m. Call 377-2678.

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

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Best preeclampsia treatment - deliver baby ASAP

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Associate Professor of Family Medicine

Question: What are the current theories and treatments for preeclampsia? I have had it twice. The first time was when the theory was that it was a first-time pregnancy issue, also third trimester. The second time I had it right from the start of the pregnancy, which lasted 31 weeks and resulted in a stillbirth. That was 10 years ago, what are the latest standards of care and what are patients told today?

Answer: Preeclampsia — also called toxemia and pregnancy induced hypertension (PIH) — is a disease that occurs in about 8 percent of all pregnancies. It can happen at any time, including even immediately after the baby is born. The symptoms are hand and facial swelling, high blood pressure and protein in the urine.

You are correct that there is a greater risk of preeclampsia with a first pregnancy. However, it can occur with any pregnancy. Other risk factors include mothers who are teenagers, over 40, African-American, carrying more than one baby, have a past history of diabetes, hypertension, or kidney disease. You are also at higher risk if your mother or sister has had preeclampsia.

While we do know a lot about preeclampsia, we still don't know the exact cause. One of the current theories is that the mother has an immune response — allergic reaction — to the foreign tissue in her body. Remember that the fetus has only half of the mother's DNA, and the other half is "foreign."

Any one of the above signs, high blood pressure, swelling, and protein in the urine, does not constitute preeclampsia — you must have all three. However, if you develop any one of these, your doctor will watch you closely so that if preeclampsia does develop, it will be spotted early.

There is also no single diagnostic test for preeclampsia. The diagnosis requires all three of the classic symptoms.

Weight gain — in excess of two pounds a week, or of sudden onset — can tip off your physician to look for preeclampsia. Other symptoms that may be associated with the condition, in some cases, are decreased urine output, headaches, nausea and vomiting, agitation, vision changes (flashing lights in the eyes) and abdominal pain.

Preeclampsia causes the blood vessels in the mother's brain, heart, liver, and kidneys to spasm. This process — called vasospasm — can also occur in the vessels in the placenta, causing damage to the fetus. The vasospasm plus the increased blood volume due to pregnancy increases the blood pressure, leads to swelling and can cause protein in the urine.

Once preeclampsia is diagnosed, the physician will do everything possible to keep the condition from worsening and keep the mother and baby healthy. Some women are put on bed rest, others hospitalized. There are also medications that can be used to treat some of the symptoms, such as diuretics and blood pressure medications.

To date, the definitive treatment for preeclampsia is to deliver the baby. However, if that delivery would be preterm, the disease may be managed by bed rest and delivery as soon as the fetus has a good chance of surviving outside the womb. Proper management can usually prevent seizures in the mother. These can occur up to and immediately after delivery and can be very serious.

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Ponder

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ly, significant acting-out behaviors. However, his child psychiatrist felt that he and his adoptive mother would benefit from learning to follow a behavioral modification program, focusing on increasing his impulse control. They both did so well. He still comes by occasionally to play with things from the magic closet and to visit with Dr. Mable. (He's probably about 7 to 8 years old now.)

Another child, a 6-year-old boy that comes to mind is Derrick. His mother called for an appointment because his kindergartner teacher insisted that he was "hyperactive and just had to take medication". Although his parents felt there was a problem, they did not accept automatically that he "had to have" medication. They were very willing to follow the behavior modification plan based on controlling his acting-out behaviors and correcting his parents' lack of adequate parenting skills. An effort was also made to include his teacher. However, his teacher apparently could not accept that he did not "have to have" medication and did not always follow through. Based on his behaviors at home, Derrick showed that he responded well to the principles for behavioral change and did not need medication. He was not "hyperactive". That is not to say that teachers are not helpful in recommending that a young child have professional psychological services. An excellent example is Tyrone, a 10-year-old boy who had been threatening and displaying very aggressive behaviors at this elementary school. Even though his older brothers had a history of Attention Deficit-Hyperactive Disorder and had taken Ritalin for years, Tyrone revealed multiple indicators of clinical depression. He responded well to an anti-depressant medication prescribed by a child psychiatrist. His parents gradually learned to follow a behavioral modification program and really learned to change their inappropriate parenting techniques. Another factor for this family was the parents' difficult marital relationship.

