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briefs

Football player sues board

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

DANA — A former Betsy Layne High School football player is suing the Floyd County Board of Education and its insurance carrier, Scholastic Insurers Inc., for alleged nonpayment of medical bills.

Eric Hughes, 18, of Hunts Fork in Dana, claims that the school district and the insurance carrier have failed to pay for medical bills he incurred after a 2003 football injury.

Hughes, represented by Pikeville attorney Randy G. Clark, is seeking compensation for bills that were originally submitted in his parents' name because he was underage at the time of the accident.

Scholastic Insurers Inc., a Tennessee corporation, "has only paid a small part or payments" on those expenses, the suit says.

Hughes is seeking payment on bills for medical equipment, treatment at hospitals in Martin and Lexington, surgery at a Lexington hospital and radiology services in Lexington, among others.

Hughes is seeking a trial by jury in the case.

Anti-drug torch passes to Johnson today

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Floyd County Coalition of UNITE will pass the torch to Johnson County today.

Coalition Chairman Mike Vance will pass the torch, a sym-

bol of the county's stance against drugs, to the Johnson County Coalition Chairman Renee McCoy during a ceremony at 12:30 p.m. today at the county line on Route 321.

Floyd County Sheriff John K. Blackburn and Johnson County Sheriff Bill Witten will both par-

ticipate in the ceremony. The Johnson County Coalition will host its first annual anti-drug march and rally, "Johnson County UNITES against drugs," modeled after the recent Floyd County march, tonight.

During the Floyd County coalition anti-drug march in

April, officials estimated a turnout of 1,000 people. The crowd assembled at the steps of the Floyd County Justice Center, where they joined in song and prayer, and then marched, banners in hand, to the Prestonsburg High School stadium, where UNITE members, state and local

officials hosted the rally.

Floyd County Coalition members will meet today at 5 p.m. at the Prestonsburg National Guard Armory, where they will depart to attend the Paintsville march. Those mem-

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photo by Mary Music

This abandoned home, like several others in Martin, are community eyesores. The council is hoping to prevent this type of problem within the city limits.

Martin seeks to enforce law against eyesores

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

MARTIN — The Martin City Council revisited an 11-year-old ordinance during a special called meeting Wednesday.

The 1994 ordinance, 2-94, gives the city authority to eradicate eyesores within the city limits.

Mayor Thomasine Robinson asked council members to supply her with names of city residents

who would become part of a three-person Property Review Commission to oversee "blighted and deteriorated properties."

"We are urging and encouraging people to clean up their properties," Robinson said.

Robinson said two houses in Martin are completely dilapidated and she also complained of a neighboring property on her street, where the grass is 5 feet tall. She said she didn't mind if the city maintained grass cutting

on abandoned properties, but the city will be reimbursed for the expenses. The city will place a lien on property belonging to those who fail to pay, she said.

A blighted property is defined in the ordinance as a "vacant structure or vacant or unimproved lot or parcel of ground" that has become a public nuisance or an "attractive nuisance" to children, or is "unsanitary, unsafe or ver-

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Raid busts alleged ATV theft ring

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A rash of all-terrain vehicle and trailer thefts was put to a stop last week after the Floyd County Sheriff's Department arrested four men for allegedly operating a crime ring that targeted ATVs and other assorted vehicles.

Four men have been charged for the string of thefts that included ATVs, mining buggies and trailers. The items were mostly stolen out of Pike, Knott and Floyd counties, but the evidence seized included vehicles stolen from Virginia and Indiana.

Sheriff John K. Blackburn said that a modest estimate of the items recovered by his department would be over \$100,000 in property. He assigned Sgt. Gary Tackett to the case four weeks ago and the resulting investigation has led to four arrests with more likely to follow. Arrested were Travis C. McKinney and Mickey Lee McKinney, both of Harold, and Rono Hamilton and Kevin Hutchinson, both of Teaberry. All of the cases

have been waived to a grand jury to determine if the four will be indicted on felony theft charges.

Blackburn noted that the thefts happened in broad daylight with the aid of a trailer hitch and bolt cutters. Allegedly the group would brazenly enter garages, driveways and yards and simply hook up the vehicles while owners were away at work.

Tackett said that it took awhile to get a lead in the case but now they are tracking down leads that have poured in since the first arrests.

"There's a lot more coming," he said. "We are going to collect more stuff in the next week than we've already recovered."

Tackett also pointed out that many victims were created in the thefts who include people who unknowingly bought the purloined items because they knew and trusted the sellers.

"They've taken advantage of many good people," Tackett said, adding that many victims have received their property back and that

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Scattered storms

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SSA promoting 'Extra Help' with prescription costs

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

Need help with your prescription drug costs?

The Social Security Administration has announced the initiation of a new Medicare program that provides financial assistance for prescription drug

costs.

People who qualify for the Medicare Extra Help Program will not have to pay the \$250 deductible, the 25 percent co-payment, or the monthly premiums for Medicare's prescription drug program. The savings could average \$2,100 annually.

Jim Kelly, the Big Sandy

director for Social Security, says the program will help thousands of seniors in the Big Sandy area.

"The last time I looked at prescription costs on a national level, it ran about \$820 a year per household, and if you talk to anyone, they'll tell you that that price is low," Kelly said. "Let's think about our people. In

Eastern Kentucky, we have a higher rate of cardiovascular problems, a higher rate of pulmonary problems, a higher rate of diabetes, a higher rate of hypertension and a high accident rate, you understand? And, of course, we've got people living longer and it takes more to keep them going. I think our prescrip-

tions are higher than the national average in this area."

High prescription costs have caused patient noncompliance with their doctors' recommendations, Kelly said. Patients who don't purchase their prescriptions, or take them irregularly in

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Judge denies lower bond for Neeley

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Circuit Judge John D. Caudill issued an order Wednesday denying a lower bond for accused drug trafficker Dottie Neeley.

The 87-year-old defendant will remain in the Floyd County Detention Center until she can come up with \$55,000 cash to cover the bond.

Neeley was back in the news last week when the bond issue came up in a hearing, at which Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner opposed lowering her bond after learning that Neeley was allegedly caught on tape talking about having her daughter-in-law killed as well as Turner.

The audiotape in question was listened to by the judge and Turner alongside Neeley's

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Sheriff John K. Blackburn poses with his department's newest cruiser which went on its first patrol last night and was purchased with money seized from drug traffickers arrested by his department.

photo by Tom Doty

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Odds & Ends

■ **MONTPELIER, Vt.** — This year's senior prank has left a mark on Montpelier High School that school officials don't plan to erase.

The class of 2005 painted a large celestial mural on a ceiling in the main lobby of the school during the holiday weekend, Principal Peter Evans said.

Evans said when he returned to school on Tuesday, he looked up at the mural and thought it was an art class project. He soon learned that it was the senior prank, a tradition that usually has a more troublesome impact on the school. About 170 ceiling tiles were painted, he said.

"In this position we try to figure out how to deal with a case of vandalism that's really quite beautiful," Evans said.

The school will not disci-

pline or press charges against the students for entering or vandalizing school property, the principal said.

"It's beautiful, I think everyone agrees that it's beautiful. We're enjoying it right now, and we don't plan on removing it or eliminating it," Evans said.

■ **LAGUNA NIGUEL, Calif.** — Bored while on a cruise with her family, a 12-year-old girl stuck a note inside her parents' empty wine bottle and tossed it overboard.

Christina Leyerly never thought anyone would find it.

But five months later, a kayaker from Texas saw the barnacle-covered bottle floating and snagged it while paddling near San Jose Island, about 1,700 miles off the Texas coast.

When Mark Jackson opened the bottle, the note

written in neat, pink bubble handwriting was too damp to pull out from the bottle. So he wrapped the bottle in a sock and smashed it with a hammer.

He then dried the note and scanned it on his computer.

It read: "Dear person, My name is Christina Leyerly. I threw this bottle off a ship/cruise on December 29, 2004. ... I was on this ship for 12 days. I live in California, near Laguna Beach. When you get this message in a bottle, please send it to this address."

Christina also left \$2 for postage.

"It was a fluke that the bot-

tle was found," said Jackson, 47, a paramedic from San Marcos, Texas. "I kind of could tell by the handwriting that it was a little girl, and I thought, 'By all means I am going to write back because it was a child.'"

■ **PORTLAND, Maine** — An 8-year-old boy simply couldn't wait to show off his new gas-powered go-cart. So he sneaked out the house and hit the road for a 20-mile solo ride in the middle of the night.

Paul Gilfedder's parents, Steve and Wendy, thought their son was sound asleep in the upstairs bedroom of his

Cornish home when they were awakened before 5 a.m. Friday by a police officer who told them their son was found on Route 107 in Sebago.

"It was horrifying," said Wendy Gilfedder. "I have four children and I am always careful with them. Yesterday was the first time I could talk about this without crying."

Paul was so eager to test out the new machine he had received as a birthday gift that he waited until after his parents and three siblings were asleep to ride it along the highway, bound for Standish to visit a friend.

"He knew the route

because we had driven it many times," the boy's mother said.

Hours after Paul began his journey, Penny Thorne spotted him standing beside the road as she was riding to work. "He was scared and tired," said Thorne, who initially mistook the boy for a deer. "He is a brave little boy."

The boy had long discussions with his parents about why his midnight ride was a bad idea, talks that were reinforced by a meeting with a police officer. Paul's mother indicated that her son was contrite.

"He would never, ever do it again," she said.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, June 3, the 154th day of 2005. There are 211 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: Forty years ago, on June 3, 1965, astronaut Edward White became the first American to "walk" in space, during the flight of Gemini Four.

On this date:

■ In 1621, the Dutch West India Company received a charter for New Netherlands — now known as New York.

■ In 1808, Jefferson Davis — the first and only president of the Confederacy — was born in Christian County, Ky.

■ In 1935, the French liner Normandie set a record on its maiden voyage, arriving in New York after crossing the Atlantic in just four days, 11 hours and 42 minutes.

■ In 1937, the Duke of Windsor, who had abdicated the British throne, married Wallis Warfield Simpson in Monts, France.

■ In 1948, the 200-inch reflecting telescope at the Palomar Mountain Observatory in California was dedicated.

■ In 1963, Pope John the 23rd died at age 81. He was succeeded by Pope Paul the Sixth.

■ In 1981, Pope John Paul the Second left a Rome hospital and returned to the Vatican three weeks after the attempt on his life.

■ In 1985, Jerry A. Whitworth was arrested by the FBI, accused of being part of a spy ring headed by John A. Walker Jr. (Whitworth was later sentenced to 365 years in prison.)

■ In 1989, Iran's spiritual leader, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, died.

■ In 1989, Chinese army troops began their sweep of Beijing to crush student-led pro-democracy demonstrations.

Ten years ago: Bosnian Serb officials made contradicto-

ry statements about the whereabouts of an American pilot, a day after his Air Force jet was shot down. (Bosnian Serb military sources claimed that the pilot, later identified as Captain Scott F. O'Grady, was in Bosnian Serb hands — a claim that proved false.)

Five years ago: President Clinton held talks in Moscow with Russian President Vladimir Putin on topics including missile defense. Former Treasury Secretary and onetime "energy czar" William Simon died in Santa Barbara, Calif., at age 72.

One year ago: CIA Director George Tenet announced his resignation amid a controversy over intelligence lapses about suspected weapons of mass destruction in Iraq and the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Frances Shand Kydd, mother of the late Princess Diana, died at her home near Oban, Scotland, at age 68. Julio Franco became, at age 45, the oldest player in major league history to hit a grand slam, connecting in Atlanta's 8-to-4 victory over Philadelphia.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Tony Curtis is 80. Musician Boots Randolph is 78. TV producer Chuck Barris is 76. Actress Irma P. Hall ("The Ladykillers") is 70. Author Larry McMurtry is 69. Rock singer Ian Hunter (Mott The Hoople) is 66. Singer Eddie Holman is 59. Musician Too Slim (Riders in the Sky) is 57. Singer Suzi Quatro is 55. Singer Deneice Williams is 54. Rock musician Billy Powell (Lynyrd Skynyrd) is 53. Singer Dan Hill is 51. Actor Scott Valentine is 47. Country singer Jamie O'Neal is 37. Singers Ariel and Gabriel Hernandez (No Mercy) are 34. Actress Lalaine ("Lizzie McGuire") is 18.

Thought for Today: "Nothing is done. Everything in the world remains to be done or done over." — Lincoln Steffens, American investigative reporter (1866-1936).

by RYAN LENZ
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOPKINSVILLE

President Bush touted plans to overhaul Social Security on Thursday in a corner of Kentucky with an older population and historically Democratic political leanings but with a conservative bent.

In a speech to supporters, Bush said the changes are needed as the Baby Boom generation begins to retire and leaves fewer workers to support Social Security. In 1950, there were about 16 workers for every retiree. Now the gap is three workers per retiree, he said.

"You've got a lot of people getting ready to retire, who will be living longer, drawing greater benefits with fewer people paying into the system," Bush said to a crowd of about 1,000 at the Hopkinsville Christian County Conference and Convention Center.

Bush has proposed creating personal accounts that would allow people to use a small portion of their payroll taxes to invest instead of depending only on Social Security checks. The proposal appeals to a younger audience with time to make money, but critics have said they do nothing to shore up the financial problems of the system and could exacerbate them.

Some of those critics are from western Kentucky, which is aging. Carlisle and Fulton counties have the highest percentage of their populations — 18.3 and 17.5 percent respectively — already older than 65 and eligible for benefits.

Earlier in the day, protesters outside the Social Security Administration building in Hopkinsville voiced such concerns.

