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briefs

Sex offender nabbed in Johnson County

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PAINTSVILLE — Sex offenders who fail to stay current with the state registry continued to make the news this week when a Paintsville man was charged for failing to keep authorities abreast of his movements.

Acting on information received Friday, Det. Billy Hall and Trooper Ben Cramer arrested Gary Lee Murphy, 36, of Paintsville.

Murphy moved to Paintsville from Anderson County, S.C., in March but never notified the Department of Probation and Parole. He had been convicted of performing a sex act on a child under the age of 16 in 1996 and will now face up to an additional five years in jail for failing to provide a current address to the sex offender registry.

Cramer is currently lodged in the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center.

Jury reaches guilty verdict in burned baby case

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The criminal abuse trial against Brian Neal Delong began in circuit court Monday under special Judge Ronald Johnson from Harlan County. It continued into well into the evening Tuesday, with jurors settling in to render a verdict at approximately 8:40

p.m.

They returned approximately 45 minutes later, declaring a guilty verdict on one count of second-degree criminal abuse and one count of first-degree criminal abuse.

"We're very pleased," said Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner. "This was a really intelligent group of jurors and they had a lot of evidence to wade through. Child abuse cases are very

serious matters and it's important that we have the jurisdiction to deal with child abusers in a serious way. We're happy all the way around."

Delong, 26, of Town Branch, was originally indicted on March 25, 2004, on two counts of first-degree criminal abuse. One of the charges alleged that Delong burned a 22-month-old child, the nephew of his live-in girlfriend at that time, Thomi

Hicks, in hot bath water. The other charge was filed against him because he allegedly failed to seek medical attention for the child, who suffered severe burns over 22 percent of his body.

Turner argued during his opening statement that Delong violated "the sacred trust" of caring for the child in a "terrible

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Floyd County Sheriff John K. Blackburn displays \$40,000 worth of illegal drugs that his office will destroy this week.

photo by Tom Doty

Sheriff's office to destroy drugs

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Floyd County Sheriff's Department was able to make more room in its evidence for future cases this week, when orders were approved to destroy evidence in 71 drug-related cases.

Sheriff John K. Blackburn noted that most of the drugs being destroyed were obtained through

street level investigations and tallied the overall value of the evidence at over \$40,000.

Blackburn prefers destroying evidence the old-fashioned way and will simply pour kerosene over the narcotics before dropping a match on the goods from a safe distance.

The evidence to be destroyed included prescription drugs like Oxycontin, Lorcet, Xanax and Lortab, as well as a fair amount of

marijuana.

Blackburn will need the room he is making for more evidence that was seized just this week, as he made an arrest of a subject who was carrying \$800 worth of Oxycontin tablets in a nonprescription container. He pointed out that the pills he seized in that arrest were selling on the street for \$100 each and at those prices he doesn't expect the problem to go away anytime soon.

Clark students to spend two years at Adams

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

EASTERN — Tensions have run high, but the families of Clark Elementary School students finally got the answer that many of them have been looking for at Monday evening's meeting of the Floyd County Board of Education, held at Allen Central High School.

Students will not be separated from their classmates, nor their teachers, in the interim as they await their first day

of school in a newly constructed school building — approximately two years from present.

Board members decided Monday evening to allow the Clark students to remain together as a unit as they take temporary shelter in Prestonsburg's Adams Middle School as they await construction of the new school, which will serve both the Prestonsburg and Clark Elementary service area.

"Public opinion won

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Council takes step to reverse annexation

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — City Council members held the first official reading Monday of an ordinance to stop the annexation attempt of Highlands Regional Medical Center and the Consolidated Health Systems properties on Route 321.

Council member Don Willis, a Highlands employee, proposed the ordinance during the council's last meeting on May 9, but was not able to officially read it at that time because it had not

been addressed on the council's meeting agenda.

Council member Donna Wells read the ordinance Monday, which states that the annexation would not be in the best interest of city residents. The ordinance, 10-2005, would render the previous ordinance "void and of no effect," and would prevent the city from continuing any further annexation actions.

After the meeting, Wells, an Auxier resident who pays city payroll

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Trial witness arrested for drugs

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A woman who testified at the Brian DeLong trial on Monday was arrested six hours later on charges of drug possession and unlawful transaction with a minor.

Velma Sparkman, also known as

Velma Miller, 44, of Prestonsburg, was arrested by officer George Tussey of the Prestonsburg Police Department when he responded to a complaint that someone was outside the Floyd County Detention Center and planning to hide drugs outside the facility. Tussey responded to the tip and found Sparkman parked behind the Van Ark Building on Court Street.

In his report, Tussey noted that Sparkman said she was doing nothing wrong. She also told the officer, according to the report, that he could search her vehicle.

Tussey conducted a search and found a brown paper bag under the driver's seat which contained a small-

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Board answers complaints

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

EASTERN — In response to allegations that administrators at John M. Stumbo Elementary School have been barring community access to a county park adjacent to the school, school principal Deresa Ray appeared at the May 23 board meeting to report that lighting and access

to water at the park had been interrupted due to present construction going on at the school.

"We did not try, intentionally, to keep kids out of the park," Ray informed the board.

And in response to a report that appeared earlier, board member Jeff Stumbo, vice chair, said that he had "no knowledge" of any proposed

property transfer of the site from the county to the school district.

"We have always had a good working relationship with the fiscal court," Stumbo said, stressing that he would like to see things stay that way.

In a letter addressed to Judge-Executive Paul Hunt

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Courthouse security staff were briefed on a new metal detector, installed Tuesday, which will be used to scan purses and briefcases brought into the Justice Center.

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Odds & Ends

■ **CANBERRA, Australia** — Fair warning for all those planning to sneak talcum powder into Australia: The cops will be waiting.

Seven police sniffer dogs have failed to ferret out cocaine for the simple reason that the sample used to train them over the past three months was talcum powder, Victoria Police Assistant Commissioner Paul Evans said Friday.

"I'm sure our dogs have got very soft, nice smelling noses at the moment, but they are in fact trained in detecting talcum powder so that means that they will have to be retrained in detecting cocaine," he told reporters.

Evans said police did not believe cocaine had been stolen and blamed an administrative error for the mix-up. Internal investigations have been launched both within Victoria police and the Australian Federal Police.

"If there are any missing kids out there, we'd find them fairly quickly, I should think," Evans quipped.

■ **FENTON, Mich.** — Chris MacIntosh didn't cry when he drove a power drill through his forearm, so it should come as no surprise that he shed no tears over losing a national contest for men of his ilk.

The lumber salesman from Fenton said he was relieved when DaimlerChrysler AG's Chrysler Group — sponsor of the Dodge Dakota Ultimate Guy contest — recently informed him that the grand prize, a 2005 Dodge pickup, was going to David Neumann of Valley Mills, Texas.

"It was a little stressful

with all those phone calls," said MacIntosh, 33.

Neumann was chosen from hundreds of entries as the person who best embodies the characteristics of someone who is strong, capable, works hard and plays even harder. He won an all-new 2005 Dodge Dakota pickup truck and an ultimate sports day for him and four of his friends.

Amy MacIntosh nominated her husband for the contest after last summer's drill accident, which he handled by putting the power tool in reverse, pulling it out of his forearm, bandaging the wound and going back to building a backyard deck. He was one of 12 finalists picked from among nearly 600 entries.

"He's still my Ultimate Guy," said Amy MacIntosh, also 33.

■ **RALEIGH, N.C.** — The state's test writers tried to come up with a math question about football and ended up with a fumble.

On an end-of-grade test this month, seventh-graders had to calculate the average gain for a team on the game's first six plays. But the team did not gain 10 yards on the first four plays and would have lost possession before a fifth and sixth play.

The team opened with a 6-yard loss, a 3-yard gain and a 2-yard loss, which would have made it fourth down with 15 yards to go for a first down. The team's fourth play was just a 7-yard gain, yet it maintained possession for a 12-yard gain and a 4-yard gain on two additional plays.

"Whoever wrote it didn't think it through," said Gege Daniels, athletics director of

Salem Middle School in Apex.

Mildred Bazemore, chief of the state Department of Public Instruction's test development section, said the question makes sense mathematically and was reviewed thoroughly.

"It has nothing to do with football," Bazemore said. "It has to do with the mathematical concepts that you're studying."

■ **OUTLOOK, Mont.** — Jamie Gatz took center stage at her high school commencement and tailored the ceremony to her liking, choosing burgundy and sky blue as the colors for the Class of 2005.

Gatz didn't have to compromise, and didn't have any rivals for the title of valedictorian. The young lady from a farm in northeastern Montana was the lone graduate in the weekend ceremony.

When Outlook School closes its doors Wednesday, they won't shut just for the summer. The school in this shrinking farm community that had a population of 82 in the 2000 census is closing for good. There aren't enough students to keep the doors open.

"Two weeks before school started, we had 27 kids enrolled," said school clerk LaVerle "Bunky" Wirtz. "A week before school started, we had four."

Last summer, parents of most children transferred them to the larger school system in Plentywood, 18 miles away. "When a few started going, it just started snowballing," said Loren Dunk, Outlook superintendent.

For Gatz, highlights of her senior year included an

eight-day school trip to the East. She and the other three younger students raised money for the journey that took them to New York, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C. Now Gatz is preparing to attend college.

■ **SHANGHAI, China** — The Shanghai city government has a message for its civil servants: You're fat. Hit the gym.

The city's Xuhui district says about 15 percent of its 4,000 bureaucrats are overweight, with just 30 percent receiving good or excellent marks on their physicals, the Shanghai Daily reported.

"The biggest problems among government clerks and officials are obesity, poor heart and lung functioning, and poor balance," Zhang Chengyao, of the Xuhui District Sports Administration, was quoted as saying.

Bureaucrats must join one of 25 designated gyms or sports clubs that offer discounted fees. Those who work out at least once a week get their payments reimbursed, the report said.

Shanghai public health officials say they are worried that men in the hectic business hub are aging quicker due to stress, pollution and unhealthy lifestyles — a problem that is driving down an already slowing birthrate.

■ **FOREMAN, Ark.** — A leap of faith proved hazardous for a smoker in need of a cigarette fix after a night on the town.

Jeff Foran suffered trauma to his nose, eyes and chin after jumping from a car traveling 55-60 mph. Authorities said he was trying to retrieve a cigarette

blown out of the passenger-side window.

Foran, 38, took the leap Saturday night, state police Trooper Jamie Gravier said.

The driver of the car, Jerry Glenn Nelson, said Foran had asked him earlier in the evening to be a designated driver after a night of drinking.

"Foran did the right thing and asked his buddy to drive him home," Gravier said. "It was obvious he was extremely intoxicated."

Gravier added: "If anything could make him stop smoking, this should be it. The man is lucky to be alive."

■ **CINCINNATI** — Whoa, Nelly. Or should that be hail, Caesar?

A carriage horse called Caesar bolted from its usual downtown spot and raced about a mile onto a freeway, startling motorists and a police officer who saw the animal zip past him.

Cincinnati police Lt. Michael Neville called for help Sunday after he spotted the horse pulling an empty carriage.

Caesar, may have gotten scared when the carriage driver began to pull the top up on the buggy, said Jazz Cann, a driver for Elegant Carriages, which owns the rig and the horse.

Or, it may have been trying to get back to a warehouse where it is stabled, but ended up on Interstate 75, Cann said.

A cab driver corralled the horse by an exit ramp until help arrived.

"At least he wasn't going the wrong way down a one-way street," Neville said. "He did run a red light, but I'm not going to cite him."

■ **SEATTLE** — Most drivers may be puzzled by the vanity license plate C9H13N, but plenty of crooks likely nod their heads knowingly.

It's the chemical compound for methamphetamine, and despite a state law that prohibits references to alcohol or illegal substances on vanity plates, it may be perfectly legal.

Bradley A. Benfield, a spokesman for the state Licensing Department, said such a license has been granted to the owner of a black 2002 Audi registered in Seattle. The plate may be legal because the same compound represents amphetamine, a legal substance when used in medicine.

"This is a serious concern if there is a license out there with something on it that a reasonable person would consider related to an illegal substance," said Benfield. "It's pretty easy for something like this to slip through."

To revoke the plate, state officials would have to notify the owner by letter and refer the issue to a committee, consisting of representatives from the Licensing Department, Washington State Patrol, county auditors and vehicle licensing agents.

Out of 6.5 million vehicles registered in the state, about 83,000 have vanity plates. Last week, officials dismissed a complaint about one reading JOHN316, a reference to a New Testament verse, deeming it inoffensive.

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Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, May 25, the 145th day of 2005. There are 220 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On May 25, 1787, the Constitutional Convention was convened in Philadelphia after enough delegates had shown up for a quorum.

On this date:
 ■ In 1810, Argentina began its revolt against Spain.

■ In 1844, the first telegraphed news dispatch, sent from Washington, D.C., to Baltimore, appeared in the Baltimore Patriot.

■ In 1895, playwright Oscar Wilde was convicted of a morals charge in London; he was sentenced to prison.

■ In 1935, Babe Ruth hit the 714th and final home run of his career for the Boston Braves, in a game against the Pittsburgh Pirates.

■ In 1946, Transjordan (now Jordan) became a kingdom as it proclaimed its new monarch, King Abdullah Ibn Ul-Hussein.

■ In 1961, President Kennedy asked the nation to work toward putting a man on the moon by the end of the decade.

■ In 1963, the Organization of African Unity was founded, in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

■ In 1968, the Gateway Arch, part of the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial in St. Louis, was dedicated.

■ In 1979, 275 people died when an American Airlines DC-10 crashed on takeoff from Chicago's O'Hare airport.

■ In 1985, more than 11,000 people were killed as a hurricane and tidal wave devastated Bangladesh.

Ten years ago: NATO warplanes struck Bosnian Serb headquarters. (Serbs answered with swift defiance, storming U.N. weapons depots, attacking safe areas and taking peacekeepers as

hostages.)

Five years ago: The government proposed a rating system telling consumers how prone vehicles are to rolling over. Iranian state radio announced that former President Hashemi Rafsanjani had resigned from the incoming parliament, depriving hard-liners of a leading figure in the power struggle between conservatives and reformists.

One year ago: The Boston Archdiocese said it would close 65 of 357 parishes, an offshoot of the clergy sex abuse scandal. Peace activist David Dellinger, one of the Chicago Seven defendants, died in Montpelier, Vt., at age 88. Publisher Roger W. Straus Jr. died in New York at age 87.

Today's Birthdays: Lyricist Hal David is 84. Former opera singer Beverly Sills is 76. Former White House news secretary Ron Nessen is 71. Country singer-songwriter Tom T. Hall is 69. Actor Sir Ian McKellen is 66.

Actress Dixie Carter is 66. Country singer Jessi Colter is 62. Actress-singer Leslie Uggams is 62. Movie director and Muppeteer Frank Oz is 61. Actress Karen Valentine is 58. Rock singer Klaus Meine (The Scorpions) is 57. Actress Patti D'Arbanville is 54. Actress Connie Sellecca is 50. Rock singer-musician Paul Weller is 47. Actor-comedian Mike Myers is 42. Actor Matt Borlenghi is 38. Rock musician Glen Drover is 36. Actress Anne Heche is 36. Actresses Lindsay and Sidney Greenbush ("Little House on the Prairie") are 35. Actor Jamie Kennedy is 35. Actor Justin Henry is 34. Rapper Dat Nigga Daz is 32. Singer Lauryn Hill is 30. Rock musician Todd Whitener (Tantric) is 27. Actor Corbin Allred is 26. Actress-singer Lauren Frost is 20.

Thought for Today: "A historian is a prophet in reverse." - Friedrich von Schlegel, German diplomat and writer (1772-1829).



Allen Central High School student Jared McKinney was named "Musician of the Year" at the 2005 Floyd County Schools Band and Art Festival. Jared is the son of Mona and Tom Dingus, of Martin. Jared captivated the audience with his solo performance of Sakura: Theme and Variations on a Japanese folk song. Jared has also received the Louis Armstrong Jazz Award and the Director's Award for Musical Excellence while at Allen Central High School. He was also awarded The Presidential Scholarship for four years to Eastern Kentucky University.

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Guilty

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way." Turner urged jurors to find Delong guilty of intentional criminal abuse in the first degree on both counts.

Public advocate Jim Adkins sought a not guilty verdict, but asked jurors to consider a lesser count against his client during the sentencing phase. Adkins argued that Delong did not intentionally harm the child. In closing, he asked jurors to consider the "overtress of the act."

Previously, Adkins discussed the differences between an "urgent" situation and an "emergency" situation, telling jurors the incident was accidental and that Delong did not seek medical attention immediately because he did not understand the severity of the injuries and because he made the decision to wait until Hicks returned home from work, which was just a "matter of minutes" away.

Key witnesses for the prosecution included emotional testimony from the child's mother, Angela Banks; Thomi Hicks, Delong's live-in girlfriend at the time of the incident; Velma Miller Sparkman (who was arrested at the Floyd County Detention Center after giving testimony in court Monday for allegedly attempting to take drugs into the jail for her son, Travis Banks, the child's father); Det. Byron Hansford; and Dr. Richard Kagan, chief of staff of Shriners Hospital in Cincinnati, where the child spent two weeks following the incident.

Key witnesses for the defense included testimony from Daniel Joseph Acker Jr., who testified that Delong applied for a job at Universal Oilwell in Allen (to combat testimony from the commonwealth that Delong lied to Hansford when he said that he left the baby alone with hot bath water that day because he ran to answer the phone, thinking it was a call from the National Oilwell company, where he had applied for a job).

Adkins also called Josh Bailey to the stand, a friend of Delong's who testified that they played video games while family members tended to the child at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Adkins also called Rhonda Deweus to the stand. The woman testified that she is the mother of Delong's 7-year-old son. She said that Delong never gave her any reason to believe he was capable of criminal abuse. Adkins also recalled Hicks and Banks to the stand.

The trial began with emotional testimony from Banks, who was so distraught during her initial appearance that she mistakenly gave the incorrect birth date of her son, then corrected herself.

She was repeatedly in tears on the stand. She began crying when Turner approached her with a picture of her son, asking

her to identify the boy. "It's my baby," she said, looking at the picture, then again at the jury.

Banks, the wife of Travis Banks, testified that she left the child with her sister, Thomi Hicks, on March 5, the day of the incident. Hicks later testified that Delong "volunteered" to babysit the child because she had to work. She also said that Delong called her at work to inform her that the child had a "dizzy spell," a condition that both she and Banks said only occurred when the child was near Delong.

Hicks was later recalled to the stand by Adkins. At that time, she alluded to the fact that the child's pediatrician indicated that the "somebody had been giving the child something" to cause the dizzy spells. That part of her testimony was stricken from the record after an objection from Adkins.

Throughout the hearing, testimony for the commonwealth and the defense about the exact occurrences of that day conflicted each other.

On Tuesday, Turner called Kentucky State Police Det. Byron Hansford, who assisted Little's initial investigation into the incident. Hansford testified that he interviewed Delong on March 12, 2004, after trying unsuccessfully to locate him for three days. Hansford said that Delong claimed to have called Hicks to tell her about the child having a dizzy spell. She said during her testimony that Delong was going to put the child down for a nap and that he promised to call back and inform her of his condition, but that he never did.

Hansford said that Delong claimed that he and the child slept for about an hour after that phone call. When the baby woke, Hansford said, Delong decided to give the child a bath. The commonwealth took note of this testimony later, standing on Hicks' argument that the child did not need a bath because he had one the night before.

Delong later said in his own testimony that he decided to give the child a bath because the boy was "groggy" and he thought it would make him feel better.

Hansford said that Delong claimed to have started the bath water, when he heard the phone ring. During the trial, a lot of emphasis was given to Hick's testimony that Delong could have used a phone that sat on a divider near the bathroom, rather than walk into the kitchen to take the call. There were two cordless phones in the home. Hicks said the telephone on the dividing wall between the bathroom and the open bedroom was in the same place it had been that morning when she left for work. Delong denied her allegations, saying if the phone was there, he didn't hear it ring.

Hansford testified that Delong claimed to have walked into the kitchen to pick up the phone (at that time, Hansford said, Delong claimed that a "lady" had called the wrong number). As he was returning from the kitchen, Delong told Hansford and during his own testimony Tuesday, that he heard a splash. Turner later argued against Delong's testimony in this regard, questioning how he could hear a splash in another room, with a phone "stuck to one ear," and the sound of the water running.

Hansford said that Delong claimed the child was "sitting there trying to grab the sides of the tub" when he returned to the bathroom. Delong gave the same testimony in court Tuesday, but there was an argument (after medical expert testimony) about whether Delong indicated to Hansford that the child had fallen in head first.

Questions were raised as to the temperature of the water in the home. The incident occurred in an approximate 50-gallon "garden tub," or jacuzzi-type tub. The home was equipped with an approximate 40- to 50-gallon electric water heater,

according to testimony given by landlord Jimmy Nelson. Delong, Hicks and Nelson all testified that the water heater in the home was not capable of filling the large garden tub with hot water. Delong and Hicks both requested the water heater be turned up, Nelson said.

Hansford said the water "was the hottest water I've ever felt coming out of a bathtub." He did not, however, take the temperature of the water because he said he did not have a thermometer at the time of his visit.

Delong testified that because of the problem in filling tub, he would routinely run the hot water into the tub directly before adding cold water to cool it down.

The question of the water temperature was emphasized again when expert witness, Dr. Richard Kagan took the stand for the commonwealth. Aided by graphic pictures of the injured child, Kagan testified that the injuries on the child's body were not consistent with a head first fall, as indicated in previous testimony. He said if the child had fallen into the tub, as Delong suggested, that there would be splash marks on the child's body instead of the "demarkation lines" that were pre-

sent. The child was severely burned on his right leg, but his upper left leg was not as severely burned. His hands and upper body were not injured, Kagan said. Adkins argued against this testimony with the inclusion of a medical record from a pediatrician at Shriners, who reported that there were splash marks on the child's back.

During deliberation, the jury contemplated the conflicting stories given by Hicks and Delong, who testified on his own behalf.

Hicks purported that Delong was "jealous" of the child. Sparkman, the child's grandmother, testified that Delong said on one occasion that the child needed to be "whipped with a belt." The commonwealth used these statements to conclude that Delong intentionally harmed the child because the baby was interfering with the couple's relationship. Delong said that none of it was true, and said that he had babysat and spent time with the child alone before.

Hicks also accused Delong of averting authorities by turning the ringers off of the phones in the home. (She said she called from Highlands several times that night and that Delong could have answered the phone on the divider between the

bathroom and the open bedroom rather than walk farther into the house.) She repeatedly said that he had no "remorse" or concern for the child during this time.

Delong rebutted most all of her testimony.

After finding Delong guilty of the two charges, the jury recommended a sentence of seven years. He could have faced a maximum 15 years total both counts.

The jury recommended a sentence of three years on the second-degree criminal abuse charge and a sentence of seven years on the first-degree criminal abuse charge (for failing to seek medical attention). Those sentences should run concurrently, they decided.

Judge Johnson said formal sentencing will be scheduled at a later date. The court procedure lasted until approximately 10 p.m. last night.

Delong hugged family members before returning to his holding cell. They offered no comments on the verdict or the sentence.

"Our only real option was trial and we beat any offer on the table," Adkins said.

Delong has 30 days to appeal the case.

"This, too, will pass," Johnson told Delong, wishing him "best of luck."

Manager who killed intruder sues after being fired from job

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Kirk law firm filed a lawsuit on behalf of Michael Kirk, former manager of Luv Homes in Ivel, claiming he was wrongfully terminated from his managerial position after shooting an intruder, Ronald C. Dillon, in one of the lot's homes on March 29.

The suit accuses Clayton Mobile Homes of wrongfully terminating Kirk on the grounds that he had a weapon.

Dillon allegedly broke into the home and was shot by Kirk, who claims in the suit that Dillon said, "I've got a gun, too," before moving towards him. It was at that point Kirk shot him, the complaint says.

The suit, filed Tuesday, says that CMH knew that Luv had been plagued by break-ins and that Kirk was forced to bear the burden of securing the lot. The complaint alleges Kirk was constantly denied approval to get funding for additional security measures.

The complaint goes on to accuse law enforcement agencies of not doing anything about the thefts and points out that the cost of losses were deducted from Kirk's income. The suit also states that the corporate entities at CMH, located in Corbin, pressured Kirk to take measures against thefts but would not bear the cost.

The action also notes that Kirk worked hard for the agency and got the Ivel site to show a profit and contrasts that information with a portrait of Ronald C. Dillon as "an equal opportunity criminal" and includes a copy of his "sad, sorry criminal court record." The document goes on to state that Ronald C. Dillon "was a dangerous man with a drug monkey on his back."

The suit alleges that "instead of standing with and standing behind Michael, [CMH] discarded him (like a bag of trash)."

The document goes on to deride the company for balking at a "paltry" \$24 a month expenditure that would have provided

the lot with a monitored security system.

Kirk asks that CMH be punished for outrageous conduct by awarding damages to Kirk. They are seeking a public apology from the company as well as reinstatement for Kirk to his former position as the lot's manager. The suit also notes that CMH pay Kirk \$20 million in punitive damages, arguing that such an amount will "send a message" that will deter other companies from mistreating their employees.

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Hueysville man charged with one count of first-degree criminal abuse of a child will face a preliminary hearing on the charge on June 1 in District Court.

Authorities allege that Jeremy Lee Hale, 27, of Prater Fork, criminally abused his 5-year-old son by striking him in the face.

The complaint was filed

against him on May 18 by Kentucky State Police Trooper Justin Cornett. Hale was arrested by Floyd County Sheriff Deputy Greg Clark last Thursday. He posted a \$10,000 partially secured bond on Friday.

Hale appeared before Judge James Allen on Tuesday and asked if he could see his child before the preliminary hearing date. Allen informed Hale that staying 500 feet away from the child was a restriction he would have to abide by as long as he remains out on bond.

Drill organizers evaluate response

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Evaluators of last week's simulated emergency situation at Prestonsburg High School met Friday at the courthouse and discussed the exercise, which posited what measures would be taken if a crisis at the school necessitated the coordinating of various emergency agencies.

Floyd County Health Department director Thursa Slone coordinated the meeting and noted that the exercise did exactly what was intended by highlighting the potential problems inherent in several groups responding to the scene of a catastrophe and arriving at different times with different protocols to follow.

"Overall it went very well," Slone said. She went on to elaborate that the chief problems

observed by evaluators were related to communication and determining who was in charge at the scene.

The evaluators, who were from hospitals, EMS, fire/police departments and the local school system will meet again on June 2 to further explore how to more efficiently coordinate services. They will also look at establishing protocols should an emergency occur at a more remote location.

"The city police responded first, but we need to evaluate what would happen if a similar situation happened somewhere else, like Betsy Layne," Slone said.

Slone, who has worked on planning last week's scenario for two years, said that the exercise did its job by pointing out what problems need addressing and where to concentrate resources to better serve the community.

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— John Greenleaf Whittier

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Guest View

Lapse in standards

If you are tempted to believe that the news media are one monolithic institution, all of its parts moving somehow in lock step, consider the reaction of many journalists to the Newsweek fiasco — anger and dismay that, on the "flushed Quran" story at least, the magazine's news-gathering standards were allowed to fall so low.

Newsweek essentially relied on one unnamed source for the story that it ultimately retracted. The "two-source rule" has been a staple of American reporting since the Watergate days.

Newsweek reporters also took the source's word for it that a government report documented the supposed incident at Guantanamo Bay. Most mainstream news organizations would have used the source as a means to an end — obtaining the report — not as the end itself.

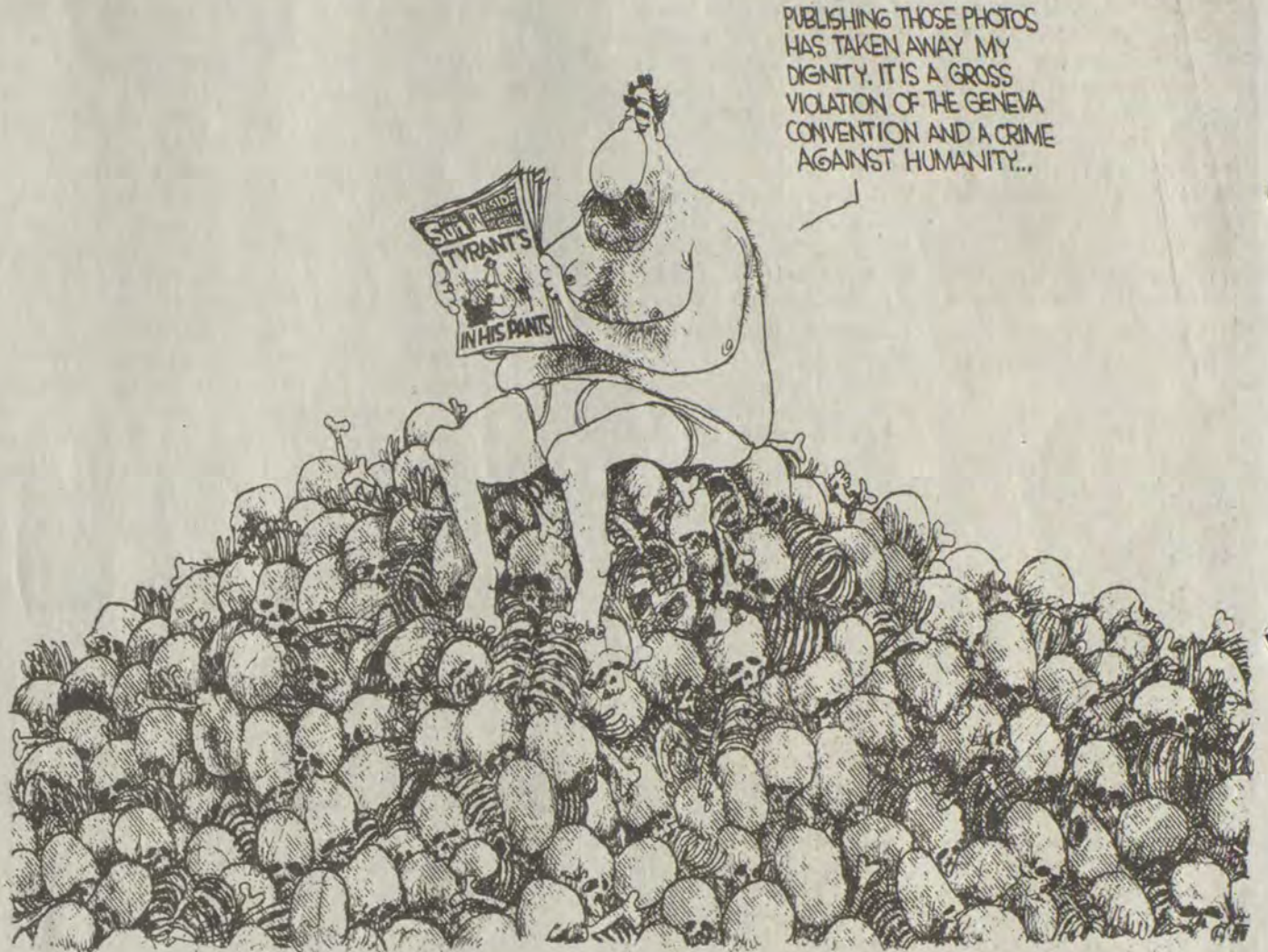
Newsweek didn't make up its story, as some high-profile reporters and columnists have done in recent years; the Quran allegation may one day be proved true. But in some readers' minds, Newsweek's cavalier approach to this story will amount to the same thing as lying or fabricating a story. Some readers will go further and indict other media for one publication's carelessness.

What an opportunity for anyone who hopes to cow the media into slacking off on coverage of their country's conduct in war.

As for the reaction of the Bush administration: Why have we heard so little concern about the fact that Newsweek's information came from a U.S. government employee? The White House does, after all, know something about the impact of acting on inadequate intelligence.

— The Canton (Ohio) Repository

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Guest Column

Vote-hauling a scourge

by TREY GRAYSON
KENTUCKY SECRETARY OF STATE

In early May, Kentuckians celebrate our annual appearance in the world's spotlight with the running of the Kentucky Derby. This provides a good opportunity to celebrate some of our other successes as well.

In what may come as a surprise to many, Kentucky is nationally known for its advanced election administration. For example, our statewide voter registration database is the model Congress used for the 2002 Help America Vote Act ("HAVA").

HAVA sets forth minimum standards for election administration to address the problems that occurred during the 2000 presidential election. Unlike most states, Kentucky already meets many of these standards.

Unfortunately, these successes are often overshadowed by recurring problems that we face with voter fraud. These problems threaten our very democracy. Recent headlines highlight the source of most voter fraud in our Commonwealth, a practice called "vote hauling." Most Kentuckians associate this phrase with vote buying and do so with good reason — too many Kentucky politicians and cronies use vote hauling as a conduit for illegally purchasing

votes. Technically speaking, vote hauling — paying someone to drive voters to the polls — is legal. It is quite common to see vans being driven around on Election Day taking people to the polls. However, this legal expenditure offers campaigns a way to launder campaign funds to buy votes. The campaigns pay haulers who then use the cash as a bounty to get voters to the polls. For instance, a campaign worker might tell a hauler, "I'll give you \$50, and you get me five votes."

I think most Kentuckians agree that there is a need to drive voters who have no means of transportation to the polls. In fact, to ban such a practice seems downright undemocratic and maybe unconstitutional. However, I also think that most Kentuckians agree that there is a need to prevent this practice from tainting their elections when campaigns use it as a cover for vote buying.

Some advocate that campaigns be prevented from paying more than a certain number of individuals to drive voters to the polls. Others recommend that a cap be placed upon the amount that an individual may be paid to drive voters. Still others argue that drivers should not be paid and that they should volunteer their time.

I have a different proposal — one that addresses the problem while still allowing campaigns to use paid drivers in a legal and honest manner. This proposal comes from a conversation with former assistant U.S. Attorney Tom Self. Based upon his many years investigating vote buying in

Kentucky, Self believes we can address the problem by creating a tracking system of vote haulers.

Campaigns should be required to keep a list of drivers and voters who were driven to the polls. Such a paper trail would serve as a deterrent to vote buyers and would provide an audit trail for potential investigations. It would also subject the haulers and campaigns to perjury charges if they falsified the paperwork.

A similar system already exists for voters who receive aid at the polls. The voter and the assisting individual must sign a voter assistance form.

I certainly recognize that this may serve as a slight burden for campaigns, but any campaign that legitimately uses paid drivers should have no problem providing these simple lists.

During the 2005 General Assembly, I helped to draft legislation based upon this proposal. Unfortunately, due to the short nature of the session and the preponderance of other major election legislation, there simply was not enough time to examine this issue.

I am working with legislators to introduce this bill again in the 2006 session. We hope that the legislature will take action immediately to remove the scourge of vote hauling from Kentucky elections.

While we can disagree about the solution to vote hauling, we can no longer act like ostriches with our heads buried in the sand and ignore the problem. Our democracy depends upon it.



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A summertime 'to-do' list for Kentucky families

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Summer is just around the corner. Families are making vacation and camp plans. Many days will be spent at ball fields, swimming pools and grilling out. We hope you have a wonderful, safe summer, and we want to offer a challenge to you and your kids this summer as you are making your plans: While your kids are taking the summer off away from school, help them to continue to exercise

their brains and bodies.

Continuing academic and physical activity can be easy as long as kids are interested in the activity and are having fun doing it, particularly if parents set the example and offer a positive environment. Healthy examples set by the parents are the surest and easiest ways for kids to adopt lifelong healthy lifestyles. Kids are naturally energetic and active. It's when they get stuck in front of a TV, computer or video games, that they get sedentary.

Help your kids maintain their reading skills and activity levels while on summer break. Find a theme that your kids are interested in, and focus that theme around their activities. Plan weekly walks or bike rides to your local library to check out books on that particular subject, invent games related to the theme, and read the books together as a family. You can also involve them in the preparation of and eating healthy snacks that go along with your theme, so they'll incor-

porate nutritional eating habits as well.

For instance, "Dragons, Dreams, And Daring Deeds" will be a theme used by many Kentucky libraries this summer. Explore exciting book-based programs and activities featuring medieval history topics and fantasy literature. You and your children can dream of times long ago, read terrific tales of daring and adventure, and enjoy activities filled with magic and merriment, dragons, castles, knights, and fun.

Take these ideas along on your vacations too. Do an Internet search and weave them into some of your travel destinations, maybe a state park. Don't like this theme? Choose one that works for your kids, then complement reading material with games, outings, and healthy snacks.

Consider traveling a Kentucky cultural heritage trail (<http://www.tourism.ky.gov/history.aspx>)

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Health Extra

OLW recognizes employees



Ruth Shelton (center) is honored for 35 years of service by Kathy Stumbo (left) and Billie Turner (right).

MARTIN — Our Lady of the Way Hospital's annual Employee Recognition Awards Luncheon was held Thursday, May 12, at the Jenny Wiley State Park May Lodge.

"We have the best health-care employees in Kentucky," said Kathy Stumbo, president and chief executive officer.

"We value their years of service and dedication to OLWH."

Ruth Shelton, director of patient financial services, received special recognition for her 35 years of service.

Other employees honored for 2005 were:

■ 30 years of service —

Phyllis Dingus.

■ 25 years of service — Randy Carroll, Olive Martin, Jean May, Rex Music and Billie Wright.

■ 20 years of service — Carol Bentley, Dolly Leedy, Ernestine McKinney and Jeff Robinson.

■ 15 years of service — Rolleen Bentley and Danita Hampton.

■ 10 years of service — Sarah Fitch, Neva Francis, Sharon Hite, Shirley Johnson, Phyllis Kilgore, Jeanetta Moore, Gracie Ritchie, Carla Rose, Judy Salyer and Judee Spears.

■ Five years of service — Debbie Allen, Donna Bradley, Debbie Howell, Carol McKinney, Judy Parsons, Cindy Patton, Becky Samons and Patty Shepherd.

Employees in attendance were eligible for a number of door prizes and all employees recognized for years of service received a service pin to commemorate the special event.



OLW employees are recognized for their years of service.

Our Lady of the Way Hospital operates six rural health clinics and is a member of Catholic Health Initiatives. Catholic Health Initiatives is a national non-profit corporation based in Denver, Colorado. The Catholic Health Initiatives

health system, which is comprised of affiliated non-profit corporations located in 19 states, includes 68 hospitals; 44 long-term care, assisted and independent living and residential facilities; and five community-based health orga-

nizations. Catholic Health Initiatives represents more than 67,000 employees and consolidated annual operating revenues of \$6.1 billion. It is the second largest Catholic health system in the United States.

Local cancer support group hosts fundraiser

PIKEVILLE — Members of the ABC (After Breast Cancer) support group want everyone to come out to the Mark II in Pikeville on June 6 at 7 p.m. for an evening of "Hot Pink & Cool Blues."