You may recall the 8-year-old boy that had Tourette's Disorder and depression and responded well to medications. Typical of such families, it was very difficult for his mother to accept that there was a possibility that HER son needed medication. However, after several weeks of following the behavioral modification program with minimal positive results and continuing complaints from his teachers about his behaviors, Jeremy's mother reluctantly "gave-in" to him seeing a child psychiatrist, who prescribed medications. You cannot imagine the delight they displayed that Jeremy is now doing satisfactorily in school this fall and their home environment does not have the chaos that it did before. Typical of children who have been in therapy, Jeremy had big tears in his eyes the other evening when mention was made of his needing eventually to not come for any more sessions.

Needless to say, it is very difficult for any of us to accept that OUR child is not perfect, much less is in need of a medication and especially for one that is intended to alter the child's behaviors. Then there are the issues of "identifying and labeling" the child as having "something" wrong with him. It seems to me that it is much more harmful for parents to not do what the child needs so that he is not labeled as the "trouble maker" or the "class problem". If your child were identified as having juvenile diabetes, would not give him the necessary treatment such as insulin, because you did not want him labeled as a diabetic? But, as stressed by the national expert, all family members usually need to actively participate in the family's treatment of behavioral problems. So often, everyone is part of the solution.

(Since the above article was written, there has been a higher rate of children needing and responding well to medications, due often to chemical imbalances as the basis of significant behavioral problems. Typically, the children do well with a behavioral modification program, play therapy, and parents motivated to increase appropriate parenting skills. Please let Kathy Prater or Dr. Lineberger know if you have any questions or areas of particular interest you'd want to suggest for a topic.)

Postscript

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when he sees the little girl again with the same basket. As they approach the little girl, he says to his colleague, "Watch this. It's very cute."

He asks the girl how the kittens are and she tells him they're fine.

He then says, "What kind of kittens are they?"

She replies, "Democrats."

Somewhat abashed, he says, "Three weeks ago you said they were Republican!"

"I know," she says, "but now their eyes are open."

Ahem.

It seems the best thing we can do is find something to laugh about, especially in light of the depressing news that surrounds us.

For example, the other night on the television news, there was a story of a congregation at a Baptist church in North Carolina that has been torn asunder.

According to the report, the pastor told the congregation last fall from the pulpit that he would see to it that anyone who voted for John Kerry rather than George Bush would be put out of the church.

Some people were alarmed, but I suspect that nobody took the pastor seriously.

But, indeed, he has followed through on his promise. Several church members have apparently been un-churched, or whatever the term might be.

And this from a Baptist church, of all churches! When I was growing up in the Baptist church, we were indoctrinated about the concept of separation of church and state. After all, the church grew out of the desire and belief of the early members to keep the government out of church affairs and to ensure that people be allowed by their government to worship in the way they pleased, and not by the dictates of those in power.

That seems to me to be a good thing to adhere to in a democratic nation. But, I sometimes wonder if I'm just too out of the mainstream to understand the changes that seem to be taking place.

Quick, let me find something to laugh about.

BSCTC

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lowed by a performance from The Big Sandy Singers, a vocal performance group made up of BSCTC students. The group opened their segment with "I've Got the Music in Me." Each member of the group presented solos. The female ensemble from the group sang a beautiful version of "You've Got a Friend." The Big Sandy Singers and the choir joined together for a grand finale with "Love Can Build a Bridge."

Pictured are the members of the choir with The Big Sandy Singers: (Front row, from left): Big Sandy Singers: James Eason, Clayton Case, Misty Collins, Samantha Horn, Frances Branham, Amanda Stepp, Louanna Calhoun, Troy Burchett and Brandon Maynard. (Second row) Kay Wingham, Judith Valade, Morgan Franklin, Rachel Sanders, Rachael Hayes, Rebecca Heaberlin, Chris Hendricks, Director Laura Ford Hall (Third row) Garnett Fairchild, Bertha Daniels, Mary Going, Judy Yunker, Nellie Baldwin, Mike Froman, and Manager Tim Cooley (Back, from left): Betty Hunt, Mary Lou Lavender, Susan Chafin, Deborah Castle, Robin Notton, Bridget Baker, Doug Herman, and Kaney Goble.

If you would like to receive information on joining the BSCTC Community Choir, call Laura Hall at (606) 886-3863 ext. 67227 or email laura.hall@kctcs.edu.

Transplant

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he'd like to date and eventually marry and raise a family, but the pancreatitis keeps him from being able to live normally."

The medical condition pancreatitis consists of the inflammation of the pancreas organ. The pancreas is a large gland located behind the stomach. It secretes insulin, which is of fundamental importance in the handling of glucose. If the pancreas is not functioning properly, diabetes can develop.