"Boy, he's ruining old people, trying to at least, and not helping the younger generation," said Roy Robertson, 86, of Hopkinsville.

But Bush said his proposal would not affect benefits for current Social Security recipients.

"People who are getting

their check have got to understand — you're in good shape," he said. "It's the youngsters coming up who have a problem with Social Security."

Last month, Bush proposed changing Social Security so low-income recipients would see greater growth in benefits than higher-income people. While the proposal would get to some of the financial problems of the system, they have also polarized some of his supporters.

Bush has been visiting places across the nation, including Louisville in March, to build political support for changing the Social Security system, which he has said faces a financial crisis if left alone.

Even opponents of Bush's plan said the president would get a warm reception in Hopkinsville.

"Whether they're Democrats or Republicans, he's going into friendly territory," said Hal

Stopfel, a spokesman for AARP Kentucky. The group has been critical of Bush's proposed Social Security changes.

Bush arrived in Kentucky at Fort Campbell. When he returned to the post to head to his next stop, he was greeted by about 250 troops from the 187th Infantry Regiment of the 101st Airborne Division. Soldiers from that unit saw

action in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Bush spent about 10 minutes shaking hands and posing for photos with soldiers and their families.


"It's such an honor to land at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. I say honor because that base houses some of the finest men and women our country have ever known," Bush earlier told the convention center audience.

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Drug Court gets first felony referral

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Harold man who was looking at a possible five year sentence for his fourth DUI arrest has been recommended to Drug Court after entering a guilty plea to the offense in Circuit Court Thursday.

This will be the first instance of a circuit court defendant going into the program, which is aimed at curing

substance abusers through a vigorous program which includes weekly drug screenings and the successful completion of a GED program. The process includes strict supervision and weekly meetings with District Judge Eric Hall, who has spearheaded the program in Floyd County.

Derek Ray Stanley, 25, entered his plea and accepted a mandatory 120 days in jail but will most likely go into the Drug Court program after his

formal sentencing on July 1.

Stanley had been indicted by a grand jury on charges that he was driving under the influence on a DUI-suspended license on Feb. 12.

Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Wayne Taylor said, "We anticipate he will have served the 120 days by July 1 and will be eligible to go right into Drug Court."

Taylor noted that Stanley was an ideal candidate for the program and that he will be the

first subject of the program to have come from circuit court. The parameters for inclusion into Drug Court aren't often found in circuit level cases, as the policy is that violent offenders and drug traffickers are ineligible for the program.

Taylor said that Drug Court is a good program, remarking, "Judge Eric Hall does an outstanding job with the program. He [Stanley] stands a good chance now of turning his life around."



photo by Tom Doty

The Prestonsburg Tourism Commission met on Wednesday and pledged support to the proposed Floyd County Fair, which may be held at Thunder Ridge in October.

Rally

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bers will later carpool from the old Wal-Mart building in the Mayo Plaza to the Johnson County Courthouse, where the anti-drug march is expected to begin after a brief ceremony at 6 p.m. Evangelist Phillip Ramey will give an opening prayer. Karen Engle, executive director of Operation UNITE and Lee Weddington, Big Sandy Task Force manager, will commence opening remarks for the march and subsequent rally.

Marchers will walk 1.2 miles from the courthouse to the old Wal-Mart building. The rally will be held at the Mayo Plaza, with opening prayer and speeches beginning at approximately 7

p.m. McCoy will be accompanied at the rally by state Rep. Hubert Collins, Johnson County Judge-Executive Tucker Daniel and Paintsville Mayor Doug Pugh.

The event will be followed by a gospel sing, with the Blanton Sisters & Blessed, Hager Hill Trio, Randy and Annie Baldwin, Savannah Cunagin, Richie Batson and Deep Waters performing. (Participants are encouraged to bring lawn chairs for this event.)

The rally will end tonight with a candlelight vigil at the Mayo Plaza.

The community is invited and encouraged to attend.

Martin

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min-infested" because of dilapidation. Several other definitive stipulations are noted in the ordinance, including property that has been tax delinquent for at least three years and property that has not been "rehabilitated" within the time constraints imposed by the code enforcement agency.

Commission members, who will be paid an annual salary of \$100, are expected to visually inspect properties within city limits once a year and submit reports to the council, which will then determine what to do with any problem.

Commission members cannot be affiliated with city housing, building, police, fire or related city services.

In other news, the city held the first reading of ordinance 2005-6, in an attempt to adopt its annual budget.

The \$714,710.44 budget

includes incoming revenues totaling \$200,000 from insurance taxes, \$17,7784 from occupational taxes, and \$50,000 from the city's alcohol beverage tax.

The city's highest expenses are budgeted as \$358,917 for the general payroll, \$35,200 for Community Center payroll and \$30,564 for bank loans.

It also includes a water budget of \$143,100 and a sewer budget of \$237,210.

The budget will be officially passed after a second reading and vote is held.

Council members spent the majority of the meeting Wednesday in executive session, where they discussed "possible litigation."

When returned from the closed proceeding, Robinson announced that the council gave city attorney Stacy Marshall authority to "continue discussions."

Help

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order to save money, end up getting treatment in hospital emergency rooms and having longer spells of illness because of their decision to skip their medication.

"For the first time, we're giving folks the opportunity to be able to get their prescription drugs and be in patient compliance with their doctor," Kelly said. "Hopefully, people will have fewer, shorter spells of illness, fewer trips to the emergency room, and a better quality of life. That's what we're shooting for."

The Medicare program went into effect in 1965. Before that time, Kelly said, people were selling their homes to pay for large medical bills. Today, seniors are struggling with prescription costs. In many local cases, Kelly said, sons, daughters and other family members are helping ease the financial burden.

"A lot of people's incomes are too great for them to get a Medicaid card from the state and their income is too great to get SSI, but their income is still not all that great," Kelly said. "The extra help program will benefit those people."

Approximately 51,000 people receive Social Security benefits in the Big Sandy region, at the tune of \$35 million monthly, Kelly said.

Many of the 21,000 Medicare beneficiaries who already receive prescription coverage in the Big Sandy area will also qualify for the Extra Help Program.

Beginning this month and continuing through August, Medicare recipients will receive applications for the Prescription Extra Help program in the mail. The applications are mailed according to Social Security numbers, so everyone will not receive the applications at the same time.

Medicaid recipients with prescription drug coverage and Medicare, persons receiving Medicare and Supplemental Security Income (SSI), or persons who benefit from state paid Medicare premiums automatically qualify for the extra help. These recipients do not have to fill out any application to qualify.

In an attempt to make the qualification process easier, trained staff will be available to offer information or assist in filing applications at the social security office on Route 321 in Prestonsburg, the 17 senior citizens centers in the Big Sandy region, or local Community Action or Community Based Services (food stamp) offices. Those who do not want to wait to receive their application in the mail can find everything they need at these locations. The forms are simple and concern general questions. No proof of income is required, Kelly said. More information can also be found online at www.medicare.gov or by calling 1-800-MEDICARE.

Qualifications for the Extra Help Program depend on a person's income and resources. A person with an annual income of \$14,355 individually or married couples with annual incomes of \$19,245, may qualify. Even those with higher incomes can qualify, a reason Kelly urges everyone to submit an application. To qualify, a person's resources — which include bank accounts, stocks and bonds — must be limited to \$10,000 individually or \$20,000 for married couples. Homes and cars are not considered to be resources. The resource limits can be higher (up to \$1,500 per person) if some of the applicant's money will be used for burial expenses.

Applicants who believe they may not qualify should still submit an application, Kelly said, because they will be entered into the database that would automatically calculate their future eligibility based on increases in cost of living allowances and other factors.

The program stems from a law passed in 2003 aimed at curtailing rising prescription drug costs in the country. Insurance companies and other private companies will work with Medicare and negotiate discounts on drug prices. These plans are different than the Medicare-approved drug discount cards that phased out last month. Medicare prescription drug plans provide insurance coverage for prescription drugs. Medicare recipients on these programs are required to pay a monthly premium, a 25 percent co-payment, and an annual deductible (all of which can be absorbed by the Extra Help program). Drug plans vary in what prescription drugs are covered, how much the patient must pay, and which pharmacies the patient can make a prescription purchase. Some plans, however, may offer more coverage and additional drugs for a higher monthly premium.

Applications for the extra help program will be mailed to Medicare recipients from June through August. Enrollment into the program begins on November 15. Extra Help coverage will begin on Jan. 1, 2006.

To qualify for the extra help, applicants must enroll in a Medicare-approved prescription drug plan. Applicants will receive notification about their eligibility through the Social Security Administration.

"We're just beginning this," Kelly said. "Whether they send them [applications for the program] back or not, it's no skin off Social Security. But if they fill this thing out — and we encourage them to fill it out even if they don't qualify now — it can make a huge difference in their prescription drug costs."

The application will also be available online (beginning July 1) at www.socialsecurity.gov.

Bust

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the group includes state Rep. Chuck Meade, who got back a trailer stolen from his property.

Tackett reiterated Sheriff Blackburn's observation that

the investigation is far from over and said, "We are seeking several other suspects and have just as many under investigation."

Hueysville couple charged with child abuse

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

A Hueysville man accused of abusing his son saw his case waived to a grand jury after a preliminary hearing in district court Wednesday.

Just hours after the hearing, authorities arrested his wife, Jennifer Lee Hale, on the same charge of first-degree criminal abuse. Hale bonded out the same evening and is scheduled to be arraigned district court June 29.

Jeremy Lee Hale, according to testimony by state trooper Justin Cornett, allegedly struck his child after the youngster returned on the school bus from Duff Elementary on May 17. The incident was reported to the state police and social services the next day when school personnel noticed bruising on the left side of the child's face which extended into the left ear.

Cornett noted that he and a social worker interviewed the child and used open-ended questions. He said that the child also said that its mother covered the bruise with make up and gave instructions to the child to report that the injury came from a four-wheeler accident if anyone asked about it.

Defense counsel Lance Daniels, in his first day of filling in for the public defender's office, asked the court to drop the matter. He noted that a different trooper arrested his client and that, so far, no one has been able to positively identify him as the culprit. He also objected to the charge of first-degree criminal

abuse by pointing out that bruising does not constitute a serious enough injury to warrant the charge.

Assistant County Attorney Jimmy Marcum objected, saying that the injury was such that it was still causing the child pain the next day and that school officials were concerned enough to mandate a medical exam before sending the child home.

Judge James Allen overruled the defendant's motions and said that there was enough evidence to send the charges on to a grand jury. He also noted that Hale is still out on bond and must observe the restrictions placed on him, which include having

no contact with his child.

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Bond

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attorney, Terry Jacobs, on Tuesday. The ruling was released the next day and Caudill wrote that, "Based upon the court's review of the tapes and considering Criminal Rule 4.16, the court has reasonable question regarding the defendant's anticipated conduct if released."

The question of whether or not the tape will result in more charges was moot for the judge, who will let the Kentucky State Police present that evidence to a grand jury should their investigation warrant such measures.

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Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

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

— Samuel Butler

Amendment 1

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Guest View

Editorial roundup

Chicago Tribune, on federal spending:

President Bush has threatened to veto any highway bill that arrives on his desk with a price tag above \$284 billion. He wants to demonstrate that he is really, really serious about keeping a lid on federal spending.

The hope here is that he keeps his word.

But the president has never vetoed a bill, any bill, since he took office in 2001. So, up on Capitol Hill—surprise, surprise—Congress is taking this latest get-tough threat from the White House with a wink and a grin. ...

Technically, the House complied with the president's spending limit, passing a six-year highway package in March that tops out at \$284 billion. But House members gave themselves wiggle room, a provision that allows members to reopen the package and raise the price tag down the road. The Senate passed a version this month that comes in at \$295 billion. ...

The two chambers now will try to hash out the numerous differences in their two versions of the bill. Those are substantial beyond the price differential. ...

But here's the bottom line. If the president is serious about reining in deficit spending, as he claims to be, both the House and Senate versions are unacceptable. Unless the two chambers come up with a consensus that holds spending at \$284 billion and doesn't employ trickery such as a re-opener provision, the president must veto it.

The Record of Bergen County (N.J.), on government funds paying for sex offenders' Viagra:

The eyebrow-raising news that New Jersey and some other states have been giving free Viagra to convicted sex offenders provides great fodder for late-night TV hosts.

But it also touches on a large and serious problem. Government is doing too little to control exploding health care costs.

On that score, New Jersey's decision to stop paying for Viagra for the worst sex offenders is a no-brainer, but far from enough. ...