The Pikeville Medical Center support group is hosting the "Hot Pink & Cool Blues Bash," the proceeds of which will benefit local cancer patients, people who cannot afford mammograms and the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. Tickets are \$25 per person and \$40 per couple. Corporate rates are also avail-

able. "It's going to be a party with live music," explained ABC member Sandy Ramsey. "We're going to raise funds for personal supplies like wigs and prosthetics for local cancer patients. The evening will also celebrate breast cancer survivors."

While the "Hot Pink" will represent breast cancer survivors, Pat Ramsey and the Blues Disciples will supply the "Cool Blues."

Pat Ramsey, who has roots in Pike County, and bandmate David Renson have been a touring band for more than

seven years. Along with a rhythm section, they have toured the country and played at various blues festivals. In addition, they have opened for legendary bluesman Johnny Winter. In fact, Pat Ramsey played harmonica on Winter's 1978 "White, Hot and Blue" album. Since that time, he has been known by many as the "harp (harmonica) player's harp player."

According to PMC Leonard Lawson, Cancer Center Program Coordinator Shirley Coleman, Pat Ramsey traces his harmonica history to Pike

County. "When he was here as a 12-year-old visiting his grandmother, she bought him a harmonica," Coleman related, "and he taught himself how to play."

Pat Ramsey and the Blues Disciples will perform three sessions during the bash which will also include a silent auction. Debbie Holbrook, another ABC member, said the support group is accepting donated items for the auction, which

will feature flower arrangements designed by Elite Impressions.

"We're hoping for some big ticket items," Holbrook stated. She added that the management of Mark II is donating the space for the bash while other organizations are supplying the food. For more information, contact Shirley Coleman at 606-218-4992, Debbie Holbrook at 606-899-0606 or Sandy Ramsey at 606-205-

3141. You can also learn more about Pat Ramsey and the Blues Disciples at www.patramsey.com.

Witness

er plastic bag of marijuana. Tussey also found a methadone tablet in the bag and reported that Sparkman said the bag was given to her by another woman.

Tussey charged Sparkman with possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of a controlled substance and one count of an unlawful transaction with a

minor for having an 11-year-old child in the vehicle.

Coincidentally, the incident happened only three days after an inmate tried to sneak marijuana into the jail. Larry A. Marsillett, 20, of Prestonsburg, was arrested Friday when he tried to bring marijuana into the prison, where he was sentenced to spend weekends.

Marsillett was charged with promoting contraband when he checked in at the jail Friday and was discovered to have allegedly sewn marijuana into his underwear. He was arraigned in district court on Tuesday and ordered held on a \$5,000 bond until his pretrial conference, which was scheduled for July 18.

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Obituaries

Martha Marsillett

Martha Marsillett, 70, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, May 21, 2005, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

Born May 5, 1935, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of George and Stella (Burton) Vires. He lived most of his life in Warsaw and Pierceton, in the lake areas of Indiana. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Third Avenue Freewill Baptist Church, in Prestonsburg.

She is survived by her husband, Edward Marsillett.

Other survivors include two sons: James Edward (JoAnn) Marsillett of Emma, and John William (Carol) Marsillett of Prestonsburg; four grandchildren: Michael James Marsillett of Las Vegas, Nevada, Keith Edward (Stephanie) Marsillett of Winchester, Amber Nicole Marsillett of Prestonsburg, and Emily Paige Marsillett of Emma; two great-grandchildren: William Gregory Marsillett and Madison Grace Marsillett, both of Winchester.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her step-father, John Hayes.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, May 24, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with William Canterbury officiating.

Burial was in the Mayo Cemetery, in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Juanita Conn

Juanita Conn, age 57, of Printer, wife of Johnny Conn, passed away Wednesday, May 18, 2005, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

She was born October 19, 1947, in Printer, the daughter of the late Virgil Carroll and Ollie Meade Carroll. She was a former cook, employed by the Floyd County Board of Education, and a Christian in the Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband, Johnny; one son, Johnny Conn Jr., of Clay City; two daughters: Dedra Lynette Sellards of Martin, Ticker Carolina Waugh of Clay City; one brother, Denzil Humble of Printer; one sister, Patricia Ann Conn of Printer, eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one son, Meredith A. Conn; and four brothers: Leonard Humble, Ivan Carroll, Dwayne Carroll, and Milton Humble.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, May 21, at 2 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Clergyman Frank Junior Kidd officiating.

Burial was in the Conn Cemetery, in Printer, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation was at the funeral home, where church services were held on Friday evening, at 7 p.m.

Pallbearers: Nathan Blackburn, Michael Sparks, Richard Witt, Blake Waugh, Shane Conn, Andrew Conn, and Patrick Evans. (Paid obituary)

Quinton S. Vires

Quinton S. Vires, 67, of Columbia City, Indiana, died Saturday, May 21, 2005, at his residence.

Born November 22, 1937, in Jackson, he was the son of George and Stella (Burton) Vires. He lived most of his life in Warsaw and Pierceton, in the lake areas of Indiana.

He is survived by his wife, Nawasa Shepherd Vires. They were married on July 7, 1962, in West Liberty. He was a truck driver for Woody Everly and Son Trucking Company, and was a member of the National Rifle Association.

Survivors, other than his wife, include his step-children: Debra Jane Matthews of Columbia, South Carolina, Pamela Sue Hotte of North Charleston, South Carolina, and Claude LeRoy Wood of Sydney, Indiana; one brother, Daniel Vires of Warsaw, Indiana; five sisters: Lorena Graham of Eaton, Ohio, Altonia Conley of Columbia City, Indiana, Norma Jean Sleeth of Claypool, Indiana, Stella Jo Hyden of Prestonsburg, and Creola Conley of Plymouth, Indiana; and 10 step-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two sisters: Georgia Babcock and Marie Vires; and one step-son, Mark Kelley Wood.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, May 27, at 1 p.m., at McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw, Indiana, with Pastor Rick Pride officiating.

Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw, Indiana.

Visitation will be Thursday, May 26, from 2 to 4, and 6 to 8, at the funeral chapel.

Memorials may be made to Riley's Children's Hospital. (Paid obituary)

Rodney Mark Rose

Rodney Mark Rose, 57, of Langley, died Thursday, May 19, 2005, at his residence.

Born August 1, 1947, in Martin, he was the son of the late Delbert R. and Carrie Edna Dempsey Rose. He was a disabled coal miner.

He is survived by his wife, Sherlene Ramey Rose.

Other survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Rodney Dwayne and Traci Rose of Langley; a daughter, Geana Scott of Garrett; a twin brother, Roger Rose of Garrett; a sister, Delana Rose of Lexington; and a granddaughter, Karli Rose.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, May 22, at noon, at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Sterlin Bolen, Jerry Manns, and others, officiating.

Burial was in the Elswick Cemetery, at Island Creek, (Pike County), under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Palestine Isaacs Riley

Palestine Isaacs Riley, 66, of Cowpens, South Carolina, died Sunday, May 22, 2005, at her home.

Born October 7, 1938, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Okey and Edith Reynolds Isaacs, and the wife of the late Harvey Curtis Riley. She attended the Cowpens Church of God.

Survivors include a daughter, Vivian Lindsay, and a son-in-law, Lee Thornton of Cowpens, South Carolina; a brother, Leon Isaacs of Cowpens, South Carolina; two sisters; Norma Riley and Rita Hall, both of Cowpens, South Carolina; three grandchildren: Brittany, Brandy, and Austin; and several nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by a brother, Leno Isaacs.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, May 26, at Cowpens Church of God, with Rev. Edwin Huggins officiating.

Burial will be in the Daniel Morgan Memorial Gardens, under the direction of J.F. Floyd Mortuary, Spartanburg, South Carolina.

Visitation is at the church. The family is at the home.

An online guest register is available at www.floydmortuary.com (Paid obituary)

Eugene Slone

Eugene Slone, 69, of Medway, Ohio, passed away Sunday, May 22, 2005, at his residence.

He was born September 1, 1935, in Craynor, the son of the late Blaine and Sarah (Hamilton) Slone, and his stepmother, Zella (Howell) Slone. He retired in 1989 from General Motors. He was a member of the Northridge Church of Christ, and the Wellston Church of Christ.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Naoma (Taylor) Slone; four daughters: Sheila Slone and Carolyn Waugh, both of Middletown, Ohio, Rhonda and Dion Stroup of New Carlisle, Ohio, Laura and Douglas Stroup of Medway; five grandchildren: Jason and his wife, Elizabeth, Donnie, Kyle, Ashley and Tracey; two great-grandchildren: Tyler and Holly; four brothers: Walker Slone of Dayton, Ohio, Preston and Gene Slone of Tipp City, Ohio, and Doug Slone, and Jeff and Joetta Slone all of Craynor; four sisters: Jeanette and Elisah Brannon, Geneva and Thomas Hamilton, Janice and Richard Newman, and Sharon and Glenn Hamilton, all of Craynor; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Rosa Lea Stringer.

Services will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, May 26, at the Trostel, Chapman & Christmas Funeral Home, New Carlisle, Ohio.

Burial will be in New Carlisle Cemetery.

Visitation will be 6-8 p.m., Wednesday, at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Eddie Harris

Eddie Harris, 55, of Melvin, died Friday, May 20, 2005, at Saint Joseph Hospital East, Lexington.

Born January 29, 1950, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Willie and Maudie Bell Parker Harris. He was a disabled carpenter.

He is survived by his wife, Kathy Little Harris.

Other survivors include one daughter, Melinda Harris (Keith) Davis of Melvin; two brothers: James (Francine) Harris of Lenoir, North Carolina, and Billy Joe Harrington of Bypro; six sisters: Betty Newman of Melvin, Hazel (Woodrow) McCown of Michigan, Justine (Travis) Isaac of Michigan, Norma (Dan) From of Louisville, Pauline Martin of Prestonsburg, and Peggy (John) Myers of Buckingham; two grandchildren: Whitney Dawn Hill and Zachary Tyler Hill.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Homer Ray Harrington.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 24, at 1 p.m., at the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church, with Louis Ferrari and John Allen officiating.

Burial was in the Harris Family Cemetery, in Melvin, under direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the church where services were held each night at 7 p.m. (Paid obituary)

Dennis "Denny" Moore

Dennis "Denny" Moore, age 78, died Friday, May 6, 2005.

He was the former husband of Alma Joy Price and Annie Nicholls; father of Patricia, Rudolph and Eric Moore; brother of Earl Moore (Anna) of Glasgow, Josephine Lambert (Cliff) of Rittman, Ohio, Eugene Moore (Betty) of Cordes Lakes, Arizona, Alice Lawson of McDowell, Norma Lambert of Kingsport, Tennessee, and of the late Alzie, Allen, Carl Dean and Moses "Pete" Moore, Pauline Stumbo of McDowell, and Edgel Moore of Sebring, Florida.

He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, friends and relatives. He will be greatly missed. (Paid obituary)

Goldia "Snookie" Marie Burchett

Goldia "Snookie" Marie Burchett, 81, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, May 23, 2005, at King's Daughters Medical Center, in Ashland.

Born on June 2, 1923, in Bays Branch, Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Elmer Burchett and Lula Horn Burchett. She was a retired teacher for the Floyd County Board of Education, having taught for 36 years. She was a member of the Kentucky Retired Teachers Association.

Survivors include several nieces and nephews.

Anna Mae Ousley

Anna Mae Ousley, age 66, of Martin, passed from this life on Sunday, May 22, 2005, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

She was born July 30, 1937, in Goodloe, the daughter of the late Henry and Sally Shepherd Arnett. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are: her husband, Vernon Ousley; one son, Lawrence Ousley of David; three daughters: Eva Gearheart of Lynchburg, Virginia, Barbara Moore of Prestonsburg, and Dianna Moore of Huntington, West Virginia; brothers: Adam Arnett and Henry Arnett Jr., both of Silver Lake, Indiana; sisters: Goldia Griffith, Opal Bates and Janice Prater, all of David, and Barbara Ousley of Noblesville, Indiana; grandchildren: Brianna Moore, Jessica Moore, Justin Moore, and Grant Gearheart.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: Brothers, Rubin Arnett, Thomas Arnett, and Johnny Arnett; and a sister, Ocie Pitts.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 24, at 11 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Rev. Raymond E. Snider Jr., officiating.

Burial was in the Ousley Cemetery, at Alum Lick, near Martin, under the professional care of Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Joey Griffith, Symbed Guoar, Danny Thorns-bury, David Thorns-bury, Randy Griffith, David Bates, and Hasadore Ousley. (Paid obituary)

Elsie Salyer Hicks

Services for Elsie Salyer Hicks, 92, of Frankfort, formerly of Floyd County, were conducted Monday, May 23, at 2 p.m., at Clark Funeral Home, Versailles Road, in Frankfort, with Rev. Wallace Kent officiating.

She died Friday, May 20, 2005, at Beverly Health & Rehabilitation, Frankfort.

Born June 15, 1912, in Salyersville, she was the daughter of the late N.P. and Alice Dotson Salyer. She was a retired teacher, having worked in the Floyd County School System.

She is survived by a daughter, Brenda Rucker of Shelbyville; a son, Ronald Hicks of Moultonboro, New Hampshire; four grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren. She was the last surviving child of six sisters and two brothers.

Burial was in Sunset Memorial Gardens, in Frankfort, under the direction of Clark Funeral Home, Frankfort.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Contributions may be made to Hospice of the Bluegrass, Franklin County Chapter. (Paid obituary)

Richard Elkins

Richard Elkins, 79, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, May 16, 2005, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

Born September 18, 1925, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Hobert and Evelyn Scutchfield Elkins. He was a retired cable installer for Flanery & Dingus, and was a World War II veteran.

He is survived by his wife, Nora Rorer Elkins.

Other survivors include one son, Ricky Elkins of Mount Vernon.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Shirley Elkins.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, May 19, at 2 p.m., at the Auxier Freewill Baptist Church, with Bobby Joe Spencer officiating.

Burial was in the Richmond Cemetery, in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation was at the church. (Paid obituary)

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A special scent, a certain song planting flowers And a laugh out of the blue. Triggers images of childhood And things we used to do. You taught us to appreciate The beauty of simple things To look for the silver lining No matter what life brings. Because of your example We are who we are today

Happy Birthday We miss you so much, Mother We love you, Your children James, Donnie, Nancy, Ronnie and Rebecca and your grandchildren: Dewana, Kristol, Trisha, Tiffany, Rachel, Michael, Patrick, Tyler and Alexis

Card of Thanks

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

THE FAMILY OF HELEN PRESLEY HAGANS

Card of Thanks

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

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Dispute over seized records in state probe goes to court

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Gov. Ernie Fletcher cannot shield millions of state government e-mails from the attorney general's investigation into improper political influence in state personnel matters, a judge ruled Monday.

Franklin County Circuit Judge Roger Crittenden did extract a promise from Deputy Attorney General Pierce Whites that the e-mails would only be searched for evidence about any personnel abuses.

In a related development, a document filed along with a Franklin County grand jury subpoena indicates investigators have 23 people of special interest, including several top aides to Gov. Ernie Fletcher and some

political allies outside government. Neither Fletcher nor Lt. Gov. Steve Pence were named on the subpoena, which was reviewed by The Associated Press.

Crittenden rejected claims by attorneys for the Commonwealth Office of Technology that the e-mails would include communications that might include personal and privileged matters, such as notes between attorneys and clients. Crittenden noted that state policy makes clear to every worker that their e-mails can be examined at any time.

But the e-mails may not prove very valuable. William Hurt, an attorney hired for the case, said the state has records of e-mails going back only to May 5 and has a policy to destroy old e-mails after 10

days. That policy was interrupted late last week when the attorney general's office obtained a court order to require the conservation of a raft of documents and electronic materials. E-mail communications are at the heart of documents provided to investigators by a Transportation Cabinet personnel official that point to evidence of hirings, transfers and dismissal of rank-and-file state workers based on political considerations, not on merit.

The grand jury subpoena asks for all documents, writings and any references to contacts or communications regarding Merit System hiring from Jan. 1, 2004, to the present. The subpoena also demands phone records and phone message pads.

A list that accompanied the

subpoena includes Fletcher's Chief of Staff Stan Cave; his deputy, Richard Murgatroyd; acting Transportation Secretary Bill Nighbert; Commerce Secretary Jim Host; Republican Party treasurer Dave Disponett, a volunteer in Fletcher's office; and Stephen Branscum, a Fletcher contributor who is also a partner with Fletcher in a Florida real estate venture.

Attorney General Greg Stumbo's investigation is looking into whether the governor's administration violated state Merit System laws by hiring transportation workers based on politics and not their qualifications for the job.

Fletcher said last week that mistakes might have been made in making job recommendations but that no Merit System rules were broken.

Mountaintop removal protests planned in four states

by JENNIFER BUNDY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — A group opposed to mountaintop removal mining is looking for volunteer protesters who are lawyers, writers, photographers, artists and "science geeks" to gather at a training camp Tuesday to prepare for Mountain Justice Summer.

About 100 people are expected to attend the week-long training at the Appalachian South Folk Life Center near Pipestem State Park, said Dave Cooper, a Mountain Justice Summer member from Lexington. Volunteers will take mandatory classes in nonviolence and de-escalation, security, dealing with threats and Appalachian mountain culture.

Hundreds of people from across the country are expected to participate in "actions" this summer in West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee and southwestern Virginia. Members hope to have at least 40 full-time volunteers working on events from June through August, said Chris Irwin, a law student in Knoxville, Tenn.

Tactics will include rallies, nonviolent civil disobedience like chaining people to coal company gates, "listening projects" involving interviewing residents in coal communities, water and plant surveys, public rela-

tions and lobbying, monitoring coal mining permits and regulatory meetings, and helping people affected by mountaintop removal mining.

The group's Web site says its goals are to raise awareness of mountaintop removal mining; escalate resistance to it; build support, unify and strengthen regional groups fighting surface mining; and encourage conservation and efficiency, solar and wind energy as alternatives to coal.

Much of the work in West Virginia will focus on educating and informing people about mining.

In mountaintop removal, coal operators blast off entire hilltops to uncover coal seams. Leftover rock and dirt is deposited into nearby valleys, burying streams.

"I am finding out here along the Coal River people don't even know what mountaintop removal is," said Bo Webb of Coal River Mountain Watch in Whitesville, Boone County. "They seem to want to bury their heads in the coal dust."

At least one coal company is concerned enough to warn all its employees about how to behave when faced with protesters.

St. Louis-based Arch Coal has sent a form letter for all its site general managers to

pass on to employees telling them to be careful, said John Snider, the company's vice president for external affairs, who is based in Charleston.

If people chain themselves to company gates or property, employees should leave them alone and call the police, Snider said. Employees should not touch protesters or talk to them.

"I would say if they are on private property, that would be civil disobedience, which is violence. It's a form of it," Snider said. "We are not a violent company. We don't want anyone hurt, either protesters or our people."

"This letter was not to be antagonistic. It was meant to inform our employees. 'Hey guys, you need to be careful this summer,'" Snider said.

Snider said the company considers Mountain Justice Summer a part of the Earth First movement and expects protesters to try and damage coal mining equipment.

Although some Earth First members will be participating in Mountain Justice Summer activities, the groups are not otherwise affiliated, Cooper said. Mountain Justice Summer members say they do not plan to destroy property or participate in violent activities.

College students, members of Coal River Mountain

Watch in West Virginia, Kentuckians for the Commonwealth and similar groups in Tennessee and Virginia will be participating, Cooper said.

Mountain Justice Summer members are opposed to all forms of strip mining, especially mountaintop removal, because they say it destroys ecosystems and watersheds.

Also, the mountains are part of the southern Appalachian culture, and by destroying mountains, coal companies are destroying a culture, Irwin said.

"What they are betting on is silence," Irwin said. "We want to get the word out."

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Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's note: To announce your community event, you may hand-deliver your item to The Floyd County Times office, located at 263 S. Central Avenue, Prestonsburg; or mail to: The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; or fax to 606-886-3603; or email to: features@floyd-countytimes.com. Information will not be taken over the telephone. All items will be placed on a first-come, first-serve basis as space permits.

Family reunion

The Shelton-McSurley reunion will be held Saturday, June 11, beginning at 9 a.m. The reunion will be held at the Minnie Ballpark. For more information, concerning the reunion, contact Pat Shelton at 1-859-873-7682.

Johnson County UNITE Against Drugs

March, Rally and Gospel Sing. Event to be held Friday, June 3. Meet at 5:30 p.m., in front of courthouse. March to Mayo Plaza. Rally and Gospel Sing at Mayo Plaza, at 7 p.m.

Customer Appreciation Day

The Lackey Post Office will host a "Customer Appreciation Day" on Wednesday, May 25 as a special "Thank You" to their customers. Postmaster Billie Trimble and PMR Rebecca Combs invite everyone to come visit.

FCEA Memorial Service

The Floyd County Education Association will hold its annual memorial service for deceased members on June 2, at 10 a.m., in the Josie Harkins schoolhouse, located on the Dewey Lake Campgrounds. Refreshments will be served. All are cordially invited to attend.

Parsons Family Reunion

The second annual Parsons family reunion will be held Sat., May 28, beginning at 11:30 a.m., at the Little Mud Community Center (formerly the old Spruce Pine School - about 2 1/2 miles up Rt. 2030 on Little Mud). All Parsons' and their families welcome to attend. Please bring a covered dish and soft drinks. Also, old photos and genealogical information. For more info., call Sylvia at 478-1447; Lois at 478-2479; or Mary at 587-1850.

Benefit Sing

DAV Chapter 166, Johns Creek Branch, will host a benefit sing at the Community Funeral Home on Sat., May 28, at 7 p.m. Featured singers include: David Taylor, "Pilgrims on a Journey," Joann Coleman, Joe Slone, Joey Collins Singers and more. All welcome!

ACS Gospel Sing

The American Cancer Society will host a gospel sing on Friday, June 3, at 7 p.m., at the Faith Independent Freewill Baptist Church. Featured will be: Norm Marcum, New Heart, Slone Family, Gospel Anchors, Teddi Leigh, Bob and Dora Boyd, and others. All proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society. For more info., call 358-9209. Church is located 1/4 mi. south of Worldwide Equipment on Route 1428.

Pratt Family Reunion

To be held June 11, at Old Maytown School Lunchroom. Room reserved for all day - come early, stay late. Potluck dinner to be served at 1 p.m. Bring musical instruments, photos, etc. Access to playground, horseshoes, and volleyball. Also, attendees may use the center's gym from 2-4 p.m. For

more info., call Loretta P. Hackworth at 886-3928; Julia P. Jones at 285-3179; Jimmy Pratt at 358-4083 or Elbert Pratt at 358-2315.

Donations needed

For upkeep of Newman Cemetery, located near United Baptist Church. Donations may be mailed to: Jeffrey Lynn Hall Curry, P.O. Box 232, Hi Hat, 41636. Make checks payable to Newman Cemetery.

HRMC Community Calendar

June 6 & 7 - "55 Alive," Meeting Place A & B, Medical Office Bldg., 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

June 11 - Child Birth classes, Meeting Place A & B, Medical Office Bldg., 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

June 14 - Sr. Advantage, Meeting Place A & B, Medical Office Bldg., 9:30-11:30 a.m.

June 30 - Living Well with Diabetes Support Group, Meeting Place A & B, Medical Office Bldg., 5-6 p.m.

For more info., contact the Highlands Educational Services Dept. at 886-7424.

Joy Service -Christ United Methodist, Allen

June 5 - Special singing by Billie Lafferty and Betty Patton, 6 p.m.

June 13-17 - Vacation Bible School, 6-8 p.m. "Circle G Ranch" with "Kick-Off Cow-Poke Cook-Out" on June 12, at 6 p.m.

June 19 - Special singing by the Christ United Methodist Chancel Choir, 6 p.m.

June 26 - Special singing by Morgan Chapman, 6 p.m. No services on May 29.

Camp Nathanael Day Camp

June 8-10, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., for children who have completed the 1st-3rd grades. For more info., contact Beth McIntyre at 785-9822. Overnight camps for children who have completed 4th grade thru high school also available. Call 251-3231 for info.

PHS class of '95

It's been 10 years! The PHS class of 1995 is planning a reunion. If you are a classmate, or know a classmate's whereabouts, email to: angelapoter1995@yahoo.com

PHS Class of '84

The Prestonsburg High School Class of 1984 is seeking members of the class for a 20/21st year reunion, scheduled to be held this coming July. If you are, or if you know of, a former classmate, please email to: p_h_s_class_of_1984@yahoo.com, or call 606-638-3941.

Reunion

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

Neighborhood Watch

The Mud Creek Neighborhood Watch group will meet the third Thursday of each month, at 7 p.m. All are invited to attend meetings.

BLHS High School Reunion

Classes of the 1930's, 1940's, 1950's and 1960's. To be held Saturday, June 25. For info., call Joe Hinchman at 874-2821 or Marvin Williamson at 478-3310.

BLHS Class of 1955

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

JCHS Class of '75

The Johnson Central High School Class of 1975 will hold a 30-year class reunion on June

11. For more information, contact Marsha Cantrell at 789-2080 or Kathy Trimble at 297-3202.

Attention: BLHS Class of '85

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

Free Body Recall classes

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

'Earn While You Learn'

The Big Sandy Area C.A.P. office is taking applications for

its "Senior Training Program." You must be 55 or older to apply. In Floyd, call 886-2929; Johnson, call 789-6515; Magoffin, call 349-2217; Pike, call 432-2775; and in Lawrence, call 638-4067.

Age 55 or older?

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

External Diploma Program

Kentucky residents age 25 and older can earn a high school diploma by demonstrating skills learned on the job or in raising a family. Flexible scheduling is provided and confidentiality maintained. Classes are held at the Carl D. Perkins Rehabilitation Center, in

Thelma, Mon. thru Fri., with evening classes on Thursday, from 4:30-8:30. Contact Andy Jones at 800-443-2187, ext. 186, or Linda Bell, at ext. 160 to make an appointment.

Floyd County Extension Homemaker Club Meetings

Allen: 1st Monday, 11 a.m., at Christ United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

Cliffside/Prestonsburg: 3rd Wednesday, 12:30 p.m., at Cliffside Community Room.

David: 1st Monday, 1 p.m., at St. Vincent's Mission.

Martin: 1st Tuesday, 6 p.m., Martin Church of Christ.

Evening Quilt Group: 4th Thursday, 6 p.m., Extension Office.

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

Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild:

1st/3rd Wednesdays, 10 a.m., Extension Office.

Prestonsburg: 2nd Tuesday, 1:30 p.m., Extension Office.

South Prestonsburg: 3rd Tuesday, 7 p.m., Home of

members (call 886-2668 for info.)

"Looking For a Support Group?"

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

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

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

(See CALENDAR, page nine)

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- Overeater's Anonymous (O.A.)** - Meets each Monday, at 3:30 p.m., at the St. Martha Catholic Church, Water Gap Road. For more info., call 886-2513.
- US TOO! Prostate Cancer Survivors Support Group** - For all men with prostate cancer and their families. Group meets the 3rd Thursday of each month, at 6 p.m., at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville.
- Community Weight Loss Support Group** - Meets Thursday's at 6:30 p.m., at the Martin Community Center. For more info., call 377-6658. Those who have had gastric bypass surgery most especially welcome to attend. Meetings being offered as support to anyone needing extra support in dealing with weight loss.
- Domestic Violence Hotline** - 24-hour Crisis Line manned by Certified Domestic Violence counselors. Call 886-6025, or 1-800-649-6605. Remember, "Love Doesn't Have to Hurt."
- Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children** - Free, confidential assistance for unplanned pregnancy concerns. Talk with someone who cares about you and your baby. Call 1-800-928-5242.
- Disabled?** - You may be eligible for grant money to assist in your daily living. For an application or more information, call 886-4326.
- A.S.K. (Adoption Support for Kentucky)** - Support group for all adoptive parents (public, private, international, and kinship care), foster parents and all others interested in adoption. To be held the first Monday of each month, at the Department for Community Based Services office, 1009 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, from 6-8 p.m. Childcare will not be provided. For more information, contact Dedra Slone, adoptive parent liaison, at 432-4110 or 422-7927, or email to: doslone@eastky.net.
- PARENTS!** - Contact the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Inc. to find out about child care services in your area, the STARS for KIDS NOW licensing standards program; and how you can earn an income by staying home with your own children while caring for the children of others. Find out more by calling Cheryl Endicott at 886-1280, or 888-872-7227 (toll free).
- East Kentucky S.T.A.R.S. Homeschoolers** - Will hold monthly meetings at the Paintsville Recreation Center. For more information, call Trudy at 889-9333, or 297-5147. Everyone welcome.
- Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** - Each Wednesday, from 7-8 p.m., in the Atrium Conference Room, 2nd floor, May Tower, Pikeville Methodist Hospital. For more info., contact Chris Cook at 606-433-1119 or christophercook@hotmail.com.

Bryant named PRIDE volunteer of the month



Larry Bryant with his PRIDE Volunteer of the Month plaque. With him when PRIDE staff presented the award were (left to right): Floyd County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson, Myra Thornsberry, Larry's wife Carolyn Bryant holding their granddaughter Laia Bryant, Ruby Preston and Wheelwright Mayor David Sammons.

WHEELWRIGHT - Wheelwright native Larry Bryant was named the PRIDE Volunteer of the Month for May.

"Larry gives to his community in many ways, and he recognizes that keeping the city clean is one of the important contributions he can make," said Richard Thomas, PRIDE executive director. "He shows that one person can make a difference by taking personal responsibility for their community. If everyone followed his example, then

our region would be cleaner and safer for our children and more attractive to tourists."

"Larry is a good guy," said Wheelwright Mayor David Sammons, who nominated Bryant for recognition by PRIDE. "He is always ready to help with any project, no matter how small or large, if he can. He's the kind of person you're glad to have as a neighbor. He's a wonderful asset to our community."

Bryant has participated in PRIDE cleanups since the program began. Sammons said. Bryant organizes litter

abatement projects and volunteers to pick up litter himself.

Bryant volunteers at the local youth center and helps the city with its annual Halloween Festival and Founders Day Celebration. He also helps plant flowers to beautify the community.

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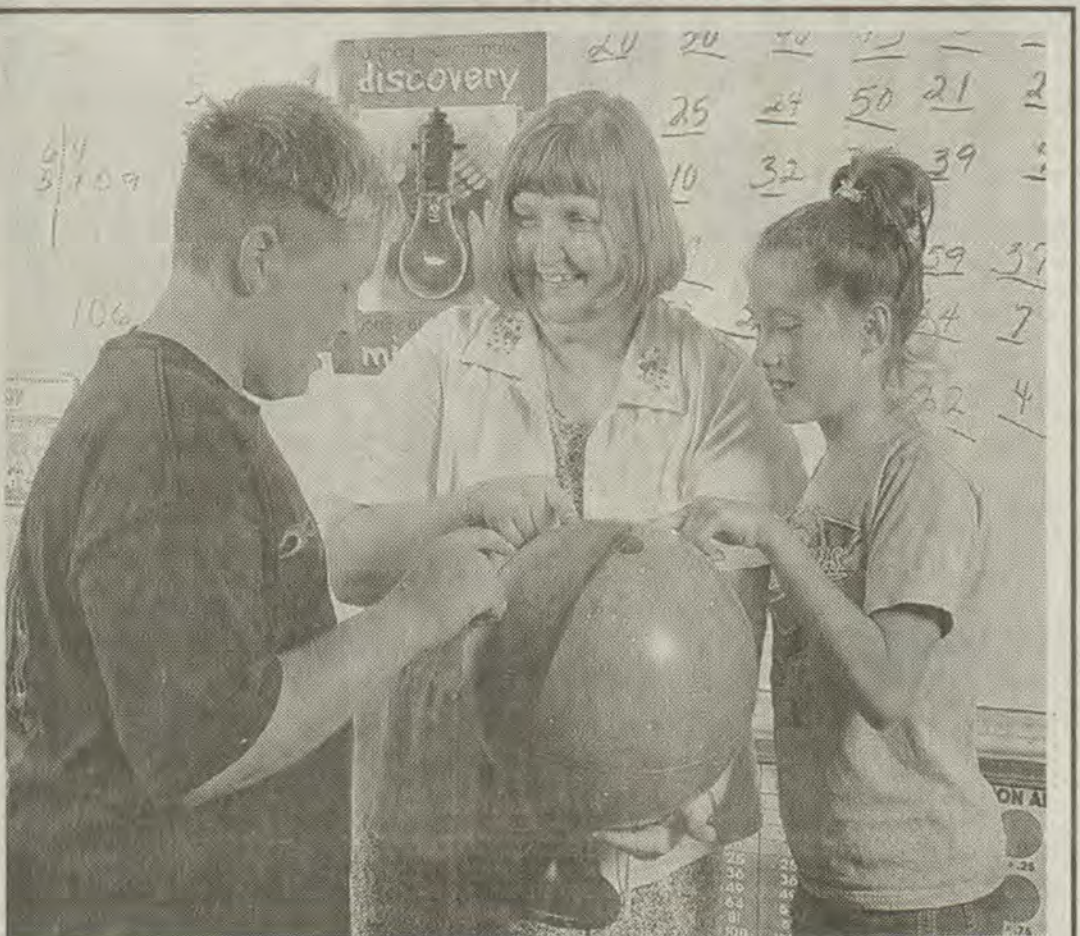
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Employment, unemployment rate, both rise in April

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Kentucky's employment and unemployment both rose in April, a confluence of the curious way that work is counted.

According to the Office of Employment and Training, the state's preliminary unemployment rate in April was 5.6 percent, the fourth month in a row for an increase. The March rate was 5.3 percent and the April 2004 rate was 5.5 percent.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics estimated the number of employed Kentuckians

for April 2005 was 1,882,717, that's an increase from March and April of last year.

At the same time, the monthly estimate of the number of unemployed Kentuckians for April 2005 was 110,719, also an increase from last month and last year.

The confounding numbers are a reflection of a sort of labor math.

Civilian labor force statistics include nonmilitary workers and unemployed Kentuckians who are actively seeking work. They do not include unemployed Kentuckians who have not

looked for employment within the past four weeks.

Thus, if someone has not been seeking work in the last month, they are not counted. And when they return to the job market, they become part of the statistics.

"As the job market improves, it is not unusual for the unemployment rate to increase as more people enter the labor force looking for work. What we're seeing is an increase in both new entrants and reentrants because the job prospects are looking up," said Carlos Cracraft, Kentucky's labor market expert.

Floyd County students receive Appalachian Wireless scholarship

PRESTONSBURG — Appalachian Wireless, a division of East Kentucky Network and the leading provider of high quality wireless telecommunications products and services in Eastern Kentucky, announced that Justin Frasure of The Piarist School and Courtney Hall of Allen Central High School each will receive one of eight scholarships that will be awarded this year.

"In February of this year, we were delighted to announce a new scholarship program that will pay \$500 toward the expenses incurred with higher education. We will award eight of these scholarships through-

out the region this year. Eligibility for these scholarships required the graduating senior to live in and attend a high school within one of the two Kentucky Rural Service Areas in our coverage area and for the student's parent or guardian to be a current customer of Appalachian Wireless. Selection was based on the criteria of financial need, academic performance, school and community involvement, letters of recommendation and an essay", stated Danny VanHoose, Director of Marketing & Sales.

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Park

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Thompson, from Henry M. Reed III, of Reed Law Office, in Louisville, dated Feb. 21, a request was made for the Floyd County Fiscal Court to convey a certain parcel of land, adjacent to the school, to the Floyd County School District Finance Corporation, citing as reason for the conveyance, that the school property had been conveyed to the county through the issuance of bonds that have since been retired.

"Under the new format, the School District Finance Corporation acts as the issuing agency for the Board of Education instead of the county and it is necessary that title be vested in the Finance Corporation to comply with (existing) statutes," reads the letter.

The letter further reads that "in the proceedings authorizing the county's bonds it was provided that the school property should be conveyed back to the Board of Education upon the retirement of (said) bonds."

In a meeting of the Floyd County Fiscal Court, held Friday, May 20, the court declined to agree to convey the property to the school district, citing that the county had invested \$40,000 into the property for improvements and that, also, the park is currently the only one available to Mud Creek residents.

In regard to alleged damage done to the park's walkways and restroom facilities, Gerald DeRossett, county magistrate, said in Friday's meeting that he felt that the school system should pay for repairs to the damaged areas.

Stumbo also said in Monday evening's meeting that focus should be on what the end result of the inconvenience of the construction will be — "a state-of-the-art school building."

Summer

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park. Don't like this theme? Choose one that works for your kids, then complement reading material with games, outings, and healthy snacks.

Consider traveling a Kentucky cultural heritage trail (<http://www.tourism.ky.gov/history.aspx>) and pair it with some favorite Kentucky authors to enrich your children's experiences.

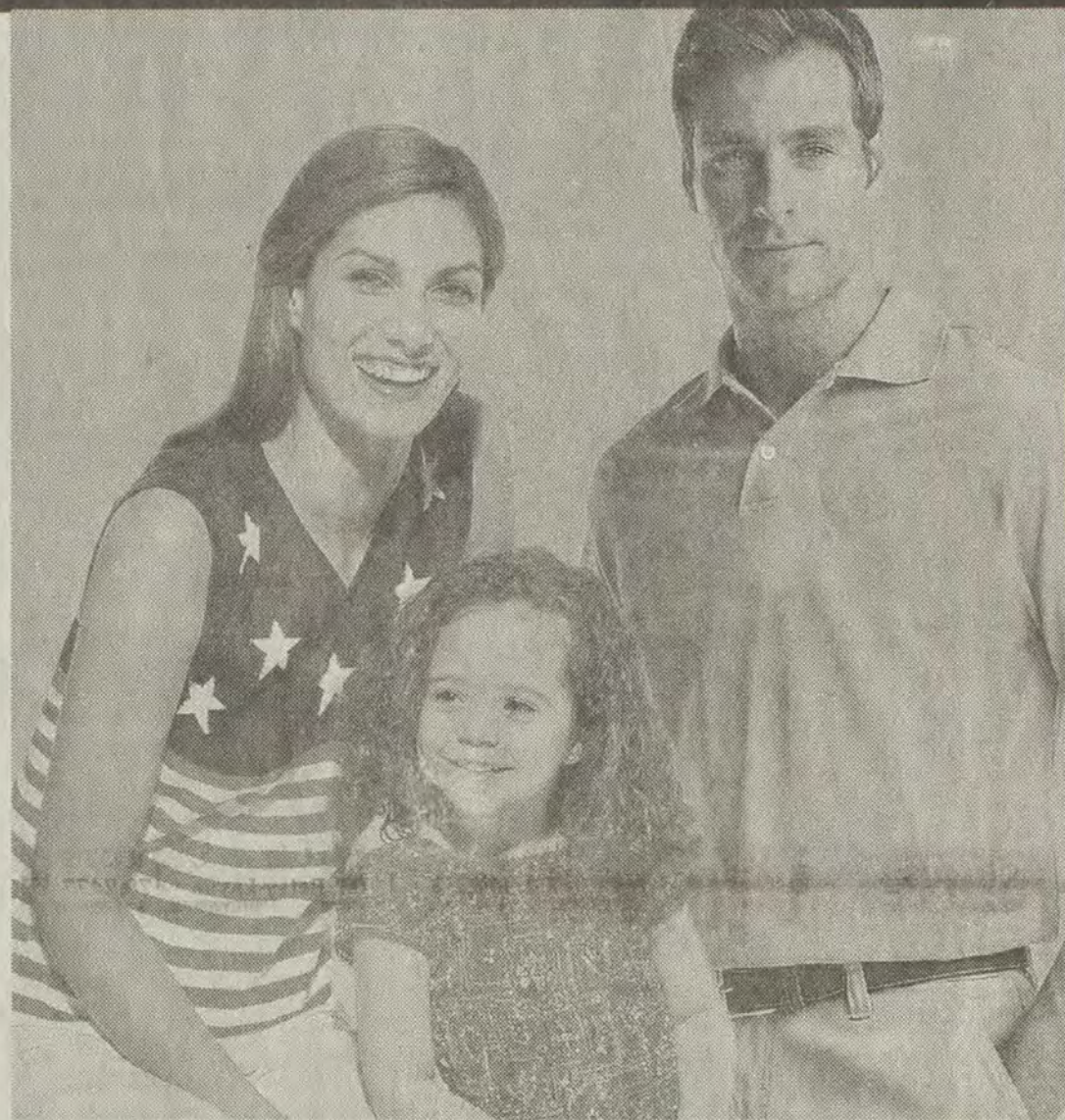
Research shows the number of books read during the summer is directly related to academic gains. Kentucky students spend 185 days in the classroom, while their counterparts in other countries are in school significantly more days—Japan, 243; Netherlands, 200; and England, 192 days. This summer, make a family commitment to lifelong learning. Invest this time together outside of the classroom wisely, and help your children develop healthier lifestyle and reading habits to last a lifetime.