Another function of the pancreas is to secrete digestive enzymes into the small intestine through a tube called the pancreatic duct. These enzymes help digest fats, proteins, and carbohydrates in food. In pancreatitis, the enzymes that help digest these compounds become active inside the pancreas and begin, instead, to actually begin digesting the pancreas itself.

Since surgical intervention to correct the problem, in addition to medication, have done little to alleviate Tim's condition, the only option now remaining is that of an organ transplant. Surgeons at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center have recommended that Tim undergo transplant surgery. However, the family needs to raise an initial $20,000 before Tim may be scheduled for the procedure.

"We just don't have that much money right now," Connie said. "And no way to come up with it. Tim can't go on like this...I just want to see my son have a normal life."

As such, Tim, his mother, and father, Andrew, are beseeching the help of their community. "I find it kind of hard to believe that people will help someone they don't even know, especially me, but maybe someone will," Tim said. "I know I'd sure be awful grateful. I need the surgery and without help, well, I just don't know," he remarked as his voice trailed off.

$20,000 - an awfully large amount to some, but not so much to others. And in the balance hangs a man's hope for the normal existence that those of us who are blessed with good health daily enjoy.

To make a donation to the "Transplant Fund for Tim Slone," send your check or money order to: Citizens National Bank, P.O. Box 1488, Paintsville, KY 41240. Be sure to make your check payable to "Transplant Fund for Tim Slone."

Connie Slone has been employed by Citizens National Bank for the past 30 years. She was an employee of The Bank Josephine prior to its purchase by Citizens National and has remained employed under the new ownership. Tim's father, Andrew, is a nurse, employed by Highlands Home Health.

Eyes

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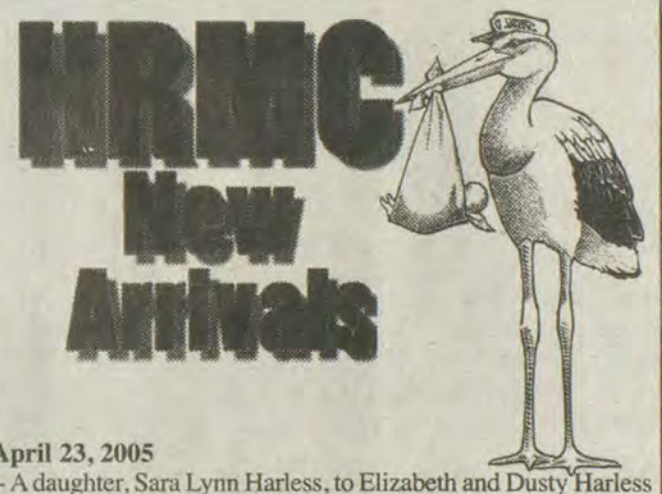

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.- A daughter, Hannah Danay Hamilton, to Vickie and Christopher Hamilton

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FOR RENT: Office Suite, New Construction. 900 sq. ft. Ample Parking, Can be Convenient Location, New Office Behind Sav-A-Lot in Prestonsburg. Call 886-1515 for info.

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FOR RENT: 900 sq. ft. office/commercial space. Located next to Reflection's Beauty Salon 3/4 mile south or Martin on RT 122. Across from Garth Tech. School. Call 285-9112.

630-Houses

FOR RENT-SM. HOUSE-6 ROOMS- Includes: Stove/Refrigerator/ Washer/Dryer. Pay rent plus deposit and utilities. No pets. Couple or single. 606-377-6505.

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FOR RENT: 3 BR house at McDowell. 377-2869.

2 BR HOUSE FOR RENT: At Garrett. Air and heat. City water. $400 plus utilities. For more info: 791-6958 or 358-2873.

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TRAILER LOT FOR RENT, Large Yard. Call 886-8366

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

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FOR RENT: 2 BR Mobile Home, Central H/A, Minutes from Prestonsburg, $350 per month + $200 deposit. Call 889-0036

DW FOR RENT: 3 BR 2 BA doublewide located at Little Paint near Prestonsburg. $300 deposit $450 month. Call 886-0475.

MH FOR RENT: 2-3 BR@ Hueysville. City water, nice yar, HUD approved. Deposit and references required. Call after 5:00. 358-3392

690-Want to Rent

HOUSE WANTED TO RENT: Job-relocation, seeking 2-3 BR home in quiet setting. Call 606-275-0122 or 606-374-7204.