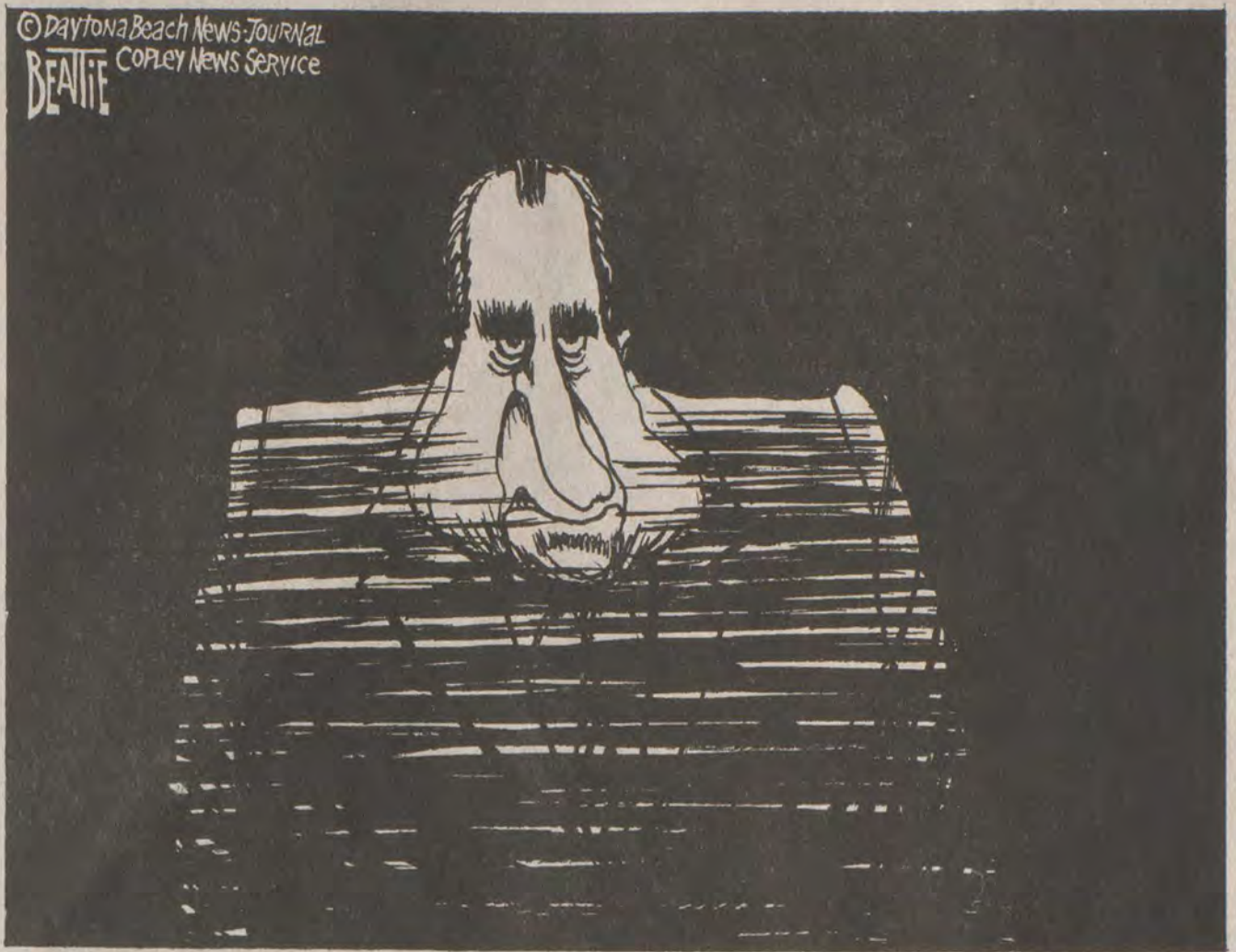
This is not to say that government programs for the poor should never supply these drugs. They should, but only when the man's erectile dysfunction is serious and not caused by the natural process of aging.

The same restrictions should apply in the new Medicare prescription drug program for the elderly. ...

It's also important to clear up one area of confusion. Some pundits have suggested Viagra would increase the risk of a sex offender committing more assaults.

But as a psychiatrist told Record Staff Writer Mitchel Maddux last week, Viagra is a performance-enhancer, not an aphrodisiac. It has no effect on sex drive or libido.

The government's supplying such drugs to sex offenders and anyone else who can finagle a prescription does carry risk - but it may be more of a risk to our pocketbooks and sense of propriety than to our safety.



"That's right . . . Deep Throat was a traitor responsible for bringing down my presidency. I had nothing to do with it."

Capitol Ideas

State's historical land records going online

by JOE BIESK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Tucked within the state Capitol's cavernous basement is an office cubbyhole containing volumes upon volumes of large books tracing the history of land in Kentucky.

Those books, many of which have been hidden from the public eye for years, are now available worldwide. On the Internet.

They're part of the collection on hand in the Secretary of State's Land Office. Now, historians, genealogists and those who are just plain curious can go online, at

www.sos.ky.gov, and access a plethora of scanned images of historical land documents.

And, there are more available every day.

The agency launched its redesigned Web site late last month, giving people fingertip access to thousands of handwritten historical documents.

"Our new Kentucky Land Office Web site represents a researcher's dream," Secretary of State Trey Grayson said. "As a passionate historian myself, I recognize the importance of making Kentucky's history available to the public 24 hours a day, seven days a week."

Original land warrants — complete with their red wax seals — dating back to before Kentucky was a state are there for all to see.

"It's almost three-dimensional, isn't it? You want to touch this," Kandie Adkinson, an administrative specialist in the office, says with a smile as she points at her computer screen. "This is available around the world."

The secretary of state's office has been

responsible for housing and maintaining Kentucky's land records since the 1930s, Adkinson said. Years ago, they were kept folded up in brown envelopes and bound with twine.

Some were kept in boxes. Many were available on microfilm. But people had to know exactly what they were looking for if they were to be much help.

Fast forward to today, they're a virtual electronic gold mine for historians, attorneys, surveyors and others in search of historical land documents. Technology has allowed the agency to create a system that allows users to sift and sort through them electronically.

"We're taking them to the next level of document preservation," Adkinson said.

Veterans of the French and Indian War and the American Revolution were issued land warrants as payment for their military service. A soldier's rank dictated the number of acres to which they were entitled.

Those warrants could then be used to obtain land patents — documents which

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Guest Column

Our future's so bright, we've got to wear shades

by BRITTANY LEIGH ZIMMERMAN
CLASS OF 2005
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Even though you cannot see them yet, the fireworks will begin tonight. In bright, stunning colors, they will paint over the black world around them and they will glow. In all shapes and sizes, they will scatter over the stars and the moon. They will erupt in loud, almost deafening blasts to hushed crackles of soundless glory. Each diploma received is a lighted match of fire. Each graduate is a fuse. If you put a lighted match and a fuse together, you make sparks to create light. If you put a diploma and a graduate together, you have fireworks.

As I look around into the mass crowd of parents, guardians, relatives, friends, teachers and other members of the com-

munity, I can only focus on my fellow graduating classmates. This particular section is beginning to illuminate. It is giving off a subtle glow of many colors as if it is ready to explode into blinding lights. The dull colors seen now are only the stored energy ready to explode. The TNT is the knowledge that each graduate has acquired at Prestonsburg High. It is the basic factor in beginning to light their personal firework. Once every graduate has a diploma in their hands, the whole world will be painted with their cascading colors. These colors will reflect upon the eyes of the many people watching them erupt.

Bright hues will light up as every graduate paints the world with their own color. I caution everyone to put on their sunglasses, because I feel the future will be so bright for the graduating class of 2005 that we will all have to wear shades.

Some people say they remember the enormous fireworks that stretch out for what look like miles in the sky. Other people say they remember the fireworks that are small and pop so quickly that they leave an impression in your mind so that you will not forget them. From the largest firework to the smallest firework,

all of them create the show. Both of these diversely sized accomplishments are what make the world complete.

If the world were filled with large accomplishments, what would build the climax for such awe-inspiring displays? If the world were filled with small accomplishments, what would make the grand finale so grand? Just like a fireworks display, every graduate has the potential to create a large canvas of achievements or a small canvas of achievements. Every success has just as much importance as the next. Every graduate will hopefully accomplish something in their life, no matter how big or how small, that will either be significantly noticed and felt in a large boom, or be casually noticed but still heard in a crackle. They might not both receive the same recognition, but both will entitle each other to create a magnificent display that can be felt, heard and seen for all that it is worth.

So, is everyone ready for the fireworks? We are all now aware of the sights we can see and the noises we will hear in the future that will be caused by

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Soldiers tell war stories through 'Live from Iraq' rap album

by KRISTIE RIEKEN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

KILLEEN, Texas — As Staff Sgt. Terrance Staves dodged bullets recovering a burned-out Humvee in Baghdad's Sadr City, he heard a rocket-powered grenade zooming toward him.

All he could do was hold his breath, he recalled, when it crashed into the armored Bradley vehicle sitting just feet in front of him.

Back at camp, Staves went to his makeshift recording booth to vent his anger and fear by spitting rap lyrics.

Some of those lyrics were used on "Live From Iraq," an album he and a few other Fort Hood soldiers wrote, recorded and produced while on a one-year deployment in Iraq.

On the 15-track album, soldiers voice frustration at what they call shabby equipment and the lack of support they feel from the American public. The album vigorously defends soldiers charged with crimes for actions committed during the conflict.

"I was outside the gate a lot and had a lot of stuff happen to me," said Staves, 26, of Houston. "So for me to ... be able to get in the booth and let all my anger out was wonderful. Because sometimes you can't let all your anger out there because you might endanger yourself, your brothers or do something you're not supposed to do. It was a beautiful outlet."

The group, led by Sgt. Neal "Big Neal" Saunders, includes Sgt. Edward "Greg-O" Gregory, Staves, Spc. Michael

"Paperboi" Davis, Sgt. Ronin Clay and Spc. Michael Thomas.

They were deployed with Taskforce 112 of the 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood on March 12, 2004, and returned exactly one year later.

Within two weeks, the CD was mastered and the group had 2,000 copies made. The group has sold about 1,000 copies through its Web site and a regional music store chain has agreed to sell it.

Saunders, who spent nearly \$35,000 on the project, said the soldiers don't have a group name and didn't include their names or pictures on the CD because they wanted to focus on their comrades, both dead and alive.

The album opens with "The Deployment," a heartbreaking tale of the moments before they left and their emotions as they approached Iraq. Several soldiers' wives cried when they heard the song, Saunders said.

"You would have really thought the world was coming to an end and for some of us it was," Saunders says in the song. "You were literally prying your loved ones off of you so you could make it out the door to the bus. I've never seen so much emotion in one place before."

Another track, "Holdin' My Breath," discusses how they conceal the horrors of war from their families and a song called "Dirty" is about a soldier dealing with a cheating spouse back home.

"Live from Iraq" is the writing on the wall," said Davis, 21, of Lanett, Ala. "It's that magnifying glass to that huge picture

that's been painted since this whole thing has begun. It's the attention to detail that has been overlooked in everyday life."

Saunders, from Richmond, Va., said the soldiers often found inspiration for their music during missions. But some of the songs recorded immediately after battle had to be redone after the men had cooled down.

"A lot of times the first draft might not have been what you really wanted to say," he said. "You may come off stupid because you didn't have your thoughts together and you're just kind of rambling. So we would take time to think because we didn't want to put out a stupid album."

The album's title track recounts a particularly bloody day last April when eight of their fellow soldiers were killed in a fierce gunbattle:

"This here is blood of soldiers of which the streets are paved ... And there is no reimbursement for the price that we pay."

Most of the rapping soldiers didn't know each other before they went to Iraq, but all say they had an interest in music.

Saunders planned to put his musical aspirations on hold while he was deployed, but soon after arriving at Camp War Eagle near the Baghdad neighborhood of Sadr City, he came up with the idea for the album.

"I'd been trying to find my angle my whole life as an artist," he said. "If I can't take this opportunity and have anything to say about probably the most influential year of my life then I could never really con-

sider myself to be an artist."

Many soldiers answered his call for participants, but most lost interest when they heard what he had in mind.

"Everybody wanted to do their own thing," Saunders said. "And when I gave them the guidance and said, 'This isn't gonna be about 23-inch rims when you're over here riding a Humvee ... they didn't like it.'"

Staves said some people actually laughed at the group and told them no one would buy a rap album about Iraq.

"I told them it's not about the money. It's about the music," he said.

Thomas initially resisted the idea too, but relented when he realized how serious they were about the project.

But first they had to get professional recording equipment to Iraq — a task that took almost nine months. Saunders said he contacted dozens of companies before he found one willing to ship the equipment.

His bunkmates gave up space for the improvised studio. Soundproof foam for the room was too expensive, so the crew used exercise mats adorned with flowers and foam padding used for shipping packages.

Saunders, whose job in Iraq was to provide personal security for the commander, said the soldiers' superiors knew about their project but underestimated the seriousness of the recordings.

"They just thought it was going to be a regular rap album," he said. "But it wasn't. I think if they would have known the type of CD I was putting out they wouldn't have let it come out."

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Rental Central

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

Video distributors remained weary of the summer blockbuster season this week with only one notable new release. Fans of classic cinema, however, have plenty to celebrate with the arrival of some classic films and one boxed set that features some of the best work of Steve McQueen.

"Boogeyman" — Critics slammed this film which was embraced by audiences, proving once again that pens are paltry weapons to bring to a sword fight. The people who made "The Grudge" were also behind this thriller, which manages to provide PG-13 chills but not whole lot of sense. Barry Watson, of TV's "Seventh Heaven," stars as a young man who returns to his hometown, where he was traumatized as a child when something sucked his dad into the boy's bedroom closet. Plenty of good shocks here as we learn that the closet may still be occupied.

"Star Crash" — Italy has provided the world with great cycles of entertainment over the years and has spawned new genres like "Spaghetti Westerns," "Giallos" (horror

films) and a slew of gangster epics. Here we get an attempt to cash in on "Star Wars" and create a cycle of sci-fi flicks. It didn't happen but this low-budget opus has a great B-movie cast and tries hard to overcome budgetary limitations. Caroline Munroe (a veteran of the Hammer horror pics) stars as Stella Star (the film's original title was "The Adventures of Stella Star") who tries to help a prince, David Hasselhoff, reclaim his kingdom. Goofy but fun.

"East of Eden" — A two-disc special edition of the classic film which cemented James Dean as a star to look out for one year before his untimely death. Director Elia Kazan offers a fine adaptation of John Steinbeck's retelling of Cain and Abel. It may seem a little over wrought for fans of minimalism, but this is an allegory and they just don't make them like this anymore.