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Republicans accuse Stumbo of playing politics

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Kentucky Republicans jumped to Gov. Ernie Fletcher's defense and accused Attorney General Greg Stumbo of using an investigation into personnel abuses to further his own political ambitions.

"It is clear that this is a political maneuver by Stumbo in preparation for the next gubernatorial race. This investigation is hardball politics, pure and simple," state GOP executive committee member Spencer Noe said at a party gathering Saturday.

A spokeswoman for Stumbo declined to comment on the Republican attack.

Noe said Stumbo launched the investigation "designed to smear Gov. Fletcher" after Stumbo said he was unlikely to become an opponent of Fletcher's on the 2007 ballot.

But the investigation was undertaken after a 30-year employee of the Transportation Cabinet asked the Personnel Board to investigate the allegations of improper political influence in hiring and other personnel decisions. The board, composed mostly of Fletcher appointees, voted on Friday to begin its own investigation.

Doug Doerting was rebuffed when he presented stacks of evidence to the state auditor's office and the Personnel Cabinet.

Noe said Fletcher and the administration have "cooperated fully" with the investigation, but a few incidents show the cooperation might not always have been wholehearted.

The Transportation Cabinet refused access to investigators when they first sought personnel records. And the Commonwealth Office of Technology went to court on Monday to try to prevent Stumbo's office from executing a search warrant for state government e-mails, though a judge denied the request.

Noe said Stumbo should remove himself from the investigation if he intends to run for governor in 2007.



Greg Wilson, president and CEO of First Commonwealth Bank, presents a check for \$4,100 to Kelly Akers, staff accountant and Relay for Life team captain

FCB employees raise over \$4,000 for American Cancer Society

PRESTONSBURG — Over the past several months, First Commonwealth Bank employees raised in excess of \$4,000 for the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. Beginning in January, employees raised money for the Relay for Life by hosting bake sales for customers and dinners for employees.

Several employees donated items that were auctioned in a bank-wide silent auction that raised several hundred dollars, and many employees participated in "blue jean casual Fridays," in which they paid \$3 for the privilege of wearing jeans to work rather than traditional business attire.

Another project created by employees to raise money included the purchase and donation of items to create two Mother's Day baskets, for which customers purchased tickets for a chance to win them. Finally, Grace Clark, a loan processor at First Commonwealth, donated a handmade quilt to the fundraising effort. Like the baskets,

customers and employees purchased tickets for a chance to win the quilt.

Furthermore, with the bank's "On Course for a Cure" theme, First Commonwealth hosted putting and chipping contests at their tent to raise additional money on-site during the Relay.

First Commonwealth Bank's team captain, Kelly Akers, led the fundraising efforts this year.

"The Relay for Life is an event that is easy to support," Akers said. "So many of us have seen family or friends suffer from this terrible disease that we have a great desire to give of ourselves and our finances in search of a cure. It is our great pleasure to raise money in honor of those who currently suffer from cancer and in memory of those who lost the battle with cancer. We have an excellent group of employees at First Commonwealth Bank, and because of their diligence and compassion, we were able to support the American Cancer Society with a \$4,000 donation."

"I am very proud of our

employees' efforts to raise money for the American Cancer Society," said Greg Wilson, president and CEO of First Commonwealth Bank. "First Commonwealth Bank has been very involved with the Relay for Life in the past several years. Our employees look forward to this event every year and are very dedicated to fundraising efforts to the American Cancer Society. I am very pleased with our employees' performance this year and for their investment not only in our community, but toward saving the lives of others throughout our region, state and country."

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ALC to host baseball camp

PIPPA PASSES – The annual Alice Lloyd College baseball camp will be held June 13-17 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Alice Lloyd College Field. The camp is for players ages 6-18. The camp will be conducted by members of the ALC coaching staff and players.

For more information, or to obtain a registration form, call ALC Coach Scott Cornett at 606/368-6119.

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Johnson Central tabs Starns new basketball coach New Golden Eagle coach spent time with NBA's Boston Celtics

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE – Johnson Central High School held a press conference Friday afternoon, at which time school officials announced the hiring of a new boys' basketball coach. School officials found a new coach, one that has experience coaching both in the high school and professional

ranks. Former Mason County assistant Mark Starns, who in 2001, spent some time on the Boston Celtics bench as an interim assistant coach, takes over the Golden Eagle boys' basketball program. Starns takes over for Les Trimble, who earlier this year was notified that he would not be hired back to lead the Johnson Central boys' basketball program.

Starns, 43, inherits a Johnson

Central team that posted a 19-10 record last season, second-best in the competitive 15th Region. The JCHS boys' basketball team is also the defending 58th District champion.

Despite being minus some key talented players lost via graduation, Starns will inherit a team that includes a returning Jamie McCarty. Last season as a sophomore in his first season as a high school varsity

starter, McCarty led Johnson Central in scoring.

A graduate of Lexington Catholic High School, Starns has previously been a head coach at Burgin High School (1995-97). He was an assistant coach at Mason County from 2002-04.

The Lexington native entered the professional basketball ranks in 1997

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Mark Starns (right) was officially introduced Friday afternoon as the new head coach of the Johnson Central High School boys' basketball team.

Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame Class of 2006 announced

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - Thirteen former high school coaches, athletes, officials and/or administrators make up the 19th class to be inducted into the Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame. The class will first be recognized at the annual Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame golf outing scheduled for Monday, June 20, 2005, at the Marriott Griffin Gate Resort in Lexington. With the Class of 2006, both Ashland and Belfry high schools boast inductees.

The class of 2006 will be inducted in ceremonies scheduled for Tuesday, March 14, 2006 at the Lexington Center. The induction of the 13 will bring the total number of individuals honored to 331.

The 2006 class is as follows:

Earl Adkins – Adkins was a star in football and basketball for Ashland High School. He earned All-State and Mr. Basketball honors in 1953 while setting the school's all-time career scoring record. In 1952, Adkins earned honorable-mention All-State honors in football. He went on to be involved in education and coaching.

Richard Bedwell – Bedwell was one of the most successful cheerleading coaches in the history of the Kentucky Association of Pep Organization Sponsors. He began his career in 1975 at Graham High School and went on to enjoy coaching jobs at Muhlenberg South and Trigg County High Schools. Bedwell's expertise and talent included other activities such as band, dance and pom squads. He also served the state as a Board member of KAPOS, including vice president and president of the organization.

Tom Hammond – Hammond, a graduate of Lafayette High School in Lexington, was innovator and leader in the news coverage of high school athletics beginning in 1969 with WLEX-TV in Lexington. He has gone on to enjoy an illustrious and award-winning broadcasting career covering a multitude of sporting events.

Stan Hardin – Coach Hardin guided the Fairdale Bulldogs to three consecutive trips to the Boys' Sweet Sixteen State Basketball Tournament, winning back-to-back titles in 1990 and 1991. He compiled a 247-138 record while coach at Fairdale and the school holds the honor of being the last team to win back-to-back Boys' State Basketball Championships.

James Holman – Holman was an outstanding track and field coach for Eastern High School in Louisville. His

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photos by Jamie Howell

Allen Central freshman pitcher Scott Little took the mound Monday evening in the 58th District Tournament opener and allowed Prestonsburg just three hits.

58TH DISTRICT TOURNAMENT Rebels rock Prestonsburg

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN – For first-year Allen Central High School baseball coach Ken Johnson, the post-season got off a great note. On Monday evening, Allen Central, playing at Stumbo Park in the opening round of the 58th District Tournament, jumped on Prestonsburg early on and went on to eliminate the Blackcats, winning in five innings, 18-4.

In the 58th District Tournament tilt, Allen Central sent freshman Scott Little to the mound. Little answered the call in a big way, pitching all five

innings while giving up just three hits.

Allen Central went into the district tournament opener on a quest to regain the top nod in the 58th District. The Rebels finished runner-up to Betsy Layne last season.

Little, arguably one of the state's top high school freshman baseball players, led the way Monday evening, pitching strong from the opening toss.

"It was a big time game for us," Johnson said, following his team's win over rival Prestonsburg. "We knew it was win or go home. I just told my boys to come out focused and stay determined. We had to be

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Edlora's Nextel Prelude roster grows

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

ROSSBURG, Ohio – A well-rounded representation of driver talent is taking shape for Eldora Speedway's June 8 Nextel Prelude to the Dream, as indicated by the recent additions to the star-studded lineup.

Joining previously announced NASCAR Nextel Cup stars Tony Stewart, Matt Kenseth, Bobby Labonte, Kevin Harvick, Dave Blaney, Kenny Schrader, Kyle Petty and Kenny Wallace in dirt Super Late Models that night will be Jeff Green, Danny Lasoski, Ron Capps, Mike Wallace and Red Farmer.

With diverse auto racing backgrounds, and impressive credentials on their resumes, this group will provide an interesting flair to the inaugural Nextel Prelude.

Farmer has established himself as a legend among stock car racing circles; having started with NASCAR in the early-years when they frequented the short dirt tracks of the South, raced on the beach at Daytona and followed the spiral to today's super speedway racing.

Even at 70 plus years of age, he still loves to race, and he remains competitive while having fun and pursuing his hobby. As one of the original members of the fabled 'Alabama Gang', Farmer admits that he "loves racing with these youngsters" and looks forward to showcasing his talents in this special appearance on Eldora's one-half mile clay oval.

Lasoski has raced against many of the Nextel Cup drivers in the International Race of Champions (IROC) and even beat them at their game at the Texas Motor Speedway last year. Now, with the Nextel Prelude, the tables are being turned, and

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Tessa Isaac, daughter of South Floyd High School girls' basketball coach Tony Isaac looked to make a play for the Rock Hounds of the Minnie League during a recent game.

Raiders stun Betsy Layne

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN – When post-season time rolls around, records can be thrown out the proverbial window. Such was the case Monday evening when defending 58th District champ Betsy Layne and South Floyd met up in the first game of the district tournament. Playing on its homefield at Stumbo Park, Betsy Layne found little comfort. South Floyd entered the game with just two wins to its credit, but, neverthe-

less, prevailed, winning 11-5.

In two regular-season meetings, Betsy Layne took a pair of wins, winning 11-1 in the first game back on May 2 and 5-1 in a game played just over a week later on May 10.

But Monday's district tournament game mattered most. With the loss, Betsy Layne will not have an opportunity to defend its district championship. The sun was shining Monday evening before rain pushed through the area and it shone brightest on the

(See RAIDERS, page three)



photo by Jamie Howell

South Floyd senior pitcher Scott Allen recorded the biggest wins of his high school career Monday, beating defending 58th District champ Betsy Layne.

Lady Rebs hold off P'burg in district opener

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE – In the end Monday evening, Allen Central did just enough to beat Prestonsburg in a 57th District Softball Tournament opening round game. The Lady Rebels held on, beating Prestonsburg 15-14. Allen Central got its 15 runs on 14 hits. Prestonsburg pushed across its 14 runs on just five hits.

Prestonsburg took advantage of Allen Central junior pitcher Alanna Cline's control problems and

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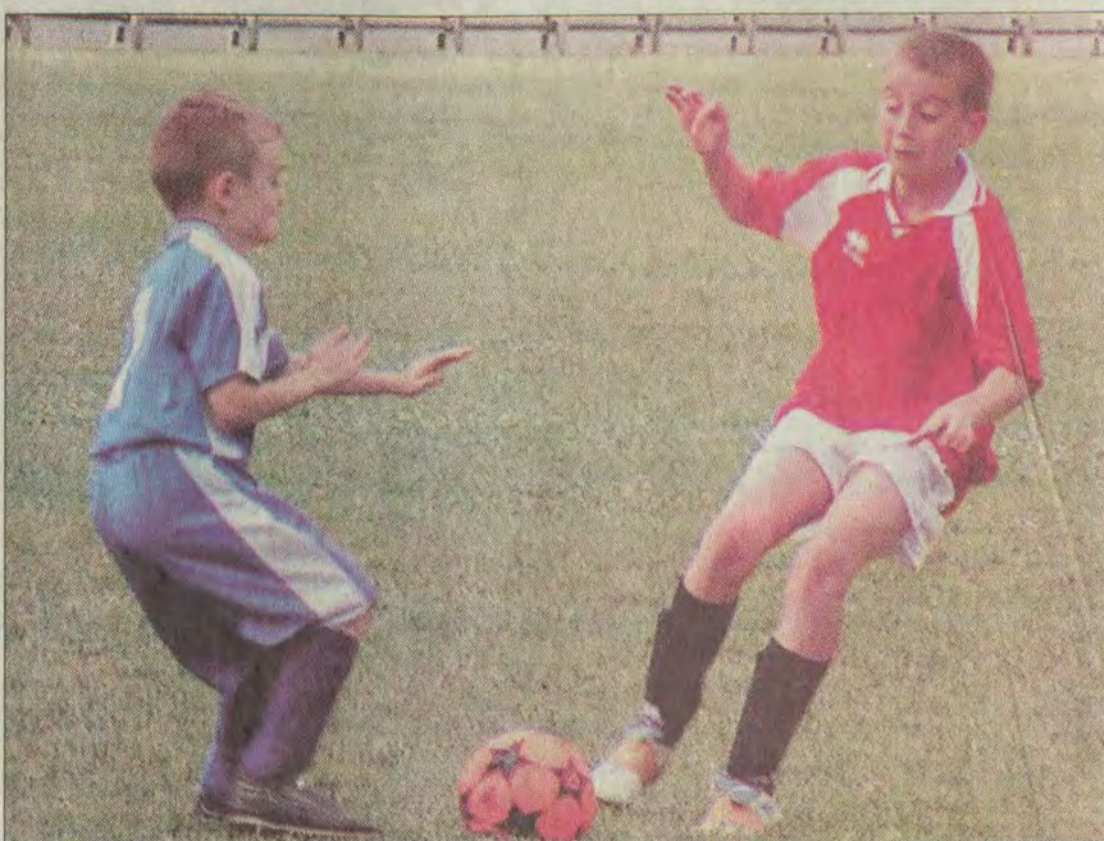


South Floyd hosted Sheldon Clark last Wednesday in a girls' softball game. Sheldon Clark won 28-8. Above, left: South Floyd's Heather Dean scored in front of a Sheldon Clark throw. Above, right: Miranda Gregory fielded a Sheldon Clark-hit ball and came up throwing.



The Minnie League has three teams, one of which is the Marlins. Above, right: Dalton Cornett, son of Alice Lloyd College Coach Scott Cornett, stood at second base following a double. Above, left: South Floyd High School football coach Donnie Daniels stood in as first base coach while son, Brett, looked over the situation.

YOUTH SOCCER



Beow, right: James Sanders (left) of the U10 Supersonics raced against a member of the Belfry Thunder Saturday for possession of the soccer ball in the second half of the Supersonics 4-1 victory. Above: Cameron Love (right) of the U10 Supersonics scored all of his team's four goals in their 4-1 win over the Belfry Thunder.

Below, left: Fullback Joseph "David Beckham" Kidd of the U12 Tide was all smiles as he awaited his teammates' congratulations following the goal from his corner kick during the second half of the Tide's lopsided win over the Belfry Falcons.



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Starns

when he entered the National Basketball Association (NBA) as a video coordinator/scout for the Boston Celtics. He served in that position from 1997-2000. In 2001, he served as interim head coach under former University of Kentucky men's basketball coach Rick Pitino.

While an assistant coach at Mason County, Starns served as an assistant coach on a state

championship team (2003), coaching under Kelly Wells, now the head men's basketball coach at Hawaii Pacific University.

In 2004, Starns served as assistant coach of the Kentucky All-Stars in the annual game against the Indiana All-Stars. He was named the 2003 AFLAC National Assistant Coach of the Year. That same year, he served as the assistant

coach of the Kentucky All-Stars in the annual series against the Ohio All-Stars. Starns also remains a resident coach of the Five-Star Basketball Camp.

A student of the game, Starns has had basketball plays published in *Winning Hoops Magazine* and an article published in *Championship Offensive Book*. He and his wife, Lauren, have one daughter, Madison (6).

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New Johnson Central High School boys' basketball coach Mark Starns is a former interim assistant coach with the Boston Celtics of the National Basketball Association.

KHSAA

29 year career yielded numerous regional and sectional championships, including one runner-up and five State Championship finishes.

Joan Johnston - Johnston coached girls' golf at Franklin County High School, guiding the Flyers to numerous appearances in the State Tournament, including State Championships in 1995 and 1996.

Charles Joseph - Joseph was an accomplished baseball umpire, having worked eight Regional Tournaments and four State Tournaments. He was founder of the Tri-State Baseball Officials Association.

Rick Kestner - Kestner was a three-sport star at Belfry High School, showcasing his talents for the Pirates in football, baseball and basketball. On the basketball hardwood, Kestner scored over 1,500 points and on the baseball diamond he helped Belfry earn the school's first trip to the State Baseball Tournament.

Carole Liedtke - Liedtke

was a prep gymnast for Pleasure Ridge Park High School in Louisville. She went on to coach girls' gymnastics at Moore High School in Louisville, guiding the program to State Championships in 1972, 1973 and 1974.

George Lusby - Lusby was a prep athlete at Georgetown High School and later coached baseball and basketball at his alma mater. He has been involved in officiating over 40 years, working 11 KHSAA State Football Championship games.

Jimmie Reed - Reed was a long time football and track coach at Washington County High School. A respected administrator, Reed has served as Executive Director of the Kentucky High School Coaches Association and Director of the annual Kentucky/Tennessee High School All-Star Football Game since 1988. In addition, Reed is a former state director for the National Football Coaches Association.

Kenny Rollins - Rollins was

a basketball star for Wickliffe High School and went on to enjoy a successful career at the University of Kentucky.

Tom Steltenkamp - Steltenkamp has provided sports medicine coverage for the Jefferson County area for over 20 years. He was instrumental in beginning the first sports medicine outreach program to high schools and organized Kentucky Medical Association/KHSAA Medical Symposiums for over two decades.

Steltenkamp has provided education to high school student trainers through camps and symposiums, helping the youth pursue sports medicine scholarships and careers in college.

Two other individuals have previously been voted into the Hall of Fame but declined induction at that time. Kelly Coleman (1989) and John Reynolds (1994) have yet to accept the honor. They or their representatives would be added to the induction class in the year the honor is accepted.

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Rebels

patient at the plate and pick out our pitches."

Allen Central was quite patient at the plate. The Rebels got to Prestonsburg starting pitcher Brenton Hamilton early on in the contest, hitting the junior pitcher for runs as early as the first inning. Hamilton, pulled out of the game in the second inning while facing a double-digit deficit, took the loss.

"Hamilton is a very good player for Prestonsburg," Johnson added. "We knew we had to get on him early by whatever means necessary. We came down Monday after

school and took some batting practice to get ready for the game. We were just prepared and our guys came out fired up."

Several Allen Central players provided offense. Brock Kidd connected on a home run for the Rebels.

Johnson was noticeably pleased with his players and how they handled the seriousness of the opening round game. That, coupled with the fact that the Rebels had very few miscues, led Allen Central (17-13) to the lopsided victory.

"You have those games

where everything seems to go right, and this was our game," said Johnson. "We had big hits when we needed them. Prestonsburg didn't play bad baseball. We just hit the ball. I am proud of my boys."

Allen Central last won the 58th District title in 2003. That same year, the Rebels went on to capture the 15th Region championship.

At press time, Allen Central was pitted against Beaver Creek rival South Floyd in the 58th District Tournament championship game. Results were unavailable at press time.

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NEXTEL

Lasoski will be within more comfortable and familiar territory - dirt track racing.

More commonly known as "the Dude" among the racing fraternity, Lasoski is coming off a runner-up finish in the 2004 World of Outlaw (WoO) Sprints points chase, where he drove Tony Stewart's J.D. Byrider sponsored sprinter to 11 feature wins.

Capps will be representing the drag racing world. He is a perennial fan favorite among the 'straight-liners' and has driven to victories in Top Fuel and Funny Car racing since joining the National Hot Rod Association (NHRA) in 1995.

Jeff Green, a former Nashville Speedway USA track champion, absolutely steamrolled the competition in 2000

en route to the NASCAR Busch Series championship.

Rounding out the most recent list of announced talent is Mike Wallace, who started his driving career in big fashion by winning more than 300 short track events in the Midwest during his 1970's and 80's. He also owns a trio of NASCAR Busch Series wins.

A brief practice session will acclimate the Prelude drivers to their assigned Late Models prior to taking single-lap qualifying runs to determine their placement in one of two preliminary heat races. Those finishing positions will then be used for placement in the Nextel finale, as the 'stars' will be racing against each other for bragging rights and another

chapter of Eldora's illustrated history is created.

Completing the racing program that night will be a full program of FASTRAK Champions Series racing as they make their Eldora debut. While looking similar in appearance to the Late Models that the Eldora fans have witnessed and appreciated over the years, the difference comes 'under the hood' as the FASTRAK teams are governed by 'crate engines' delivered directly by General Motors, with only a limited number of modifications permitted.

Gates for the Nextel Prelude to the Dream open at 3:30 p.m., with the first round of practice slated for 6:30 and the racing set to take the green flag at 8.

Opener

jumped out to an early lead of 7-0 over the defending district champions. Allen Central was able to score one run in the bottom of the first as Cline scored off of Sara Kinney's double down the left field line.

But Cline and her Allen Central teammates quickly recovered.

Prestonsburg continued to find holes in the Allen Central defense by scoring two runs in the top of the second inning to take a commanding 9-1 lead. Allen Central answered by scoring five runs in the bottom half of the inning as Cline helped her pitching cause, knocking in two runs off of a base hit.

"Prestonsburg came out and took advantage of our mistakes early," said Allen Central Coach Mark Martin. "The second inning was big for us and give credit to the bottom half of our lineup to get things going."

After the lackluster first

inning, the Lady Rebel defense only allowed four other runs heading into the top of the seventh inning.

With the score tied at 11, Allen Central freshman Sara Johnson drove home two Lady Rebel runners in the bottom of the sixth inning.

"Just a big hit for a good kid - at that time I thought she knocked in the game winning run," Martin commented.

Allen Central took a two-run lead in the top of the seventh but, Prestonsburg rallied back in the top of home stretch. Prestonsburg's Mayfield started off the top of the seventh by doubling down the left field line. Prestonsburg was able to put two runs across in the top of the inning and Prestonsburg led by two runs heading into the bottom half of the eighth inning.

But Allen Central would not be denied, taking the victory in

the extra innings.

"This group just showed a lot of grit to come back and win," Martin added. "Prestonsburg took an early lead and played well enough to win - have to give them credit."

"Alanna (Cline) just keeps getting more comfortable on the mound and as a group one of the better performances of the year. Sam Nelson made some big catches, and freshman Sara Johnson just had a big game."

Allen Central's younger players played big roles in the Lady Rebel victory.

"We just played well enough to win," said Martin. "Really proud of the way our underclassman and first year players handled themselves despite tough conditions."

"Glad to be back in the district finals. I think the win will just add a tremendous amount of confidence."

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Raiders

South Floyd Raiders.

Senior Scott Allen got the call to start on the mound for the Raiders. An experienced high school pitcher who has worked and thrown in several innings over the past four years, Allen went right at Betsy Layne in the district opener. With some offensive help from his South Floyd teammates, Allen recorded the win.

Justin Slone hit a home run and scored three times for the Raiders.

"This was a good win for a team that has come together at

the right time," said South Floyd Coach James Staggs.

Junior Derek Case got the start for Betsy Layne. Case, who in the regular-season posted a 4-0 record before suffering his first setback, fell victim early on Monday evening to South Floyd's potent offense.

In the regular-season, South Floyd beat June Buchanan in one game and 15th Region rival East Ridge in another.

James Staggs, who took over for Barry Hall, is in his first sea-

son as head coach of the South Floyd baseball team.

Struggling with offense or the lackthereof for most of the season, South Floyd went into Monday evening's 58th District Tournament game having scored a 15th Region-low 102 runs. The Raiders had also given up 228 runs - second-most in the 15th Region.

Results from yesterday's 58th District title game pairing Allen Central and South Floyd in a championship contest were unavailable at press time.

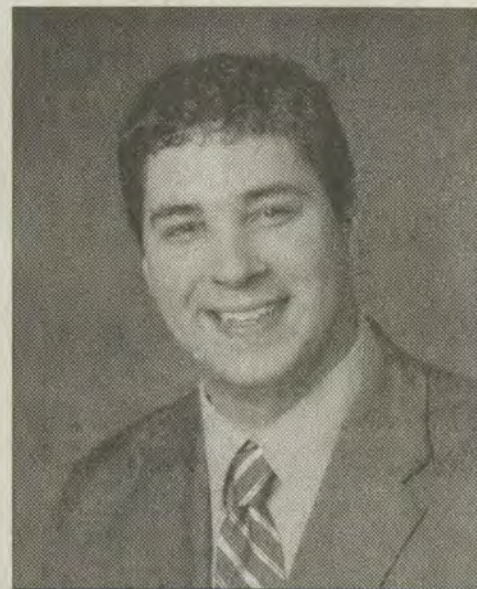
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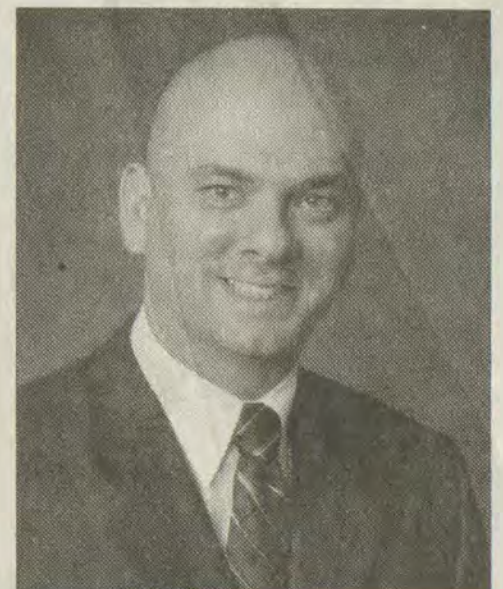
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South Floyd batters packed a potent punch in the 58th District Tournament game against Betsy Layne.

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KHSAA NOTEBOOK

Fifth Third/KHSAA State Tennis Tournaments this week

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – The 2005 Fifth Third/KHSAA State Tennis Tournaments are set for Thursday through Saturday. The tournaments take on a couple of added flairs for the 2005 postseason. Fifth Third Bank begins a three year title sponsorship of both the boys' and girls' singles and doubles events. In addition, with the expansion of teams and alignment, the number of qualifiers has increased to include full bracket play beginning in the first round (no byes).

Action begins Thursday at 9 a.m. with Boys' Singles play at Berea College, Boys' Doubles play at Madison Southern High School in Berea and Girls' Singles and Doubles play at the UK Boone/Downing Tennis Complex in Lexington. Friday and Saturday's action, both boys' and girls', will be held at the Boone/Downing Tennis Complex.

Tournament brackets and top seeds will be posted on the KHSAA website on Tuesday, May 24 and will be updated after play is concluded each day. Please visit the KHSAA Tennis website for site parking instructions due to major construction around the UK Complex.

FIFTH THIRD/KHSAA STATE TENNIS TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, May 26: 9 a.m. – Lexington – Girls' Singles & Doubles Action, UK Boone/Downing Tennis Complex; 9 a.m. – Berea – Boys' Singles Action, Berea College; 9 a.m. – Berea – Boys' Doubles Action, Madison Southern High School.

Friday, May 27: 9 a.m. – Lexington – Boys' & Girls' Singles & Doubles Action, UK Boone/Downing Tennis Complex.

Saturday, May 28: 9 a.m. – Lexington – Boys' & Girls' Doubles Semifinals, UK Boone/Downing Tennis Complex; 11 a.m. – Lexington

– Boys' & Girls' Singles Semifinals, UK Boone/Downing Tennis Complex; 1 p.m. – Lexington – Boys' & Girls' Doubles Finals, UK Boone/Downing Tennis Complex; 3 p.m. – Lexington – Boys' & Girls' Singles Finals, UK Boone/Downing Tennis Complex.

REGIONAL TRACK & FIELD MEETS – Regional Track & Field Meets are scheduled for this week in preparation for the State Track & Field Meet next week. Regional manager information, including sites, is posted on the KHSAA website at www.khsaa.org/track. State Meet entries will be posted on the website Wednesday, June 1. The 2005 KHSAA State Track & Field Meet, set for June 3-4, will again be held at the UK Shively Track Complex. Please note there is major construction taking place around the facility and fans/participants are being advised to allow extra time and to simply park at Commonwealth Stadium and walk over to the facility.

DISTRICT FAST PITCH & BASEBALL TOURNAMENTS – District Baseball and Fast Pitch Softball tourna-

ments get underway this week. Tournament schedules are posted on the Riherd's/KHSAA Sports Scoreboard on the Association website at www.khsaa.org/scoreboard. Regional tournament schedules will be posted Sunday as they are received.

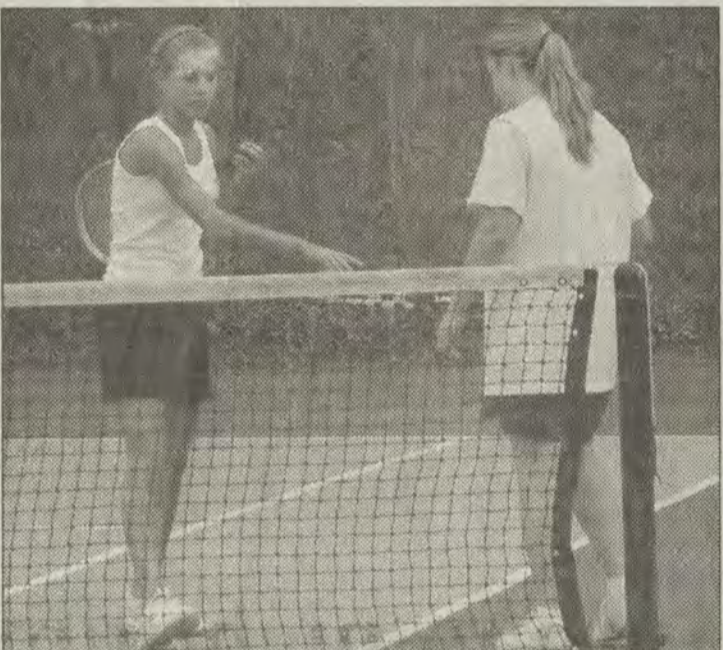
STATE FAST PITCH SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT – The draw for region versus region first round match-ups for the 2005 KHSAA State Fast Pitch Softball Tournaments has been held. This year's double elimination event is scheduled for June 10-11 at Jack C. Fisher Park in Owensboro. The full tournament bracket has been posted on the KHSAA website at www.khsaa.org/fastpitchsoftball.

2005 KHSAA Fast Pitch Softball State Tournament June 10-11 – Jack C. Fisher Park, Owensboro

First Round Schedule (All Times Local to Site)

Region 3 vs. Region 14; Region 4 vs. Region 9; Region 5 vs. Region 16; Region 1 vs. Region 10, all begin at 9 a.m.

Region 7 vs. Region 15; Region 11 vs. Region 6; Region 2 vs. Region 12; Region 8 vs. Region 13, all begin at 10:30 a.m.



Prestonsburg High School senior Molly Burchett (left) is set to participate in this year's Girls' State Tennis Tournament.

Holy Cross (Covington) wins state slow pitch title

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEXINGTON – Holy Cross (Covington) defeated Newport Central Catholic 16-14 and then 5-0 to come out of the consolation bracket and capture the school's first State Slow Pitch Softball Championship Saturday at RiverShore Sportsplex in Hebron.

NewCath defeated Holy Cross, 8-1, in the winner's bracket final, sending the Indians to the consolation bracket final where Holy Cross defeated Lloyd Memorial, 9-2, to advance to the championship round. HCC's Holly Dornning was selected MVP of the event.

All-Tournament Team – Cara Lalley (Newport Central Catholic), Emily Donelan (Newport Central Catholic), Tiffany Edmondson (Newport Central Catholic), Nikki Gorman (Campbell County), Josie Neiser (Campbell County), Tabitha Lockard (Lloyd Memorial), Anna Fibbe (Lloyd Memorial), Trista Wolfe (Holy Cross-Cov.), Elizabeth Laws (Holy Cross-Cov.), Rachel Meier (Holy Cross-Cov.), MVP – Holly Dornning* (Holy Cross-Cov.). First Corbin Financial Corporation Sportsmanship Award: Amber Martin (Holy Cross-Cov.).

The KHSAA Board of Control voted last week to sanction a championship for Slow Pitch Softball for the next two years (2007), after which time the KHSAA would no longer sponsor a state championship in the sport. Boys' & Girls' Fencing, Boys' & Girls' Gymnastics and Rifle were the last sports dropped by the Association. Following the championships in 1984 in each, the KHSAA discontinued sponsorship of those state championships.

The KHSAA began sanctioning of a Slow Pitch Softball State Tournament in 1983 and added Fast Pitch Softball in 1995.

In HAP Minors, Yanks beat Reds

HAP Major Division: Roberts pitches Reds past Yankees

TIMES STAFF REPORT

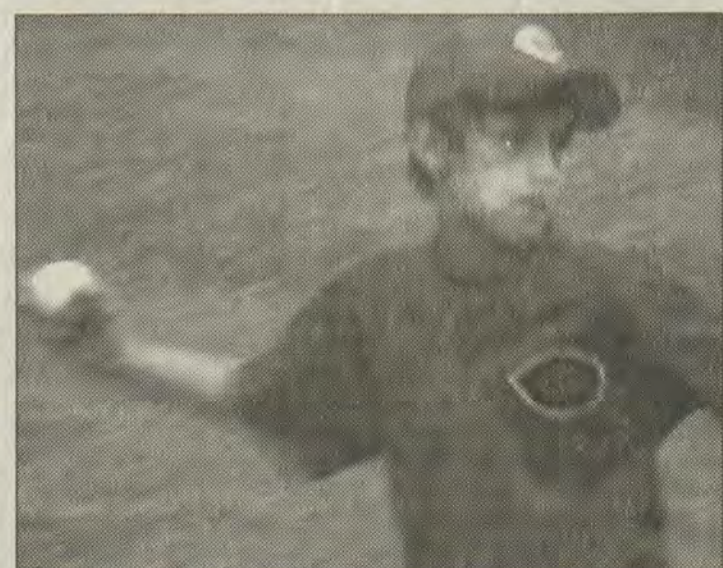
In Harold-Allen-Prater (HAP) Minor League play Saturday evening, the Reds and Yankees met. The Yankees sent Jarred Jarrell to the mound. Jarrell had a solid four innings of pitching, giving up only two runs in the fourth inning. The solid pitching combined with the stellar defense led the Yankees to a 12-2 win over the Reds. With the coaching of Dwight Jarrell, Scott Bailey and Tim Watkins guiding the way, the HAP Minor League Yankees remain undefeated.

In Major League play, the Yankees were undefeated going into Saturday night's game. The Yankees put Kory Jarrell on the mound. Despite the 13 strikeouts Jarrell recorded, the effort wasn't enough to hold off the Reds. With Andrew Roberts on the mound,

the Reds rallied to win 7-4 over the Yankees.

Roberts was impressive in the performance, giving up just

10 hits to the collective 29 batters he faced. Roberts walked three and had a hand in 16 of his team's 18 outs.



Starting pitcher Andrew Roberts helped to lead the Reds to a win Saturday over the previously undefeated Yankees at the Harold-Allen-Prater Little League Major Division.

Hensley Enterprises 6th Annual Mopar Thunder set For June 3-5

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

BRISTOL, Tenn. – The Hensley Enterprises 6th Annual Mopar Thunder, presented by Parts Depot/All Pro Bumper To Bumper, takes over Bristol Dragway, June 3-5.

It's three big days of drag racing, featuring a car show, swap meet, Manufacturers Midway and Slant 6 Club Racing.

Car show judging will take place on Saturday from noon until 4 p.m. and on Sunday from 9 a.m. until noon.

Entry fees are as follows: Car Show \$25 (additional \$10 admission), Quick 16 \$100 (weekend pass), Electronic (Bracket Race) \$80 (weekend pass) \$45 (Sunday only), Non-Electronic (Bracket Race) \$60 (weekend pass) \$35 (Sunday only), Slant 6 \$40 (weekend pass) and Trophy \$40 (weekend pass), \$25 (Sunday only).

The Quick 16 winner will pocket \$3,000, the Super Pro winner receives \$2,000, the Pro winner earns \$1,000. The Slant 6 winner takes home \$600, runner-up \$300, semifinalists \$100 and quarterfinalists \$50. The Trophy winner

takes home \$300.