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812 - Free

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FREE DOG TO A GOOD HOME: 2 year old neutered male German Shepherd mix. 424-1701. Please leave a message.

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

815- Lost & Found

REWARD: Lost in the Betsy Layne Pike/Floyd Hollow area-female black lab, 1 yr old, recently spayed, wearing a blue collar, answers to "Buffy". any information call 478-4629. leave message or 226-0298.

LEGALS

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-0302 AMENDMENT #1

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Parsons Branch Development, 43 Village Street, Pikeville, KY 41501, has applied for a permit for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation, located 3.0 miles southwest of Harold, in Floyd County. The amendment will add 0.98 acre of surface disturbance and will underlie an additional 181.89 acres, making a total area of 184.55 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment is approximately 0.7 mile west from KY Route 979's junction with Parsons Branch Road, and is located along Parsons Branch of Big Mud Creek. The latitude is 37°30'07". The longitude is 82°39'35".

The proposed amendment is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be affected by the amendment is owned by Parsons Branch Development. The amendment will underlie land owned by Ed Kidd, Daniel Akers, Colimous Lawson, Eddie Akers, Palmer Hamilton, E.J. Parsons, Parsons Branch Development, Ruthie Hall and Clark Heirs. The operation will use the face up/deep mine method of mining. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of Parsons Branch County Road. The operation will not involve relocation and/or closure of the Parson Branch County Road.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of this date.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids will be received by Prestons-burg City's Utilities Commission for a New (2005) Chevrolet Tahoe 4WD Sport Utility Vehicle. Bids will be received at the Commission's office, located at 2560 South Lake Drive, Prestons-burg, Kentucky 41653, until 3 p.m., (local time) on May 25, 2005, and then at such office, publicly opened and read aloud. Bids received after the deadline will be returned to the bidder unopened.

The minimum specifications for this vehicle is as follows:

New 2005
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The Commission reserves the right to waive any informality or to reject any and all bids. Bids shall not be withdrawn within 30 days after the opening of the bids. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes bearing the bidder's identification, labeled in the lower left-hand corner. "Bid for New (2005) Chevrolet Tahoe 4dr 1500 4WD," and addressed as follows:

Mr. David M. Ellis,
Superintendent
Prestonsburg City's
Utilities Commission
2560 South Lake
Drive
Prestonsburg, KY
41653

The bid shall be awarded to the supplier with the lowest and/or best bid.

Turner E. Campbell,
Chief Financial
Officer

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 836-8056 RENEWAL NO. 4

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that DFM Processing, LLC, P.O. Box 726, 173 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has applied for renewal of a permit for a refuse disposal facility, affectng 85.36 surface acres, located 0.5 mile west of Goodloe, in Floyd County.

The proposed facility is approximately 0.6 mile west from KY Rte. 404's junction with KY Rte. 850, and is located on Lick Fork of the Left Fork of Middlecreek. The latitude is 37°36'11"N. The longitue is 82°52'19"W.

The proposed facility is located on the David and Martin U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute quadrangle map. The surface area is owned by Big Branch Holding Co., LLC, and Pierre Mather.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 S. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of this date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 836-8055 RENEWAL NO. 4

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that DFM Processing LLC, P.O. Box 726, 173 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has applied for renewal of a permit for a washer coal processing facility, affecting 52.00 surface acres, located 0.5 mile west of Goodloe, in Floyd County.

The proposed facility is approximately 0.6 mile west from KY Rte. 404's junction with KY Rte. 850, and is located on Lick Fork of the Left Fork of Middlecreek. The latitude is 37°36'10"N. The longitude is 82°52'18"W.

The proposed facility is located on the David and Martin U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute quadrangle map. The surface area is owned by Branham & Baker Coal Co., Inc., Billie Doris & Elmer Shepherd, and Pierre Mather.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 S. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of this date.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID SUPPLY AND PLACEMENT OF BITUMINOUS ASPHALT FOR THE CITY OF PRESTONSBURG

Sealed bids are desired for the (1) supply only; and (2) supply and placement of bituminous asphalt for the City of Prestonsburg.

The bids will be received, submitted in sealed envelopes, clearly labeled as "Asphalt Supply Bid Enclosed." No facsimile bids (FAX) will be accepted.

A per ton bid is desired for the (1) supply only; and (2) supply and placement of bituminous asphalt. Two separate bids are required for this work.