"The Steve McQueen Collection" — This boxed set collects some of the star's best films and offers up everything from action to westerns, including:

■ "Bullitt" — McQueen gets to demonstrate his driving skills here in a cop story that culminates in a terrific chase sequence through the scenic

streets of San Francisco. He's charged with protecting a witness set to testify against the mob and must contend with hitmen and corrupt police. Robert Duvall is also on board and offers solid support.

■ "The Cincinnati Kid" — This was a troubled production which saw director Sam Pekinpah fired after two days of work. The final film features some good card playing sequences but the drama in between tends to slow this one down.

■ "Never So Few" — McQueen is a supporting player in this war film set in Burma. Director John Sturges would score later with "The Great Escape," but this one does have its moments as well as good work from Frank Sinatra and Charles Bronson.

■ "Papillon" — Here McQueen shows that his acting chops are up to snuff as he portrays a French pimp who was sentenced to Devil's Island and eventually escaped. The movie has some great moments for Steve as his character spends years in solitary confinement. The high point here is seeing McQueen hold his own with method actor Dustin Hoffman, who shines here as a crafty accountant.

■ "Tom Horn" — This was

McQueen's dream project which he had developed for years and concerns a bounty hunter coming to the end of his career. McQueen was diagnosed with cancer during the production but saw it through, though the film took years to get released and didn't hit theaters until after his death.

■ "The Getaway" — The best of the set is represented here in a special two-disc edition of the heist classic that finds McQueen on the run from the mob and the police after a heist. Action and drama are well blended here as McQueen and his wife try to patch up their broken marriage while dodging a relentless killer (well played by Al Lettieri). It all culminates in a flophouse shootout that hasn't been equaled. Ali Macgraw and Sally Struthers costar.

Next week look for the fifth season of "The Sopranos" to hit shelves in a compelling season which saw the death of a major character and events set in motion for the series conclusion, which is set to air in January 2006.



Charlene Nelson, postmaster of Betsy Layne Post Office, hosted the annual Customer Appreciation Day on May 25. Free blood pressure checks were given by Leslie Nelson, R.N. Refreshments were served and door prizes were given. Wendy Schindler, a member of the East Kentucky Parkinson's Support Group, was present with information on Parkinson's Disease.



Employees of the Dana and Banner Post Offices celebrated a special employee even April 29 for Banner Postmaster Christine Goble, center, who retired after 39 years with the United States Postal Service. Dana Postmaster Brenda Kilgore, along with PMR Deloris Stapleton, joined Banner PMR Jennifer Justice and carriers Tammy Martin and Debbie Crager to put together the event, which included refreshments and gifts for Goble. Goble is pictured with Kilgore, left, and incoming Banner Postmaster Barbara May.



Mountain Christian Academy, a non-denominational Christian school in Martin, Ky. will be giving entrance exams **Tuesday, June 7th**, for anyone interested in enrolling for the 2005-2006 school year. The cost of the exam is \$15.00. Anyone interested in enrolling in Mountain Christian Academy for the first time must take an entrance exam.

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Obituaries

Ora Tackett

Ora Tackett, 73, of Bevensville, died Thursday, May 26, 2005, at her residence.

Born March 4, 1932, in Bevensville, she was the daughter of the late Ballard and Clearcy Hall. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Old Beaver Old Regular Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Victor Tackett.

Survivors include four sons: Victor Tackett Jr., of Wheelwright, Vernon Tackett and Jerry Holbrooks, both of Huntington, Indiana, and Denver Holbrooks of Bevensville; two daughters: Connie Woods of Bevensville, Girsma Mauck of Lenior, North Carolina; one brother, Ted Hall of Huntington, Indiana; three sisters: Susanna Johnson of Huntington, Indiana, Maggie Slone of Indiana, and Mary Branham of Minnie; 11 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by one son, Wayne Wright Tackett; five brothers: Arthur Hall, Edward Hall, Banks Hall, William Hall, and Donald Gene Hall; three sisters: Ersie Williams, Madge Hall, and Margie Hall; and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, May 30, at 1 p.m., at the Little Rock Old Regular Baptist Church, in Bevensville, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

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

Visitation was at the church.

(Paid obituary)

Hubert F. "Hubie" Higgins

Hubert F. "Hubie" Higgins, age 72, of Sunbury, died Wednesday, June 1, 2005, at his home.

He was born on March 14, 1933, in Garrett, the son of the late Harry P. and Grace M. (Pennington) Higgins. A graduate of Garrett High School Class of 1952, he also played basketball, and was a US Air Force veteran. Following his military service, he attended the Mayo Vocational School in Paintsville, and became a fleet service clerk for American Airlines.

A member of Sunbury V.F.W. Post No. 8736, he enjoyed fishing. Always willing to lend a helping hand, he was proud of his service to country and his family.

He is survived by his loving wife of 49 years: Delphean (Leep) Higgins; son, Jerry (Jane) Higgins of Galena; daughter, Kathy (Chuck) Boham of Sunbury; five grandchildren: Terri, Christina, Aleshia, Tiffany, and Casey; three great-grandchildren: Branden, Brenna, and Blake; brothers: Carlos (Earlie) Higgins of Marengo, Chester (Helen) Higgins of Columbus, and Norman (Jane) Higgins of Ostrander; and one sister, Dorothy Higgins of Marengo.

He was preceded in death by a special aunt, Ola Thompson.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, June 10, at 10 a.m., at DeVore-Snyder Funeral Home, SR 3, at 61, Sunbury, with Denzil Ousley officiating.

Burial, with military honors, will be provided by Sunbury V.F.W. Post No. 8736, and will follow in Sunbury Memorial Park.

Memorial contributions can be made to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 63445, Cincinnati, Ohio 45263.

Condolences may be expressed at www.snyderfuneralhomes.com.

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Hursel Case

Hursel Case, age 83, of Wellington, Ohio, and formerly of New London, died Monday at his home.

He was born July 9, 1921, in Honaker, Kentucky, son of the late, John Morgan and Polly Jane (Damron) Case. He moved to the New London area in 1945, and to Wellington in 1980.

He had served in the U.S. Army during WWII in the South Pacific. He worked at Sterling Foundry in Wellington, the former Ohio Body Mfg. in New London, and the former Fanny Farmer Candy Co. of Norwalk, where he retired in 1973. He was a member of the Wellington Free Will Baptist Church. He was an avid golfer, and enjoyed walking in the woods, gardening, hunting, and fishing.

He is survived by three daughters and son-in-law, Charlotte and Michael Lavender of Reading, Pennsylvania, Crystal "Chris" Roeder of Norwalk, and Cheryl Case of Wellington; two sons and daughters-in-law, Clarence "Bud" and Sue Case of Fremont, and Claude "Butch" and Florence Case of Sandusky; 12 grandchildren; and 13 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ada (Shepherd) Case to whom he was married 54 years; and an infant daughter, Cherylene Case; six sisters: Lizzie Hall, Pricie Collins, Dolly Branham, Myrtie Meade, and two in infancy; and four brothers: Hassel Case, J.B. Case, Jim Case and Andy Case.

Friends may call Thursday, from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m., at the Eastman Funeral Home, 200 West Main Street, New London.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. Friday, at the Wellington Free Will Baptist Church, 205 Woodland, Wellington. Pastor Billy Joe White will officiate and burial will follow in the Wellington Greenwood Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Wellington Free Will Baptist Church or the Hospice of the Western Reserve, Memorial Gifts, 424 Middle Avenue, Elyria, Ohio 44035.

Forrest Hackworth

Forrest Hackworth, 67, of Raceland, died Monday, May 30, 2005, in Ashland.

Born August 8, 1938, in Prestonsburg, he was the son of the late Jerry Hackworth and Mae Johnson Hackworth. He was a crane operator for AK Steel, in Ashland, was a member of the Raceland Christian Church, a United Steel Worker and member of the Fellowship Class at Raceland Christian Church.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy Marshall Hackworth.

Other survivors include two sons: Jerry M. Hackworth of Louisville, and Robert F. Hackworth of Lexington; one granddaughter, Haley M. Hackworth; one brother, Joe Hackworth of High Point, North Carolina; and one sister: Diana H. Hunsucker of Prestonsburg.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, June 2, at 2 p.m., at the Raceland Christian Church, 200 Caroline Rd., Raceland, with Pastor Jim Matthews officiating.

Graveside services will be conducted at 11 a.m., Friday, June 3, at the Johnson Family Cemetery, in Floyd County, under the direction of Carman Funeral Home, Ashland.

(Paid obituary)

William Green Boyd

William Green Boyd, age 67, of Dana, husband of Josephine Akers Boyd, passed away Wednesday, June 1, 2005, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, in Martin.

He was born August 2, 1937, in Dana, the son of the late Alex Boyd and Sula Watson Boyd. He was a former coal miner.

Survivors include his wife, Josephine; one son, William Delayne Boyd of Dana; one daughter, Sygonda Reneal Boyd of Dana; two sisters: Dellavene Collins of Wellington, Ohio, and Arizona McKinney of New London, Ohio; five grandchildren: Brittany LaShae, Stevie, Ashley Megan, MaKenzie Alexis, and Morgan Brooke.

Funeral services for William Green Boyd will be conducted Saturday, June 4, at noon, at The Little Salem Regular Baptist Church, in Dana, with Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will follow in the Akers Cemetery, in Dana, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation is at the church.

(Paid obituary)

Matilda Gearheart

Matilda Gearheart, age 86, of Hueysville, wife of the late Delbert Gearheart, passed away Wednesday, June 1, 2005, at the Arbors Nursing Home, Michigan City, Indiana.

She was born February 11, 1919, in Hueysville, the daughter of the late Tip Martin and Sally Turner Martin. She was a retired teacher and a member of the Salt Lick United Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons: Dulton Gearheart of Hueysville, and Gary Keith Gearheart of Millersburg, Indiana; two daughters: Odella Shepherd of Corona, Indiana, and Clydia Arroyd of La Porte, Indiana; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Matilda Gearheart will be conducted Saturday, June 4, at 10 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with the Rev. Bethel Bolen officiating.

Burial will follow in the Gearheart Cemetery, in Hueysville, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation is after 4 p.m., Friday, at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)



Postmaster Shirley Minix, of the David Post Office, right, presented flowers and candy to Margie Tackett, center, who was the subject of the winning essay in the post office's "Who's the Best Mom?" contest. Tackett's daughter, Dana Tackett, left, wrote the winning essay.

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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.

Lindsey Wilson College to hold open registration

Lindsey Wilson College Extended Programs, located on the BSCTC campus, will be holding open registration for new students from now through-out August. Earn a Bachelor of Arts in Human Services or a Masters with a specialization in Mental Health Counseling. Contact Shelia Wallen at 606-454-8834 or wallens@lindsey.edu for further details.

Floyd County area Veteran's History Book to be published

All Floyd County families are invited to submit information and biographies of their veteran family members. Deadline for submitting information is July 15. For more info., write to: Kentucky Veteran's Book Committee, c/o NavaJo Austin, 7914 KY 114, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

Free screenings

Speech, hearing, vision and developmental: Free screenings scheduled for 3 and 4 year old children will be administered on the following dates for those children who were not enrolled in the Preschool/Head Start program this past year.

June 2, at McDowell and Betsy Layne Head Start, from 8:30 to 3:00; June 3, at Osborne and Stumbo Head Start, from 8:30 to 3:00.

Free Children's Drama Workshop

A free children's music and drama workshop will be conducted on the BSCTC-Prestonsburg campus, for children age 8-12, on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 3-5 p.m., beginning June 28. The workshop will be conducted by Laura Ford Hall and will culminate in a public performance on August 2.

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.

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.

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.

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: angelapotter1995@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.

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, Eastern 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.

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.

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with Remoulade
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Dipping Sauces



Simplify your summer with easy, nutritious, kid-friendly meals.

FAMILY FEATURES EDITORIAL SYNDICATE

Family vacations, swimming, soccer, reunions, little league cookouts and other summer breaks leave little time to relax. Adding to the summer stress is the challenge of finding the time to cook a nutritious family meal your kids will actually eat. By starting with healthy, versatile ingredients, you can make wholesome, kid-friendly meals easy.

For example, U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish can be ready to eat in as little as 10 minutes, which makes it the ideal meal solution for families with busy summer schedules. Tacos or kabobs prepared with grilled catfish are an excellent source of protein and are low in calories and saturated fat. U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish has a mild taste, so even kids who usually turn up their noses at fish will enjoy its subtle flavors.

For the healthiest option, pair U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish with heart-healthy canola oil. Canola oil offers the best

source of omega-3 fatty acids of any leading vegetable oil and using it in a marinade can help your family avoid unnecessary saturated fats. The light flavoring of canola oil makes it extremely versatile. It is perfect for salad dressings, stir-fry or in any recipe that calls for cooking oil.

Quick-and-easy recipes with canola oil and U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish make summer meals simple and nutritious. For more family-pleasing meal ideas, visit www.catfishinstitute.com and www.canolainfo.org.

Grilled Catfish Kabobs

- 1/2 cup orange juice
- 1/4 cup honey
- 1/4 cup canola oil
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 small sweet potato, peeled and cut into 1-inch chunks
- 2 portabella mushrooms, cut into 1-inch chunks
- 1 red onion, cut into chunks
- 1 green pepper, cut into chunks
- 1 red pepper, cut into chunks
- 1 1/2 pounds U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish fillets, cut into pieces

Additional vegetables, optional

In disposable plastic bag, mix together orange juice, honey, canola oil, salt and pepper. Add sweet potatoes, mushrooms, onions, peppers and catfish. Marinate 30 minutes in refrigerator. Stir occasionally.