A three-day pass for spectators is \$35 while a two-day pass is \$25. Children under 12 will be admitted free with a paying adult. A three-day crew pass is \$35 and a two-day crew pass is \$25. One day admission (any day) is \$15. Gates open Friday at 9 a.m. and at 8 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Mopar Mania Schedule

FRIDAY, June 3

9 a.m. Gates Open
1 p.m. Competitor's Parking and Registration
4 p.m. Test & Tune (Mopar Only)
9 p.m. Secure Track

SATURDAY, June 4

8 a.m. Gates Open
9 a.m. Competitor's, Spectators, Car Show Reg.
10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Time Trials
Noon-4 p.m. Car Show Judging, Qualifying for King of Street, Slant 6, Quick 16
11-3 p.m. Slant 6/Quick 16 Qualifying
3 p.m. Bracket Eliminations
6 p.m. Seminar with Ken Hensley, Herb McCandless

SUNDAY, June 5

8 a.m. Gates Open
9 a.m. Church Service
9 a.m.-Noon Car Show Judging
10 a.m. Time Trials
Noon Eliminations

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Monday's Games

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44th District Tournament (5 innings)
Model 10 Berea 0
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64th District Tournament

South Carolina 12, Kentucky 1

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COLUMBIA, S.C. – South Carolina's offense got hot Sunday afternoon as the Gamecocks beat Kentucky 12-1 to wrap up the season with a Southeastern Conference three-game sweep.

South Carolina (37-19, 16-14

SEC) will be the No. 6 seed in the SEC tournament that starts next week.

Arik Hempe (2-0) struck out eight in six innings for the win. Andrew Albers (4-6) gave up seven runs on eight hits in 5 2/3 innings for the loss.

Kentucky (29-27, 7-22) got

its first run in the first inning, but could only muster a total of six hits for the game. The Wildcats posted four errors.

The game's lone home run went to Steve Pearce, his 18th for the season. For the afternoon, Pearce was 2-for-5 with two RBIs.

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"We fight for the underdog!"

Feeding bears creates problems and may get feeders a ticket

HARLAN – Last year, visitors to Kingdom Come State Park in Harlan County thrilled to the sight of a female black bear and her five cubs wandering through the picnic grounds. Visitors quickly learned that they could attract bears into the open for photographs by leaving food on picnic tables and throwing boxes of doughnuts in unsecured garbage cans.

One of the cubs learned its lesson too well. This year, as a 75-pound yearling, it became a nuisance – especially after people started throwing food to it.

“He got brave and started approaching people while they were eating a picnic,” said Wes Hodges, wildlife biologist for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources

(KDFWR). “The people would run, then the bear would sit down and eat. He wasn’t being aggressive, but he was starting to learn that he could bluff people away from their picnic.”

Last month, Hodges had to trap the delinquent juvenile and move it to a remote wildlife management area miles away from its home – all because people ignored warnings not to feed the bears.

“I kind of feel sorry for it,” said KDFWR Wildlife Biologist Becky Littleton. “It will survive, but it doesn’t know the hazards of its new area, such as how busy the roads are ... it’s learned people mean food, and it could become a problem to someone else.”

The cub turned problem bear illustrates why people should not feed these animals, no mat-

ter how cute or hungry they appear. There’s plenty of food in the woods for bears to eat.

This is the time of year when bear sightings accelerate. Mother bears are emerging from their dens with the small cubs that were born in January, while bears with larger yearlings born last year begin chasing off their offspring to prepare for breeding season. This means there are more bears in the woods learning how to forage for food.

“Basically, the mother teaches her cubs what to eat, whether it’s natural food or raiding garbage cans,” Littleton said. “If garbage is not available, they’ll learn to eat natural food, such as plants, grubs and berries.”

In the case of the Kingdom Come Park bears, the mother taught

her five cubs how to raid garbage and go to picnic tables for food.

Yearling bears are also on their own for the first time and looking for an easy meal. “We’ve already had several bear complaints this year,” Hodges said. “And it’s the yearlings that are getting into trouble.”

Residents can avoid problems with bears by eliminating the food that draws them. Not creating a problem bear in the first place is a much better solution moving a bear that’s already become a nuisance.

Simple fixes include leaving garbage inside the house or sturdy outbuilding until pick-up day. Pet food should be left out for only 30 minutes at a time, and never left outside overnight. Sweet feed and other food for

horses should be stored in a secure location. Hang birdfeeders high, or remove them for a few weeks if they’re attracting bears. Beekeepers should place hives in the open, away from the tree line, and consider encircling them with an electric cattle fence. Finally, keep outdoor grills clean.

Bears are normally not aggressive toward humans. They can be chased away by banging pots together or making loud noises and waving your arms. If you see a bear in your yard and are afraid of it, stay inside and watch it until it leaves.

Most of Kentucky’s black bears are found in Harlan, Letcher and Pike counties. Young male bears, however, may wander great distances in search of new territory. A black

bear has even been spotted in Northern Kentucky.

The number of black bears in Kentucky is still unknown. Once native to the state, bears are returning to Kentucky on their own due to improved habitat conditions and a spreading population from bordering states. In Kentucky, feeding bears accidentally or on purpose for any reason is against the law. KDFWR law enforcement officers are serious about this issue, and those who are chumming out table scraps to keep bears around to watch may find they’ll be getting a look at a citation rather than a large, furry animal.

Residents encountering problems with black bears may call the KDFWR at 1-800-858-1549.

– Special to the Times

Frog season provides excellent opportunity for kids to enjoy the outdoors

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FRANKFORT – Statewide bullfrog season in Kentucky opens at noon tomorrow, May 20 and closes October 31. Frog season is a fantastic way to introduce youngsters to the outdoors.

Think about it. What could be more fun for an adolescent youth than slithering around muddy banks and getting filthy, staying up well past midnight, playing with a flashlight and hunting frogs?

These kinds of activities usually get a 12-year-old boy in trouble. But excelling at them can mean a highly successful

waters, but creeks, rivers and small reservoirs also hold good numbers of frogs. Listen at night for the distinctive “var-ump” call of a bullfrog near the body of water you hope to gig. The more calls you hear, the better.

A .22 rifle loaded with snake shot and a gig are the most popular tools used to take frogs. If you use a bow and arrow or a gun to take frogs, a hunting license is required. If you take frogs by hand or gig, a fishing or hunting license is required. The noon-to-noon daily creel limit for bullfrogs is 15.

Most frog gigging takes place well after dark during summer. Scan the banks of a pond or stream with your flashlight and look for two shimmering dots. These are the eyes of a bullfrog. Bullfrogs also have a yellowish, white chin. You’ll need at least

muddy banks. After locating a bullfrog, slowly work your way toward it while your partner keeps the flashlight trained on its eyes. The bullfrog is paralyzed by the light, but will spook from noise or from the light momentarily leaving their eyes. Stealth is the most important tactic in frog gigging.

Get the gig within six inches of the frog and thrust hard. It usually helps to pin the frog against the bottom. A timid stab will simply send a wounded frog into the water not to be seen again.

If using a gun, make sure you get close enough to make a clean head shot. The frog will jump and escape with a grazing shot or a shot too low.

A more challenging method is the line and hook, and some even use this method in the middle of the day. Simply line out a cane pole as if you were heading out for bluegill. Tip a small hook with a cricket, fly or worm and quietly slip in close enough to dangle the hook in front of a sitting frog. The frog will snatch the bait. Set the hook and haul him in.

The gig is usually more effective than using a gun.

Put the gig with the frog into the onion sack and then remove the frog to prevent escape. Make sure to tie off the onion sack after putting each frog into it or you may arrive home with no frogs at all.

For more information about frog gigging, consult the 2005 Kentucky Sport Fishing and Boating Guide, available wherever hunting or fishing licenses are sold.

Two people to successfully gig bullfrogs. Pay special attention to areas with weed mats, lily pads or fallen trees concentrate in these areas. They also like



New state record crappie from Christian County Lake

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

CROFTON – Penny Hopper recently enjoyed a Mother’s Day she won’t soon forget: The 30-year-old mother of two reeled in a 4-pound, 14-ounce crappie from a watershed lake in northern Christian County. The monster crappie, which measured 21 1/2 inches long, is a half-pound heavier than the previous state record crappie caught from a Montgomery County farm pond in 1997.

It will undoubtedly be officially accepted as the new state record by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR).

“I’ve never seen one that big,” said Hopper, a resident of Crofton. “I didn’t think they came that big.”

“We didn’t have a net or anything,” she added. “I thought we were going to turn the boat over trying to get it in.”

Several people witnessed the catch, including her husband, Jason, and their 6-year-old son, Garrett. The fish was weighed and witnessed at a certified scale at the West Side Market in Crofton. Paul Rister, lead biologist for the KDFWR’s western fisheries district, examined the fish May 12 at G & K Taxidermy in Christian County and gathered the paperwork necessary to certify the fish as the new state record.

Kentucky does not differentiate between black and white crappies for its state record program. Rister said the fish had

the seven spines characteristic of a black crappie, although the bars characteristic of a white crappie when it was caught.

Hopper said she caught the fish on a Crystal Shad Rooster Tail spinner. “I threw it practically on the bank, in a shaded area where a small log was coming out,” she said. “The fish hit when it was out from the bank a ways.”

Hopper caught the fish on a Shakespeare rod and a Zebco 33 reel spooled with 10-pound line. Both were Mother’s Day presents. Hopper said the fishing trip, too, was a Mother’s Day present.

The big crappie made the day complete. “It’s a good Mother’s Day present, isn’t it?” she said.

Turn to night time fishing for bass in summer

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FRANKFORT – The humidity creeps up so high you can barely breathe after the fog burns off. By midday, your body is saltier than a country ham and you have a throbbing headache to boot. The summertime pattern will be here before you know it.

Bass fishing in the soon-to-be-here summer daytime heat borders on torture. In addition to sweat and sunburn, the fish don’t readily bite. The lake is overrun with jet skiers, water skiers and pleasure boaters bent on roaring into every cove and along every bank you plan to fish. What do you do? Here’s what.

To escape the heat and crowds, don’t venture onto the lake until after supper. The dusk period, around midnight and right before dawn are prime times to catch a hog bass. Avoid lakes where the water stays stained and murky or lakes muddied by thunderstorms. They don’t produce at night like lakes that stay relatively clear in summer.

Night fishing requires a different mind set than daytime fishing. Boat anglers should study a map of the lake and launch near where they plan to fish. Long runs to fishing areas and darkness don’t mix well. As old timers say, “pattern your fish close-by.”

Bank anglers need to spend some daytime scouting good fishing banks close to a parking area. Packing expensive fishing equipment at night through

woods, dense brush or tall weeds could lead to disaster. A slip on a root or unseen rock may snap a rod tip or an ankle. Night fishing from the bank frees the mind of worry about boat control and allows more concentration to detect strikes, but the angler must choose a bank that holds bass at night.

On reservoirs, long main lake points that gently slope into the old river channels, humps and shallow flats near deep water are good night bass fishing spots. Bass locate in shallow water after the sun goes down and spook easily. Any unnatural noise sends them to deep water. Remember the lack of activity on the lake magnifies tackle box lids banging, talking or a dropped pair of pliers.

One small tackle box or soft-sided pouch can hold all the essential night fishing gear. Large soft plastic lizards, 4 to 6-inch skirted double tailed grubs or 7 to 10-inch plastic worms all provoke bass strikes at night. Black is the most popular color, but wine, purple, watermelon or brown also produce. These colors cast a good silhouette in the water for bass to detect.

On moonlit nights in gin clear lakes or when dark colors are not producing, some night bass anglers switch to light colors such as chartreuse, smoke with purple flakes, pumpkinseed with chartreuse tail and even pearl. Smoke with purple flakes is a nighttime favorite on Herrington Lake. Some swear

by chartreuse or pearl at night on Lake Cumberland.

Black or purple 1/4 to 1/2 ounce hair jigs tipped with a pork trailer fool smallmouth bass at night. Black casting jigs tipped with large blue soft plastic craws attract bass when worked down a channel point, along a drop off or probed into fallen trees.

But, the black short arm spinner bait with one large Colorado blade is hard to beat. If the bass are ignoring bottom presentations with soft plastics or jigs, go to the black spinner bait. The single Colorado blade combined with the short arm produce vibration and thump that draws attention from a distance at night. This lure is equally deadly on largemouth and smallmouth bass.

The big, sprawling reservoirs are not the only places to night fish for bass. Farm ponds, small lakes and even streams offer good nighttime bass fishing. The old, venerable black Jitterbug still produces savage strikes when fished along a weed line in a farm pond or in the still water above a riffle in a stream.

For more information about fishing opportunities in Kentucky, call 1-800-858-1549 and request “Kentucky’s Boating and Fishing Access Sites”. Log-on to fw.ky.gov for a list of places to fish, maps and species lists for waterways all over Kentucky.

June squirrel season opens soon

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FRANKFORT – Hunters usually start to pang for a hunting trip about six weeks or so after turkey season closes. Up until 1994, hunters had to wait until late August before they could hunt again. That year, the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) implemented a June squirrel season to take advantage of squirrel breeding chronology and provide a hunting opportunity for Kentuckians in the summer.

The June squirrel season opens Saturday, June 4 and runs for 14 consecutive days until Friday, June 17. Shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

Squirrels prefer different habitat in June than they do in the fall. The usual steamy weather of June moves squirrels into drainages, creek and river bottoms and spring fed hollows. These areas provide relief from the heat, but they won’t hold squirrels if they don’t possess the right food sources.

There isn’t much mast for squirrels to eat in early summer. In June, they feed on the

seeds and fruit of mulberry, wild cherry, dogwood, sassafras, hornbeam, elm, pine, maple and ash trees. Find these trees in a creek bottom or hollow and you’ve found a likely spot for June squirrels. During this time of year, squirrels also eat mushrooms, flowers and even insects on occasion.

The thick foliage of June dic-

for smallmouth bass and squirrel hunting along one of Kentucky’s streams. Look for jiggling leaves in the tops of trees along the stream bank to locate squirrels while floating.

Gray squirrels dominate the wooded hills of eastern Kentucky, as dense, extensive woods are their preferred habitat. Fox (red) squirrels prefer isolated trees along fence rows in the more agricultural areas of the state.

If you plan to participate in June squirrel season, please record your day’s hunt information in the squirrel hunting log found in the back of the Fall 2004 & Spring 2005 Kentucky Hunting and Trapping Guide. The logs are also available on the internet at fw.ky.gov or you may request one by calling 1-800-858-1549.

The information gleaned from the hunting logs provide wildlife biologists with priceless information to make informed management decisions that will improve hunting in the future for everyone.

The daily limit for the June squirrels per day is six. Remember to apply bug repellent this season for your own comfort and protection from disease.



Reds designated Jimenez for assignment

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CINCINNATI – The Reds designated second baseman D’Angelo Jimenez for assignment to the minors on Friday, the latest move to try to shake up a struggling lineup.

Infielder Luis Lopez was called up from Triple-A Louisville to take his place.

Jimenez agreed to a one-year, \$2.87 million contract in the offseason, but lost his starting job by hitting .229 with five RBIs in 35 games, including 23 starts.

Lopez, 35, hit .264 with one homer and nine RBIs in 29 games at Louisville, where he started 23 games at shortstop and two at second base. Lopez has played for San Diego, the Mets, Milwaukee and Baltimore.

Afleet Alex wins Preakness after scary incident in stretch

by RICHARD ROSENBLATT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BALTIMORE — Afleet Alex was gathering momentum, coming off the far turn and looking ready to romp in the Preakness Stakes.

In an instant, he was cut off by Scrapy T. The horses clipped heels in a frightening collision and Afleet Alex was forced to his knees.

"I held on to the mane and he picked himself right up," jockey Jeremy Rose said, "and from that point on, I knew we had it won."

Incredibly, Afleet Alex regained his footing and his drive. And in the span of few breathtaking strides, tragedy was averted and the courageous colt breezed home.

"My thought process was that I was going to get run over," Rose said. "The instinct was to hang on and try to get my balance back."

The final margin Saturday was 4 3/4-lengths. It should have been more.

"I'd say double whatever I did win by," Rose said. "If I won by four or five, it should have been 10. We were rolling. We were going real fast."

Kentucky Derby winner Giacomo finished third, ending any chance of a Triple Crown try in the Belmont Stakes in three weeks.

With a quarter-mile to go, Scrapy T was in the lead when

he responded to a left-handed whip from jockey Ramon Dominguez by veering sharply to his right and directly into Afleet Alex's path.

The record crowd of 115,318 at Pimlico gasped, but Afleet Alex regained his balance and rolled on to a sweet victory, with Scrapy T second.

"He's an amazing horse that just put all the doubters to shame," Rose said. "A lot of people said he can't do this, he can't do that, this and that. Well, there it is."

The frightening scene was reminiscent of the 1987 Kentucky Derby, when Alysheba clipped heels with Bet Twice inside the 3/16ths pole before recovering to win the race by three-quarters of a length.

It was the fifth straight year the Preakness favorite has come through. Which was a far cry from the Derby, when Giacomo staged the second-biggest upset in the race at 50-1 odds. However, the gray son of Holy Bull was unable to pull off another win and never really challenged.

"I don't think there was any embarrassment in running third in the Preakness," Giacomo trainer John Shirreffs said. "We were pleased with the effort."

And for just the third time in nine years, the Belmont will be run in three weeks without a Triple Crown on the line.

No Smarty party like last year, or yellow buses following Funny Cide in 2003 or one-liners from War Emblem's trainer Bob Baffert in 2002.

Rose thrust his right arm in the air in a victory salute after crossing the finish line. And a few minutes later he was simply amazed at what had happened.

"He's just that athletic," Rose said, "and I was just that scared."

Winning trainer Tim Ritchey has been in the business for 30 years and has seen horses take bad steps and still win but "I've never seen a horse stumble that badly and lose his momentum that much to come back on and win in a Grade 1 race like this."

Dominguez, riding Scrapy T for the first time, apologized.

"I'm sorry for the incident," he said. "The horse completely caught me off-guard. I decided to hit him left-handed and it caught him completely off-guard, because he just made a right-hand turn. I had no control over the situation."

While Giacomo's Derby win was a stunner, Afleet Alex's made perfect sense. The son of Northern Afleet ran a sensational race in the Derby as the second choice behind favorite Bellamy Road, only to be caught in the final strides by Giacomo and Closing Argument at almost 72-1.

Not this time, not even after

being hammered by Scrapy T. Afleet Alex is now headed to the Belmont as long as the colt comes out of the race healthy. Among the horses he could face are Andromeda's Hero, Buzzards Bay, Southern Africa and Shamoan.

Sent off as the 3-1 favorite, Afleet Alex returned \$8.60, \$5 and \$3.20. Scrapy T paid \$11.20 and \$5.80, and Giacomo, the third choice at 6-1, paid \$4.80. The finish remained unchanged after a brief steward's review of the collision.

Sun King was fourth, followed by High Limit, Noble Causeway, Greeley's Galaxy, Malibu Moonshine, Closing Argument, High Fly, Hal's Image, Wilko, Galloping Grocer and Going Wild.

Winning time for the 1 3/16 miles was 1:55.04, well off the record of 1:53.40.

And so the Afleet Alex party is on — perhaps a few weeks later than expected — and there's a large contingent celebrating, led by the five Philadelphia-area friends who bought the horse for \$75,000 last year just up the road at the Timonium 2-year-old sales.

Afleet Alex has also touched the colt's breeder, who has terminal cancer, and the parents of an 8-year-old girl who died of cancer last August.

And now they have the classic victory they wanted so much.

Afleet Alex, who loves to run just off the lead, was 10th in the early going. The bay colt who weighs "just under 1,000 pounds," according to Ritchey, moved into contention on the final turn. And just as he appeared ready to make the same explosive move he used to win the Arkansas Derby, one of the scariest moments in Preakness history took place.

"I thought he was on the ground," Ritchey said. "I couldn't believe he got up and won the race."

Trainer Nick Zito struck out again in the Preakness. Two weeks after failing to win the Derby with five horses, he missed again with three horses. Sun King was fourth, Noble Causeway was sixth and High Fly was 10th.

In the \$1 million Preakness, Afleet Alex earned \$650,000 to boost his career bankroll to \$2,165,800. The colt has won seven of 11 races.

Afleet Alex was a brilliant 2-year-old, winning his first four starts. He finished second in the Champagne and the Breeders' Cup Juvenile after a troubled trip, and came into the year as a leading Derby contender.

But after winning a stakes race at Oaklawn Park, Afleet Alex finished last in the Rebel Stakes, and Ritchey said his colt had developed a lung infection.

Afleet Alex bounced back and won the Arkansas Derby by a record eight lengths to restore his reputation.

John Silvertand, the 60-year-old breeder, was diagnosed with terminal cancer in 2002 and given three months to live. But he said the effort to get Afleet Alex to the Triple Crown races gave him extra incentive to survive.

Cash Is King Stable, which owns Afleet Alex, is donating part of their horse's earnings to Alex's Lemonade Stand, a children's cancer charity they learned about after reading a story in the newspaper. The lemonade stand was set up at Pimlico, as it was at Churchill Downs.

Alexandra Scott was diagnosed with cancer two days before her first birthday, in 1997. She opened the lemonade stand when she was 4, hoping to raise \$1 million for her hospital. The girl died last August.

Nobody would have thought any of this was possible when Afleet Alex was a baby. With his mother unable to nurse her foal, Silvertand's daughter fed the horse out of a Coors Lite bottle with a nipple on top. A few days later, a nurse mare arrived and Afleet Alex was on his way to the races.

"An amazing story," Ritchey has said. "I'm proud to be part of it."

Afleet Alex a star after remarkable Preakness win

by RICHARD ROSENBLATT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BALTIMORE — Afleet Alex may not need a Triple Crown to become the darling of thoroughbred racing. A remarkable victory in the Preakness Stakes looks good enough.

Afleet Alex nearly fell at the top of the stretch when Scrapy T veered suddenly into his path, but the colt incredibly regained his balance and pulled away for an easy victory in the second leg of the Triple Crown on Saturday.

Two weeks earlier, Afleet Alex finished a gallant third in the Kentucky Derby, losing in the final strides to 50-1 long shot Giacomo and runner-up Closing Argument, a nearly 72-1 shot.

Afleet Alex certainly has come a long way since a bunch of first-time owners from the Philadelphia area paid a mere \$75,000 for him last year at the Timonium sales just down the road from Pimlico. Spotting Afleet Alex at the sale was trainer Tim Ritchey, a 30-year veteran who had never been on the Triple Crown trail.

And now, Afleet Alex is headed to the Belmont Stakes on June 11 as the top 3-year-old in the world.

"This Alex is so incredibly bright for American horse racing," two-time Derby winning trainer Nick Zito said Sunday at Pimlico, hours after three of his horses were soundly beaten by Afleet Alex.

"And having him make part of history is what this game's about," Zito said. "Could you imagine going to that sale and paying \$75,000 and have a horse like this in this day and age?"

Actually, it's been the trend. Giacomo, a homebred owned by A&M Records co-founder Jerry Moss, won the Derby for John Shirreffs, a longtime trainer also on the Triple Crown trail for the first time.

Last year, it was Ritchey's friend, John Servis, who hit it big with Pennsylvania-bred

Smarty Jones on his first Triple go-around. Before that, it was grizzled veteran Barclay Tagg, who trained Derby and Preakness winner Funny Cide, a \$75,000 pickup by a bunch of high school buddies from upstate New York.

"You never know where a good horse comes from," Zito said. "That's the beauty of this game — that everybody has a chance. Why do we want a conglomeration in anything in life? Do you want just the rich guys to win all the time? You don't want that. So this is a beautiful, beautiful."

Reminded that he trains for rich folks, Zito smiled: "I do. Don't get me wrong. I'm not giving up my real job now. I like training for Barnes & Noble. I like training for Campbell's Soup, and I like training for George Steinbrenner. But on the other hand, I'm just saying this is what makes it good."

Zito trains Noble Causeway (sixth in the Preakness) for Barnes & Noble chairman Leonard Riggio. High Fly (10th) for Campbell's Soup heiress Charlotte Weber and Bellamy Road (seventh in the Derby) for Yankees boss George Steinbrenner.

Ritchey says any competent trainer can win a classic as long as he has the right horse, and is able to keep him.

"You don't have to be a D. Wayne Lukas or a Bob Baffert," Ritchey said. "They get more exposure, and they get more horses with better pedigrees. They may start out with 50 or 100 2-year-olds. I start out with four or five. And they come up with these kinds of horses because they are paying lots and lots of money. We got \$75,000 and that was the most I've ever had a client pay for a horse."

Zito, in fact, was sent two horses — Bellamy Road and High Fly — originally trained by others. High Limit (fifth in the Preakness) was sent to trainer Bobby Frankel after winning his first two races for

someone else.

"I feel sorry for them," Ritchey said of the original trainers. "They found the horses. They developed the horses. I have high regard for my owners for staying with me, and hopefully it will prove to some other owners that if you have the horse, and a trainer who's competent, you can get there."

Afleet Alex nearly didn't. Other than a slightly scraped left front ankle, Afleet Alex seemed to be in great shape after the Preakness.

"He seems to be fine," Ritchey said, "but what concerns me are muscle injuries because he was contorted in a way horses aren't meant to be. He walked well this morning, he ate everything and he certainly looks good now."

Ritchey said Afleet Alex would remain at Pimlico a few more days, then probably head to New York on Friday to prepare for the Belmont Stakes on June 11.

The frightening collision was still the talk of racing.

"It could have been horrific," Rose said. But somehow, Afleet Alex gathered himself and won by 4 3/4 lengths, with Scrapy T second and Kentucky Derby winner Giacomo third — ending any chance of a Triple Crown try in the Belmont.

Ritchey, a lifelong Pittsburgh Steelers fan, was happy to equate Afleet Alex's "big play" in the Preakness with one pulled off by his favorite team in 1972.

"The Steelers had the Immaculate Reception," Ritchey said. "What do you call this? The Immaculate Recovery?"

Giacomo could be headed to the Belmont, along with Andromeda's Hero (eighth in the Derby) and Sir Barton Stakes winner Pinpoint, a pair of Zito-trained horses. Other possibles include Buzzards Bay (fifth in the Derby), Southern Africa and Shamoan.

finishing just a head behind the winner. Victoire Bataille, ridden by John McKee, paid \$3.20 in third.

Modena Bay is owned by Silverton Hill LLC. She collected \$28,520 for the victory to increase her career total to \$95,859.

If only the horse could talk

by JIM LITKE
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For the 27th straight year, thoroughbred racing will have to make do without a Triple Crown winner.

But look at the photo accompanying this story, and tune into the Belmont Stakes three weeks from now, anyway. Afleet Alex deserves that much. At the deepest point of his stumble, knees scraping the racetrack at the top of the stretch, the colt's nose is so close to disaster he could stick out his tongue and lap up a mouthful.

The picture may be worth a thousand words and more, but good luck prying even one out of a horse. That's why you won't be seeing Afleet Alex slide into the guest chair alongside David Letterman, Jon Stewart or anybody else on the demographically hip, late-night TV circuit whose audience racing so desperately covets.

Instead, it fell to his jockey, Jeremy Rose, to try and capture what happened a day earlier at the Preakness, the second gem in thoroughbred racing's Triple Crown.

"Four to 6 inches at 40 miles per hour," Rose marveled Sunday, "and that's way too close for comfort."

At such moments are legends made. So go ahead, name another athlete who gathered himself up from such a precarious position and went on to win the big one.

Kirk Gibson hobbling around the bases after that memorable homer in Game 1 of the 1988 World Series? He didn't have to swing from his knees.

Willis Reed dragging a bum leg into the center circle for the jump ball against Wilt Chamberlain in Game 7 of the 1970 NBA Finals? All he really contributed by the end was inspiration and a few minutes on the court.

But Tim Ritchey, who trains Afleet Alex and so loves the Pittsburgh Steelers that he

sometimes wears one of their gray T-shirts under his suit and tie in the grandstand, came up with another name: Franco Harris, whose shoestring catch in a fateful 1972 playoff game against Oakland became one of sports iconic moments.

"The Steelers had the Immaculate Reception," Ritchey added. "What do you call this? The Immaculate Recovery?"

Racing, though, already has one of those. It was provided by Alysheba, another four-legged athlete who 18 years earlier rebounded similarly from near-calamity and won the Kentucky Derby.

If Afleet Alex had won the Derby two weeks ago instead of finishing third, and then pulled off the "Immaculate Recovery," there's no telling how big a story he would have been heading into the Belmont. Instead, the sport he represents with so much fire and grit will likely continue struggling for attention.

"That horse definitely caught the imagination of the public. It's all I heard people talking about," Ed Seigenfeld, executive vice president of Triple Crown Productions, said Sunday. "But in terms of an audience, the fact is he won't do nearly as well without the possibility of winning all three on the line."

There is an established TV ratings relationship about the Triple Crown: The audience for the Derby, in recent years, about eight million viewers, drops significantly by the time the Preakness is run. And barring a Preakness victory by the Derby winner, it drops again, and even more significantly, by the time the Belmont rolls around.

There hasn't been a Triple Crown winner since Affirmed in 1978, although horses have arrived in New York with a chance to grab one in six of the previous eight years. Those possibilities, along with a \$5 million bonus offered by Triple Crown

sponsor Visa to a single winner, have helped stem the audience slide. So have the remarkable back stories behind horses such as Smarty Jones last year, and Funny Cide the year before.

Afleet Alex has an equally compelling tale. His connections used the colt's Triple Crown campaign to publicize the story of 8-year-old cancer victim Alexandra Scott, and they've made generous donations to the charity established in her name. There's some of the same blue-collar, small-time-racetrack element in his origins that made Smarty Jones and Funny Cide seem like the people's champions.

"Do you want just the rich guys to win all the time?" said Nick Zito, a two-time Derby winner who trains for the monied class. "You don't want that. So this is beautiful, beautiful."

Right now, though, Afleet Alex's victory is in danger of being quickly pushed into the background of a very crowded sporting landscape.

Few people may have remembered that Giacomo, the 50-1 long shot that won the Derby, finished third in the Preakness. And that if Afleet Alex had fallen and second-place finisher Scrapy T, who caused the problem at the top of the stretch, had been disqualified, Giacomo would be making a Triple Crown bid of his own.

And racing needs every bump it can get. Visa is in the last year of offering its Triple Crown bonus and the sport needs to persuade another sponsor to sign on.

"I think we have a nice little story building," Seigenfeld said.

But it would be a much bigger one — if only Afleet Alex could talk about it.

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Horses in two quarantined Churchill barns able to resume training

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Horses in two of three Churchill Downs barns under quarantine because of an equine herpes outbreak have been allowed to return to limited training, track spokesman Tony Terry said Monday.

Horses trained by Steve Asmussen, Paul McGee, Bill Cesare and Ron Ellis met the requirements of a protocol developed by the state agriculture department for a return to training. The horses remain in quarantine, however, and will train apart from the

track's general horse population.

Among the horses allowed to return to limited training is Ellis' Don't Get Mad, the winner of the Derby Trial and the fourth-place finisher in the Kentucky Derby.

Horses trained by Ronnie Werner remain confined to Werner's barn, Terry said.

To meet the agriculture department's protocol, no horses in a quarantined barn can display any clinical symptoms of equine herpes over a seven-day period. When that requirement is met, every horse in the barn must receive a blood screening. If the

results of all the blood screens are negative, horses are allowed to return to limited training.

Equine herpes is an upper respiratory and neurological ailment caused by a virus. Two horses that showed extreme symptoms of the disease were euthanized.

The quarantine in the affected Churchill barns will last 21 days from the point the last horse in each barn is diagnosed, said John Asher, the track's vice president for communications. That will allow the disease, which has an incubation period of two to 10 days, to run its course.

Modena Bay wins Churchill Downs feature race

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Modena Bay held off a late charge by Sparkling Humor to win the \$49,850 allowance optional claiming feature for fillies and mares at Churchill Downs Sunday.

Modena Bay, ridden by Rafael Bejarano, grabbed her first victory in four starts this year. She finished the mile in 1:36.02 and paid \$9.00, \$5.00 and \$3.00.

Sparkling Humor, with Mark Guidry in the saddle, returned \$6.60 and \$4.20 by

Major League Baseball: Reds 5, Nationals 3

by JOE KAY
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CINCINNATI — To a man, the Cincinnati Reds were thinking about closer Danny Graves while they learned to get along without him.

Slumping Jason LaRue had three hits off Esteban Loaiza, including a solo homer, and the Reds recovered from the shock of losing their closer by beating the Washington Nationals 5-3 on Monday night.

A few hours before the game, the Reds designated their career saves leader for assignment, abruptly ending his eight-year stay in Cincinnati. Dumbfounded players sat by their lockers and stared at the floor.

"This is just like getting hit in the head with a shovel, basically," first baseman Sean Casey said. "Guys love Danny Graves."

I don't know how it doesn't affect you a little bit negatively."

Left-hander Eric Milton (3-5), who hasn't pitched much better than Graves lately, settled his teammates by going a season-high eight innings and getting a pair of hits. Milton hadn't won since April 16, losing his previous four decisions.

Then, a bullpen without a proven closer got its first chance to show what it can do. David Weathers pitched the ninth for his 15th career save, striking out two and completing only the Reds' sixth victory in 24 games.

"The whole game was hard down there," said Weathers, who is 15-of-44 career in save situations. "We missed him. He's no prima donna closer, getting there (in the bullpen) in the seventh or eighth inning. He was always there by at least the bottom of the first."

"He'll be tremendously missed. It was tough to sit out there, but once you get on the field, you've got to put it all out of your mind."

It was the first save this season by a Reds pitcher other than Graves, who was 10-of-12 but had been hit hard lately, leading to the move. The rest of the bullpen had been 0-for-3 in save situations.

Manager Dave Miley doesn't plan to have a primary closer. "We talked about looking at matchups. We'll use them all," Miley said. "We'll play it day-by-day."

The Nationals couldn't overcome an uncharacteristically poor performance by Loaiza (1-3), who gave up a season-high 11 hits and five runs in five innings. The right-hander hadn't given up more than three runs in any of his last eight starts.

"I left a lot of pitches right over the plate," said Loaiza, who

shrugged it off as just a bad day. "The ball was just going right down the middle, and they made contact."

It quickly became apparent that he was in trouble and wasn't going to get much help — a familiar predicament. Washington averaged 1.9 runs in his first nine starts, the second-lowest support for any pitcher in the majors.

"He wasn't as sharp as he usually is, but if we give him a little offensive support early, it could be a different situation," manager Frank Robinson said. "He's trying to be perfect out there and make perfect pitches."

The Nationals managed only six hits off Milton, but two of them were homers.

Nick Johnson hit a solo shot in the sixth. Brendan Harris, called up from Triple-A on Sunday night to replace injured Jeffrey Hammonds, had a pinch-hit, two-run homer in the seventh.

Milton, who gave up an NL-high 43 homers last season, has allowed 17 so far. The Reds' staff has given up 66 in all, most in the majors.

Heading into the game, the Nationals had only nine homers in May, tied with Oakland for fewest in the majors.

Nationals general manager Jim Bowden, who was fired as the Reds' general manager in July 2003, sat behind the visitors' dugout and watched Loaiza have a tough time. Every Reds batter except Ken Griffey Jr. reached base during his five innings — and Griffey had an RBI groundout.

Milton's second-inning single drove home the first run, and LaRue had an RBI single in the third. LaRue, who came into the game hitting .196, hit his second homer of the season in the fifth for a 5-0 lead.

Notes: Bob Boone, one of

Bowden's special assistants, also was at the ballpark. Boone was the Reds' manager in 2003, when he was fired along with Bowden during the ballpark's inaugural season. ... Nationals CF Brad Wilkerson's sore right forearm was examined Monday by Dr. Timothy Kremchek, who diagnosed an irritated nerve. Wilkerson is day to day. ... RHP John Patterson, bothered by back spasms, also was examined by Kremchek and got an injection in his lower back. ... RHP Zach Day was hit on the right wrist by Griffey's liner in the sixth. X-ray were negative. ... LaRue's homer was only the third allowed this season by Loaiza. ... 3B Joe Randa was scratched from the Reds' lineup, because of a sore left foot. INF Ryan Freel was back in the lineup after missing three games with a stiff back.

Graves move stuns teammates

by JOE KAY
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Danny Graves

CINCINNATI — If the Cincinnati Reds were looking to shake things up by getting rid of closer Danny Graves, they succeeded.

The clubhouse was visibly shaken.

Players sat in folding chairs, staring blankly ahead, a few minutes after learning that Graves had been designated for assignment on Monday, ending his career in Cincinnati.

"To give up on a guy like Danny Graves — I just can't believe it," first baseman Sean Casey said.

Graves couldn't believe it, either. He intended to arrive at the ballpark and apologize to fans for making an obscene hand gesture to one of them following his poor ninth-inning performance the previous day.

He never expected to be packing his laptop and the rest of his belongings in his locker.

"I feel like I've been given up on," Graves said. "It's a shock to me."

It was one final shock to a career-turning month.

Graves criticized fans for booing after the bullpen blew a six-run, ninth-inning lead against St. Louis on May 2. After that, the closer got rough treatment from fans every time he stepped on the field. The catcalls were as loud as ever

Sunday when Graves gave up five ninth-inning runs in a 9-2 loss to Cleveland.

Graves walked off the field with his head down, got a drink in the dugout and then walked toward the steps to the clubhouse. One fan in the high-priced seats kept heckling him. Graves said that when he heard a profanity, he yelled back and made the hand gesture.

A day later, he was gone. "A lot of the off-field emotions had something to do with it, and last night when I flipped the man off had something to do with it," Graves said. "A fan cussed at me. I regret doing it. I planned on apologizing today."

General manager Dan O'Brien said it had more to do with Graves' pitching than with his gesture. Graves' ERA was 7.76, and he had given up nine runs in his last three appearances covering 2 2-3 innings.

"I did hear about the incident after the fact, but the bottom line was Danny's performance, and the deterioration in that was the final ingredient," O'Brien said.

Manager Dave Miley watched Graves get worse as the fans' taunts grew louder.

"It became a confidence factor," Miley said. "His confidence has been shaken in the month of May, and we weren't comfortable bringing him in certain situations. We weren't seeing what we were accustomed to seeing."

Graves' teammates suspected he wasn't at full health, contributing to his problems. Rather than get rid of him, they thought the team should have done more to help a pitcher who is the club's career saves leader and was willing to do whatever was asked.

"It's just shocking," Casey said. "The only thing that bugs me about this whole thing is that Danny Graves has been so loyal for eight years to this organization. Anytime a manager has asked him to take the ball, he's never said no. He's never complained. You never heard a gripe out of him. You never heard anything out of him."

"I just think it's wrong. He's a guy you try to find answers for, to see if everything's OK with his shoulder."

Graves, 31, maintains he hasn't fully recovered from 2003, when he agreed to try to help the team by becoming a starting pitcher for the first time in his career. He went 4-15 and wore down, losing velocity off his 94 mph fastball. He hasn't gotten it back — he's been throwing 88 mph.

"I changed roles and probably ruined my career," Graves said. "I don't know. I don't have the answers."

Graves is in the final guaranteed year of a \$17.25 million, three-year deal, making a base salary of \$6.25 million. If he clears waivers, a club could sign him for a prorated share of the \$316,000 minimum, with the Reds paying the remainder of his salary.

Graves' teammates pointed out that there were a lot more problems than just the closer. Cincinnati was 16-28 following a 5-3 win Monday over Washington.