Supply shall be bid for the asphalt to be picked up by the City of Prestonsburg at the plant site.

Supply and placement shall be within the city limits of Prestonsburg.

Bids shall be submitted for base, surface for both alternates.

Specifications for the supply and placement shall conform to the Kentucky Department of Transportation specifications for Road & Bridge Construction (latest edition).

All material must meet Kentucky Department of Transportation specifications.

All material purchased must meet the "Marshall Design" as specified by the Kentucky Department of Transportation.

The Contractor shall maintain in full force and effect a general liability insurance policy of at least $500,000 for each incident, and a $1,000,000 umbrella policy.

All material in place shall be compacted to meet Kentucky Department of Transportation Specifications.

Contractors bidding Bituminous Hot Mix in place must be approved by the Kentucky Department of Transportation.

Bids are to be submitted by May 31, 2005, 12:00 p.m., to the City of Prestonsburg at 200 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, to the attention of City Clerk.

No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled time, for at least sixty (60) days. The City of Prestonsburg reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or to let a contract in whole or in part, and to waive formalities.

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LEGAL NOTICE Civil Action No: 04-CI-1354

The public is hereby notified that an action has been filed by Green Tree Servicing, LLC, fka Conseco Finance Servicing Corporation fka Green Tree Financial Servic-ing Corporation in the Floyd Circuit Court, Civil Action No. 04-CI-1354, against Cadle Rock Joint Venture, L.P. This action regards an alleged debt owed to the Green Tree Servicing, LLC, fka Conseco Finance Servicing Corporation fka Green Tree Financial Servic-ing Corporation.

I, Nathan Collins, P.O. Box 240, Lackey, Kentucky 41643, being a duly licensed and practicing attorney of the Knott Circuit Court, am running this ad in my capacity as Warning Order Attorney in the above-styled action to Cadle Rock Joint Venture, L.P. of the nature and pendency of this action.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE PERMIT NO. 836-0300 INCREMENT NO. 13

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Motts Branch Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 2765, 436 Daniels Creek Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, has applied for Phase 1 bond release on permit number 836-0300, Increment No. 13, which was last issued on 7/7/03. The application covers an area of approximately 848.67 acres, located 2.9 miles northeast of Hueysville, in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 1.5 mile northwest from Ky. Rte. 2029's junction with KY Rte. 7, and located in Salyers Branch and Raccoon Branch of Saltlick Creek, Mudlick Branch, and Shepherd Branch of Brush Creek. The latitude is 37°30'45". The longitude is 82°53'57".

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 13 is a certificate of deposit, cash amount, and a bond pool type in the amount of $64,500.00. Approximately sixty (60) percent of the original bond amount in the amount of $64,300.00 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, and seeding to achieve the approved post mining land use, which was completed in September 2004. Results thus far achieved are; area is stable and the post mining land use has been established.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by July 5, 2005.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for July 6, 2005, at 9:00 a.m., at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by July 6, 2005.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5475 (TRANSFER)

(1) In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Kentucky May Coal Company Inc., 1876 Yellow Creek Road, Sassafras, KY 41759, intends to transfer permit 836-5413 to the Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, 544 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The new permit number will be 836-5475. The operation disturbs 5.20 surface acres, and underlies 351.10 acres. No new acreage is affected by the transfer.

(2) The operation is located 2.6 miles south of McDowell, in Floyd County. The operation is approximately 1.4 mile southeast of State Rt. 122's junction with Spewing Camp Branch road, and located 1 mile southeast of Pilgrim Rest Church. The operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 quadrangle map.

(3) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite #6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Budget Hearing
Regarding proposed use of County Road Aid and Local Government Economic Assistance Funds

A public hearing will be held by Floyd County in the Courtroom of the Floyd County Courthouse on May 20, 2005, at 9:30 a.m., for the purpose of obtaining citizens comments regarding the possible uses of the County Road Aid (CRA) and Local Government Economic Assistance (LGEA) Funds. All interested persons in Floyd County are invited to the hearing to submit oral or written comments on possible uses of the CRA and LGEA Funds. Any person(s) who cannot submit written comments or attend the public hearing, but wish to submit comments, should call the Office of the County Judge/Executive at (606) 886-9193, Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., so that arrangements can be made to secure their comments.

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ORDINANCE NO. 04-004

An Ordinance Approving a Lease for the Financing of a Project; Providing for the Payment and Security of the Lease; Creating a Sinking Fund; and Authorizing the Exe-cution of Various Documents Related to Such Lease.