Skewer marinated ingredients on metal skewers. Discard any leftover marinade. Grill 15 to 20 minutes or until vegetables are tender when pierced with skewer and catfish is opaque. *Makes 3 to 4 servings*

Grilled Catfish Tacos With Citrus Slaw

Catfish

- 1 tablespoon mild or hot chili powder
- 1/4 cup canola oil
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon or lime juice
- 4 U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish fillets

Citrus Slaw

- 2 cups prepared coleslaw mix
- 1 cup orange sections, diced
- 1 cup thinly sliced red bell pepper
- 1/2 cup vertically sliced red onion
- 1/2 cup vinegar
- 1/4 cup canola oil
- 3 tablespoons sugar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper

Tacos

- 4 flour tortillas for soft tacos (10-inch)
- Lemon and/or lime wedges
- Cilantro leaves (optional)

Preheat grill. Combine chili powder, canola oil and lemon or lime juice in dish. Add fillets and marinate for 20 minutes. Brush marinade over both sides of fillets. Arrange in wire grilling basket coated with canola oil cooking spray. Place grilling basket on grill rack. Grill 6 to 8 minutes on each side or until catfish flakes easily when tested with a fork.

To prepare coleslaw, combine coleslaw mix, oranges, red bell pepper and red onion in bowl. In small bowl, whisk together vinegar, canola oil, sugar, salt and pepper. Pour over slaw mixture, tossing gently. Cover and chill.

To serve, place 1 fillet on tortilla and top with 3/4 cup Citrus Slaw. Squeeze lemon and/or lime over slaw. Garnish with cilantro, if desired. *Makes 4 servings*

Fish Sticks in a Flash

- 1/2 cup cornmeal
- 1/2 cup Parmesan cheese
- 3/4 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 cup canola oil
- 1 pound U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish fillets, cut into 1-inch-thick strips

Preheat oven to 475°F. Lightly oil or coat a large baking sheet with canola oil cooking spray and set aside. Combine cornmeal, cheese, garlic powder and salt in a medium bowl. Mix well. Place canola oil in small bowl. Lightly coat each piece of fish in canola oil and then roll in breading until well coated. Arrange fish on prepared baking sheet and bake until golden brown, 12 to 15 minutes. Serve with Remoulade or Honeybee's Dipping Sauce (recipes follow). *Makes 4 servings*

Remoulade Dipping Sauce

- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 3/4 cup canola oil
- 1/4 cup chopped green onion
- 1/4 cup chopped onion
- 2 tablespoons chopped celery
- 1 teaspoon prepared horseradish
- 1 tablespoon Creole or whole grain mustard
- 1 tablespoon prepared yellow mustard
- 1 tablespoon ketchup
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh parsley
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper

Place all ingredients in food processor and process 30 seconds. Use immediately or refrigerate up to 3 to 5 days in an airtight container. *Makes 1 cup*

Honeybee's Dipping Sauce

- 1/2 cup canola oil
- 1/4 cup honey
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice

Place ingredients in bowl and whisk until smooth. Use immediately or refrigerate up to 3 to 5 days in an airtight container. *Makes 1/2 cup*

Tips for a Traditional Taste

Canola oil is the healthiest option for achieving the traditional fried taste of catfish.

Use heart-healthy canola oil and your catfish will fry up light and crispy to give you maximum satisfaction from your occasional fried treat.

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- Maintain a frying temperature of 375°F. If the oil is too hot, the coating will burn from the direct heat of the oil before the food cooks.
- Preheating the oil to a temperature 15°F higher than its optimal deep-frying temperature allows the oil to be at its ideal temperature when cold catfish is added.
- Do not add salt to catfish before deep-frying as it draws moisture to the food's surface, which will splatter when the catfish is added to the hot oil. Salt also lowers the smoke point.

Floyd County Devotional Page

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ASSEMBLY OF GOD

First Assembly of God, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Lorle Vannucci, Minister.

In Victory Assembly of God, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00; Worship Service, 11:00 & 6:30; Wednesday Evening, 6:30; Gary Stanley, Pastor.

New Bethel Assembly of God, Burning Fork Rd., Salyersville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Arthur (Sam) Smith, Minister.

Praise Assembly, 1 mile S. of Prestonsburg, intersection of Rt. 80 and U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; J.M. Sloce, Minister.

BAPTIST

Allen First Baptist, Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arnold Turner, Minister.

Auxier Freewill Baptist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.

Benedict Baptist, Slick Rock Branch, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gordon Fitch, Minister.

Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tracy Patton, Minister.

Big Sandy Community and Technical College Baptist Student Union, J 102; Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; Vera Joiner, 886-3863, ext. 67267.

Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbott Creek Road, Bonanza; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.

Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Corn Fork; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roger Music, Minister.

Calvary Southern Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Doug Lewis, Minister.

Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Paul D. Coleman, Minister.

Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Lafferty, Minister.

Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner Services; Saturday night, 7 p.m.; Sunday morning, 11 a.m.; Sunday night, 7 p.m.; Henry Lewis, Minister.

Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m. Jim Fields, Minister.

Endicott Freewill Baptist, Buffalo; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Smith, Pastor.

Faith Bible Church, an independent Baptist Church, located on

1428, between Allen & Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer, 6 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Stuart E. Swanberg.

Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Eqpt. on Rt. 1428; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Buddy Jones, Minister.

First Baptist, Garrett; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.

First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard, Minister.

First Baptist, 54 S. Front St. (Irene Cole Memorial); Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dr. Floyd Price, minister.

Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 1063 Big Branch, P.O. Box 410, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Tommy Reed.

Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Grethel Baptist, State Rt. 3379, (Brancham's Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; David Garrett, Minister.

Jacks Creek Baptist, Bevinville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Roger Truety.

Katy Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbott; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Price, Minister.

Lackey Freewill Baptist, Lackey; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins, Minister.

Lancer Baptist Church; 71 Cooley St., Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m., Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Bobby Carpenter

Liberty Baptist, Denver; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Merle Little, Minister.

Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon Worship Service, Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Thursday, 7 p.m.

Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, Estill; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Red) Morris, Minister.

Martin Freewill Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; John L. Blair, Minister.

Maytown First Baptist, Main St., Maytown; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Bob Varney, Minister.

McDowell First Baptist, McDowell; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Gene Bracken, Minister.

Middle Creek Baptist, Blue River; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Eugene Cook, Minister.

Lighthouse Baptist, 2194 KY Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Crisp, Minister. home phone 285-3385

Pleasant Home Baptist, Water Gap Road, Lancer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark Tackett, Pastor.

Pleasant Valley Old Regular Baptist Church, Tinker Fork; Meeting time 1st Saturday & Sunday of each month, 3rd Sunday Evening at 6:00 p.m.; Moderator, Gary Compton; Assist. Moderator, Jimmy Conley.

Prater Creek Baptist, Banner; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; J.B. Hall, Pastor. Phone: (606) 874-3222.

Rock Fork Freewill Baptist; Garrett Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Crager, Minister.

Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Garrett; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Jerry Manns, Pastor; Willie Crace Jr., Assistant Pastor.

Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Hueysville; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; 4th Sunday; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Chester Lucas.

Sammy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist, Dana; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Robert Shane Powers.

Stephens Branch Missionary Baptist, Stephens Branch; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.

The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 (north of Layne Brothers); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.

Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist; Cliff Road; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Youth Service, 5:00 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; No Service the 1st Sunday of each month; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jody Spencer, Minister.

Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist; Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water Gap; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m., Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.

United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Hueysville; Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.

Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright Junction; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Louis Ferrari, Minister.

CATHOLIC

St. Martha, Water Gap; Mass: Sunday, 11:15 a.m.; Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday; Father Robert Damron, pastor.

CHRISTIAN

First Christian, 560 North Arnold Avenue; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Jim Sherman, Minister.

Garrett Community Christian, Route 550, Garrett; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Donnie Hackworth, Minister.

Victory Christian Ministries, 1428 E.; Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Sherm Williams, Minister.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Betsy Layne Church of Christ, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy J. Spears, Minister.

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

Harold Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Harmon, Minister.

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

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

Return to your Bible

Be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God.

ROMANS 12:2



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Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lonie Meade, Minister.

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

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

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

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

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

CHURCH OF GOD

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

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

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

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

Bragg, Minister.

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

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

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

EPISCOPAL

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

LUTHERAN

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

METHODIST

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

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

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

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

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

Emma United Methodist, Emma; Sunday School 10 a.m., Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m.; Pastor David Proffitt.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

PRESBYTERIAN

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

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

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

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

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

OTHER

Pastor Atha Johnson welcomes everyone to attend services at the **CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY TRAM KENTUCKY.** Sunday

school 10 a.m., Worship service 11 a.m. **Drift Independent, Drift;** Sunday, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Marriage Licenses

Jamie Marie Caudill, 23, of Prestonsburg, to James Michael Newsome, 28, of McDowell.
 Jennifer R. Edwards, 33, of Dallas, Texas, to David R. Reffett, 42, of Martin.
 Heather Vanhose, 30, of Pikeville, to Philip D. Grene, 46, of Martin.
 Kelly Jo Meade, 21, of Floyd County, to Eric Cathers, 29, of Las Vegas, Nev.
 Elizabeth Ann Puckett, 26, of Pikeville, to Jeremy Blake Hall, 28, of McDowell.
 Tracy Leigh Justice, 40, of Warsaw, Ind., to Brian Patrick McKee, 44, of Niles, Mich.
 Felicia Dewon Jones, 20, of Pikeville, to Randy Edward Adams, 27, of Martin.
 Farandia Robinson, 25, of Pikeville, to Jeff McInturf, 47, of Zanesville, Ohio.
 Tami Renee Wagner, 36, of Findlay, Ohio, to Gary Rondell Campbell, 39, of Floyd County.
 Lindsay M. Meade, 17, of Warsaw, Ind., to Ellery Quinn Herrington Jr., of Martin.
 Carrie W. Cinnamon, 58, of Paintsville, to A. Buford Rose, 58, of Pikeville.
 Kelly Ann Miller, 22, to Dustin Keith Justice, 20, both of Prestonsburg.

insurance.
 Leanna Patton vs. Jason Spriggs; petition for child support and health care insurance.
 U.S. Bank N.A. vs. Julian Fields, Jesse Williamson and Floyd County; complaint.
 Appalachian Regional Healthcare Inc. vs. Steve Spriggs; complaint.
 Eric Hughes vs. Scholastic Insurers Inc. and the Floyd County Board of Education; complaint.
 Maxine Porter vs. Israel Cornett and California Casualty Company; complaint.
 Stephanie Kidd vs. Roy Kidd Jr.; divorce.
 Robin Elkins and Flora Varney vs. Christopher Rackey and Richard Ousley, doing business as Dad's Trucking Inc.; complaint.
 David Holbrook and Kenneth Caudill vs. Kentucky Farm Bureau Insurance and unknown driver; complaint.
 Joyce Meade vs. Michael Harris; petition for health care insurance.
 Nickie Spurlock vs. Billy Spurlock; divorce case transferred from Pike County.

Small Claims Filings

Fred and Carol Johnson vs. Judy Sloan Garrett; unpaid rent, request for reimbursement on eviction notice, small claims complaint filing fee and hotel room stay after house burned.
 Billy Jarvis, doing business as Kentucky Oil Refinery vs. Chris Gayheart; owes employee charges at Kentucky Oil Refinery.
 Billy Jarvis, doing business

as Kentucky Oil Refinery vs. Michael Bach; owes employee charges at Kentucky Oil Refinery.

Charges Filed

Kathy Justice, no age listed, Hardy; misdemeanor theft (by deception).
 Lonnie Dunn III, 34, Paintsville; motorboat to be registered and numbered.
 Joshua M. Lemaster, 18, Paintsville; riding on a bow, etc. while motorboat is underway.
 Tommy S. Baldwin, 35, Van Lear; motorboat to be registered and numbered.
 Donald E. Collins, 51, Prestonsburg; creel and size limits for fish.
 Matthew W. Harless, 45, Auxier; creel and size limits for fish.
 Kenneth L. Termeer, 52, Virginia Beach, Va.; riding on a bow, etc. while motorboat is underway.
 Cheryl Lynn Dewitt, 61, Kenwood, Mich.; riding on a bow, etc. while motorboat is underway.
 Jan K. Hammons, 58, Clayton, Ga.; riding on a bow, etc. while motorboat is underway.
 Johnny Howell, 54, Dana; public intoxication, failure to disperse.
 Nicholas S. Bryant, 19, Harold; public intoxication of a controlled substance.
 Christopher T. Reed, 19, Pikeville; public intoxication.
 Alissa K. Johnson, 18, Prestonsburg; public intoxication.
 Charles C. Howard, 22, Salyersville; public intoxication.
 Donald Adams, 50,

second-degree assault.
 Sherman Poston, 46, McDowell; felony cultivation of marijuana, possession of marijuana.
 Jason M. Garrett, 27, Prestonsburg; second-degree burglary.
 Rono Hamilton, 27, Teaberry; obscuring the identity of a machine (over \$300 — no serial number on ATV).
 Everett Gayheart, 36, McDowell; public intoxication, disorderly conduct, prescription not in original container, possession of a controlled substance.
 Darin Blackburn, 32, Pikeville; public intoxication of a controlled substance.
 Timothy Adams, 33, Prestonsburg; failure to operate boat at idle speed (harbor, congested area).
 Larry G. Ratliff, 56, Banner; no approved/insufficient/no personal floatation device.
 Jennifer M. Lawson, 21, Prestonsburg; two counts of failure to use child restraints, possession of marijuana, excessive window tinting (windshield).
 Jesse Thacker, 25, Pikeville;

public intoxication of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana.
 Joshua R. Gallion, 22, Prestonsburg; disorderly conduct, third-degree criminal trespass, domestic violence and abuse, duties of law enforcement (no abuse noted; refused to leave parent's residence).
 Franklin C. Harris, 37, Prestonsburg; shoplifting.