"We've pitched terrible. I've pitched terrible," said starter Paul Wilson, who is 1-5 with a 7.77 ERA. "And Danny is taking the brunt of it. This hurts. This hurts a great deal. There's nothing Danny's done or said that would give them enough reason to do this."

Indians 9, Reds 2

by JOE KAY
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CINCINNATI — Cliff Lee struck out seven, and Grady Sizemore — one of Cleveland's few dependable hitters these days — drove in a pair of runs with a triple and a single on Sunday, leading the Indians to a 9-2 victory over the Cincinnati Reds.

The Indians took two of three in the interleague series, giving them a 21-15 advantage since the intrastate rivals started playing in 1997. They'll have a three-game rematch at Jacobs Field on June 24-26.

The series matched the American League's worst offense — Cleveland was hitting only .237 — against the National League's worst pitching — batters were hitting .302 off the Reds' staff. For one weekend, bad hitting beat bad pitching.

The Indians put it away with six runs in the ninth, the first five off closer Danny Graves, who was booed off the field, then yelled back at a fan near the dugout and made a gesture with his hand.

Cincinnati has lost 18 of its last 23, falling a season-high 13 games under .500. The Reds haven't won any of their last 11 series — their longest such

slump since Pete Rose's gambling scandal in 1989 — and haven't even won back-to-back games in more than a month.

Sizemore, one of only three batters in the Indians' lineup hitting above .260, tripled home a run in the third and scored on Casey Blake's single off Ramon Ortiz (1-3), who was part of the Reds' failed off-season attempt to upgrade their porous rotation.

Sizemore also singled home a run in the ninth off Graves, who retired only one of the six batters he faced. Blake had a two-run double and Ben Broussard's RBI single finished Graves, whose ERA rose to 7.36.

The Indians also got a solo homer in the sixth by Ryan Ludwick, a drive that hit high off the foul pole in left field. Ludwick has only nine hits this season, four of them homers.

It was the 64th homer off Cincinnati's pitching staff this season, most in the majors.

Four batters later, Ronnie Belliard hit a one-hop grounder that eluded Ortiz's glove and hit him below the left eye. Ortiz was examined by a trainer and threw a practice toss, but left the game because of swelling under the eye.

Lee (5-2) could relax with what amounted to an outburst by the AL's lowest-scoring

offense. The left-hander shut out the Reds on two singles over the first five innings, then gave up a run on Sean Casey's double and Joe Randa's two-out single in the sixth.

Lee, who matched Jake Westbrook for the team lead with 14 wins last season, has been dependable in his last eight starts, going 5-2 with a 3.04 ERA.

In a sign of fans' growing disinterest, the Reds sold only 21,862 tickets for Sunday's game. They drew fewer than 26,000 fans for two of the games against a team that used to be one of their best attractions.

Notes: The Reds will skip struggling starter Paul Wilson for a second straight series. Wilson hasn't pitched since last Monday, a 9-2 loss to the Mets that left him 1-5 with a 7.77 ERA. He didn't take his normal turn against the Indians. Manager Dave Miley decided Sunday that Wilson won't pitch in an upcoming series against Washington, either. ... Ludwick jammed his right shoulder into the padded left-field wall while trying to make a catch in the bottom of the seventh, and left for a pinch-hitter in the eighth because the shoulder was strained. ... Indians 3B Aaron Boone went 1-for-12 during his Cincinnati homecoming.

Louisville 4, Scranton/Wilkes-Barre 2

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MOOSIC, Pa. — Louisville starter Steve Kelly had his sixth straight one-run outing Sunday to lead the Louisville Bats to a 4-2 victory over the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre Red Barons.

Kelly gave up one run on and five hits through six innings, striking out five for his fifth win. Even so, he was in line for

the loss until the sixth inning because Red Barons starter Pedro Liriano was just as good.

Jim Rushford's RBI double in the fifth provided all the run support Liriano needed until Edwin Encarnacion led off the sixth with a solo home run to tie the game. It was just the third Louisville hit of the game.

Pedro Swann followed the homer with a double and later scored to give the Bats the lead.

In the eighth, Swann hit a two-run home run off Dan Giese to give Louisville (19-25) breathing room.

Swann went 2-for-4 with two runs and two RBIs. Anthony Medrano went 2-for-4 for the Red Barons (18-25).

Liriano gave up two runs through seven innings, but took his fifth loss of the season. Kelly improved to 4-1. Chris Booker got his fourth save.

McKeller's gem lifts Legend into first

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEXINGTON — The Lexington Legends slipped past Hagerstown 2-1 Monday night. The win lifts the Legends back into a first place tie with the Suns at 28-17. Ryan McKeller tossed a gem allowing just a run in six innings. The right-hander improved his mark to 4-3 on the season.

Ryan Thompson continued his outstanding work out of the pen with two scoreless frames in relief of McKeller. Jeff Wigdahl has emerged as a dependable closer for the Legends. He struck

out all three batters in the ninth inning for his seventh save.

The Legends pushed across the games first run in the second. Frankie Caraballo raced home from second on a throwing error by catcher Jesus Flores.

Lexington gained some insurance in the fifth inning. Jonny Ash doubled down the right field line scoring Bryan Triplett from second base. The Suns got on the board in the sixth inning on a Grant Psomas solo home run to right field.

The Suns had plenty of chances to score late if not for

poor base running. Lou Santangelo picked off Ambiorix Concepcion trying to advance to second base in the sixth. Wilson Batista was thrown out at third base in the eighth inning trying to stretch a double into a triple.

Congratulations to Wandy Rodriguez. The former Legend was promoted to Houston on Monday. Rodriguez becomes the sixth former Legend and fourth pitcher to make it to Major League Baseball. Rodriguez, known as Eny Cabreja in Lexington in 2002, started Monday night's game in Chicago.

Horsemen beat Raptors

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEXINGTON — Lexington Horsemen wide receiver/running back Derek Homer caught two touchdown passes and rushed for two as the Horsemen won their second consecutive game with a 58-47 victory over the Tennessee Valley Raptors Saturday evening in the Von Braun Center.

Homer rushed for 78 yards on 14 attempts (5.6 avg.), while catching three passes for 47 yards to lead the Horsemen (6-3). Quarterback Dusty Bonner was extremely effective, completing 20-of-29 passes for 210 yards and six touchdowns.

The Raptors (2-6) got on the board first with a 29-yard field goal by Steven Lee, but the Horsemen scored four of the game's next five touchdowns and streaked to a 27-9 advantage at the 7:08 mark of the second quarter.

Tennessee Valley scored twice in the second quarter to pull to within six, 27-21, with 1:07 remaining until halftime, but Homer again put the

Horsemen on the board. He caught a 38-yard touchdown pass from Bonner with 53 seconds left in the period. The Raptors scored once more before intermission and Lexington took a 35-28 advantage into the locker room.

Homer opened the third quarter for the Horsemen much as he had closed the second. The former University of Kentucky standout ran it in from six yards out for the score. Kicker Justin Hutton nailed a 21-yard field goal and Chad Spencer caught a one-yard pass for a touchdown as Lexington took a 52-41 advantage into the fourth quarter.

The Horsemen struck early in the final period to put the game away. Eric Magrini caught a 10-yard pass from Bonner to put Lexington ahead 58-41 at the 13:01 mark of the fourth frame. Kevin Galbreath was able to convert a 3-yard run for touchdown with 55 seconds remaining in the game for the Raptors, but the comeback attempt was too late for Tennessee Valley.

The Horsemen return to action Saturday as they return home to face the Omaha Beef. Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m. in Rupp Arena and the game will be carried live on Supertalk 96.1 FM with Gary Ball and Bill Ransdell. The game is being billed as "Military Appreciation Night" and the Horsemen will be wearing commemorative camouflage jerseys. After the game the Horsemen players will present the jerseys to the Blue Star Mother's group, an organization of central Kentucky moms who have sons or daughters currently in the military. In conjunction with the jerseys, the Horsemen also will be hosting a care package drive.

Single-game tickets for the remaining five games of the 2005 season, including the Omaha contest, are still available for purchase. Please, contact the Horsemen at 859/422-PASS or the Lexington Center Ticket Office at 859/233-3535. On Saturday, all current or former members of the Armed Forces will receive two tickets for the price of one.

Second candidate for Eastern Kentucky job to visit campus

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

RICHMOND — Mark Sandy, the senior associate athletic director for external operations at the University of Richmond, will visit Eastern Kentucky on Wednesday to interview for the athletic director's job.

Sandy will be the second candidate to visit Eastern Kentucky's campus. Victor Cegles, an associ-

ate athletic director at Temple, interviewed last week.

During his visit, Sandy will visit with coaches, trainers, athletic administrators, the athletics committee and boosters. University President Joanne Glasser is seeking feedback from those groups before making a hiring decision, university spokesman Marc Whitt said.

Eastern Kentucky's interim athletic director, Robert "Jake"

Bell, has said he will not be a candidate for the permanent job. Bell replaced John Shafer in October 2004, and Bell's contract runs through June 30.

At Richmond, Sandy has been responsible for managing the athletic department's revenue production and public relations efforts and has administrative responsibility for the men's and women's basketball programs.

Martin wins All-Star race in retirement year

by JENNA FRYER
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CONCORD, N.C. — Mark Martin had no intention of taking a nostalgic ride around the track in his final All-Star race. He wanted to win it.

Martin pulled it off Saturday night, winning the Nextel All-Star Challenge and its \$1 million prize in what is supposed to be his final appearance in the dash-for-cash race.

But after crossing the finish line at Lowe's Motor Speedway, Martin told his Roush Racing crew he's willing to come back for more.

"Thank you guys! Thank you!" Martin screamed over his radio. "I'll be back next year if you give me a ride!"

As an All-Star race winner, Martin is forever eligible to enter the race regardless of

whether he competes the rest of the year.

It was a popular victory — Martin is the most respected driver in the garage — and his rivals enjoyed seeing him lead laps in a No. 6 Ford painted in a retro scheme similar to the car he raced in 1993.

"I had a great time racing Mark Martin," runner-up Elliott Sadler said. "I had some flashbacks watching him run up there, with that paint scheme."

Drivers stopped on the track line to salute Martin as he passed on the cool-down lap and teammate Kurt Busch ran to Victory Lane to hug him.

"I've got to give Mark Martin props," fifth-place finisher Jimmie Johnson said. "I hope that I can grow up to be like him someday."

Martin was in second place, lined up next Sadler, on a restart

with 19 laps left in the race. But Sadler bumped into the side of Martin on the restart and the contact knocked Sadler out of line. Martin then darted into the lead.

"I think we both knew whoever got to turn one on the outside first was going to win the race," Sadler said. "I didn't want to give up my real estate and we got into each other and it dropped me back."

"But with 19 laps to go and \$1 million bucks on the line, you are going to use every trick in the trade. Mark just outsmarted me."

Martin never looked back after getting ahead of Sadler and was never challenged in winning his second All-Star race. Martin also won the 1998 event, but picked up a paltry \$257,500 for that victory.

Brian Vickers, who raced his

way into the event by winning a qualifying heat right before the All-Star Challenge, finished third. Vickers spun out Mike Bliss right before the finish line to win the qualifier and was somewhat apologetic after.

"I hate that it ended like that," he said.

Jeff Gordon was fourth and was followed by Johnson, Dale Jarrett, Kurt Busch and Jeremy Mayfield. Bobby Labonte and Dale Earnhardt Jr. rounded out the top 10.

The 90-lap race was broken into three segments and there were accidents in two of them.

The first was an 11-car wreck that led to an angry confrontation between Kevin Harvick and Joe Nemechek.

It was clear that Tony Stewart ran into the back of Nemechek, who turned inside and hit Harvick. They then collected all

the cars behind them. What wasn't so clear was who was to blame for the initial contact between Stewart and Nemechek.

Harvick firmly believed Nemechek was at fault, hopping out of his mangled car and darting over to Nemechek's. He threw his restraint system on Nemechek's window and followed it with a flurry of gestures.

Nemechek jumped out of his car and charged after Harvick, who answered with a light shove to Nemechek's helmet. NASCAR officials had to separate them, and warn crew members from both teams to back down after they ran into the infield to protect their drivers.

"I'm tired of Joe Nemechek acting like he don't do nothing," said Harvick, who also referenced an accident the two were

involved in at Daytona. Nemechek blamed Harvick for that one and threw a water bottle at him after it.

Nemechek insisted this one wasn't his fault.

"Kevin Harvick thinks he owns the world and he ain't squat," Nemechek said. "That wasn't my fault."

Stewart wasn't sure who was to blame.

"Somehow I got into the back of (Nemechek)," he said. "The bad thing is, I don't know that I didn't cause it."

The second accident came one lap into the final 20-lap sprint when Ryan Newman, who led a race-high 45 laps, wiggled. The motion caused him to lose control of his car and spin into the path of teammate Rusty Wallace.

That brought out the final caution and set the stage for Martin to race to the win.

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Late Model Heat: 8 Anthony Adams; 97 David Powers; 0H Scott Hall; 28 Chuckie May; 13 Jamie Ferguson; 23 Jimmy David Hall; 77 Robert "Taco" Fletcher.

Second Late Model Heat: 38 Raymond Nichols; 18 Eric Wells; 87 David Smith; 12D Daniel Williams; 1C Jim Lemaster; 15 Corey McKenzie.

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First Open Wheel Modified Heat: 69 Tim Moore; 98 Shon Flanary; 55 Darren Muncy; 3 Arlie Daniels; 4 Leslie Johnson; 28 Walt Mayabb; 40 Ricky Dials; 751 Michael Branham; 02 Michael Osborne; 28 Beadie Blackburn.

Second Open Wheel Modified Heat: 82 Randy Fouts; 28 Lee McKenzie; 13 Kyle Turner; 01 B.J. Osborne; 28M Kevin Mayabb; 18 Gary Fitzpatrick; XX Chris Bolin; 00 Michael Butcher.

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Limited Late Model Heat: 88 Tandy Spurlock; 11 D.J. Wells; 24 Michael P. Howard; 18 Michael Wright; 3R Roger Dilley; CJ1 Charlie Jude; 17S Brian Salisbury; 2 Vince Jarrell.

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Super Bomber Heat: 74 Beadie Blackburn; 42 Jim Lemaster; XX Jake Miller; A85 Allen Turner; 7A Glen Patton; 46 Dennis Deboard; 82 Brent McCormick; R17 Don Risner.

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First Claim Bomber Heat: 20 Bo Howard; 25 Albert Butcher; 11 Pete Castle; 73 Charlie Mullett; 4J James Stack; 15 Joey Browning; 18 Gary Cunagin.

Second Claim Bomber Heat: 17 Buck Lemaster; 18 Gary Fitzpatrick; U2 Nathan Grimm; 32 Eric Gillium; 68 Audie Keeton.

Claim Bomber Feature: 20 Bo Howard; 17 Buck Lemaster; 25 Albert Butcher; U2 Nathan Grimm; 4J James Stack; 15 Joey Browning; 68 Audie Keeton; 73 Charlie Mullett; 32 Eric Gillium.

Modified Four Cylinder Heat: 2 Kelly Neace; 3 Jacob Ross; 99 James Darell Mosley; B9 Stacy Hall; 911 Jason Hall; 8 Leroy Newsome; 21 Pat Morris.

Modified Four Cylinder Feature: 911 Jason Hall; 2 Kelly Neace; 3 Jacob Ross; B9 Stacy Hall; 21 Pat Morris.

First Regular Four Cylinder Heat: 18K Shawn Henson; 911 Jason Hall; Ole 7 Gary Whitt; R2; Rex Slone; 63 John Vaught; 7M (Driver name unavailable).

Second Regular Four Cylinder Heat: 18S Shawn Ousley; 06 Glen Stevens; 44 Billy Blanton; 19Jr. Benji Mayhan; 71 Ryan Litteral.

Regular Four Cylinder Feature: 18K Shawn Henson; 911 Jason Hall; 18S Shawn Ousley; Ole 7 Gary Whitt; 63 John Vaught; 06 Glen Stevens; 71 Ryan Litteral; R2 Rex Slone; 19Jr. Benji Mayhan; 44 Billy Blanton; 7M (Driver name unavailable).



Taylor Clark was one of the Prestonsburg track and field athletes in competition Monday evening during the Class 2A, Region 6 Track Meet. The meet, hosted by Pike County Central High School, is being held at Bob Amos Park in Pikeville. The region track meet finals are scheduled for Saturday.

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POISON OAK

Things that sting



Clyde Pack

Nothing can get your attention quicker than finding yourself six or eight feet off the ground, standing on a rickety ladder with an angry hornet suddenly buzzing around your head. Add to that the fact that you're trying to balance a gallon of paint on a rung of the ladder with your left hand while holding a paint brush and the ladder itself with the other, and things can get mighty interesting in a hurry.

Painting the house is not that much of a chore, really, and with last Saturday morning's rather mild temperature, we thought we'd do a little touch-up work out front. I had spotted the hornet's small (about the size of my fist) nest before I had started painting. It appeared to be abandoned, no activity whatsoever around it, so I took care of it with one of those extra-long grill matches. The nest disintegrated almost instantly, and not giving it another thought, I went to work.

So, there I was about five minutes later, just painting away, when zip...right by my ear and right in my face, the hornet appeared. It was one of those big black ones with a white spot on its body, and it was extremely quick.

Suddenly, the six or eight feet of space between me and the driveway tripled. As the hornet seemed to be examining the spot where his nest had been, I began gathering myself for a hasty retreat. Problem was, it was almost as if my movements were in slow motion, and here came Mr. Hornet again, buzzing my head, not more than an inch or so away. I knew he was going to get me, it was just a matter of where

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MCCC therapist receives children's advocate award

Courtney Mullins, a therapist at Mountain Comprehensive Care Center, provides clinical services to Betsy Layne Elementary School as part of a school-based initiative with the Floyd County Board of Education. Courtney has participated in the wrap-around model and has implemented the concepts consistent with the Regional Interagency Agency Coun-

cil's mission. She identifies children meeting IMPACT eligibility and trains others in regard to IMPACT nominations, available services and in working together within a service team with common goals of student graduation.

Courtney participates fully in each child's service plan, providing input and assistance with follow-through

tasks. Additionally, she also provides in-home services to better meet the needs of the child and its family. Courtney has exhibited a desire to work diligently with the community and to be supportive of the families with which she works. She is also able to provide information to school

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Courtney Mullins

May 'Yard of the Month'



by Kathy J. Prater
FEATURES EDITOR

This home at 640 Scott Lane, in Prestonsburg, has been chosen to receive the Prestonsburg Woman's Club "Yard of the Month" award for the month of May. Bedecked with red and white petunias, crimson-bloomed geraniums, pansies, lavender hydrangeas, and more add a bright splash of color, while hanging baskets filled with lush ferns and spring green liriopie and variegated shrubbery accent the rock wall border and pathway for a neat and well-manicured look. Bidding farewell to winter and welcoming in spring, this home's gardeners are well-deserving of the "Yard of the Month" award. Congratulations!



CRITTER CORNER

Heartworm Disease, Part II

By Dr. Carol Combs-Morris, DVM

This time we'll continue the topic of heartworm disease. If you read last week's article, you'll recall that heartworm is a parasite that is spread by mosquitoes, damages the heart and surrounding blood vessels of dogs (and to a lesser extent, cats) and can cause major problems, including death, in affected animals. Several types of blood tests are available to help diagnose the problem.

So what do we do when we discover that a dog is positive for heartworms? The first step is to determine how much damage the parasites have done. Saying that a dog has "heartworm disease" is not quite the same as saying that a dog is positive for heartworms. Heartworm disease refers to the set of problems that are typi-

cally caused by the presence of heartworms. If obvious signs of heartworm disease are present, such as coughing, lethargy, or fluid accumulation in the abdomen, then we know right away that a great deal of damage has already been done to the dog's body.

Sometimes we have no idea that the dog has heartworms until we pick up the disease on a routine blood test. In either case, the next step is to run some more blood tests, especially to check out the kidney and liver function. The presence of heartworms puts an extra load on these organs, and wear and tear on them may show up in the blood results. Hopefully, the blood tests will reveal minimal damage to the kidneys and liver, and we can

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This is "Brownie." Brownie was found as an injured stray that happened to show up at the Highland Veterinary Clinic, in Paintsville. Lucky for her that the staff at the clinic readily took her into their care and, once healed and given a clean bill of health, Brownie was adopted by a loving individual. "It's a wonderful day when an animal finds a forever home," writes Sherry Prater, who sent this pic along.



Mrs. Lottie Crisp, formerly of Allen, celebrated her 85th birthday with family and friends this past February. Shown with her, from left to right, are daughters Linda, Kay and Wanda.

Celebrates 85th birthday

Lottie Crisp, formerly of Allen, now residing at Green Meadows Health Care Center, in Mt. Washington, celebrated her 85th birthday on February 1, 2005, with her daughters, other family members and the staff of Green Meadows.

Attending the birthday celebration were: Wanda (Crisp) and Crandell Lee Slone Sr., of Shelbyville; Kay (Crisp) and Ray Webb, of LaGrange; Linda (Crisp) Robinson, of Mt. Washington; and her brother, Forrest E. Pitts, of Shepherdsville. All are formerly of Floyd County.

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School Calendar

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

■ 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

■ 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 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.

■ June 7 - Family Resource Center Advisory Council meeting, 2 p.m., in school library. Open to public, all invited.

■ 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 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

■ 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 25 - "Career Day," K-8th.

■ May 26, 27 - "PRIDE"

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YESTERDAYS

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

Ten Years Ago

May 24 and 26, 1995

Tuesday's primary election vote offered few surprises, and set up the expected battle, this fall, between Paul Patton the apparent Democratic nominee, for governor, and Larry Forgy, a landslide winner on the GOP side...Prestonsburg City Council approved the purchase of an ambulance at Monday's meeting and has already applied for a certificate of need in an effort to upgrade emergency services offered in the city...Additional charges are possible against Michelle R. "Mickey" Woods, a former Johnson County Sheriff's Department employee indicted, Friday, on charges she stole more than \$12,000 in property tax money...Floyd County's Fiscal Court held first reading on the county's 1995-96 budget, Friday, and magistrates seemed satisfied with revisions made since a May 10 work session. At Monday's solid waste board meeting, director Mike Vance announced that 25 out of 29 customers have failed to respond to a letter notifying them to pay up or go to court. Vance said that he will take the next step to get the delinquent customers into court...A 16-year-old Floyd County juvenile has been arrested twice this month after allegedly threatening to kill his mother and step-father...A \$55,000 change order relating to the construction of the Floyd County Jail was approved, Friday, by the fiscal court, but the court reserved the right to take legal action if it is determined that negligence caused the increase in costs...Recent heavy rains caused flooding in some areas of Floyd County, last week, and blocked access to boats at Jenny Wiley State Park...Floyd Circuit Judge John David Caudill will issue sanctions against the commonwealth attorney's office for failing to provide the defense information in a pending rape case, and the judge harshly criticized the Kentucky State Police's procedures concerning polygraph tests. The trial of Christopher Park, who is accused of raping a 10-year-old girl last year, was set to begin in circuit court, Wednesday, but the commonwealth attorney's office failed to provide information to defense which resulted in the proceedings being postponed...Wheelwright city and county officials are close to working out an agreement so that road crews can

continue to transport reddog from the city's supply: At a special meeting, Tuesday, Floyd Judge-Executive Bob Meyer met with Wheelwright City Commissioners in an effort to halt the proposed closure of the reddog reserve because of dust, safety and monetary concerns...Every person is a potential rape victim, according to Fonetta Elam, a Rape Victim Services clinical director at the Mountain Comprehensive Care Center. Statistics at the center indicate that one out of every four women will be assaulted in her lifetime, and every single minute in America, there are 1.3 forcible rapes of adult women...Roadside vendors planning to sell their wares in the City of Martin will now have to ante up \$300 a week for that privilege...A federal judge has dismissed a lawsuit filed by three Floyd County school administrators in 1993, which accused school board members and the superintendent of political retaliation...There died: Madge Hunter, 80, of Fremont, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County, May 23, in Fremont, Ohio; Darvin Crider, 63, of Auxier, May 22, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Mallie Allen, 76, of Franklin Furnace, Ohio, formerly of McDowell, Sunday, May 7, at her home; Myrtle Prater Salyers, 73, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, May 23, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Mitchell Hall, 86, of Topmost, Sunday, May 21, at his residence; Gracie Gayheart, 84, of Beaver, Monday, May 22, at her residence; Gaylord Caudill, 65, of Martin, Friday, May 19, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Billy Jay Scott, 45, of Hueysville, Friday, May 19, at his residence; Jeremiah (Jerry) Sanders, a Floyd County native, April 30, in Ohio; Jack D. Hall, 57, of Martin, Monday, May 22, at his residence; Walker Gayheart, 70, of Printer, Friday, May 19, at his residence; Billy Mayo, 75, of Martin, Tuesday, May 23, at his residence; Jessie Eunice Y. Honaker, 86, of Tram, Saturday, May 20, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Johnnie Osborne, 73, of Ypsilanti, Michigan, Tuesday, May 23, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

Twenty Years Ago

May 22, 1985

A Prestonsburg man, Randy Lee Crisp, 25, found hanged in his cell, here, last

Wednesday, was "a quiet inmate, (who kept to himself)," according to a deputy jailer...Ronald Gene Kendrick, 35, of Middle Creek, was killed, when his auto slammed into a cliff on U.S. 23, near the American Standard plant...There died: Douglas Jackson, 59, of Wheelwright, Friday, at his residence; Dorothy Lee Scott, 70, of Martin, Friday, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center; Lora Goble, 64, Saturday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Blaine Paige, 50, of Martin, Thursday, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center; James Duff, 78, of Hueysville, Sunday, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, Paintsville; Guilford Combs, 58, of Garrett, Friday, in Lexington.

Thirty Years Ago

May 21, 1975

Although the ballot is heavy—no less than 65 candidates are listed—next Tuesday's voting in Floyd County, and perhaps around the state, is expected to be comparatively light...East Kentucky Auto Parts, here, was broken into, Friday night, for the second time in two weeks, and \$1,000 in cash and several automobile radios are reported missing...The town of David, once a model coal mining community, was purchased, last week, by the David Community Development Corporation from Woodrow Branham, for a reported \$110,000...Robert Lee Blanton, 37-year-old Allen resident, was instantly killed when struck by a train, early Sunday morning, at Allen...There died: William Osborne, 72, of Melvin, Sunday, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, two hours after he had been struck by a car on KY 122, at Melvin; William Jackson Sturgill, 72, of Hueysville, Saturday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Polly Shepherd Harmon, 80, of Prestonsburg, May 15, at Highlands Regional; Bessie Gardner Young, 61, formerly of Prestonsburg, last Wednesday, at her home at Lexington; Manila Tackett Blankenship, 75, last Wednesday, at her home at Weeksbury; Mrs. Jerilleen Stephens Ritchie, 33, of Toler Creek, last Friday, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Bertha T. Fitzpatrick, 37, of Prestonsburg, last Friday, here; John Edward Green, former

resident of this county, last Thursday, at Middlesboro.

Forty Years Ago

May 20, 1965

After an incomplete survey had recently showed that more than 50 residences and places of business within the corporate limits of Prestonsburg are not connected with the city sewer system and are using open sewers, the Floyd County Health Department set a Saturday, June 19, deadline for proper connection to be made...Miss Pam Sexton, representing Martin High School, is Floyd County's Music Festival Queen for 1965...The first shovel of earth will be dug by Mrs. Ruth D. Sowards, when ground is broken for the new First Presbyterian Church building, Sunday afternoon...Dead are Franklin D. Hall, 30, of Bennett, North Carolina, and a native of the Melvin area, and Onis Johnson, 21, of Melvin, after their auto went out of control, last Wednesday, near Melvin, and rammed into a tree...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gene Holbrook, of Cliff, a daughter, Debbie Ann, at the Paintsville Hospital...There died: Mrs. Anna Hicks, 77, Monday, at her home at Martin; John Branham, 69, Thursday, at his home at Water Gap; James Gordon Click, 37, of Maytown, Friday, at the Paintsville Clinic.

Fifty Years Ago

May 19, 1955

The Dewey Lake area in the vicinity of the German bridge was selected Wednesday as the site for the proposed quarter-million-dollar regional 4-H Club camp to serve 20 counties of eastern Kentucky...Woman's Clubs of the county are spearheading a movement which seeks the employment of a home demonstration agent for Floyd County...Arnold Guess, principal of Prestonsburg High School has been named superintendent of Boyd County schools, The Times learned this week...The home of Marian Brown, on the Middle Creek road, burned Monday afternoon and its entire contents were destroyed...Strawberries started moving out from this county to Huntington, and

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Births/Birthdays

New Arrivals

WRRMC New Arrivals



May 7, 2005
- A son, Conner Paul Campbell, to Donna Jean Gayheart

May 8, 2005
- A son, Jackson Tate Hall, to Christy Lynn and Christopher Todd Hall

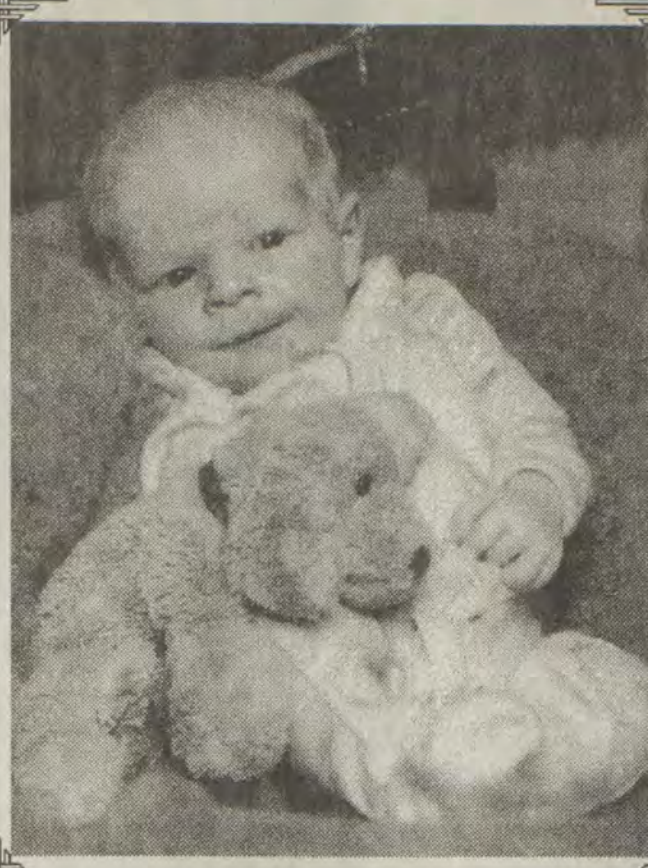
May 9, 2005
- A daughter, Logan Cheyanne Paige Barnett, to Shawna Heather Barnett
- A daughter, Merribeth Renea Scarberry, to Marsha and Rodney Scarberry
- A daughter, Isabella Nicole Faye Morgan, to Crystal and Wendell Morgan

May 10, 2005
- A son, Campbell Thomas Doty, to Amy Fox and Tom Doty
- A son, Rylan Blake Keathley, to Tammy and James Keathley
- A daughter, Dilylah Jean Greathouse, to Alicia Jean and Jerome Christopher Greathouse
- A daughter, Rylan Kennedy Sturgill, to Sacha and Ryan Sturgill

May 11, 2005
- A son, Scott Wayne Gilbert Jr., to Elizabeth and Scotty Gilbert
- A son, Trenton Gregory Thacker, to Kristen and Willard Thacker

May 14, 2005
- A daughter, Linzee Denise Vanhoose, to Shannon Conley

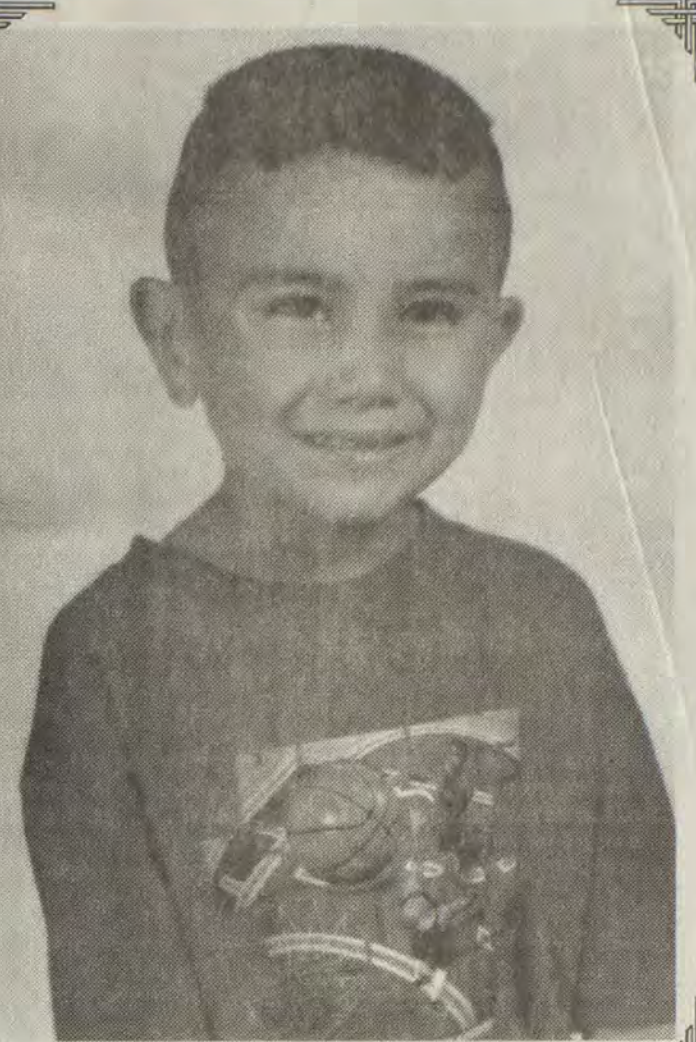
May 15, 2005
- A son, Daniel Eugene Haney, to Valerie and Daniel Haney



New Arrival

Jacob Lee Slone was born on February 23, 2005, to Janis and Crandell Lee Slone Jr., of Glasgow. He weighed 8 lbs., 4 oz., and was 20 inches in length. He was delivered at the T.J. Samson Hospital, in Glasgow.

Jacob is the third grandson of Crandell Lee and Wanda Crisp Slone Sr., of Shelbyville, formerly of Allen. He is also the grandson of Paul and Lynn Geer, of Michigan. He is the great-grandson of Lottie Pitts Crisp, of Mt. Washington, formerly of Allen, and the late Gomer Crisp, and Nova Slone Conn, of Arkansas Creek, Martin, and the late Miles Slone. He has two older brothers, Crandell Lee Slone III ("C.J.", of Shelbyville, and Coty Lee Slone, of Glasgow.



Happy Birthday, Kaleb!

Jeffery Kaleb Scarberry will turn 7 years old on June 9, 2005. Kaleb is the son of Jeff and Melissa Scarberry, of Martin. He is the grandson of Ironton Lee and Carol Lafferty, and Paul and Maggline Scarberry, all of Martin. He has one older sister, Kennedy Brooke.



Riley is 1 year old!

Riley Isabel Moses, the daughter of Dr. Stephen and Cassie Mullins Moses, celebrated her first birthday on May 9, 2005. Riley is the granddaughter of Mike and Frieda Smothers Mullins, of Hindman, and Steve and Marsha Moses, of Cynthia. She is the great-granddaughter of Herman and Mildred Mullins, of Hi Hat; Dorothy S. Brown, of Brodhead, and the late Charlie Smothers; and the late Eltra and Hershel Roberts, of Hindman. Riley celebrated her special day at her home in Washington, PA, with family and friends.



Happy Birthday, Brandy!

Brandy LaShea Keathley, the daughter of Randy and Tammy Keathley, of Pikeville, celebrated her 8th birthday on May 18, 2005, with a party held at the Archer Park Skating Rink. Brandy is the granddaughter of T. J. and Margret Boyd, of Harold, and Betty Conley, of Prestonsburg. She has one younger brother, Braydan Joseph.

Anniversaries



60th Wedding Anniversary

Lee and Carrie Isaac Jr. will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on May 25, 2005, with their children, grandchildren, friends and family who all wish them a special day and continued happiness.

May Valley students 'Design a Stamp'



Fourth grade students from May Valley Elementary participated in "Design a Stamp Day" at the Martin post office. Each participating child received a coloring book from the post office as thanks for all the beautiful artwork they created. The children's designs are now on display at the post office for viewing.



Alexis is 4!

Alexis DeAnne Prater celebrated her 4th birthday on May 15, 2005, with family and friends. "Lexy" is the daughter of Willie and Carmencita Prater, of Hueysville. She is the granddaughter of Arthur and Ruby Adams, of Wayland, and Arnold and Allene Prater, of Hueysville, and the late Elmer Miller, formerly of Wayland. She has one "little sister," Laiken Michelle Prater. Lexy's family all wish to send their love and very best wishes for a great year ahead!



Happy Birthday, Kennedy!

Kennedy Brooke Stumbo will celebrate her 10th birthday on May 25, 2005. Kennedy is the daughter of Jeff and Melissa Scarberry, of Martin. She is the granddaughter of Ironton Lee and Carol Lafferty and Paul and Maggline Scarberry, all of Martin. She has one younger brother, Jeffery Kaleb.

THE BEST BURGERS

FAMILY FEATURES EDITORIAL SYNDICATE

... from America's Premier Burger Contest

Beef burgers are the number one hands-down favorite for the grill. And these gourmet creations from Sutter Home Winery's Build A Better Burger Recipe Contest will make your taste buds tingle! They showcase how versatile ground beef pairs with flavor favorites from basil to portobello mushrooms, Gorgonzola cheese, sun-dried tomatoes and, of course, wine.

This year marks the 15th anniversary of the contest, and the best burger earns a \$50,000 prize! Fire up your grill and enjoy these winners at home. You'll be inspired to create your own original burger for the contest.

HOW TO BUILD A BETTER BURGER

- The experts at the Beef & Veal Culinary Center recommend using 80% lean ground beef (which has an 80/20 lean-fat ratio) or ground chuck for the juiciest burgers.
- For the best results, mix and shape patties gently but thoroughly. Use 1-1/2 pounds of ground beef to make 4 (3/4-inch thick) patties.
- Cook burgers over medium heat (coals or gas), turning occasionally. Turn burgers with a spatula; do not flatten or press during cooking.
- Cook burgers to medium doneness (160°F) or until centers are no longer pink and juices show no pink color. Use an instant-read thermometer inserted horizontally into the burger to check the temperature.
- For more burger recipes and grilling tips, visit www.BeeffitsWhatsForDinner.com.