WHEREAS, the governing body of the County of Floyd, Kentucky (the "Lessee"), has the power, pursuant to Section 65.940 et seq. of the Kentucky Revised Statutes to enter into lease agreements with or without the option to purchase in order to provide for the use of property for public purposes;

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Lessee (the "Governing Body") has previously determined, and hereby further determines, that the Lessee is in need of the Project, as defined in the Lease hereinafter described;

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has determined and hereby determines that it is in the best interests of the Lessee that the Lessee and the Kentucky Area Development Districts Financing Trust (the "Lessor") enter into a Lease Agreement (the "Lease") for the leasing by the Lessee from the Lessor of the Project;

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Fiscal Court of the County of Floyd, as follows:

Section 1. Recitals and Authorization. The Lessee hereby approves the Lease Agreement (the "Lease") and all Collateral Documents, as defined in the Lease, each in substantially the form presented to this Governing Body. It is hereby found and determined that the Project identified in the Lease is public property to be used for public purposes. It is further determined that it is necessary and desirable and in the best interests of the Lessee to enter into the Lease for the purposes therein specified, and the execution and delivery of the Lease and all representations, certifications and other matters contained in the Closing Memorandum with respect to the Lease, or as may be required by the Lessor prior to delivery of the Lease, are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed. The Judge/Executive and Fiscal Court Clerk of the Lessee are hereby authorized to execute the Lease, together with such other agreements or certifications which may be necessary to accomplish the transaction contemplated by the Lease.

Section 2. General Obligation Pledge. Pursuant to the Constitution of the Commonwealth and Chapter 66 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended (the "General Obliga-tion Statutes"), the obligation of the Lessee created by the Lease shall be a full general obligation of the Lessee and, for the prompt payment of the Lease Payments, the full faith, credit and revenue of the Lessee are hereby pledged. During the period the Lease is outstanding, there shall be and there hereby is levied on all the taxable property in the Lessee, in addition to all other taxes, without limitation as to rate, a direct tax annually in an amount sufficient to pay the Lease Payments on the Lease when and as due, it being hereby found and determined that current tax rates are within all applicable limitations. Said tax shall be and is hereby ordered computed, certified, levied and extended upon the tax duplicate and collected by the same officers in the same manner and at the same time that taxes for general purposes for each of said years are certified, extended and collected. Said tax shall be placed before and in preference to all other items and for the full amount thereof; provided, however, that in each year to the extent that the other taxes of the Lessee or revenues of the Lessee's sewer system are available for the payment of the Lease Payments and are appropriated for such purpose, the amount of such direct tax upon all of the taxable property in the Lessee shall be reduced by the amount of such other taxes and revenues so available and appropriated.

There is hereby established with the Lessee a sinking fund (the "Sinking Fund"). The funds derived from said tax levy hereby required or other available taxes and revenues shall be placed in the Sinking Fund and, together with interest collected on the same, are irrevocably pledged for the payment of all Certificates or obligations issued under the General Obligation Statutes and all Tax Supported Leases, as defined in General Obligation Statutes, including the Lease herein authorized, when and as the same fall due. Amounts shall be transferred from the Sinking Fund to the Lessor at the times and in the amounts required by the Lease.

Section 3. Invest-ment of Funds. Ross, Sinclaire & Associates, Inc., as Program Administrator, is hereby authorized to direct the Trustee to invest funds on deposit under the Lease in such manner, subject to all legal limitations, as will, in the Program Administrator's judgment, produce the most favorable financial result for the Lessee.

Section 4. Severability. If any Section, paragraph or provision of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such Section, paragraph or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 5. Sunshine Law. This Gov-erning Body hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Governing Body, and that all deliberations of this Governing Body and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements.

Section 6. Conflicts. All ordinances, resolutions, orders or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed and the provisions of this Ordinance shall prevail and be given effect.

Section 7. Effective Date This Ordin-ance shall take effect from and after its passage and publication of a summary thereof, as provided by law.

Introduced, Seconded and Given First Reading and Approval, at a duly convened meeting of the Floyd County Fiscal Court, held on the 11th day of May, 2005. This Ordinance will be given Second Reading and voted upon, at a duly convened meeting of the Floyd County Fiscal Court, to be held at 10:00 oíclock a.m. on the 20th day of May, 2005, in the County Courtroom, located on the Second Floor of the Old Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky.

PAUL H. THOMPSON,
Floyd County
Judge/Executive

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