Inspections

Justice Mobile Home Park, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lack of adequate lighting, lots numbered systematically according to location. Score: 96.
 Snacks and More, Langley, regular inspection. Violations noted: Floors in disrepair, walls and ceilings in disrepair. Score: 98.
 Betsy Layne Senior Citizens Center, regular inspection. Violations noted: Shelves in dry goods area in some disrepair, microwave has light build up of food particles inside, single-service items not stored inverted or covered, paper towels missing from hand sink in back storage area. Score: 94.

McKinney Grocery, Toler Creek, regular inspection. Violations noted: Need to label non-grocery freezer, restroom in need of self-closing door. Score: 97.

Property Transfers

Opal Samons to Earl and Opal Samons, property located at Arkansas Creek.

Correction

In the May 27 "For the Record" section, a lawsuit (Paul Pelphrey vs. Teresa Gibson; complaint) was incorrectly listed as an individual complaint. It should have been combined with a subsequent civil suit filing as follows: Paul Pelphrey, Teresa Gibson, Pam Mosier and Connie Shefflett vs. Tonya Pelphrey Tackett and Tonya Kay Pelphrey, individually and in her capacity as personal representative of the estate of Donald Ray Pelphrey; complaint for settlement of estate.

Civil Suits Filed

Lorene Breeding vs. Ronnie Auxier; complaint.
 Gina Field vs. Don Fields; petition for health care insurance.
 Patricia Bays vs. Glenn Johnson; petition for health care

Column

placing a diploma in a graduate's hand. But wait, who will help set those fireworks off? Who provided the energy, the lighted match and the fuse? Who provided the knowledge, the diploma and the graduates of 2005 to be ignited into colors of success for the rest of the world to see? Who are the technicians that spent years preparing for the launching of such bright pieces of art? On the ground in the dark shadows, hiding behind the beginning light and preparing for its launch, a fireworks technician aligns the firecracker and provides it with the necessities to detonate into a glorious exhibit of human achievement.
 In our lives, we have seen those technicians preparing us for

presentation. These technicians are our parents, guardians, relatives, teachers, coaches, fans, friends and other members of the community that helped us build our TNT to create superior and more outstanding displays of achievements. These people are there to assist in lighting the matches, just as we are ready to be lit into the atmosphere. I advise all of the graduates to take some personal time before we commence into this world, and individually thank these important people for caring about our future.
 You cannot look at the firecrackers ready to be set off and perfectly imagine their shape and size. You can only hope that they will ignite into a display of colors

and inspiration in all sizes instead of malfunctioning. As graduates, we do not know who we are until we see what we can do. Class of 2005, no matter how bright your colors glow, how large your display is or how loud your boom is, all of us are important in providing the rest of the world with such a memorable fireworks display that will leave our spectators speechless. As a whole, we have achieved so much over the years, and we will keep on achieving in life even after we have left each other's presence. As we move on with our lives, we will always meet in memories and in the sky as we display our individual colors and patterns over the world.

Ideas

are also available online. Among other things, original patent documents and land surveys are there, along with the Virginia and Kentucky general assemblies' legislative acts that created the state's current 120 counties, plus the counties of Beckham, Fincastle, Henrietta and Kentucky.

The bound collection housed in the Capitol contains more than 1,000 volumes. Adkinson and her small team are tediously working to get the rest of the collection up and available.
 "People will not only be able to know they exist, they'll be able to research them, and ideally

they'll be able to see them," Adkinson said "Then what they do to preserve their family history will benefit all of us, because that's the history of Kentucky."

Joe Biesk is a statehouse reporter for The Associated Press.

Calendar

•**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.

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Locals headed to State Track and Field Meet

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON – Track and field athletes from area high schools, including from Floyd County – Prestonsburg and Allen Central, will begin state competition today.

Over the weekend, in the Class AA, Region 6 Meet held in Pikeville, Prestonsburg High track and field athletes fared well. Prestonsburg had

both male and female athletes earn places in the state meet.

Prestonsburg junior Dave Shaffer finished first in the discus event with a throw of 130-02. Shaffer is set to make his second straight trip to the state meet. He made his first appearance in the state track and field meet late last spring.

Prestonsburg's boys' 4x100 meter relay team of Wes Hall, Seth Moore, Brandon Peters and Lincoln Slone

finished second. In the 4x200 meter relay event, Prestonsburg also finished second. The 4x200 team consists of Slone, Taylor Clark, Brad Bond and Matt Burchett.

Moore also had a second-place finish in the 110 meter hurdles.

The Prestonsburg High track and field team is coached by Dewey Jamerson.

In Class A, Allen Central continued to compete well and also had athletes qualify for

state competition. Elizabeth Mosley leads the way for the Rebel track and field team.

The 2005 KHSAA State Track & Field Meet is slated for today and Saturday and will be held at the University of Kentucky 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 Com-

monwealth Stadium and walk over to the facility.

Today's entries were posted on the Association website Wednesday afternoon. Heat sheets will be available for purchase at the track. Results will be posted each evening on the KHSAA website.

General admission to the 2005 KHSAA State Track & Field Meet is \$6 each per day. Children under 6 will be admitted free of charge.

STATE TRACK & FIELD MEET

Friday, June 3

Gates open at 7:30 a.m.
Class AA Events – 8:30 a.m.
Class A Events – 12:30 p.m.
Class AAA Events – 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 4

Gates open at 7:30 a.m.
Class AA Events – 8:30 a.m.
Class A Events – 12:30 p.m.
Class AAA Events – 4:30 p.m.

Talking about postseason highs and lows

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

It was a Memorial Day the Floyd County softball teams would just as soon forget, mounting only a single run in getting bounced from the 15th Region tournament at Pikeville.

The good news for Allen Central and Betsy Layne is that they lost to the eventual regional finalists, with Shelby Valley bumping off Betsy Layne 7-1 and East Ridge sending Allen Central home 15-0.

The bad news is it demonstrates clearly the difference between the haves and the have nots in 15th Region softball, and for the last several years, the haves have not been from Floyd County.

Four teams have controlled softball for the most part for the last several years: Belfry and the three teams from the 58th District – Pikeville, East Ridge and Shelby Valley. And while we realize East Ridge is in its first trip to the region, keep in mind one of the schools folded into it was Elkhorn City, which won about a half-dozen district titles in row to end its regime.

Betsy Layne had the best record amongst Floyd County teams, checking in at 13-10 at season's end. However, the Lady Cats not only lost all five meetings with the big four, they managed a mere three runs and never scored more than one in any of the matchups.

It's nothing to be ashamed of, though. Those four teams lost only one time all season to a 15th Region team outside its click, and that was when a solid Johnson Central team, which finished 17-8, beat Belfry 4-3 on May 17.

There is a clear dividing line in 15th Region softball. Unfortunately for Floyd County folks, none of their four entries were above it this year.

The same can't be said for 15th Region baseball, where only four teams finished below .500 for the season and two of those made it to this

(See BENTLEY, page two)

Raiders, Rebels fall in 15th Region openers



photos by Jamie Howell

Above: South Floyd senior pitcher Scott Allen held Pike Central to just three runs in the regional tournament setback.

Right: South Floyd junior first baseman T.J. Hall was among South Floyd's strongest contributors down the stretch.

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE – One Floyd County team had just three wins to its credit entering this year's 15th Region Baseball Tournament. Another entered the tournament with a district championship in tow. Both pushed their first-round opponents to the limit. However, both came up short. In the opening round of the 15th Region Tournament, being played at Charlie Adkins Field in Paintsville, Pike County Central (14-17) held on to beat South Floyd (3-22) 3-2 Tuesday evening in a game that went down to the wire.

In a game played Wednesday evening that eventually broke out of regulation and went 10 innings,

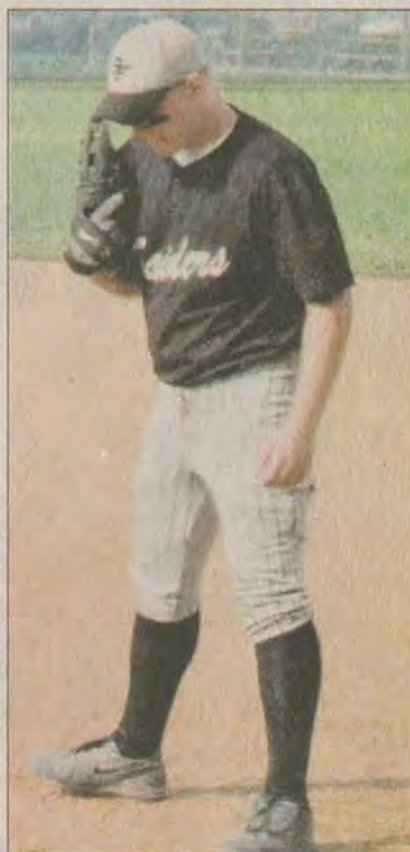
(See OPENERS, page two)

Sheldon Clark, the runner-up out of the 57th District, beat 58th District champ Allen Central 9-4.

In what was his final appearance as a South Floyd Raider, Scott Allen got the start versus Pike County Central and took the loss for the Raiders.

James Staggs finishes his first season at the helm of the South Floyd baseball program. He took over the Baseball Raiders, replacing Barry Hall, who stepped aside from the South Floyd program.

South Floyd, which didn't win its first game until the second week of May, beat Betsy Layne 11-5 in the opening round of the 58th District Tournament, thus earning a spot in the regional tournament.



Betsy Layne wraps up successful season

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE – The Betsy Layne High softball team ended its season Monday night in the opening round of the 15th Region Tournament. Pike County opponent Shelby Valley defeated the Ladycats 7-1. Just last week, Betsy Layne captured the 57th District title. The Ladycats leave the 2005 season with many fond memories. Betsy Layne Coach Christina Crase looked back fondly on a softball season that included many highs.

"First of all I want to thank God for blessing me with a teaching and coaching position at a wonderful high school," said Crase. "I feel so fortunate to come straight out of college and have this opportunity."

"Throughout the season we had several obstacles to overcome. We had some difficulties working together as a team and finding leadership. The girls just seemed to get off to a slow start. However, as the season progress the girls seemed to come together and really give it their all. I was so proud of my players for their effort throughout the season. I had several young and veteran players really increase their level of play."

The Ladycats finished the 2005 season with a 13-10 record. Betsy Layne went undefeated in conference play and won the 57th District Tournament after a very competitive double header.

In the regional tournament, Betsy Layne ran into a very competitive Shelby Valley team.

"Shelby Valley played seven hard innings and I was really pleased with my team," Crase added. "We jumped out on top scoring one run on a bunt and a base hit. We also played excellent defense holding them to only two runs in the first four innings, but the game slipped by after the fourth inning. We had a great season, excellent group of players and I look forward to next year."

As a team, Betsy Layne batted .370 for the season. The Ladycats ended the season with a .516 slugging percentage.

Throughout the 2005 season, Betsy Layne moved forward thanks to great leadership on the part of its four seasons.

Betsy Layne featured four seniors. All

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Gobble makes first career Late Model win stick

TIMES STAFF REPORT

COEBURN, Va. – There were some drivers who had really good nights Saturday during Lonesome Pine Raceway's Norton Press 210, and there were some drivers who had really bad nights. The biggest winners Saturday night were the LPR spectators who got to see some of the most action packed racing so far this season.

Last season while racing part-time in the Late Model division Kirby Gobble won his first career Late Model race only to have it taken away after officials found an infraction in post race inspection. On Saturday Gobble would make that first win stick, but not before a couple of cars that had been running ahead of him had some tough luck.

Wayne Hale earned his fourth consecu-

tive Honda of Prestonsburg pole for the 75-lap Late Model race, but drew a six for the inversion. On the initial start Joey Owens, who started last after blowing motor in practice and spending all day changing, spun heading into the first corner. On the restart Brad Housewright starting on the outside of the first row jumped to the lead while Hale worked his way toward the front. By lap 12 Hale was right on Housewright's back bumper looking for a way around. After five laps of trying to nudge his way around Housewright, Hale made a move to the inside heading into turn three. They entered the turn three-wide with the lapped car of Craig Stallard on the bottom, and Hale made contact with Housewright, sending Housewright spinning. Housewright restarted at the back while officials apparently found no

fault with Hale and allowed him to keep his spot in the front.

On the restart Hale drove away from Brian Blevins, who eventually lost a side by side battle with Gobble for second place which lasted about eight laps. By the time Gobble cleared Blevins for second, Hale was three-quarters of a straight-away ahead and pulling away fast. Meanwhile a tight battle began to form for third through sixth as Blevins tried to hold back David Hopkins, Buddy Talbert, and Zeke Shell. By lap 50 Housewright had joined that pack as well. Hale's lead had extended to nearly half the track over Gobble when Housewright made contact with Blevins sending Blevins spinning. On the restart Hale drove away from Gobble, but a major crash on lap 65 brought

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Kinzer looks to build on Show-Me 100 fast qualifying effort

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ALLEN – Brandon Kinzer Motorsports ventured away from home last weekend to one of the "Crown Jewel" races of the Dirt Late Model industry – the Show-Me 100. The 600-mile trek from Allen to Missouri proved to be fruitful for the Kinzer team.

There were a total of 88 cars on hand for qualifying and Brandon Kinzer was slated to go out in the 50th spot. The Kinzer team performed well in hot laps and knew that there was a great opportunity to qualify well. Kinzer paced the red clay semi-banked oval at a pace of 15.640 seconds – good enough for fast time.