Tuscan Burgers Bruschetta

Total preparation and cooking time: 45 to 50 minutes

- 1-1/2 pounds ground beef
- 3/4 cup crumbled Gorgonzola cheese
- 2 tablespoons chopped onion
- 1-1/2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh Italian parsley
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 4 thin slices prosciutto (about 1/2 ounce each)
- 1-1/2 cups shredded fontina cheese
- 8 slices Italian bread (1/2 to 3/4 inch thick)
- Extra virgin olive oil*

Tomato Topping:

- 1 medium tomato, chopped
 - 3 tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan cheese
 - 3 tablespoons finely chopped fresh basil
 - 3 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil*
 - 2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh Italian parsley
 - 2 cloves garlic, minced
 - Salt and freshly ground black pepper
1. Combine tomato topping ingredients in small bowl, seasoning with salt and pepper, as desired. Set aside.
 2. Combine ground beef, Gorgonzola cheese, onion and parsley in large bowl, seasoning with salt and pepper, as desired, and mixing lightly but thoroughly. Lightly shape into four 3/4-inch thick patties.
 3. Place patties on grid over medium, ash-covered coals. Grill, uncovered, 13 to 15 minutes to medium (160°F) doneness, until not pink in center and juices show no pink color, turning occasionally. During last 2 to 3 minutes of grilling, top each burger with prosciutto slice and 1/4 of fontina cheese.
 4. Meanwhile brush both sides of bread slices with oil. About 2 minutes before burgers are done, place bread on grid. Grill until lightly toasted, turning once.
 5. Spoon 1/2 of tomato topping on 4 bread slices; top with burgers and remaining tomato topping. Close sandwiches.

Makes 4 servings

Cook's Tip: An equal amount of baked or boiled (not smoked) thinly sliced ham may be substituted for prosciutto.

*Recipes tested with Colavita Extra Virgin Olive Oil.



Napa Valley
Basil-Smoked Burger

WINE NOTES

- Sutter Home's executive chef, Jeffrey Starr, suggests spicy Zinfandel or a full-bodied Cabernet Sauvignon with these burgers — both in the recipes and to drink. But his best advice: Drink the wine you like with the food you like. It's really up to you.
- In celebration of the 15th anniversary of the contest, a new cookbook, *Build A Better Burger* (Ten Speed Press, \$19.95), chronicles the winery's annual search for the best burgers. It contains winning recipes, wine pairing pointers and more. Look for it in bookstores or online at www.buildabetterburger.com (beginning May 30, 2005).
- For complete Build A Better Burger contest rules, log onto www.buildabetterburger.com. Entries will be accepted between May 30, 2005 and August 26, 2005.

Tuscan Burger
Bruschetta



Napa Valley Basil-Smoked Burgers

Total preparation and cooking time: 45 to 50 minutes

- 1-1/2 pounds ground beef
- 3 tablespoons soft Italian bread crumbs
- 3 tablespoons minced red onion
- 3 tablespoons finely chopped fresh basil, lightly packed
- 3 tablespoons Sutter Home Zinfandel, or other dry red wine
- 6 oil-packed sun-dried tomatoes, finely chopped
- 1-1/2 teaspoons garlic salt
- 8 large sprigs fresh basil
- 4 large poppy seed or sesame seed sandwich rolls, split
- 4 slices Monterey Jack cheese (about 3/4 ounce each)
- 4 leaves red leaf lettuce
- 4 large slices tomato (about 1/4 inch thick)
- 4 very thin red onion slices, separated into rings
- 4 small sprigs fresh basil

Pesto Mayonnaise:

- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
 - 1 tablespoon prepared basil pesto sauce
1. Combine pesto mayonnaise ingredients in small bowl. Cover and refrigerate.
 2. Combine ground beef, bread crumbs, onion, chopped basil, wine, sun-dried tomatoes and garlic salt in large bowl, mixing lightly but thoroughly. Lightly shape into four 3/4-inch thick patties.
 3. Moisten 8 large basil sprigs with water; toss sprigs directly onto medium, ash-covered coals just before grilling patties. Place patties on grid directly over basil sprigs. Grill, uncovered, 13 to 15 minutes to medium (160°F) doneness, until not pink in center and juices show no pink color, turning occasionally. About 2 minutes before burgers are done, place rolls, cut sides down, around outer edge of grid. Grill until lightly toasted. During the last minute of grilling, top each burger with cheese slice.
 4. Spread pesto mayonnaise evenly over cut sides of rolls. Line bottom of each roll with lettuce leaf; top with burger, tomato slice, onion rings and basil sprig. Close sandwiches.

Makes 4 servings

Cook's Tip: To make soft bread crumbs, place torn bread in food processor or blender container. Cover; pulse on and off to form fine crumbs. Regular white bread can be substituted.

Portobello Burgers

Total preparation and cooking time: 55 to 60 minutes

- 1-1/2 pounds ground beef
 - 1/4 cup finely chopped shallots
 - 3 tablespoons Sutter Home Zinfandel, or other dry red wine
 - 2 teaspoons ground cumin
 - 1/4 teaspoon ground red pepper
 - 4 pieces focaccia bread, about 4 inches wide, cut in half horizontally or 4 onion rolls, split
 - 16 arugula leaves
 - 1/2 cup crumbled goat cheese
- Sun-Dried Tomato Mayonnaise:**
- 1/3 cup mayonnaise
 - 1/4 cup chopped oil-packed sun-dried tomatoes

Seasoning:

- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh thyme
- 2 teaspoons chopped fresh oregano
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

Marinated Portobellos:

- 1/4 cup Sutter Home Zinfandel, or other dry red wine
- 2 tablespoons olive oil*
- 1 teaspoon freshly grated lemon peel
- 4 large (about 3-inch diameter) portobello mushrooms, stems removed

1. Combine sun-dried tomato mayonnaise ingredients in small bowl. Cover and refrigerate.
2. Combine seasoning ingredients in small bowl. Set aside.
3. Prepare portobello mushrooms. Whisk wine, oil, lemon peel and 1 tablespoon of seasoning mixture in small bowl until blended. Place mushrooms in glass dish. Pour marinade over mushrooms; turn mushrooms to coat. Set aside.
4. Combine ground beef, shallots, wine, cumin, red pepper and remaining seasoning mixture in large bowl, mixing lightly but thoroughly. Lightly shape into four 3/4-inch thick patties.
5. Remove mushrooms from marinade; reserve marinade. Place mushrooms on grid over medium, ash-covered coals. Grill, uncovered, 16 to 18 minutes or until tender, turning once and brushing with reserved marinade. About 10 minutes before mushrooms are done, move mushrooms to outer edge of grid. Place patties in center of grid; grill 13 to 15 minutes to medium (160°F) doneness, until not pink in center and juices show no pink color, turning occasionally. Remove; keep warm.
6. Place bread, cut sides down, on grid. Grill until lightly toasted, about 2 minutes.
7. Spread sun-dried tomato mayonnaise over cut sides of bread. Line each bottom bread piece with 4 arugula leaves; top with burger, mushroom and 2 tablespoons goat cheese. Close sandwiches.

Makes 4 servings

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AUTOMOTIVE

130-Cars

For Sale 1993 Ford Crown Victoria. 138,000 miles. \$1,200. call 606-874-0467

For sale 1991 Toyota Corolla needs work \$800 firm call 606-886-8339 after 5 pm.

FOR SALE: 1988 Pontiac Bonneville, no title, good for parts. \$600 obo. Call 874-4094.

FOR SALE: 1973 Pontiac Catalina. Runs good looks great, low miles. \$1500. 478-1563 or 478-2369.

1991 CAMARO FOR SALE: You can see it at Stephen's Branch. \$1800. Call 886-1764. Has good body, excellent shape.

150-Miscellaneous

TRAVEL TRAILER FOR SALE: 30 ft 1994 Nomad Travel Trailer. In excellent condition. Must see to appreciate. \$6,000. Call 587-2956.

160-Motorcycles

For Sale 1998 YAMAHA YZ80 New tires, pro-circuit pipe. \$1600. Call 606-452-9599 for more info.

2000 HONDA XR 70- Good condition, \$800. Call 886-4260

180-Trucks

Wanted used full size pick-ups 1998 thru 2003, will pay cash call 800-789-5301

2000 Toyota Tundra x-tended cab, very nice. Call 226-1330 or after 5 call 886-2944.

FOR SALE: 1975 Ford dump truck, tilt front end, 12' bed. For more info call 606-478-9150.

EMPLOYMENT

When responding to Employment ads that have reference numbers, please indicate that entire reference number on the outside of your envelope. Reference numbers are used to help us direct your letter to the correct individual.

205-Business Oppt.

CAREER OPPORTUNITY: Flowers Baking Company is accepting applications for a distributorship of bakery products (bread route), out of our Prestonsburg distribution center. Sound driving record a must. No experience necessary, training provided to qualified candidates, however. Retail or wholesale experience a plus. Interested individuals may call 1-304-327-3561 or 1-800-327-1630 between 8 am and 5 pm. Mon-Fri to schedule an interview appointment.

210-Job Listing

WANTED: OTR Driver Needed: 1 out of last 3 years verifiable Hasmat endorsement. Clean driving record. Must be able to pass DOT physical and drug test. Leave message 606-358-9268.

220-Help Wanted

AVON LADIES NEEDED: \$10 to sign-up. CASSIE - 886-8737 or cassiemjustice@wmconnect.com, THERESA - 886-3690 or tnanatee5@wmconnect.com, WANDA - 285-9486 or wfconn@bellsouth.net

Oil Field Company has openings for hard working responsible drivers. Must be of age 21 or older. Must have CDL with HAZMAT and tanker endorsements, good driving record and some mechanical aptitude. Please apply in person at: Universal Well Services, Inc., 5252 Rt. 1428, Allen, KY 41601 606-874-3487. Accepting applications Mon. thru Fri. between the hours of 8am and 4pm.

Medical Secretary Needed to work Mon.-Fri., 4-8pm and every other Sat., alternating between Prestonsburg and Martin Office, prefer some Secretarial and Billing Experience. Call 886-1714 or 285-9000

OUTSIDE SALES-MAN

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

HELP WANTED: We are looking for honest, dependable, self-motivated service technicians to service the south eastern KY area. At least two years experience in commercial refrigeration required. We offer excellent pay with benefits including health insurance and a 401K program. We also supply you with

new uniforms, and a fully stocked, late model service truck to drive. So, if you would like to be a member of our team, please send your resume to: GENERAL REFRIGERATION FAX: 740-377-9759 or EMAIL: mclagg@generalrefrigeration.com OR CALL 1-800-624-3439

WANTED:

Dental Assistant for local dentist-no experience necessary, will train-computer knowledge a plus. Please send resume to 415 North Lake Drive STE 201, Prestonsburg KY 41653.

HELP WANTED: Dental office is taking application for the position of DENTAL ASSISTANT. Prior experience is preferred. Benefits provided. Please send resume with references to : Office Manager, 274 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

HELP WANTED: Stock plants in garden center. \$9/hr ask for Kim. 866-333-8125.

FINANCIAL

350-Miscellaneous

7 PIECE TAMA DRUM SET FOR SALE: Purchased new in January, only used for one month. Been in storage since Feb. Also includes cases for all drums as well as extra cymbals, stands, and electric tuner. For more information call 886-0048.

KORG ELECTRIC PIANO FOR SALE: Excellent condition, comes with extra sound card. For more information call 886-0048.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

A well-established engineering firm is offering employment opportunities for an experienced Transimian and Autocadd Technician. Qualified applicants must have a minimum of two (2) years experience for each. Benefits include health, dental, life and disability insurance, and pension plan. Pay based on experience and skills. Must provide references on past work history and be willing to submit to random drug testing. All qualified applicants please send résumé to R. M. Johnson Engineering, Inc., P.O. Box 444, Hindman, Kentucky 41822, or call (606) 785-5926 for an appointment.

PREMIER ELKHORN COAL COMPANY, Myra, KY, is now accepting applications for the following position:

BELT EXAMINER with minimum 1 year experience as a belt man. Perform belt inspections and ensure all maintenance work is performed in accordance with State, Federal and company regulations. Requires KY Underground Mine Certification and KY Mine Foreman Certification. Applications will be accepted at:

Kentucky Department for Employment Services
 138 College Street
 Pikeville, KY 41501

Premier Elkhorn Coal Company is an Equal Opportunity Employer

MERCHANDISE

410-Animals

FREE TO A GOOD HOME: 2 year old neutered male German Shepherd mix. 424-1701. Please leave a message.

445-Furniture

ALLEN FURNITURE ALLEN, KY
 Furniture, used appliances, living / bedroom suits, bunk beds, and lots more! Call 606-874-9790.

480-Miscellaneous

For Sale: 8 ft refrigerated deli case, \$1000, small pizza oven, \$400, small juice cooler, \$150, washer & dryer, \$150 pair. Call 606-886-2367.

RAY'S BARGAIN CENTER
 New & Used Furniture & Appliances @ unbelievable prices. Come in today for incredible savings. Shop At The Little Furniture Store & Save!! Route. #122, McDowell. Call 606-377-0143.

USED KITCHEN CABINETS FOR SALE: Doors oak in color, 7 yrs old, very reasonable. Call 886-9625.

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460-Yard Sale

YARD SALE: May Village, Allen, KY, June 3 & 4. Plus sizes, odds & ends, baby girl clothes, almost new. Boy clothes, sizes 10 & 12. Good condition.

CAM-Kentucky, LLC/Central Appalachian Mining, LLC

are now accepting applications for Experienced Underground Miners, all positions - Electricians, Miner Operators, Roof Bolter Operators, Shuttle Car Operators and Scoop Operators. Kentucky Underground Miner Certification required. Wages and benefits are competitive for the area.

Applications will be accepted at the following locations:

- Central Appalachian Mining or CAM-Kentucky LLC
 116 Main Street
 Pikeville, KY 41501
- 248 South Lake Drive
 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

**Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program
 Floyd County Extension Office
 EFNEP Assistant**

The University of Kentucky is accepting applications for the position of Expanded Foods and Nutrition Assistant for Floyd County. The position involves providing nutritional education to low income families. High School diploma or GED required. The salary range is \$7.44 to \$8.52 per hour. To apply complete the UK Online Application which must be submitted to www.uky.edu/ukjobs. The qualifications and job responsibilities may also be viewed on the website. Application deadline is June 8, 2005. For more information or assistance call (606) 886-2668.



The University of Kentucky is an equal opportunity employer and encourages applications from minorities and women.

470-Health & Beauty

WOLFF TANNING BEDS

Financing available. Free delivery & set up within 75 miles of London, KY. Bulbs, Parts, Lotions at Wholesale Prices. Call 888-554-0058

EXERCISE MACHINE: Excellent condition, larger than a Bowflex. Original price close to \$2000. Only asking \$500. For more information, call 886-0048.

REAL ESTATE

505- Business

OPTICAL BUSINESS FOR SALE: Leave business in current location or buy assets and move to your own location. 606-454-2898.

510-Comm. Prop

SMALL GROCERY BUSINESS FOR SALE: Located at Banner, KY. Business is operated under a lease. \$56,000 firm. Serious calls only. 606-874-9190.

530-Homes

HOUSE FOR SALE: 1/2 Acre private site. 1 mile south of Wayland. All brick. 3000 sq. feet, central air/heat, curved stair way. 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 car garage, large deck, beautiful view, fireplace, inground pool, hardwood floors.

\$189,000 serious inquiries only. Call 606-447-2192 or 606-226-1925. Shown by appointment only.

New 1,950 sq. ft. Home For Sale located in Country Oaks Subdivision in Harold, KY. Call 478-9993

House For Sale: 3 BR Brick Home with 7 acres of land, Large LR, DR, Kitchen & Utility Room, Located between the mouth of Arkansas Creek and Finance Hollow on Rt. 1428, Call 874-9790 or 285-1179 for more information.

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 Call for appointment:
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JOB VACANCY

The Floyd County School System has immediate openings for full-time bus drivers.

Minimum Education, Training, and Experience: Any combination equivalent to: High School Diploma, G.E.D. Certificate or demonstrated progress toward obtaining a G.E.D., as required by Kentucky law, 21 years of age and complete all Kentucky Department of Education requirements. Training for Commercial Drivers License (CDL) provided at the Transportation Office with the Floyd County School District.

Benefits and Salary: Full-Time Driver Position: Beginning salary \$12.77 per hour. Full-time drivers work 4 hours per day, 181 days per year. An excellent benefits package is included for this position.

Apply at the Floyd County Schools Central Office, 106 North Front Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, 41653, Human Resources Office. Phone 606-886-2354.

The Floyd County Board of Education does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, religion, marital status, sex, or disability in employment, educational programs, or activities, as set forth in Title IX & VI, and Section 504.

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812 - Free

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.

LOST- \$50.00 REWARD-- RadioDetection (receiver) Gray 2 ft long "L" shape with 3.5" digital screen read-out. Lost Friday 5/20 with 2 orange road cones at Jenny Wiley Park HWY 302 to HWY 23 going towardPikeville. Call: 424-2032 or 631-3121-Lee

LEGALS

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 877-0165 AMENDMENT 4

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that DFM, Inc., P.O. Box 327, Old U.S. 23, Allen, Kentucky 41601, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation, located 1.5 mile north of Gunlock in Magoffin/Floyd County. The amendment operation will add 157.57 acres of surface disturbance and 131.77 acres of highwall/thin seam mining area, making a total area of 1378.73 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.7 mile north from Brushy Fork Road's junction with Ky. Route 7, and located on Molly Branch.

The proposed amendment is located on the David U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by Big Branch Holding Co., LLC, David L. Francis, John Arnett Heirs, Tonie Wireman Heirs, Sandy Shepherd, Marie Whitaker, Ruth Shepherd, Nancy Whitaker, Luther Shepherd, Edgar Fleming, and Kelly Hale Heirs. The highwall/thin seam mining will underlie Big Branch Holding Co., LLC, David L. Francis, John Arnett Heirs, Astro Clay Collins, et al., Rose Collins, and Vonda & James Kerns. The operation will use the area mining and highwall/thin seam methods of mining.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653. Written comments, objections, and requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127, South, Frankfort, Ky. 40601.

This is the final advertisement for this application. All comments, objections, or

requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 898-5938 RENEWAL

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Premier Elkhorn Coal Company, P.O. Box 130, Myra, Kentucky 41549, has applied for a renewal of a permit for an existing surface coal mining and underground coal mining operation. The operation affects a surface disturbance of 8.3 acres and underlies an additional 487.0 acres, for a total of 495.3 acres, located approximately 0.9 mile northeast of Ligon, in Pike and Floyd counties.

The proposed operation is approximately .03 mile north from the Robinson Creek Road's junction with Tackett Fork Road, and located 0.3 mile north of Robinson Creek. The latitude is 37°23'46" and the longitude is 82°38'47".

The proposed operation is located on the McDowell and Wheelwright U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map.

The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Enterprise Coal Company. The operation will underlie property owned by Jack Akers, Lizzie J. & Oley Hall, Donald & Alpha Jean Hamilton, Liza Tackett, Henry & Josephine Hall, Fredrick & Lackie Johnson, Bill & Donna Marie Tackett, Homer & Wanda Hamilton, Clara & George Bartley, Jasper & Maxie Blankenship, Robert & Laveta Scott, Thomas Ray & Irene Hamilton, Darvin & Fannie Newsome, Wilma J. & William Hamilton, Calvin Newsome, Turner Elkhorn Coal Sales, Inc., Anthony & Betty Wright, Jettie & Charlie Bentley Heirs, Enterprise Coal Company, Scott & Todd Hamilton, Morris Newsome, Andy J. & Nancy D. Bentley, Conley Newsom, Mose &

Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or by fax to 606-789-8344. Any and all revisions to this request shall be made only by written addendum issued by BSACAP, Inc. No oral statements by any person shall modify or otherwise affect the terms, conditions or specifications stated in this request. The bidder is cautioned that the requirements of this

request can be altered by written addendum and that verbal communications from whatever source are of no effect.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS: 1 Full Size Heavy Duty Pickup Truck Long Wheel Base Four Wheel Drive V6/V8 Automatic/Standard Transmission (Standard Preferred) Standard Option Package

Bid responses containing terms and conditions that do not conform to the terms and conditions in the bid request will be subject to rejection as nonresponsive. BSACAP, Inc., reserves the right to permit the bidder to withdraw nonconforming terms and conditions from its bid response prior to a determination by BSACAP, Inc., of nonresponsiveness. BSACAP, Inc., accepts no responsibility for any expense incurred by the bidders in the preparation and presentation of a bid. Such expenses shall be borne exclusively by the bidder.

BSACAP, Inc., reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids and proposals and further specifically reserves the right to make the award or awards in the best interest of BSACAP, Inc.

LEGAL NOTICE

Pursuant to KRS 353.630 and KRS 353.640 An application for Pooling Order to drill and operate Equitable Production Company Well No. 503928, is being filed with the Kentucky Department of Oil and Gas. The subject property is located in Thomas Quadrangle, Dave's Branch, of Floyd County, State of Kentucky. Said property being the Hiram Clark Heirs property and/or the property of his heirs, assigns or devisees.

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The application has been filed for public inspection at the Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Pikeville Regional Office, 121 Mays Branch Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501-9331. 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.

REQUEST FOR BIDS FOR VEHICLE

Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Inc., is now accepting bids for a vehicle for the Weatherization Program. Sealed proposals will be received by the Executive Director, 3rd floor Johnson County Courthouse, Paintsville, Ky. 41240, until 4 p.m., on Friday, June 3, 2005, at which time they will be publicly opened and read.

Questions regarding this Request for Bids should be addressed to James Michael Howell, Executive Director, telephone 606-789-3641. Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or by fax to 606-789-8344. Any and all revisions to this request shall be made only by written addendum issued by BSACAP, Inc. No oral statements by any person shall modify or otherwise affect the terms, conditions or specifications stated in this request. The bidder is cautioned that the requirements of this

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I, Douglas Ray Hall, Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do hereby certify that the following settlements of estates have been filed in my office. Anyone desiring to take exceptions to said settlements must do so on or before June 30th, 2005, at 9:00 a.m.

Settlement	Case Number	Estate of:	Fiduciary	Date Filed
Final	04-P-00342	Juanita Hall	Noah Hall	04-21-05
Final	03-P-00130	Alline A. Scarberry	Marie Robinson	05-2-05
Final	03-P-00127	Allen Taylor	Keith Taylor	05-4-05
Final	03-P-00128	Edna N. Allen Callison	Delores Callison Frasure	05-4-05
Final	03-P-00153	Timothy Jason Hall	Kim Hall	05-5-05
Final	03-P-00326	Amy Campbell Spears	Chadwick Spears	05-5-05
Final	04-P-00374	Bobby Cumutte	Alice M. Cumutte	05-11-05
Final	03-P-00463	Darleen Rowe	Anthony Rowe	05-12-05
Final	04-P-00012	Jettie Sparks Shreve	Mary Click & Dinah Vanhouse	05-16-05
Final	04-P-00352	Nancy Litton	Donna Blackburn Wells	05-16-05

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PCUC Water Rates (Effective 02/01/05)	Inside Corp.	Outside Corp.
0-2,000 Gallons	\$6.16 \$6.26 \$6.36	\$9.33 \$9.43 \$9.53
Next 98,000 Gals.	\$2.61 \$2.71 \$2.81	\$4.04 \$4.14 \$4.24
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Over 2,000 Gals.	\$2.64	\$ 2.85	\$ 2.64

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PCUC Gas Rates (Effective 05/01/05)	Inside Corp.	Outside Corp.
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Over 1 MCF	\$10.49	\$11.22

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Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission
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Lick Fork.
 3) The proposed amendment is located on the Handshoe U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the underground method of mining. There is no surface area to be disturbed by this amendment. The amendment area will underlie land owned by the Kentucky Department of Transportation, Western Pocahontas Properties Ltd., Rosa Oney, Kenneth Bailey, Clyde Bailey, D.D. Compton and Betty Compton. The operation will not affect an area within 100' of a public road. The operation will not involve relocation or closure of the public road.
 4) 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, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653-1410. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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The bid will be awarded to lowest and/or best bidder at the Regular Fiscal Court meeting on Friday, June 17th, 2005, at the hour of 10 a.m.
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 COUNTY OF FLOYD

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Date of Appointment	Case Number	Estate Of:	Fiduciary	Attorney
4-22-05	05-P-00133	Iness Stiltner	Linda Stiltner Daniels	
4-25-05	05-P-00137	Oma Josephine Hughes	Brenda Vanderpool	
4-25-05	05-P-00136	Larry Douglas Tackett	Garrick Tackett	
4-26-05	05-P-00139	Jimmy R. Stumbo	Glenda Sue Stumbo	
4-26-05	05-P-00140	Sam Martin, Jr.	Violet Elizabeth Rowe	
5-02-05	05-P-00147	Ruby N. Laferty	Donald E. Laferty	
5-09-05	05-P-00162	Susan Rebecca Arnett	Joseph J. Arnett	
5-09-05	05-P-00163	Mildred A. Murray	Beulah J. Ousley	
5-06-05	05-P-00156	Jimmy Guess	William D. Guess	B.D. Nunnery
5-06-05	05-P-00157	Thelma Guess	William D. Guess	B.D. Nunnery
5-06-05	05-P-00158	David Guess	William D. Guess	B.D. Nunnery
5-06-05	05-P-00159	Billy Guess	William D. Guess	B.D. Nunnery
5-09-05	05-P-00160	Delores Pruitt Meek	Arnold Meek	James P. Pruitt Jr.
5-09-05	05-P-00162	Susan Rebecca Arnett	Joseph J. Arnett	
5-09-05	05-P-00163	Mildred A. Murray	Beulah J. Ousley	
5-10-05	05-P-00168	Otis Frasure	Margaret Frasure	
5-11-05	05-P-00169	Susie Dotson Burchett	Charlotte Arnett Hall	
5-11-05	05-P-00170	Graham Turner	William E. Turner	
5-12-05	05-P-00171	Curtis Allen	Helma L. Allen	Martin L. Osborne
5-12-05	05-P-00173	Hillard Hall	Emma E. Hall	
5-16-05	05-P-00175	Leonard Robinson	Kathy Plummer & Martha Rose	
5-16-05	05-P-00176	Vernon Osborne	Freddy Katherin Fields	
5-17-05	05-P-00177	Grover Morris Allen	David Morris Allen	
5-17-05	05-P-00178	Billy Ratliff	Nora Ratliff	

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This Week: Ben Franklin

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Nearly 300 years ago, Benjamin Franklin made important discoveries about electricity and lightning. But, as faulty _____ can cause great _____ or even death, some say that the story about his flying a kite in a thunderstorm may be faulty and dangerous as well.

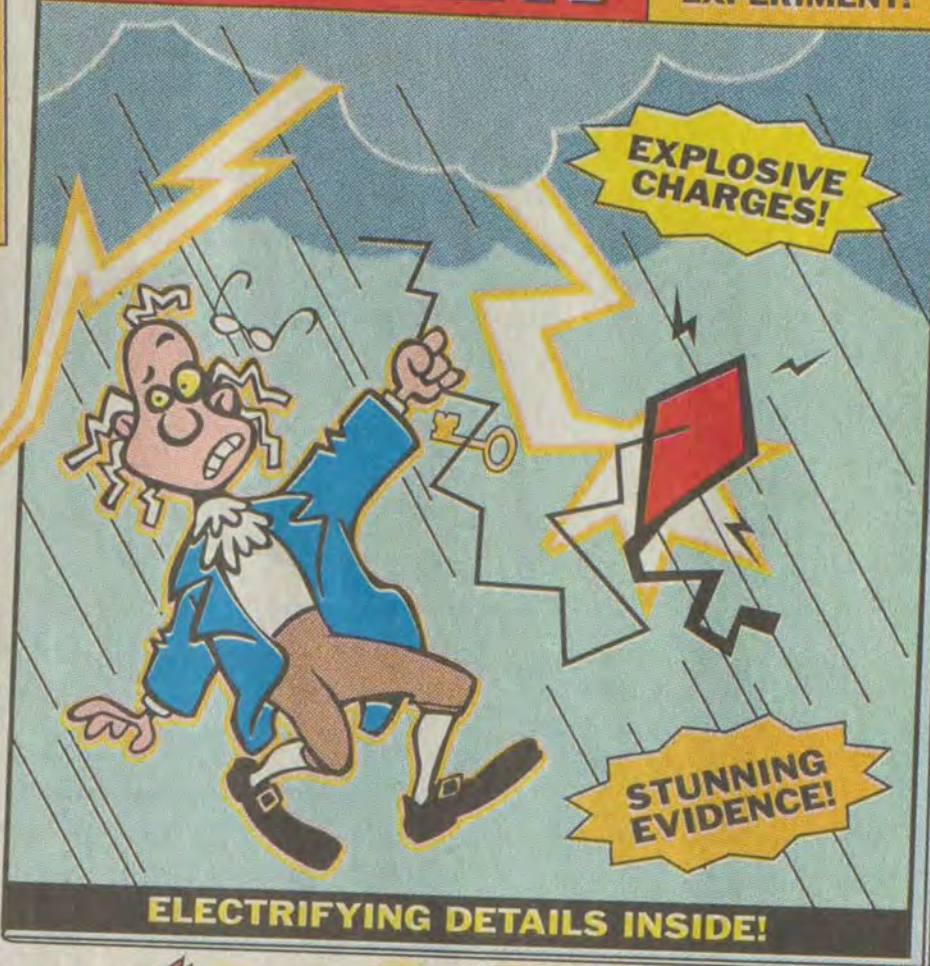
Benjamin Franklin wondered if lightning was electricity. While this may seem like a silly _____ today, remember that in Franklin's day, the largest _____ sparks they could make were under an inch long. Since lightning can _____ several miles long, it was not so obvious that they were the same.

Frankly Speaking

Did Benjamin Franklin really discover that lightning was electricity by flying a kite in a thunderstorm? No one knows for sure. One thing is certain, tying a key to a kite _____ and _____ it in a thunderstorm is extremely dangerous and could kill a person.

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Lightning Sparks an Idea

We do know that Franklin figured out that lightning was electricity and that it is dangerous. He invented the lightning rod to protect buildings from "mischief by thunder or lightning."

He wrote instructions to put one end of an iron rod "three or four feet in the moist ground, the other may be six or eight

feet above the highest part of the building. To the upper end of the rod fasten about a foot of brass wire the size of a common knitting-needle ... A house thus furnished by lightning, it being attracted by the points and passing through the metal into the ground without hurting anything."

Standards Link: Physical Science: Students know energy can be carried from one place to another by electric current.



Find the two identical Ben Franklins.

Ben's Inventions

Ben Franklin liked to solve problems. For example, he had poor vision and needed some way to see both near and far, so he invented special lenses for glasses called bifocals.

Franklin also came up with:

- a metal box that could be inserted into a fireplace that caused it to give out more heat – this is now called the **Franklin stove**
- the first public library in America
- lightning rods
- the first fire department
- a chair that folded into a stepladder

Standards Link: Standards Link: History: Students understand how the contributions of individuals in the past made a difference in others' lives.

Ben's Magic Squares

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14	3	62	51		35	30	19
53	60	5	12	21	28	37	44
11	6		54	43	38	27	22
55	58	7	10	23	26	39	
9	8	57	56	41		25	24
50	63	2		18	31	34	47
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Can you replace the missing numbers?

Standards Link: Math/Number Sense: Calculate sums and differences to 300.



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Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Weekly Writing Corner

Sayings

Complete the following:
A penny saved is ...
A bird in the hand ...
The cat in gloves ...
He that lieth with dogs ...

A penny saved is one cent toward a Ferrari.

Nathan,
6th Grade

A penny saved is a penny kept for spending later.
A cat in gloves must be very clean.

He that lieth with dogs should be a pet trainer.

Michael,
6th Grade

The cat in gloves is a cat that won't scratch.
He that lieth with dogs should own a dog.

Brendan,
5th Grade

The cat in gloves is a cat at a vet.

Peter,
5th Grade

The cat in gloves needs an outfit to match.

Nadia,
6th Grade

A bird in the hand is a peck on the finger.

Sammy,
6th Grade

He who lieth with dogs is lazy.

Kiah,
6th Grade

The cat in gloves sure has warm paws.

Karley,
6th Grade

He that lieth with dogs gets up with fleas.

Cass,
6th Grade

A penny saved is mine to hold.

Jocelyn,
2nd Grade

A penny saved is for buying candy.

Jessica,
3rd Grade

He that lies with dogs is tickling the dog's stomach.

Joshua,
1st Grade

A penny saved is for nothing.

Roberto,
2nd Grade

A penny saved is more for a puppy.

Jonathon,
Kindergarten

A bird in the hand is safe.

Jessica,
1st Grade

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Sayings

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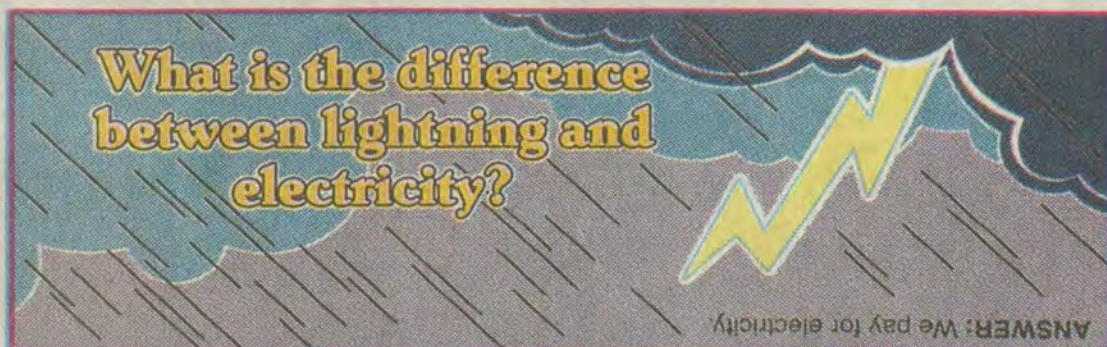
BEYOND Kid Scoop

Big News Ben

In his day, Ben Franklin would have made the news. Pretend you could travel back in time. You are a reporter interviewing Franklin. What questions would you ask him? Write a newspaper story about him.

Standards Link: Writing Applications: Write expository essays that describe people and include facts and details.

What is the difference between lightning and electricity?



ANSWER: We pay for electricity.

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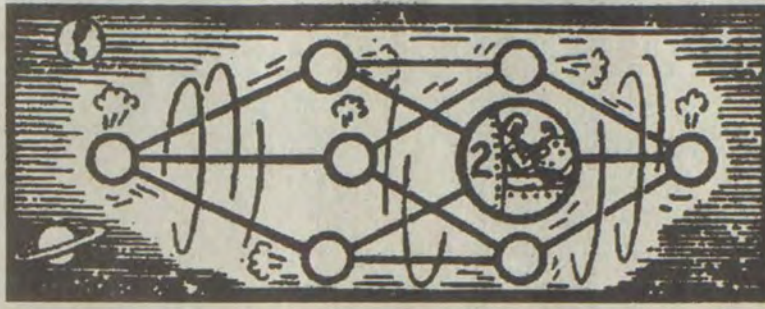
COLORING PAGE



FLOWER SPOT! Our artist claims there are 27 flowers in this scene. Let's see how many you can discover.

Junior Whirl

by Hal Kaufman



CORNER COUNT IN SPACE

SHAZAM! This Tinkertoy-like spacecraft not only plays tricks on the eyes, but also poses a math

problem. To wit: You are asked to arrange any eight digits between 1 and 6 in corner circles of the craft's structure so that the sum of the amounts of any interconnected corner foursome is 15.

Digit 2, shown in cockpit circle, remains in place, serving as a corner of either of two eligible foursomes.

Remember, you may use any digit from 1 to 6 as often as necessary (but only one per circle) to achieve totals of 15.

How quickly can you comply?

One way: Reading horizontally, top—6, 1; middle—3, 5, 2, 6; bottom—4, 3.

Tongue Test Teasers

SAY FAST, and then faster:
Sue Sewell is cool in school.
Needless noise annoys Nellie.
Lo, the loon, leisurely landing on the lonely lake.

SEE HERE! A classic anagram involves THE EYES. You are challenged to rearrange these seven letters into a relevant two-word sentence.

Rearrange letters to form "THEY SEE."

A's HAVE IT! Eight of 16 letters in this word square are A's. You are asked to find the four four-letter words in which they are contained. Word square words read both across and down, of course. Definitions:

1		2	A	3		4	A
	2	A			A		
		3		A			A
			4	A		A	

1. Big, fancy party.
2. In the distance, it would seem.
3. Hot stuff out of a volcano.
4. Middle East inhabitant.

How quickly can you fill in the words?

1. Gala. 2. Afar. 3. Lava. 4. Arab.

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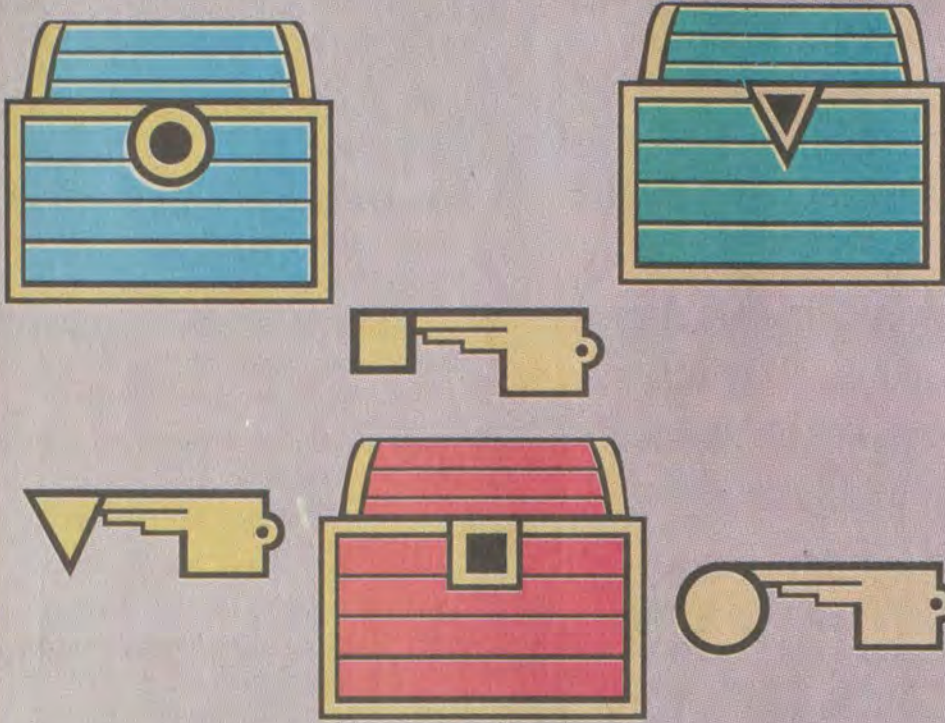
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My name: _____

Learning Buddies: Spell your child's first name, using the lines to write large letters. Use an uppercase letter for the first letter in the name and lowercase letters to spell the rest. Have your child trace the letters with a finger, crayon or pencil.

Can you open the treasure chests?

Find the key that matches each lock.



My Letters

K is for Key
k is for key

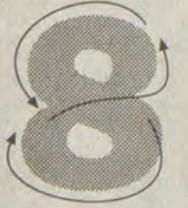


Learning Buddies: Read the two phrases aloud. Have your child read with you. Trace the uppercase and lowercase letter K. Say the letter as you trace it.

How many words or pictures can you find on this page that have the sound that the letter K makes in the word key?

My Numbers

How many ?



How many ?

Learning Buddies: Trace and say the number. Read the questions. Touch and count to find the answers.

My Rhyme Time

I have a lovely clockwork doll
That winds up with a key,
And when she's wound, she walks along
As stately as can be.

My Sentence

Learning Buddies: Read the first part of the sentence aloud. Ask your child to think of a way to finish the sentence. Write your child's words in the lines. Read the entire sentence to your child while pointing out that reading is done from left to right. Older children may want to trace all or some of the letters in the sentence.



My key opens a



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Letter Identification With your child, look through the newspaper to find pictures of things that start with the same sound as the letter K in key.	Math Play Point to the number 8 in the newspaper. Have your child say the number and, if it's large enough, have your child trace the number.	Open and Shut Find newspaper pictures that show the meaning of the words open and shut . (Example: a window, a door, a curtain.) With your child, discuss whether or not a key could be used to open one of the pictures that shows something that is shut .	Big K and Little k On one page of the newspaper, find an uppercase K . Then find a lowercase k . Have your child draw a line to help the lowercase k find its big sister or brother.	Key to Travel Look for newspaper pictures of things you can travel in. Cut them out and make a picture called Things We Travel In . Pretend you have a key that will start each kind of transportation pictured. Ask your child where you will go in each one.	Picture Count With your child, look at a picture or ad in the newspaper that pictures lots of different objects and/or people. Together, count the number of items or people. For example, count the number of fruits in a grocery store ad.	Family Fun Have your child find pictures in the newspaper that show things that he or she likes to do with your family.



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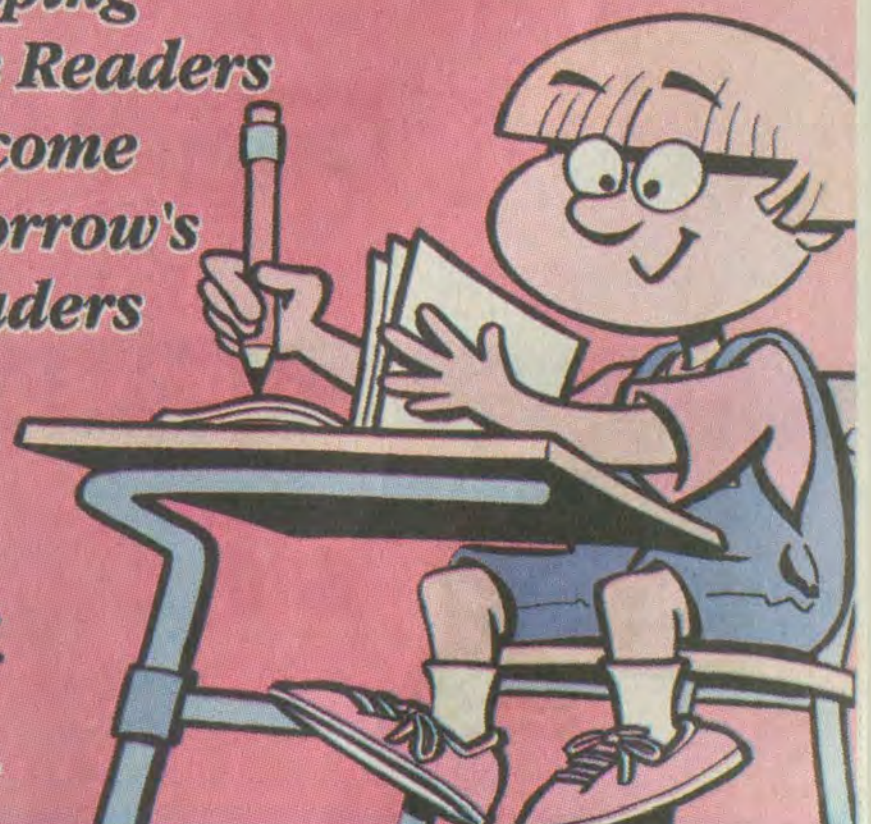
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Rational Numbers

by Linda Thistle

Using the clues, simple arithmetic, and a little logic, place a single digit (0 to 9) in each empty box in the diagram. To help you get started, one digit has been entered in the diagram.

ACROSS

- 14-Down minus 5-Across
- Consecutive digits in ascending order
- The last digit is the sum of the other digits
- 2-Across times 9-Across
- The last digit is four times the first digit
- Four times 7-Down
- 4-Across plus 2-Down
- Ten more than 14-Down
- One-fifth of 12-Across
- Seven times 1-Down

DOWN

- Two less than 10-Across
- 17-Across plus 3-Down
- Nine times 16-Down
- Different even digits
- Seven more than 9-Across
- Consecutive digits rearranged
- Consecutive digits in ascending order
- Consecutive digits rearranged
- Four less than 15-Across
- The first digit is three times the last digit



Rational Numbers answers

3	7	4	5	7	4	5	7	4	5	7	4	5
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7	1	6	7	1	6	7	1	6	7	1	6	7
2	3	4	3	2	3	4	3	2	3	4	3	2
8	1	5	8	1	5	8	1	5	8	1	5	8

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WILDFIRES

Estimating the damage

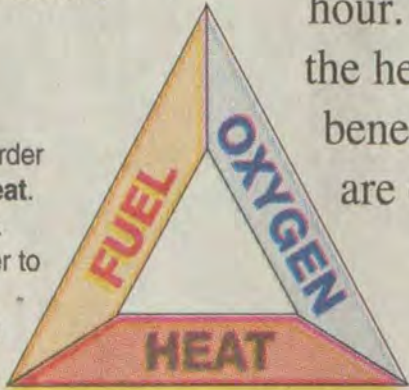
An average of 106,000 wildfires break out every year in the United States, 8,000 in Canada. In 2000, the United States lost 7.5 million acres to wildfires. The annual average loss is 5 million acres. These fires cost millions of dollars in damage.

Heat of the moment

Almost everything has a temperature at which it becomes combustible and will burst into flames. This temperature is called a **flash point** and it is not the same for all materials. Wood has a flash point of 572 F (300 C). At this temperature, wood releases hydrocarbon gases that, when mixed with the oxygen in the air, will combust and burst into flames.

The fire triangle

A fire needs three things in order to burn: **fuel, oxygen and heat**. This is called the fire triangle. Firefighters know that in order to control and extinguish a fire, they need to remove at least one of the fire's basic needs.



Fueling the flames

Why some wildfires ignite and sputter out quickly, while others spread with terrible speed, is determined by three main factors: fuel, weather and topography.

A fire's **fuel load** refers to the quality and amount of fuel (burnable material) available in an area (usually tons per acre). The size, shape, arrangement and moisture content of the fuel influences how a fire will behave.

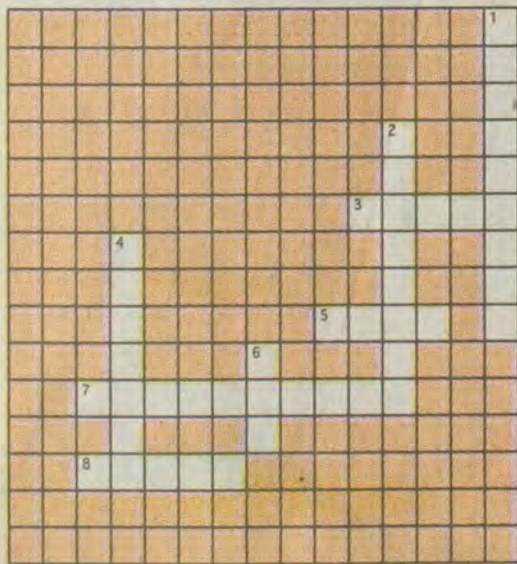
A small, moist fuel load will burn and spread slowly. A large, dry fuel load will burn with more intensity and spread quickly. **Dry, hot weather** creates ideal tinder for wildfires. Rain can extinguish a fire, while wind helps to fuel and spread the flames.

The **topography**, or lay of the land, can create a natural fireline that prevents a fire from spreading. Rivers or bodies of water can stop a fire, but so can a barren landscape, a rock or a cliff face.

Crossword

- ACROSS**
- Point (temperature) at which a material combusts
 - Some fire retardants contain this.
 - Surface features of a region (the lay of the land)
 - A bucket that hangs from a helicopter

- DOWN**
- Smoke jumpers use this.
 - Air tankers are often this type of retired craft.
 - A tree that thrives on burnt soil
 - Weather condition that can contribute to wildfires



- ANSWERS**
- ACROSS**
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Unplanned fires that burn forests, shrubs or grasses are called wildfires. A wildfire can devastate a landscape at a rate of up to 14.29 miles (23 km) per hour. Some wildfires are caused by lightning or by the heat of the sun and are a natural and sometimes beneficial phenomenon. But 9 out of 10 wildfires are caused by the carelessness of people, which endangers forests, prairies and homes.

The number of wildfires seems to be increasing. This is probably because more people are living in or near forests.

Many plants use fire to their advantage. The **sequoia** tree thrives on land that has been burned.



Fire retardant is a mix of clay, phosphates and water.

Air tankers are often retired military or commercial planes equipped to dispense several thousand gallons of water or chemicals.

A bambi bucket is a flexible bucket that hangs from the belly of a helicopter. It is designed to gather water from nearby sources (like rivers, lakes and swimming pools). These buckets generally have a 50- to 280-gallon capacity.

Smoke jumpers are firefighters who parachute from planes or helicopters into remote fire areas.

Fire managers analyze a fire and decide the best way to fight it.

Hotshot crews are highly trained and specialized firefighters.

Helitack crews are trained to fight wildfires by helicopter and can be rapidly deployed.

Helicopters are used to transport firefighters and to drop water, foam or retardants on fires. Some helicopters have internal tanks that can hold up to 1,800 gallons of water or retardant.

Bulldozers and plows clear vegetation quickly to create large firelines.

Tools of the trade

Some firefighting tools are very high-tech, while others have been in use for more than 100 years. Computers allow for mapping, satellite imagery, weather forecasts and fire behavior modeling. Special aircraft have been designed for firefighting.

A fireline is often the first line of defense when fighting a wildfire. A fireline is a trench that has been dug into the ground or a strip of land that has been cleared of all flammable material.

Various hand tools can be used to make firelines. The pulaski is a traditional chopping and trenching tool with two types of blades. A fire rake is another handy fireline tool.

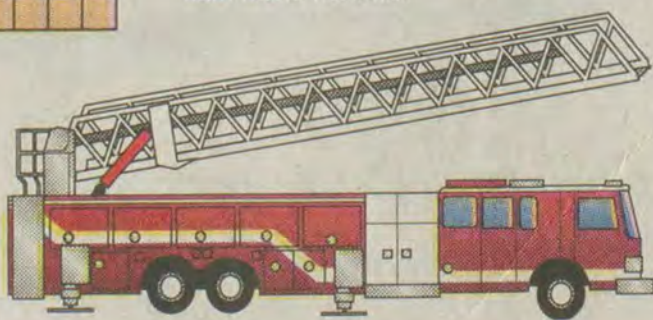
Hand crews are highly trained firefighters who try to stop fires by creating firelines (land cleared of fuel) by digging trenches or by burning off trees, shrubs and grasses.

Engine crews use fire engines and hoses to attack the front line of a wildfire and to hose down structures.



Backpack fire pumps use water to put out small areas of burning grass.

A drip torch throws a stream of fire that can build a fireline or create a prescribed fire.



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The human element

Most wildfires are accidental, caused by discarded cigarettes, sparks from campfires, burning garbage or playing with matches.



Arson is the crime of intentionally setting a fire for an improper purpose.

Prescribed fires are lit by wildland management to help wildland areas by reducing fuel accumulation and the potential for uncontrolled wildfires.

"Only you can prevent forest fires."

— Smokey the Bear

Some tips to help prevent forest fires:

- Make sure cigarettes are extinguished and disposed of correctly.
- Don't park cars or trucks on dry grass.
- Inspect your campfire before leaving. Make sure the fire is completely out.
- Never use stoves, lanterns or heaters near things that could catch fire.

Firefighters

Wildland firefighters are men and women dedicated to protecting forests and other natural resources from fire. It can be an exhausting job that requires harsh and isolated living conditions. To become a wildland firefighter, you must be between the ages of 18 and 35 and pass a physical fitness test.

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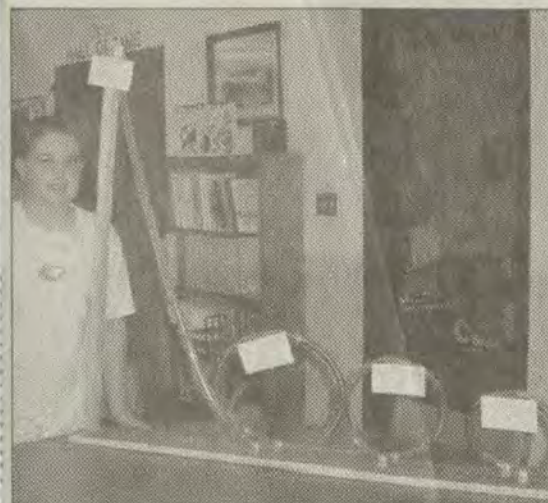
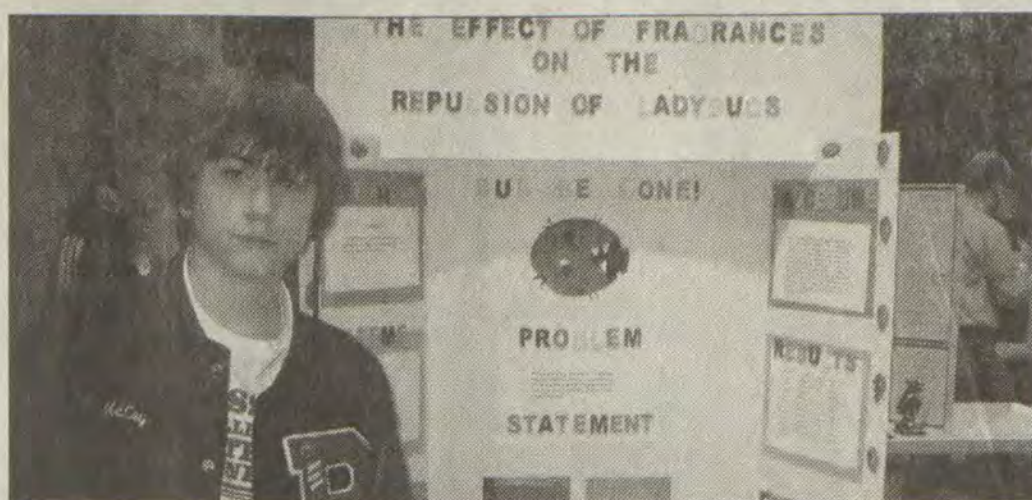
AMS student places first in regional science fair

Cody McCoy, a seventh grade student at James D. Adams Middle School, placed first in the Regional Science Fair held at the East Kentucky Science Center at Prestonsburg. The title of his project was,

"Affect of Fragrances on the Repulsion of Lady Bugs".

Cody was presented a \$500.00 savings bond. James D. Adams Middle School also received \$500.00 for Cody's project. Nearly \$8,500 in prizes

was presented to the winners and their schools through the assistance of Citizens National Bank and the East Kentucky Regional GEAR-UP Project.

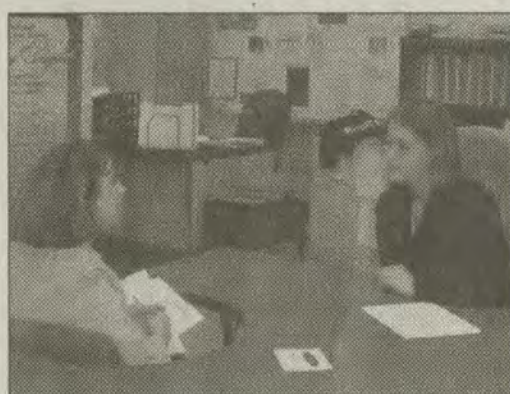
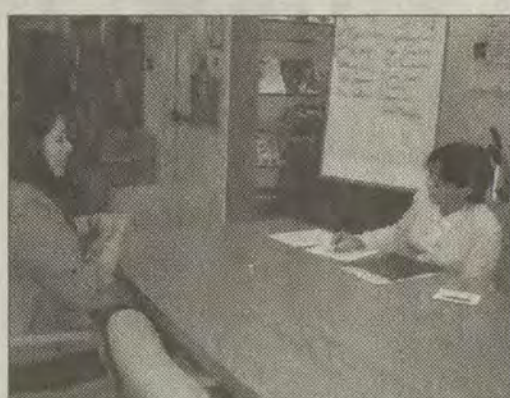


The AMS sixth grade science students finished their unit on motion, forces, and energy by building roller coasters. The roller coasters had to be built to specific measurements, and had to work properly. This project taught the students about conservation of energy, potential and kinetic energy, conversion of energy, and thermal energy due to friction. Some students made their roller coasters out of tubing and even put loops in the tracks. Other students went above Mr. Vanhoo's expectations even further. Desirae Potter built her entire roller coaster out of popsicle sticks, which meant she had very little room for errors in her design. However, all of the roller coasters did work and even presented in front of the Floyd County Board of Education during one of their scheduled meetings.

Allen Central High School



ACHS seniors enjoyed cap and gown picture day.



Seniors participated in interviews that were part of the Career Portfolio. Members of the community donated their time to come and assist in this task. The following participated: Judge Julie Paxton, Stephanie Moore Scott, Neva Francis, Mary Thompson, Larry Adams, Carol Stumbo, Lola Ratliff, Melinda Stumbo and Jenifer Bates.



Parent/community computer workshop

STLP students and parents worked on a number of different tasks at our last community computer workshop.



ACHS students participated in a skit, "Turn Around," for Practice Prom Pride at the MAC. They also enjoyed listening to Rebecca Lynn Howard.

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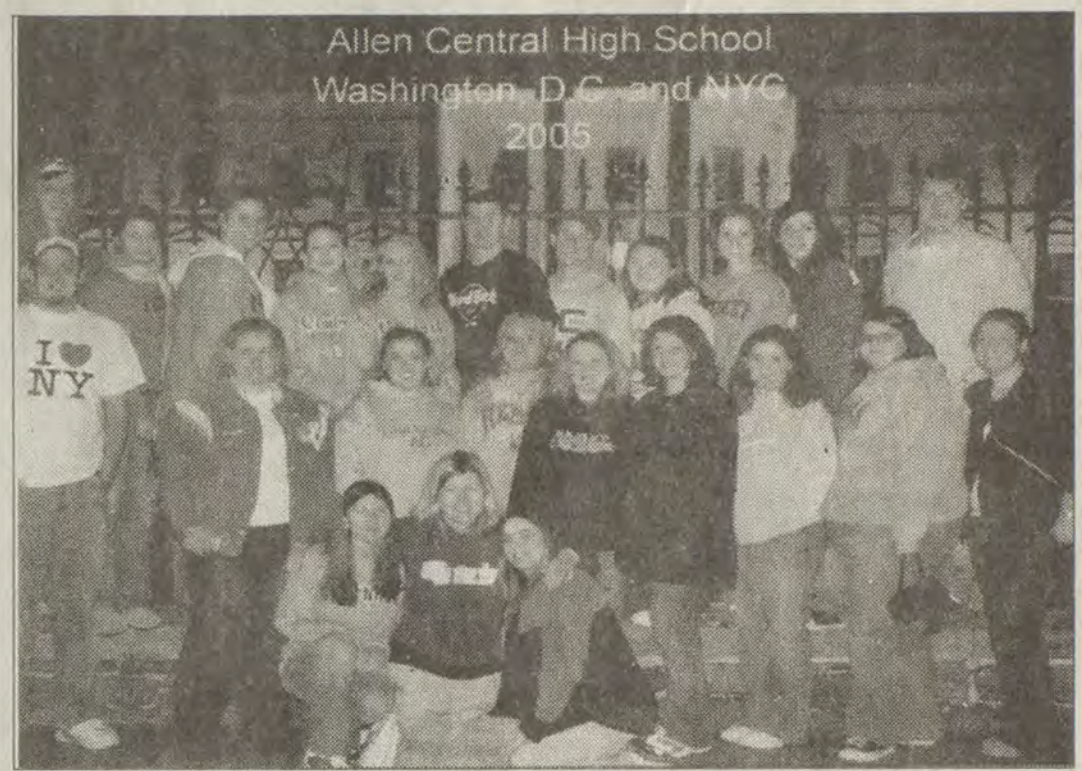
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Math Day

One Wednesday, May 4, eighth-grade students from Allen Central Middle School, Allen Elementary, Adams Middle School and John M. Stumbo Elementary participated in Allen Central High School's Math Day.

Math Day takes place at ACHS every year, where eighth-grade students from around the district take part in fun-filled activities. Some of these activities included foil

boats, marshmallow towers and more.

All of the students that participated in Math Day were winners, but there prizes awarded to the first-, second- and third-place teams.

The first-place team was composed of Sarah Crider, Josh Park, Jace Short and Lindsey Webb.

The students on the second-place team were Jordan Hall, Kellie Burchell, Elizabeth

Nelson and Jon Hudspeth.

The third-place team included Elizabeth Howard, Whitney Mosley, Cassandra Maynard and Jacob Crider.

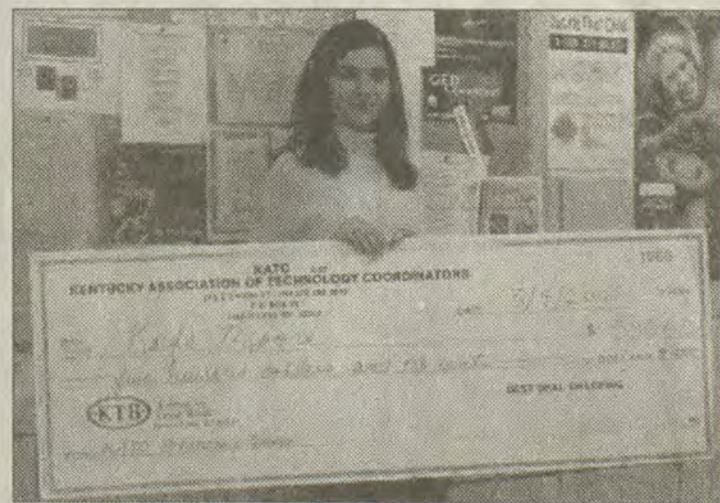
Allen Central High School would like to congratulate all these students and thank everyone who participated in Math Day. The members of the Math Club would also like to give a special thanks to Martin Dairy Queen, Martin McDonald's and GEAR-UP for their support.



Allen Central seniors enjoyed their trip to New York and Washington, D.C. One highlight was meeting President Bill Clinton.



Allen Central High School students enjoyed activities at Project Prom, held at the Pin Zone. Project Prom is sponsored by ACHS Family Resource Center.



Congratulations to Kayla Moore for being selected to receive the KATC-STLP Mary Grace Jaeger Scholarship.

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"LEWIS & CLARK" Presented By GMT Productions, Mon, Nov 1, 10 am & Noon, all ages

"THE LEGEND OF SLEEPY HOLLOW" By Theatre IV, Fri, Nov 12, 9:30 am & Noon, K-5

"A CHRISTMAS STORY" By Jenny Wiley Theatre & Mountain Arts Center

Tues/Thurs, Nov 16 & 18 - 9:30 am & Noon, \$6 students, \$8 teachers; all ages

"NUTCRACKER" By Dance Etc. & MAC, Wed/Thurs, Dec 1/2, 9:30am & Noon, K-12

"THE JUNGLE BOOK" By Theatre IV, Fri, March 4, 9:30 am and Noon, K-5

"MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM" By GMT, Tues/Wed, March 8/9, 9:30 am & Noon, 7-12

"The Odyssey" By Tales & Scales, Thurs, March 17, 9:30 am and Noon, K-5

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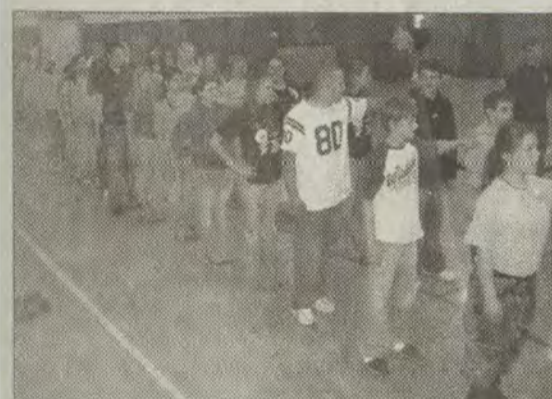
Dunk the Teacher

Proficient and Distinguished students in the 7th grade were given the opportunity to either dunk their sixth grade teachers or throw a pie at them. The students enjoyed the payoff for all their hard work.



Hard Work Pays Off

Students were rewarded for their hard work during the CATS test by a day of fun with inflatable games. The students and teachers appreciated this reward.



ROTC

Allen Central High School ROTC displayed their talents and invited the 8th grade students to join them in various tasks. Colonel Maynard from ACHS encouraged the students to participate in ROTC at the High School.



Elizabeth Howard an ACMS 8th grader was named as one of the top five artists in Floyd County. Congratulations Liz.

Allen Elementary



Allen Elementary School was chosen to participate in the Student Signatures in Space program. All of the students at Allen Elementary signed the poster sent from Lockheed-Martin Corporation. The students' signatures will then be sent on the first mission selected by NASA after its return flight this month. After the signatures have completed their mission, the poster will be returned to the school, along with a picture of the flight crew and a certificate of authenticity for the school to display. A speaker came from the Challenger Center to speak about the importance of space study.



Allen Elementary county winners for Young Authors are, left to right, Brittany Hurd, Cover Award; Callie Conn, Poetry, "All the Things I Love"; and Kelli Burchell, Non-Illustrated, "Home Sweet Home."



Allen Elementary celebrated its final Character Education breakfast for the year. Students from each grade were recognized for their excellent character. Family and friends all gathered to eat breakfast with the students. The Allen Elementary music department also participated as entertainment.

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Allen Elementary Beta Club, sponsored by Janet Mullins, planted three evergreen trees as a memorial to students who have passed away while attending the school. The Beta Club also planted a shade tree in the back of the school as a gift for the school. This Beta Club also raised \$280 for muscular dystrophy earlier this spring, as well as provided food baskets for five needy families at Thanksgiving. They had so much food left that they donated the rest to senior citizens. Also, this week the Beta Club plans to visit two area nursing homes to interact with some of our elderly citizens.



Teacher of the Year

More than 3,800 outstanding teachers are making a positive difference in the lives of

young people and were recognized on May 3 through Wal-Mart's 10th annual Teacher of the Year Program.

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Teachers play a pivotal role in the lives of young people. Everyone remembers at least one special teacher who made a significant difference in their lives. Wal-Mart likes to honor outstanding educators who

have done so much good for so many in our community.

Allen Elementary is proud that one of our own was chosen for Teacher of the Year, and that special person was Bernadine Isaac. Mrs. Isaac has been teaching at Allen Elementary for the past 14 years. We at Allen Elementary are very pleased to have her as part of our teaching staff.

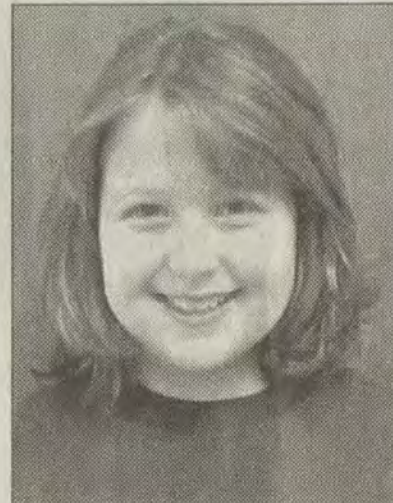
Mrs. Isaac is pictured with Wal-Mart representatives receiving the \$1,000 check for the school. She also received a Wal-Mart gift card, her own personal ID badge and the famous Wal-Mart vest. Congratulations, Mrs. Isaac.

Betsy Layne Elementary

Young Authors County Winners



Kelsi Tackett



Megan Akers



Tayler Akers



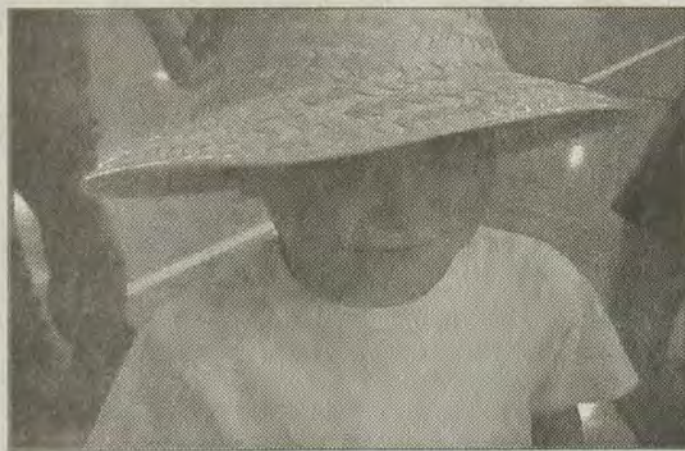
Christen Ousley



Nick Worrrix



Jason Hall

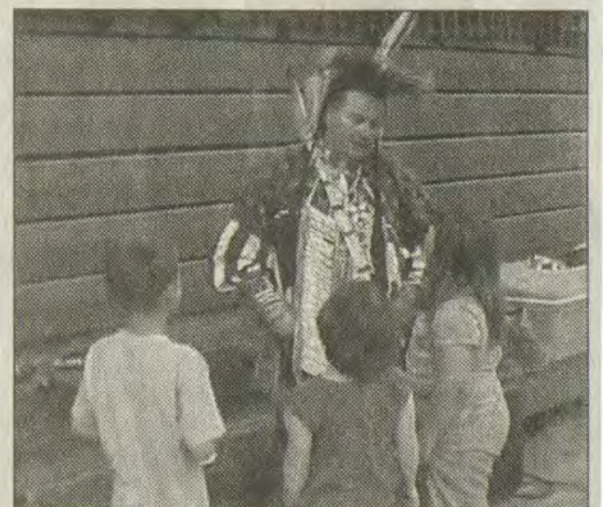


Students wear favorite hats to kick off CATS testing.



Shadow Eagle and Summerwind (Sherry Dowdy) in full regalia. The Dowdys travel to schools to share their Native American heritage and culture with the students.

Students talking to Shadow Eagle after the Native American presentation. Shadow Eagle (John Dowdy) is in full regalia and is answering questions students had about the presentation.



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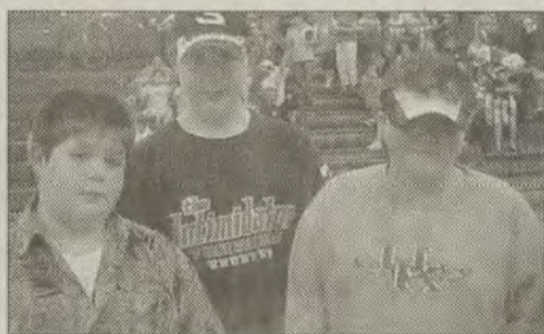
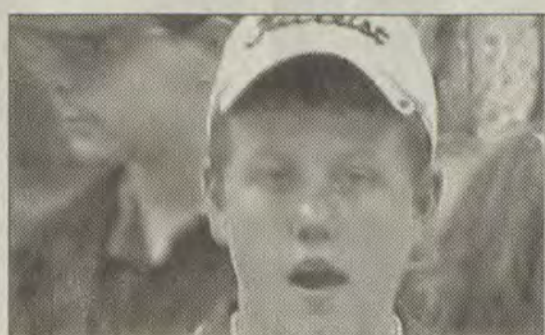
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Clark Elementary

National History Day



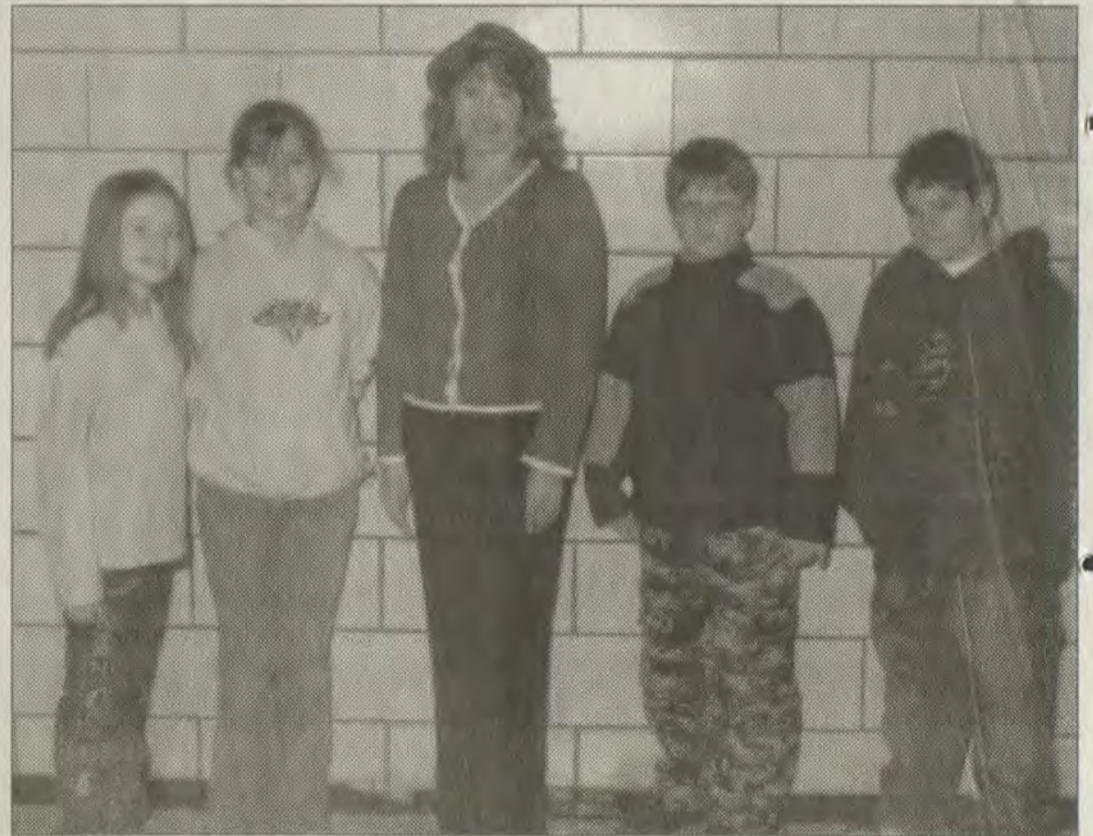
Michelle Ellis and Justin Trout won the African American Project award for their exhibit on "Brown vs. The Board of Education".



Sarah Crider, Maggie Hall and Megan Hall placed second in the group performance category at National History Day. They have been invited to compete at the National competition in Washington D.C.



Adams Middle School students competed at state level National History Day at Frankfort.



Andy Griffith Club

by Victoria Hammonds and Garrett Hammonds

are members.

Clark Elementary started something new this year, the Andy Griffith Club. Mrs. Debbie Darby is pictured with her first members.

As the year went on the club grew and grew. Now all third-, fourth- and fifth-grade students

Students watch episodes of The Andy Giffith show, which has a character lesson or moral for the Practical Living Core content area. Mrs. Darby leads the students in a group discussion about the roles and goals of the characters. Some of the lessons discussed were: Can People Change Bad Habits,

Judging Others, Respecting Teachers, Homework Responsibility.

Mrs. Darby said, "Clark students are a joy to teach because they willingly participate in class. They offer interesting solutions to problems they face daily as they mature during their elementary school years".

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Clark Elementary



Teacher Appreciation Week

Thanks to all of the parents, students, and staff who made teacher appreciation week a real success! This is an example of parents, students, teachers, and support staff all working together to make a great school.



Clark Elementary Drama Club

by ALLISON ROWE

Pictured above are the members of the Clark Elementary Drama Club led by Mrs. Wanda Barrows. This year the members put on a play called, "A Flee On Santa's Tree." Members of the club are as follows: Jackie Kidd, Kevin Marsillett, Alisha Owens, Haley

Allen, Brianna Blankenship, Brittan Blankenship, Courtney Patrick, Jackson Reed, Robert Campbell, Steven Howard, Angela Marsillett, Kaitlyn Caudill, Makayla Williamson, Patrick Pitts, Garrett Hammonds, Dalton Shepherd, Samantha Davis, Jessica Stevenson, Candace Triplett, Haily Slone, Kaylena Stevenson, Terry Adams, Brianne Hatfield, Alyssa Crider, Michaela Parsley, Kelsey Boyd, Jordan Slone, Tamera Tuttle, Thalia Holland, Sammantha Howard, Victoria Hammonds, Josh Dyer, Thomas Ross, Blake Baldrige, Jamee Prince.



Clark third grade studies Mexico

Ms. Wicker's Third grade is learning about Mexico because they want to learn Spanish culture. They also are learning the value of Mexican money, their differ-

ent customs, and how to speak in Spanish. Each student made a paper sombrero; Michaela Parsley and Elizabeth Campbell are sporting theirs in the picture above. To finish up their Mexican unit they plan to have a fiesta next week to celebrate all their hard work!
By Elizabeth Campbell, Michaela Parsley, and Brianne Hatfield



Mother Goose's Goose Is Loose

by Brenden Wright

Mrs. Barrow's class put

on a play called, "Mother Goose's Goose Is Loose. All the students parents were in the audience. "I like doing the talent show", says Brenden. His favorite part was Bad Boys with Ryan.



Clark students win a trip to the science center

On May 18, Mrs. Madden's and Hunsucker's classes went on a field trip to the Science Center to see, "The Sky at Day

and Night," along with a laser show. These two classes are celebrating winning the Hooked on Books school competition. Mrs. Madden's 4th grade class read 318 books, and Mrs. Hunsucker's second grade class read 577 books. The field trip will end with A pizza picnic at Archer Park. Clark Elementary Students read 4,965 books in 15 weeks.



Newspaper Staff

The Indian Express Newspaper Staff has worked hard all year gathering information and pictures each month for articles they write to put in the Floyd County Times Children First monthly editions. We're proud of our school and our newspaper staff!
Pictured are Brenden Wright,

Kindergarten; Brianne Hatfield, 1st grade; Garrett Hammonds and Tamera Tuttle, 2nd grade; Kevin Marsillett, Chase Cook, Elizabeth Campbell, Michaela Parsley and Blake Baldrige, 3rd grade; Allison Rowe, Daphne Cook, Sean Ly, Patrick Pitts and Alexandria Trout, 4th grade; Victoria Hammonds, Sammantha Howard, Kelsey Boyd, Samantha Davis, Brittany Dingus, Chase Baldrige and Chris Cook, 5th grade; and Mrs. Parsons, coordinator.