Kinzer was awarded \$1,700 from GRT Racecars for his accomplishment in qualifying fastest.

In the heat races, the top four starting positions were invert-

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week's regional tournament at Paintsville.

One team that didn't, however, was Prestonsburg. The Blackcats were humbled by a 16-4 count by Allen Central in the opening round of last week's district tournament, meaning the team with the fifth best record in the region would stay home this week.

That record is a little misleading, however, when you consider while they posted a 17-11 record on the season, they were a perfect 9-0 outside the region. That brings them to 8-11 against 15th Region teams.

The real surprise was James Staggs and the South Floyd Raiders, a team that was still looking for its first win of the season on May 14. However, they got June Buchanan that day and East Ridge three days later, and then stunned Betsy Layne 11-5 in the district tournament.

Then, getting a solid draw in surprising 60th District champion Pike Central, pushed the Hawks to the limit before falling 3-2 in Tuesday's opening round of the regional tournament.

There's nothing like baseball, I'll tell you that. Just when you think you have it figured out, you'll go to the park one day and see something that has you shaking your head.

The Reds ended the Danny Graves ordeal on Tuesday by putting him on waivers to grant him his unconditional release. That means that while a few clubs were supposedly interested in Cincinnati's all-time saves leader, none were willing to deal for his services.

Says here Graves was the organization's second attempt to get the attention of its struggling team. They tried it three days earlier with D'Angelo Jimenez but no one seemed to notice. Designating the popular Graves for assignment on May 23 did the trick. If it will, ultimately pay off is anybody's guess, but the team played better in the first week after the move. That much is not up for debate.

Anybody seen Wily Mo lately?

The outfielder went on the disabled list somewhat grudgingly, saying he wasn't really all that hurt. But he's been there a while, and then began a rehab stint at Triple-A Louisville Monday going 0-for-2 with a pair of strikeouts.

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Count Rich Aurilia among those less than happy in the Queen City right now. The shortstop who signed a one-year deal with the club in the offseason lost his starting job when he went on the disabled list to the hot-hitting Felipe Lopez.

Actually, he did most of the losing of it before he was hurt; he's hitting only .200 with three homers and 12 RBIs, while Lopez is at .299 with eight long ones and 25 RBIs.

Aurilia seemed disappointed that the club didn't ask him if it was ok to leave Lopez in the lineup. "It wasn't something that was discussed," he told the (ital) Cincinnati Enquirer (ital). "I was told it would happen."

Too bad they didn't ask his permission. What did he think was going to happen?

Aurilia, who could be in line to be the next Red sent packing, was getting time at second and third this week. How long that lasts is likely dependent upon how well he hits.

Says here if he wants to be a Red come July 1, he may want to start picking up the offense a little.

Season

four seniors will move on to college and continue studies.

Tiffany Bishop, who played first base for the Ladycats, will attend Pikeville College on a golf scholarship. Breann Akers, a pitcher for Betsy Layne, will also attend Pikeville College with a scholarship for volleyball. Kim Clark, the Ladycat shortstop, who also ranks as one of Eastern Kentucky's top female athletes, will attend Pikeville College with a scholarship package in tow for softball and basketball. Misty Tackett, who played third base, will attend Alice Lloyd College.

"All four seniors are extraordinary girls who have a great future ahead of them," said Crase. "They excel in their academics as well as athletics. It was a pleasure to coach them for a season and get to know them. I wish them all the best in their college career."

Akers ended the season with a 13-6 pitching record. Tackett batted .418 and drove in 12 runs while Bishop hit .290 and knocked in 15 runs.

Clark ended the season with a .611 batting average. The Pikeville College signee had 23 singles, 10 doubles, six triples, four home runs and 34 runs batted in.

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15TH REGION SOFTBALL RECORDS

Team	Record
Shelby Valley	23-9
East Ridge	20-6
Pikeville	19-8
Johnson Central	17-8
Belfry	16-8
Betsy Layne	13-10
Paintsville	12-10
Magoffin County	10-12
Phelps	10-12
Prestonsburg	8-12
Allen Central	7-9
Sheldon Clark	7-18
Pike County Central	1-13
South Floyd	0-17

Kinzer

ed, meaning that Kinzer had to start in the fourth position as opposed to the pole.

In the first heat race, the Floyd County driver started fourth. On the initial start, the leaders bobbed and forced Kinzer to put on the brakes. In doing so enabled fellow Kentucky racer Darrel Lanigan around Kinzer for fourth. Unable to make any move for position, Kinzer was stuck in fifth place and finished there behind heat winner Don

O'Neal, Matt Miller, Davey Johnson and Darrel Lanigan.

Kinzer was handed just as much luck in the B-Main. The track had taken rubber and was down to one lane. Kinzer finished fourth behind Ray Cook, Darrel Lanigan and Dale McDowell - unable to make the final transfer spot into the feature.

"We had a great time here at the Show-Me," said Kinzer. "I didn't make the show, but we set fast time and made a little bit of money off of that. Whenever

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you go out and race against the best there is and try your hardest, that's all you can do."

Today, the Kinzer team is heading to Murphy Speedway, located in Sweetwater, Tenn. Murphy Speedway is holding a Southern Allstars East (SAS-E) race worth \$4,000 to the race winner. Kinzer is the SAS-E points leader going into this weekend's race. For more information on Brandon Kinzer Motorsports, go online to www.brandonkinzer.com

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Ryan Hammonds, Allen Central High School Baseball



Misty Tackett, Betsy Layne High School Softball

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out the red flags and tightened the field up for a 10 lap shootout. Several cars battling near the back of the pack became tangled on the front stretch with Allen Sumner and Roger Neece coming out the worst. Then Neece took a serious hit from Stallard who had no way to avoid the crumpled cars blocking the track.

Hale led the field to the restart ahead of Gobble, Talbert, Housewright and Hopkins in fifth. This time on the restart, however, Hale didn't run away from Gobble and the rest of the field. Almost immediately Hopkins gave up his fifth place spot with a flat tire, and with six laps to go Hale got a flat as well and fell off the pace. For Gobble it was his first official Late Model win. He finished ahead of Talbert, who held off an aggressive Housewright to take second. "I hate that Wayne broke there at the end, or whatever happened to him," Gobble said from victory lane. "I felt like on that last restart he didn't get away from me and our car was pretty good. I'd rather have passed him to have won the race, but we'll take them how we can get them. That's just part of racing." After the race Housewright took issue with the incident with Hale that put him at

the back of the pack early in the race. "That's a crying shame," Housewright said after the race. "I don't know what Wayne Hale's problem is, but we're going to find out what his problem is when we get out of here. I've run him clean all year and he's going to pull that (stuff). That (flat at the end) serves him right. I'm sorry I got into Brian Blevins. It's hard to come over here and run against guys when we've got the same setup."

Rounding out the tip five behind Housewright were Chris Tunnell and Paul Shull. Owens salvaged a sixth place finish after having such a rough beginning of the day.

It was a really good night for Gobble who also took the win in the 30-lap Mod-4 race ahead of Freddie Taylor, Jr, Jody Bostic, Rocky Yates and Jeff Bobo.

It was a really bad night for Neece who also suffered extensive damage to his Street Stock car while running in second place during the 35-lap Miner's Exchange Bank Street Stocks feature. Rob Austin took the lead at the start of the race and never relinquished it, although he never could lose Tony Vance from his back bumper. Neece's wreck occurred on lap 32 as the leaders were negotiating a large

pack of lapped cars. That set up a three lap shootout for the win, but Austin's good restart secured his second win of the season. Vance finished second ahead of Tunnell, Owens and Alton Saterfield.

It was a really good night for Carl Lawson who's Honda got wrecked in practice. He worked on it all day, getting it ready in time for the last race of the night, the 25-lap Community Trust Bank Pure 4 feature. He started at the back of the pack and slowly worked his way to the front, passing Tony Perry - who had led since taking the green - with only three laps to go. It was Lawson's third win of the season. Rounding out the top five were Tony Perry in second ahead of his dad Linton Perry, Greg Clevinger and Dustin Stanley.

It was a really good night for Travis Watson who made it four wins in a row in the McDowell Professional Pharmacy Legends division. Rounding out the top five were Steve Dawson, Ron Humble, Greg Turner and Janice Humble.

It was a good night as well for Anna Lester won her third Ladies Pure 4 division win in a row, while Brandon Jesse took the win in the Amazing Grace Cafe Hornets division.

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Openers

In one of the wildest games in 15th Region Tournament history, Sheldon Clark outlasted and ousted Allen Central.

Freshman Scott Little got the starting nod at pitcher for the Rebels and pitched well. Brad Horn got the start for Sheldon Clark and recorded the win. Both pitchers left the game only to re-enter later in the contest.

In the 10th inning, Sheldon Clark got the offensive punch it had been looking when the

game first entered extra innings.

The Cardinals, which finished second in the 57th District, runner-up to Paintsville,

In other regional tournament opening round games, Pikeville edged rival Belfry 3-2 and tournament host Paintsville beat East Ridge convincingly, 18-3.

A new regional champion is set to be crowned. Defending 15th Region champ Johnson Central failed to make it into the regional event, losing to

rival Paintsville in the first round of the 57th District Tournament.

15TH REGION BASEBALL TOURNAMENT OPENING ROUND SCORES Tuesday's Games

Pike Co. Cent.	3	South Floyd	2
Pikeville	18	East Ridge	3
Wednesday's Games			
Pikeville	2	Belfry	1
Sheldon Clark	9	Allen Cent.	4

Gassett plans to suspend 2005 crossbow season expansion

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FRANKFORT - Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources Interim Commissioner Dr. Jon Gassett will inform the Fish and Wildlife Commission at its quarterly meeting Friday that the March decision to expand the 2005 crossbow season will be temporarily set aside.

"We want additional time to further explore the social implications of lengthening the season parameters during which hunters may use crossbows to take deer and wild turkey," said Gassett. "In accordance with the regulatory process, I

plan to remove language from the proposed regulation that expands the crossbow season for the 2005 season.

"We want to use this year to gather additional data and take a closer look at the user side of the issue," he said.

The nine-member Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission voted at its March quarterly meeting to allow hunters desiring to take deer and wild turkey with a crossbow to do so throughout the archery season.

"A number of sportsmen and women questioned the proposed regulation as to whether allowing persons to use crossbows throughout the entire sea-

son might be too aggressive and might result in user conflict," said Gassett. "Public input is an important part of this process."

"This Commission's long-practiced philosophy has been to provide and increase recreational opportunity for hunters and anglers whenever the resource can sustain it," said Gassett. "We have clear data that indicate allowing crossbow hunters to hunt throughout the archery season poses no biological threat to our white-tailed deer or wild turkeys. This is a social issue about shared use."

The Commission meeting begins at 8 a.m. Friday at the KDFWR offices in Frankfort.

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Construction begins on indoor practice facility

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LOUISVILLE — Construction has begun on the University of Louisville's Trager Center Indoor Practice Facility just north of Papa John's Cardinal Stadium.

The Trager Center, an \$8 million project, is the result of a \$2 million lead gift of the Trager Family of Republic Bank and many other supporting gifts. The facility is expected to be completed by December 2005.

"My wife, Jean, and I are blessed with wonderful children and grandchildren, and we are fans of athletics and higher education," said Bernard Trager. "We are certain this practice facility will continue to build on the success of the athletic program. We are grateful for our community's support of Republic Bank & Trust Compa-

ny and this is one of the ways we can make sure what we make here, stays here."

The indoor practice facility will feature 120-yard FieldTurf field, 100-meter four-lane sprint track, pole vault and long jump pits, as well as, batting cages for both baseball and softball. It's also equipped for the soccer, field hockey and lacrosse teams to use.

"This facility addresses a critical need for program," said Athletic Director Tom Jurich. "Our student-athletes and coaches will now have the benefit of maximizing our practice time even during inclement weather. We are so grateful to the Trager Family and all of our generous donors who have given to this project to make it a reality."

The 90,068 square foot facility will have 85,440 square feet of playing surface with 5,168

square feet of building support, consisting of restroom facilities, offices and a lobby. The facility will have a clear width of 202 feet, a clear length of 402 feet and will stand 65 feet tall. It will be heated by a natural gas-fired units, and ventilation will be a push/pull system via dampers and ventilating fans.

"We're so appreciative for the generosity of the Trager Family and everyone who contributed to what will be a great facility for the entire university," said head football coach Bobby Petrino. "It will be a great benefit for our program to have a place to practice when inclement weather hits the Louisville area and not interrupt our preparations. From a recruiting standpoint, it's invaluable for any recruit we bring on campus to show recruits the commitment to this program."

National Youth Sports Program Camp registration deadline extended

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. — Marshall University has extended the registration deadline for regional youth ages 10-16 who wish to participate in the National Youth Sports Program weekdays July 5-Aug. 6 on the MU campus. Deadline to register is Friday, June 10.

NYSP is a free camp for area youth who are disadvantaged and meet the federal guidelines for low income. Free medical checkups will be provided to all applicants from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 11 at Mar-

shall's Cam Henderson Center.

Camp runs from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily. Each day begins with a light breakfast and ends with a nutritious lunch. Students will participate daily in sports camps such as football, basketball, volleyball, soccer, baseball and softball. Each day, students will enjoy a relaxing swim in the pool. Students will participate in weekly math and science classes as well as character and substance abuse workshops.

Former Marshall football Coach Bobby Pruett, along with the other coaches, players and volunteers from Marshall

University, will be on hand to provide professional instruction and supervision.