Clark Elementary 3rd Nine Weeks Perfect Attendance & Honor Roll

Barrows' P1
Perfect Attendance
Jasmine Horn
Brendon Wright

Key's P2
Perfect Attendance
Nathan Bishop
Nathan Compton
Brianne Hatfield
Steven Howard
Darren Kimbler
Charlie Ousley

A Honor Roll
Brianne Hatfield
Nathan Bishop
Charlie Ousley

B Honor Roll
Latisha Waddles
Melanie Shepherd
Steven Howard

Blanton's P2 & P3
Perfect Attendance
Tamera Tuttle
Austin Watkins
Kierstin Carroll

A Honor Roll
Tamera Tuttle

B Honor Roll
Jacob Calhoun
Dylan Francis
Hannah Hatfield
Josey Helphenstine
Shawn Jervis
Casey Justice
Jackie Kidd
Jared Little
Thomas Ross

Gavin Slone

Hunsucker's P3
Perfect Attendance
Kaitlyn Baisden
Alexus Handshoe
Robert Campbell
Megan Hensley
Alexandria Collins
Evan Ousley
Matthew Dingus
Jordan Slone
Garrett Hammonds

A Honor Roll
Garrett Hammonds
Jordan Slone

B Honor Roll
Brianna Blankenship
Mahla Little
Robert Campbell
Courtney Patrick
Jackson Reed
Daniel Ousley
Alexandria Collins
Rachael Ousley

Campbell's P4
Perfect Attendance
Chase Cook
Chris Jones
Selenia Kelly
Kevin Marsillett
Bradley Ousley
Alisha Owens
Jamie Woods

A Honor Roll
Chase Cook
Alisha Owens
Kevin Marsillett

B Honor Roll
Heath Bailey
Bradley Ousley
Rebecca Blair
Gabrielle Waddles
Wesley Cross
Jamie Woods
James Jones
Selenia Kelly
Chris Lawson

Wicker's P4
Perfect Attendance
Elizabeth Campbell

A Honor Roll
Terry Adams
Jordan Owens
Michaela Parsley
Elizabeth Campbell
Blake Baldrige
Drew Wright

B Honor Roll
Aaron Curnutte
Austin Curnutte
Michael Keens
Joshua Mullins
Johnathon Ousley
Joshua Ousley
Jamee Prince
Manissa Risner
Austin Salyer
Kaylena Stevenson
Candace Whited

Parsons' 4th Grade
Perfect Attendance
Zachery Cook
Sean Ly
Zachary Patrick
Alex Kidd
Josh Stambaugh

Courtney Shepherd
Ashley Nicole Crace

A Honor Roll
Daphne Cook
Sean Ly
Allison Rowe
Amber Webb

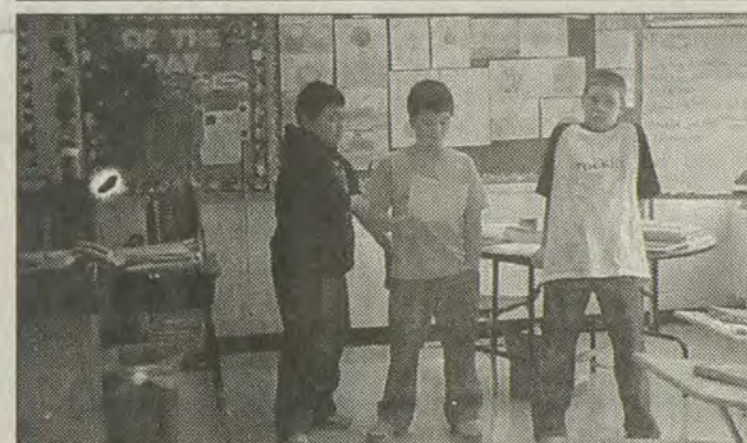
B Honor Roll
Tiffany Allen
Courtney Shepherd
Zachery Cook
Josh Stambaugh
Zachary Patrick
Jessica Stevenson

Madden's 4th Grade
Perfect Attendance
Zachary Click
Alexandria Trout
Patrick Pitts
Angela Marsillett

A Honor Roll
Patrick Pitts
Dalton Shepherd
Michael Blankenship

B Honor Roll
Makayla Williamson
Thalia Holland
Josh Dyer
Cody Chaffin

Osborne's 5th Grade
Perfect Attendance
Kelsey Boyd
Brittany Dingus
Victoria Hammonds
Sammantha Howard
Wesley Robinson



4th Grade Creates Robots for the Future

by Sean Ly

Mrs. Parsons' 4th grade students read the cover story in Time

for Kids. It was about Robots that could someday search for underwater mines and explore the distant wonders of space. So our class decided to get into groups and make our own animal based robots. We used Build A Robot Brainstorm organizer to help get started. My group chose a spider for our topic. We started out with a sketch and then built an enlarged version, which we called Venom X (a spy robot). Our group won the 1st place blue ribbon. Pictured are Zachary Patrick, Alex Kidd and Sean Ly.

Melissa Walker

A Honor Roll
Kelsey Boyd
Victoria Hammonds
Sammantha Howard
Wesley Robinson
Jacob Webb

B Honor Roll
Anthony Blair
Samantha Davis
Brittany Dingus

Starr's 5th Grade

Perfect Attendance
Tiffany Bentley
Chris Cook
Greg Hensley
Catherine Henson

A Honor Roll
Chase Baldrige
Chris Cook

Mr. Ippel Perfect Attendance
Zachary Brow
Breanna Gayheart
Steven Owsley

To the Students of Floyd County:

On behalf of the Floyd County Board of Education, I want to say how proud the board members are of the students of Floyd County and your achievements. The work that you do each day to meet your goals and those set by your teachers and coaches is important to us. It is why we serve on this board. Congratulations. Keep setting higher goals for yourselves. You can reach them. We believe in you.

Carol Stumbo, Chair of the Floyd County Board

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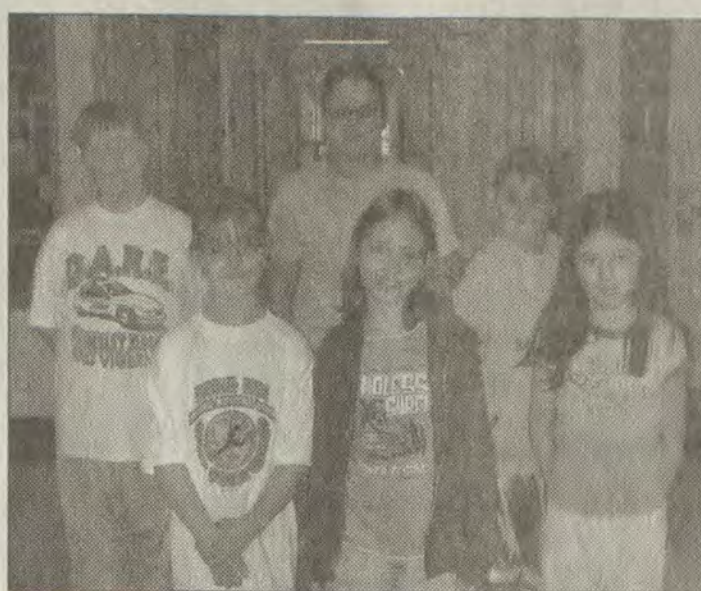


Duff Elementary



All County Art Showcase

Congratulations to the following All County Art Showcase Participants: Braxton Tackett, Kristan Taylor, Jessica Martin, Amber Shepherd, Courtney Lucas, Dylan Patton, and Lanah Gibson. These students were invited to participate in workshops on May 9th at the Jenny Wiley Convention Center and were honored at the All County Art Showcase held at the Mountain Arts Center on May 12.



Congratulations to the following Duff Elementary 4-H county winners:

Caleb Conn, Katilyn North, Chase Soler, Carey Ousley, Hope Kinslow, and Chelsea Martinez



James A. Duff Elementary School Young Authors County Winners

Tyler Hagans, Computer Graphics, Kindergarten; Monica Duff, Wordless Picture Book, First Grade; Gary Arnett, Wordless Picture Book, Fourth Grade; Chelsea Hotelling, Wordless Picture Book, Fifth Grade; Bentley Michelle Isaacs, Book Cover Winner, Intermediate

Honor Roll

Mrs. Martin's 4th Grade
Carissa Conley
Jr. Handshoe
Caitlin Kidd
Jessica Martin
Reagan Osborne
Kevin Rose
Amber Shepherd
Corey Terry
Makenzi Turner

Tyler Conley
Josh Handshoe
Micah Harlow
Rachel Hoover
Rachal Johnson
Austin Patton
Blake Patton
Rodney Prater
Sheldon Rice
Michael Riley
Justin Risner
Chris Walker
Dakota Wilson

Mrs. Ratliff's 4th Grade

4.0 — Cody Case
4.0 — McKay Prater
Gary Arnett
Stephen Goble
Cory Little
Hannah MacElhose
Katilyn North
Justin Ousley
Alisha Pinion
Austin Salisbury
Chris Stewart
Bobbie Vanderpool

Mrs. O'Quinn's 5th Grade

Brittany Bentley
Meagan Brown
Braxton Burke
Jerry Chaffins
Barbara Coleman
Caleb Conn
Tyler Holbrook
Chelsea Hotelling
Breanna Huff
Matt Pinion
Jacob Prater
Tyler Stevens
Brooke Stumbo
MaKayla Tackett
Kristan Taylor
Katie Vanderpool
Elizabeth Watkins
Sarah Wilson

Mrs. Case's 5th Grade
4.0 — Jeremy Conley
4.0 — Dylan Shepherd

3.0-3.99
Dallas Allen
Katelyn Bellamy
Courtney Chaffins



Author Visits James A. Duff Elementary

Exciting news for students at James A. Duff Elementary! On May 13, Arkansas author David M. Sargent, Jr. visited their school. During his visit,

Mr. Sargent read stories about his animal friends to the children. Also, he discussed the inspiration behind his stories and the importance of using

life experiences as a tool for creative writing. Our faculty and students had the opportunity to interact with the animals that are the central characters

of his books. Following the presentation, students had the chance to ask questions, meet the author and receive his autograph.

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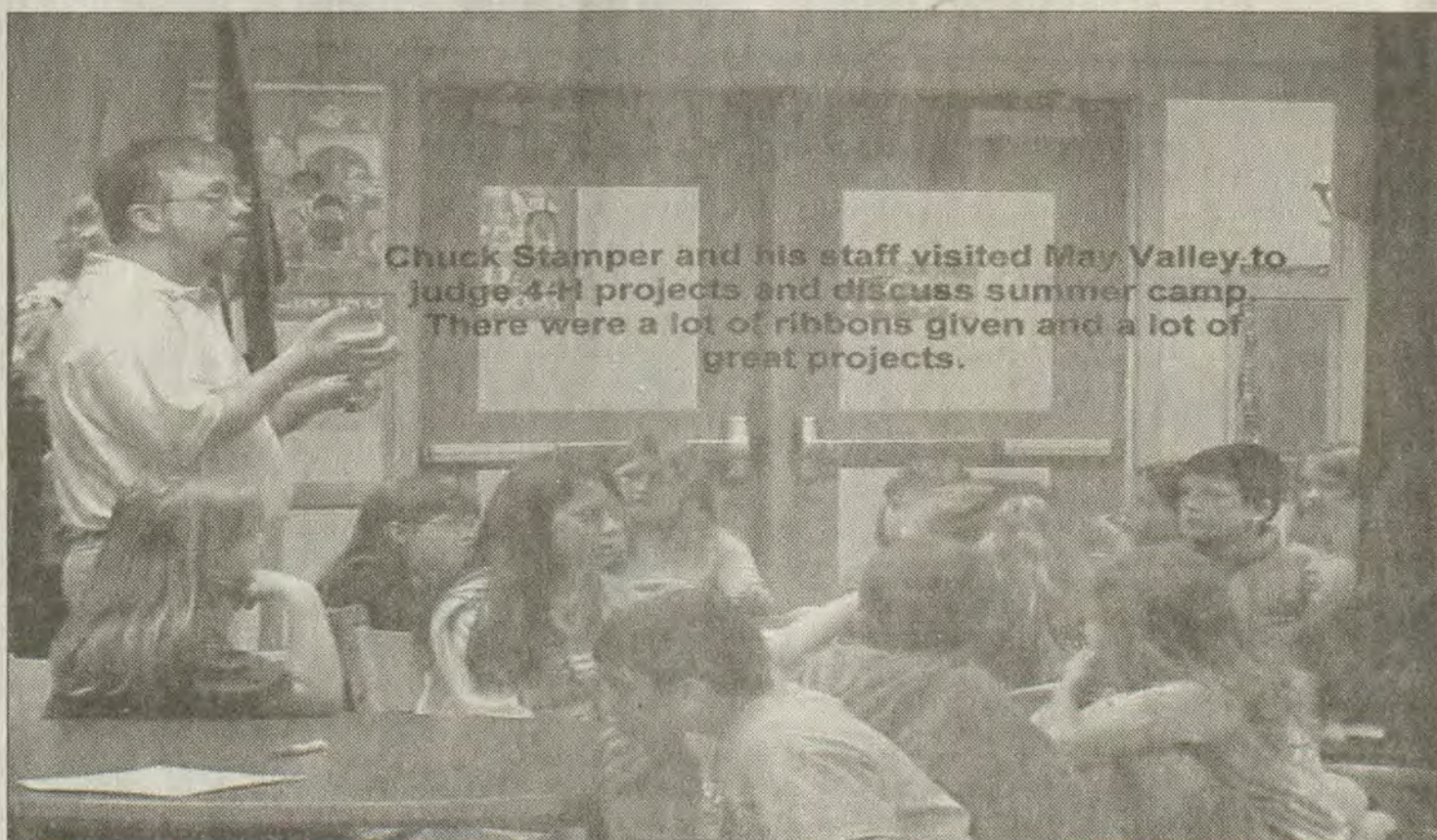


May Valley Art Workshop participants

Art Workshop

Several May Valley students participated in an all-county Art Workshop on Monday, May 9th at the Wilkinson/Stumbo Convention Center at Jenny Wiley focusing on core content. They participated in three workshops in the K-5 division, which incorporated cultural mask making; cray-

pas drawing and blending of colors and design your own scratch art pieces. Pictured (back row L-R) are Katie Dingus, Brett Mullins, Allison Moore, Morgan Sizemore, James Wireman, (front row L-R) Kristen Daniels, Kacey Collins, Katerina Halbert, Laken Parsons, and Tyler Clark.



Chuck Stamper and his staff visited May Valley to judge 4-H projects and discuss summer camp. There were a lot of ribbons given and a lot of great projects.



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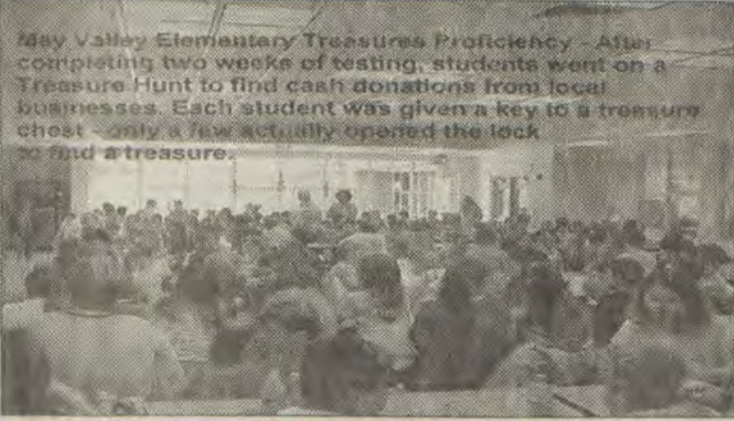
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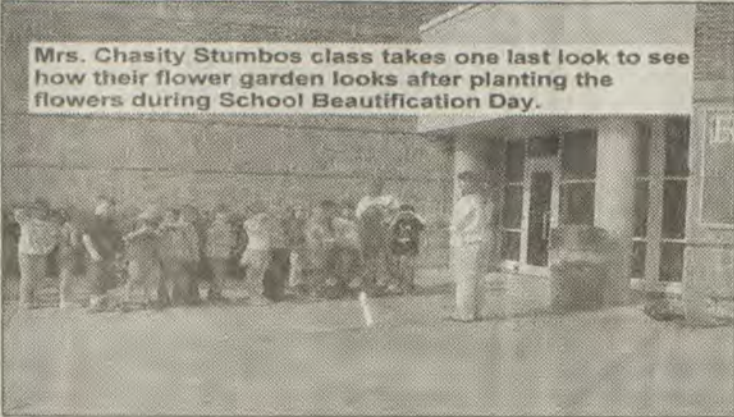
May Valley Elementary Treasures Proficiency - After completing two weeks of testing, students went on a Treasure Hunt to find cash donations from local businesses. Each student was given a key to a treasure chest - only a few actually opened the lock to find a treasure.

Child Abuse Prevention Participants

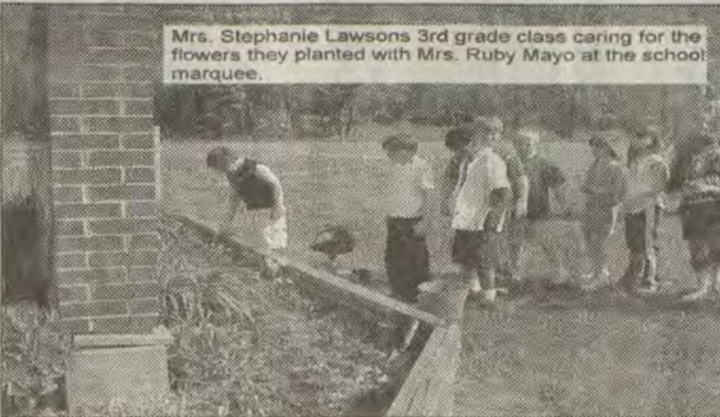
May Valley students (l-r) Lauren Vanderpool, Kelsey Blevins, Alexis Parsons, Brenna Qualey, Hope Bailey and Phyllis Marshall participated in the Child Abuse Prevention Poster and Essay contest sponsored by the Family Resource Center.



April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. May Valley students Kelsey Blevins (L) (Essay) and Hope Bailey (R) (Poster) were this year's Child Abuse Prevention Contest winners. Sponsored by the Family Resource Center.



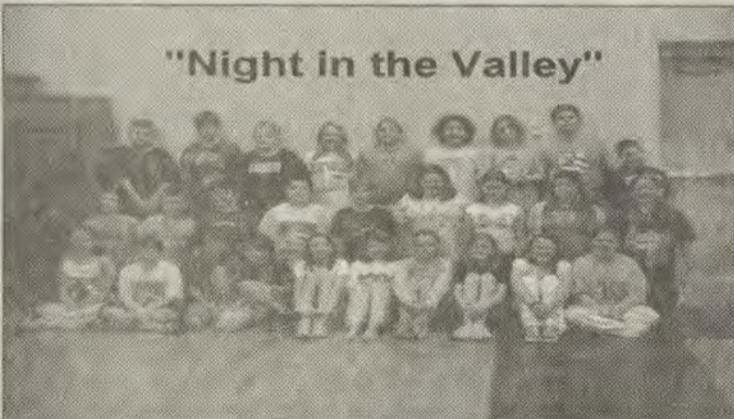
Mrs. Chasity Stumbos class takes one last look to see how their flower garden looks after planting the flowers during School Beautification Day.



Mrs. Stephanie Lawsons 3rd grade class caring for the flowers they planted with Mrs. Ruby Mayo at the school marquee.



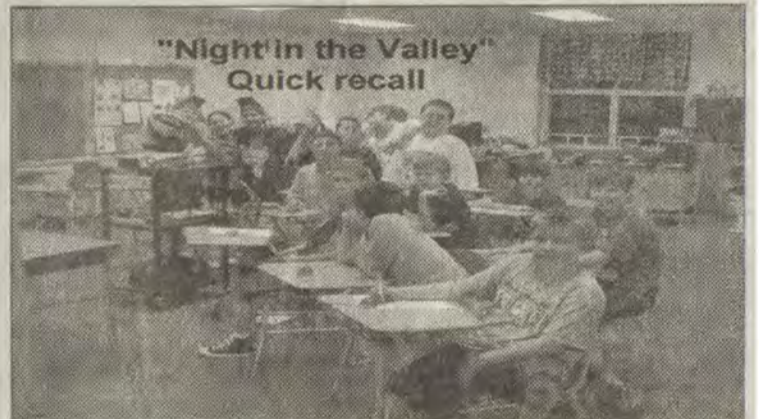
May Valley 5th grade classes visited Frankfort KY., making stops at the State Capitol (Old & New), History Museum, and followed by a stop at Gatti Town.



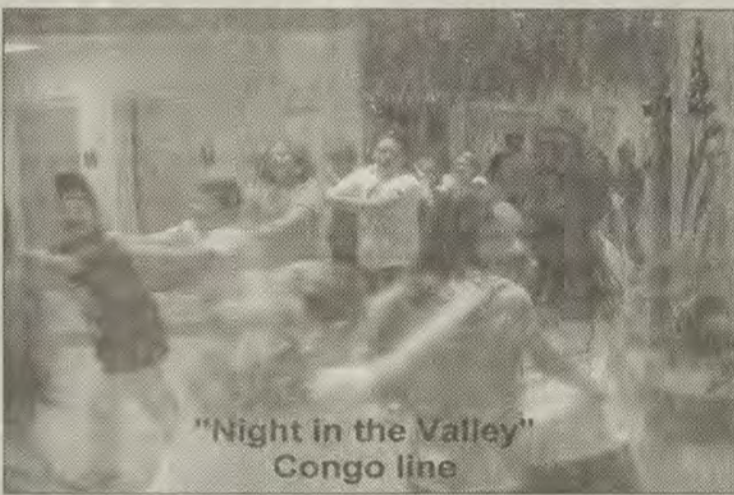
"Night in the Valley"



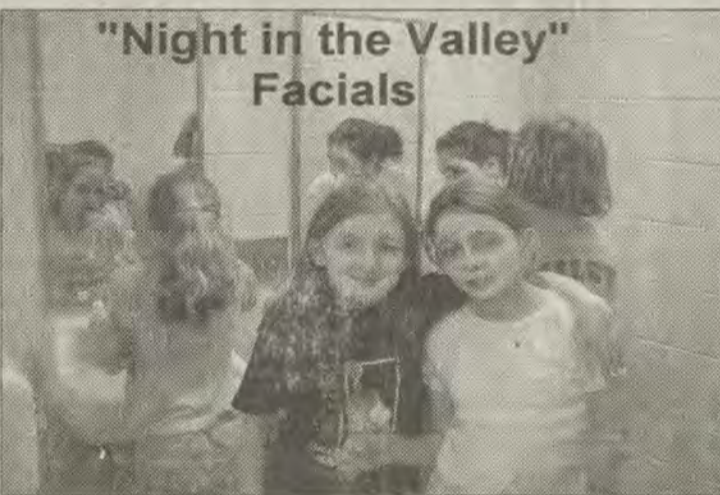
"Night in the Valley" Spoon Race



"Night in the Valley" Quick recall



"Night in the Valley" Congo line



"Night in the Valley" Facials

A Night in the Valley

On April 8th, 2005, the fifth grade teachers and students stayed the night in "The Valley." Students enjoyed many special activities. They reviewed Social Studies by making time lines, and they got to show off their math skills learned this year in a game of Math Jeopardy. Practical Living skills were reviewed during a game of Bingo. The students also had a great time making collages, playing musical charades, and creating clay figures. It was a great night filled with laughter and smiles as the students and teachers played games, performed hallway races, and participated in a dance competition. The night in "The Valley," was a special night for teachers and students alike. The focus of this night was to provide students with a review of the Core Content they had studied throughout the year.

Opportunities Unlimited



Opportunities Unlimited had a day dedicated to the beautification of our campus. Teachers took on various projects with their classes to help make our school more inviting and to boost our learning environment. Students and faculty of OU have done a great job making our school a positive part of the community.

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Osborne Elementary



OES students participating in the District Academic Meet-Governor's Cup Competition were: Gabrielle Bailey-placed 5th in Language Arts, Kimberly Little-placed 3rd in Science and 2nd in Social Studies, and Joshua Clemons-placed 2nd in Science and 5th in Arts & Humanities.



OES student, Kimberly Little, placed 4th in Science and 5th in Social Studies in the Regional Governor's Cup Academic Meet held in Hazard.



OES students participating in the Conservation Essay Contest were Annie Hall, Bethany Grubbs, Sara Hall, Jasmine Parker, Kyle Bailey, and Sariah Piper.



Osborne Elementary students won a limousine ride to Reno's for lunch by reading books! These students were the high point readers for reading Accelerated Reading books. Accelerated Reading is a program to foster an interest in reading. Students are: Kimberly Little, Jordan Pack, Tyler Preston, Alison Tackett, Joslyn Isaac, Diamond Griffey and Sarah Caldwell. Mrs. Robin Hall won the honors as chaperone by having her class read the most points overall.



Food and presentations ended the Greek Week celebration in Mrs. Kasey Tackett's sixth grade classes. The students read Greek myths and legends, acted as gods and goddesses, and baked authentic Greek dishes for Greek week.

Prestonsburg Elementary



The Pride Club of Prestonsburg Elementary enjoyed their trip to Somerset for the awards ceremony. This year has been a successful and a busy one for the club.



Prestonsburg Elementary's 5th grade students held D.A.R.E. graduation with Sheriff John K. Blackburn and Deputy Chaffins on May 4, 2005.

Prestonsburg Elementary Students Graduated from the D.A.R.E program May 4th 2005. Floyd County Sheriff John K. Blackburn and Deputy Terri Chaffins presented students with a DARE Tee Shirt and Trophy for their participation. The Staff and Students at Prestonsburg Elementary would like to thank The Floyd County Sheriff's Department for their continued work on drug awareness. A special thanks to Sheriff Blackburn and Deputy Chaffins.



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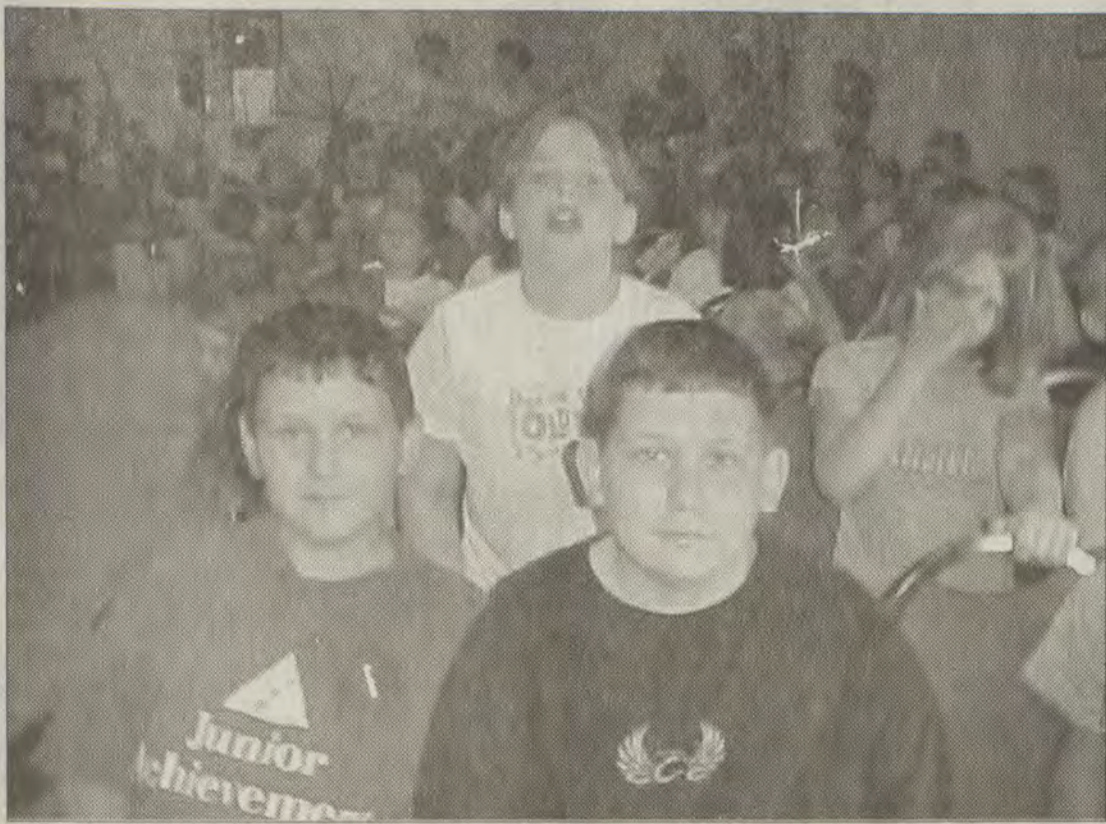
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Prestonsburg Elementary



Aaron Meade, David Goins, and Jessica Powell enjoy a day at the Mountain Home Place. The students are in Mrs. Justice's 3rd grade class at PES.



The fifth grade at Prestonsburg Elementary took a community walk to tour The Floyd County Times and Billy Ray's Restaurant to talk with them about careers.



Jump Rope for Heart a Success at Prestonsburg Elementary.

On March 25, students at Prestonsburg Elementary jumped all over heart disease and stroke by participating in Jump Rope for Heart. The students raised more than \$1,117 for the American Heart Association.



Safety Patrol

The Prestonsburg Elementary Safety Patrol raises and lowers the flag each day using the proper guidelines. Pictured here are Andrew Combs, Ashton Sizemore and John Gullett.



The message "Cut out Drugs in Floyd County" was strong, simple and to the point. Mrs. Stumbo's second grade class of Prestonsburg Elementary designed the poster which was selected for use at the recent Unite Rally. The class competed against other second grade classes in the county. Many students participated in the rally. In addition to the honor of being selected, the students were treated to a pizza party for the participation in the fight against drugs.

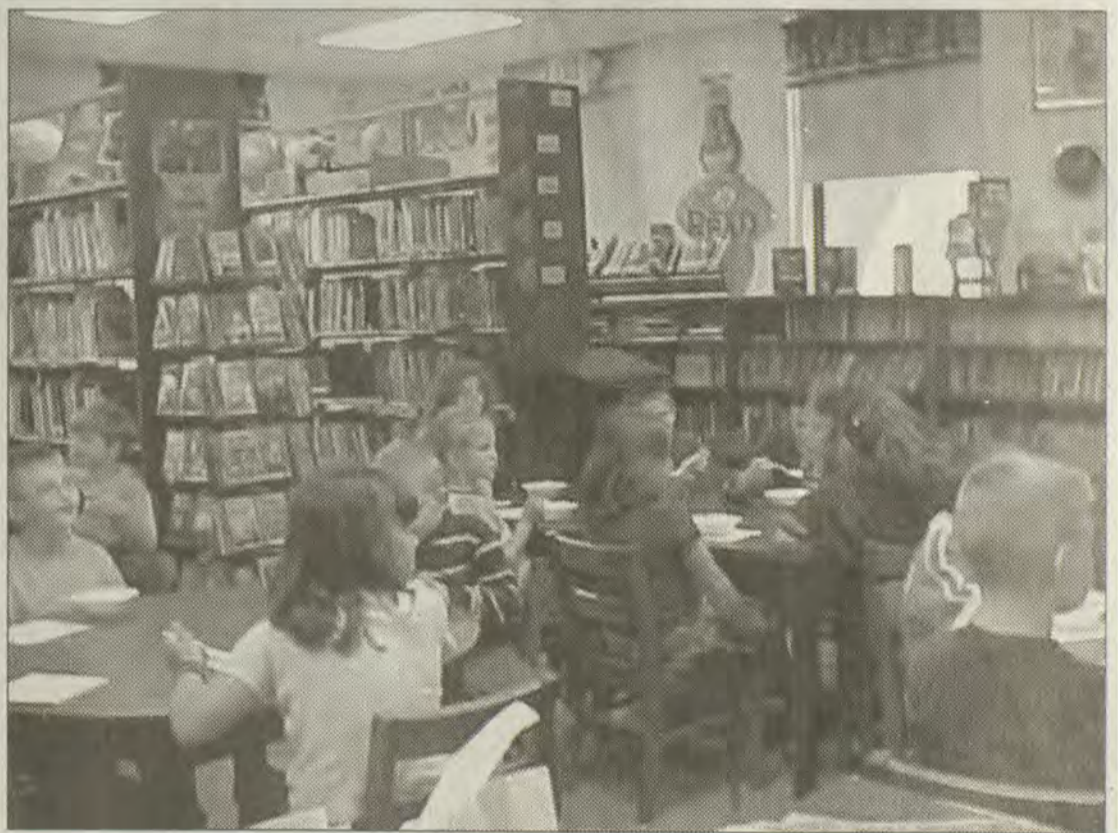


The RIF grade level winners are Dustin Tussey (kindergarten), Tate Greene (First), and Makayla Silcox (second).



The RIF Reading Challenge Winners are Traci Spradlin (third), Curtis Griffith (fourth), and Rheghan Wills (fifth).

Prestonsburg Elementary participated in the RIF Reading Challenge. Students pledged to read extra minutes during an assigned two-week period. A book was given to each grade level winner. The homeroom with the highest total minutes read was Mrs. Debbie Walker's first grade. They received an ice cream sundae party in the library.



Mrs. Walker's class enjoyed their ice cream sundae party.

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Prestonsburg High School



Pictured from left to right are:
Row One- Kim Gibson, Kyle Colley. Row Two- Rikki Hughes, Caitlin Newsome



Members of the Prestonsburg FBLA.

Prestonsburg High School FBLA wins high recognition

Prestonsburg High School FBLA attended the Region 5 Leadership Conference held at Morehead State University on March 8. Thirty-one schools competed in various

business events. The following students placed in competitive events: Kyle Colley (First Place) Visual Basic Programming, Kim Gibson (First Place) Business

Procedures, Rikki Hughes (Second Place) Bulletin Board, and Caitlin Newsome (Second Place) Bulletin Board. For more than 55 years,

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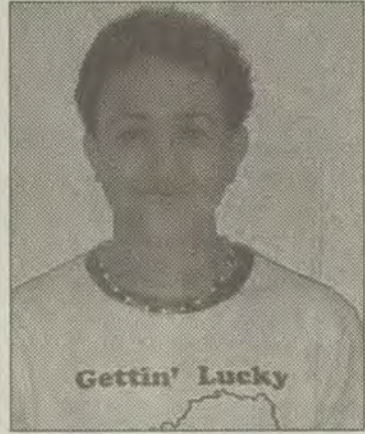
South Floyd Middle School



Robinson Scholar Finalist

Dakota Moore, son of Barry and Mona Moore of Bevsinsville was chosen as one of the finalists of the Robinson Scholars program. Dakota is an eighth-grade student at South Floyd Middle School.

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Robinson Scholar Winner

Kody Little, son of Janice Wright of Hi Hat and Douglas Little of Melvin, was chosen as one of the finalists for the Robinson Scholars program. Kody was not only selected as a finalist, but was also chosen as a recipient of the prestigious award.

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Valedictorian

The Valedictorian for the eighth-grade class of 2005 at South Floyd Middle School is Kody Little. Kody is the 14-year-old son of Janice Wright of Drift and Douglas Little of Melvin.

During Kody's school career, he has been a member of the academic team (four years), school spelling bee champion (two years), spelling bee room winner (four years), eighth-grade class president, student council member (two years), Science Olympiad team member (one year), peer mediator (one year), Honor Club member (two years), Young Author winner (three years), Young Authors Best All-Around winner in eighth grade and winner of the Robinson Scholar program. He has also had perfect attendance for five years.

Kody said that he was very honored to be the valedictorian of his eighth-grade class. He commented that he had worked very hard during his entire school career.

Kody said he is very thankful for everything God has blessed him with and he would have been able to do it without the help and support of his parents, teachers and peers.



Salutatorian

The Salutatorian for the eighth-grade class of 2005 at South Floyd Middle School is James Brandon Tackett. Brandon is the 14-year-old son of James and Lisa Tackett of Hi Hat.

Brandon has been a member of the basketball team (three years), golf team (two years), student council (one year) and Honor Club (two years). He was voted Most Studious by this eighth-grade class members.

Brandon said that being the salutatorian is an honor which he proudly accepts. He wants to thank all of his teachers, classmates and especially his family for all of the support they have given him.



All-District Band Member

Michael Ryan, an eighth-grader at South Floyd Middle School, is 14 years old and lives in Beaver with his mother, Eulah Ryan, and brother and sister, James and Rebecca. He has been in band for three years, playing the baritone. This is Michael's first year at South Floyd, under the direction of Ms. Christie Piper. He was previously taught by Walter Ord. It has been a pleasure to teach Michael this year, and Ms. Piper looks forward to helping him develop his talent even further in years to come.

SFMS All-County Band members

Seventh grade
Courtney Anderson
Natasha Hunt
Elizabeth Newsome
Tyler Hall
Nathan Hall
Derek Hatfield
Cody Spears

Eighth grade
Zach Brown
Dakota Moore
Britt Johnson
Keith Martin
Travis Swiney
Michael Ryan

Perfect Attendance

The following students at South Floyd Middle School had perfect attendance for the 2004-05 school year:

Seventh grade: James Hall, Caitlyn Howell and Brianna Jones.

Eighth grade: Allison Daniels, Chris Gibson and Nathan Johnson.

Honor Roll

Eighth grade
Ashley Howell
Rachel Johnson
Cassidy Blankenship
Kerry Meade
Jessica Tackett
Ronsheena Ray
Trista Damron
Matraca Bentley
Dakota Moore
Valerie Case
Kayla Moore
Megan Moore
Rebecca Jones
Kayla Slone
Morgan Howell
Danielle Tackett
Allison Daniels
Stephanie Conn
Adam Mosley
Tyler Mitchell
Brandi Frasure
Brandon Tackett
Alexandria Howell
Marissa Spears
Taylor Howell

Deven Adams
Brittany Ray
Ethan Gayheart
Derek Newsome
Kyle Howell
Emilee Carr
Kody Little
Zach Brown
Josh Blevins
Amber Hall
Jay Marson
Adam Slone
Cody Ray

Seventh grade
Reta Adams
Derek Hatfield
Shannon Turner
Ariel Salisbury
Courtney Anderson
Natasha Hunt
Brittany Sprig
Bailey Hamilton
Makenzie Lawson
Jordan Burke
Brianna Jones

Michaela Hill
Ashley Thomas
Kiana Faine
Wesley Light
Ethan Spears
Shana Hitchcock
Andrew Tackett
Casey Gayheart
Samantha Salisbury
Breonna Jackson
Rhyann Thornsbury
Caitlyn Howell
Laken Maggard
Laken Hall
Jasmine Isaac
Jacob Tackett
Andrea Conn
Julie Jones
Kayla Hall
Seth Jones
Tommy Hall
Corey Paige
Dorsa Hall
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