Applications may be picked up at any of the following locations: all Cabell County schools, A.D. Lewis and Fairfield East Community Centers, Marcum Terrace Sports Center, and the Information and Referral Service on the third floor of the Cabell County Public Library in downtown Huntington.

For more information, persons may call Beatrice Crane Banford at 304/696-5225 or Tim White at 304/522-0576 or 304/751-6251.

College Football Hall of Fame announces 2005 Division I-A Class

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — From the national ballot of 75 candidates and a pool of hundreds of eligible nominees, Jon F. Hanson, Chairman of The National Football Foundation & College Hall of Fame announced last month the 2005 College Football Hall of Fame Division I-A Class, which includes the names of 11 All-America players and two legendary coaches.

Players in this year's class are Cornelius Bennett — LB, Alabama, 1983-86; Tom Curtis — DB, Michigan, 1967-69; Anthony Davis — RB, Southern California,

1972-74; Keith Dorney — OT, Penn State, 1975-78; Jim Houston — E, Ohio State, 1957-59; John Huarte — QB, Notre Dame, 1962-64; Roosevelt Leaks — FB, Texas, 1972-74; Mark May — OT, Pittsburgh, 1977-80; Joe Washington — RB, Oklahoma, 1972-75; Paul Wiggin — DT, Stanford, 1954-56; David Williams — WR, Illinois, 1983-85

Coaches are Pat Dye — East Carolina (1974-79), Wyoming (1980), Auburn (1981-92), 153-62-5

and Don Nehlen — Bowling Green (1968-76), West Virginia, (1980-2002), 202-128-8.

"We are very pleased to have

the opportunity to induct another exceptional class of college football hall of famers," said Chairman Jon F. Hanson. "Each year our hard-working Honors Court, chaired by Gene Corrigan, continues to do an outstanding job in ensuring the game's legends are duly recognized."

The 2005 College Football Hall of Fame Division I-A Class will be inducted at the 48th Annual Awards Dinner on December 6, 2005, at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York City. They will be officially enshrined at the Hall in South Bend during ceremonies in August of 2006.

Marshall football summer camps canceled due to new surface installation

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. — The Marshall University football basic skills camp and Thunder camp, scheduled for June 4 and June 11th, have been canceled due to the instal-

lation of a new playing surface at Joan C. Edwards Stadium and the resodding of the school's practice fields.

The Marshall University football office apologizes for any inconvenience and all application and camp fees that

have been received to date will be reimbursed.

Any questions concerning the camp cancellations may be directed to Mark Gale, Assistant Athletic Director of Football Operations, at 304/696-2408

U 19 SOCCER



In U19 soccer action Tuesday in Letcher County, the Floyd County Warriors defeated their Letcher County opponent 6-0. Luke Greene, Josh McCarty, Josh Nelson, Nick Hughes and Daniel "Doodle" Mosley all scored goals in the Floyd County team's victory.

Police file offers new information in Wildcat Lodge case

by MURRAY EVANS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — A police file released Thursday indicates that a woman who claimed she was drugged, then raped, at Wildcat Lodge last month did not have a date-rape drug in her system, as she had told police.

The file, released after open-records requests from several news agencies, including The Associated Press, also reveals that the 29-year-old woman considered asking police to reopen the case. Police announced May 4 that they were dropping the case "by exception," meaning it could be reviewed later, although that would be unlikely.

Two days later, according to the file, the woman spoke twice with Lexington Police Detective Elizabeth Adams, asking if cer-

tain information would be admissible in court.

Adams told the woman that "many people would have to review the case before it would be reopened" and that the woman would have to have her attorney send a letter to police "expressing her intention to prosecute," to counteract a letter the attorney had sent earlier stating the woman did not wish to prosecute.

During the conversation, Adams said the woman told her "that she has received multiple threats, intimidation and bribe offers since the sexual assault" and that "she had a face to face conversation with the suspect in the presence of her mother and several others."

The names of the woman and the person who was the focus of the police investigation were redacted from the 37-page file

released Thursday. Police never named a suspect, but a sports agent for former University of Kentucky basketball player Chuck Hayes has said Hayes was notified of the investigation and said the rape allegation was false.

The agent, Bill Duffy, told The Courier-Journal of Louisville that Hayes and the woman had consensual sex. Duffy has since referred questions to Hayes' attorney, Jim Lowry of Lexington. A woman who answered the phone at Lowry's office Thursday said Lowry had no comment on the release of the files.

Police, trying to substantiate the woman's claims, wanted access to records of an examination she underwent at a Georgetown hospital and other medical records, but the woman had stopped cooperating with them. To obtain the records, police sought a

warrant, which was signed by a Scott County judge May 3.

The warrant — included in the police file but obtained by media outlets last month — indicated that the woman had told Lexington Police Lt. James Curless that medical officials at the Georgetown hospital had told her that the drug Rohypnol was found in her system.

However, a memo from assistant police chief Ken Hall contained in the file said that after the medical records were reviewed, "it was determined that the complainant's drug screen did not reveal the presence of Rohypnol derivatives in her system."

The file also offers insight how the woman and the person she accused knew each other. According to the woman's initial statement to police, the

woman's father introduced the accused person to the woman's family on Dec. 22 at Rupp Arena. Kentucky played a home game there that night.

According to the statement, the woman and the accused person "briefly spoke about her ordeal with cancer."

On April 13, the woman said she took her son and some of his friends to see the accused person at an autograph signing, and three days later, the accused person called the woman on her cell phone, saying he "wanted to do something for the community and her son" and that he'd like to visit her son's school. The call upset her husband.

On April 17, the two spoke again on the phone and agreed to meet for lunch two days later, the woman told police. They met again the next day, "to talk

about his school visit and finalize plans," and he took her on a tour of Wildcat Lodge.

Wildcat Lodge is best known as the home of Kentucky basketball players, though non-athletes live there as well. The complaint, filed April 22, noted the time of the alleged incident as between 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. on April 20.

Hall said police located no witnesses of the alleged incident. According to the university, 28 people live in Wildcat Lodge — 16 basketball players, 10 non-athletes and two staff members. All guests must be signed in and signed out.

Among the items taken into evidence was the dormitory's sign-in book. Police did not include copies of it when they released the file, citing student privacy laws.

2005 FIFTH THIRD/KHSAA STATE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

at UK Boone/Downing Tennis Complex, Lexington

Saturday's Results

Final Girls' Team Standings (Top 10)

1. Lexington Christian 17; 2. Lone Oak 14; 3. Sacred Heart 10; 4. Notre Dame 7; 5. Henderson County and Russell 6; 6. Christian Academy-Louisville and North Oldham 5; 7. Paul Dunbar 4; 8. t10. DuPont Manual, Henry Clay, Lexington Catholic, Louisville Collegiate and Middlesboro 3.

Final Boys' Team Standings (Top 10)

1. St. Xavier 17; 2. Lone Oak 9; 3. Paducah Tilghman 8; 4. Trinity (Louis.), Ashland Blazer and South Oldham 6; 5. Corbin, Covington Catholic, DuPont Manual, Franklin Co., Henderson Co. and Model 4.

Girls' Singles

Semifinals — Emily Carbone (Lexington Christian) def. Erin Fulkerson (Paul Dunbar) 6-1, 6-3. Meritt Emery (Lexington Christian) def. Erin Jobe (Henderson Co.) 6-2, 6-2.

Final — Emery def. Carbone 4-6, 6-2 (injury)

Girls' Doubles

Semifinals — Lindsey Mallory/Emily Mallory (Christian Academy-Louis.) def. Emily

Barnett/Elizabeth Bohnert (Sacred Heart) 6-1, 6-0.

Camille Marquess/Amanda Bredniak (Lone Oak) def. Lauren Coldiron/Emily London (Lexington Christian) 7-6(7-3), 6-2.

Final — Marquess/Bredniak def. Mallory/Mallory 7-5, 6-3.

Boys' Singles

Semifinals — Eric Quigley (South Oldham) def. Ben Clos (St. Xavier) 6-1, 7-6(4).

Kyle Virgin (Ashland Blazer) def. Shane Collins (St. Xavier) 6-2, 2-6, 7-5.

Final — Quigley def. Virgin 6-1, 7-6(4).

Boys' Doubles

Semifinals — Elliot Treece/Brad Robbins (Lone Oak) def. Tyler Cook/Brad Roby (St. Xavier) 6-3, 3-6, 7-5.

Andy Edwards/Price Matthews (St. Xavier) def. Stewart Koch/Victor Wong (DuPont Manual) 7-5, 6-2.

Final — Treece/Robbins def. Edwards/Mathews 7-6(2), 6-2.

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gin (Ashland Blazer)

Girls — Brooke Sheperson (Harrodsburg) and Allison Adair (Whitley Co.)

Boys' All-State Team

Eric Quigley (South Oldham), Robert Hall (Greenwood), Ben Clos (St. Xavier), Robert Stedman (Trinity-Louis.), Andres Escalante (Franklin Co.), Shane Collins (St. Xavier), Vic Mazzone (Paducah Tilghman), Kyle Virgin (Ashland Blazer), Chris Rutherford (Model), Tim Barnoud (Owensboro Catholic), Andy Edwards (St. Xavier), Brad Robbins (Lone Oak), Elliot Treece (Lone Oak), Price Matthews (St. Xavier).

Girls' All-State Team

Jessica Wise (Russell), Eric Jobe (Henderson Co.), Emily Kerrick (Lexington Catholic), Meritt Emery (Lexington Christian), Emily Carbone (Lexington Christian), Lauren Kline (North Oldham), Erin Fulkerson (Paul Dunbar), Emily Beckman (Lone Oak), Whitney Fraley (Russell), Megan Sturm (Notre Dame), Whitney Butcher (Ashland Blazer), Sarah Yost (Clay Co.), Brooke Sheperson (Harrodsburg), Megan Sammons (Lawrence Co.), Charis Gambill (Ashland Blazer), Camille Marquess (Lone Oak), Amanda Bredniak (Lone Oak), Lindsey Mallory (Christian Academy-Louis.), Emily Mallory (Christian Academy-Louis.).

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BASEBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

32 - Semi-State 5, @ St. Henry
W, 6/8-7:30, 7/8/9; 1P, 6/9-7:30

31 - Lexington Christian (24-8)

30 - State Finals Round 1
Applebee's Park-Lexington
Wed., June 15, 5:00 p.m. ET

29 - Semi-State 1, @ Brooks Stadium (Paducah Tilghman)
W, 6/8-7:30, 7/8/9; 1P, 6/9-7:30

28 - Oldham County (18-14)

27 - State Finals Round 1
Applebee's Park-Lexington
Wed., June 15, 8:30 p.m. ET

26 - Semi-State 4, @ Henry County
W, 6/8-7:30, 7/8/9; 1P, 6/9-7:30

25 - Elizabethtown (20-14)

24 - State Finals Round 1
Applebee's Park-Lexington
Thu., June 16, 6:00 p.m. ET

23 - Corbin (25-8)

22 - Semi-State 3, @ North Hardin
W, 6/8-7:30, 7/8/9; 1P, 6/9-7:30

21 - State Finals Round 1
Applebee's Park-Lexington
Thu., June 16, 8:30 p.m. ET

20 - Semi-State 2, @ Glasgow
W, 6/8-7:30, 7/8/9; 1P, 6/9-7:30

19 - Christian County (33-8)

18 - State Finals Round 1
Applebee's Park-Lexington
Thu., June 16, 8:30 p.m. ET

17 - Semi-State 6, @ McCreary Central
W, 6/8-7:30, 7/8/9; 1P, 6/9-7:30

16 - Harrison County (27-9)

15 - State Finals Round 1
Applebee's Park-Lexington
Thu., June 16, 6:00 p.m. ET

14 - Boys County (30-7)

13 - State Finals Round 1
Applebee's Park-Lexington
Thu., June 16, 6:00 p.m. ET

12 - State Finals Round 1
Applebee's Park-Lexington
Thu., June 16, 6:00 p.m. ET

11 - State Finals Round 1
Applebee's Park-Lexington
Thu., June 16, 6:00 p.m. ET

10 - State Finals Round 1
Applebee's Park-Lexington
Thu., June 16, 6:00 p.m. ET

9 - State Finals Round 1
Applebee's Park-Lexington
Thu., June 16, 6:00 p.m. ET

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Thu., June 16, 6:00 p.m. ET

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Applebee's Park-Lexington
Thu., June 16, 6:00 p.m. ET

3 - State Finals Round 1
Applebee's Park-Lexington
Thu., June 16, 6:00 p.m. ET

2 - State Finals Round 1
Applebee's Park-Lexington
Thu., June 16, 6:00 p.m. ET

1 - State Finals Round 1
Applebee's Park-Lexington
Thu., June 16, 6:00 p.m. ET

State Finals Championship
Applebee's Park-Lexington
Sat., June 18, 7:00 p.m. ET
State Champion

(If needed game times in parenthesis)

P'BURG LITTLE LEAGUE: Mets 15, Cubs 3

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG — In Prestonsburg Little League play, the Mets surged to the top of the league standings by defeating the Cubs 15-3.

The Mets were led in hitting by Jaden Spurlock, who collected three hits and broke the game open with a two-run inside-the-park homerun. The hit gave the Mets a 3-2 lead. The Cubs were led in hitting by Kevin Roman,

who collected two hits off of Tyler Hall. Hall pitched all four innings for the Mets and gave up a season-high three hits. Hall is undefeated in his pitching for the Mets, who now have a combined record of 8-3.



photo by Jamie Howell
South Floyd Junior Ryan Johnson looked on as a Pike Central batter (not pictured) stood in at the plate.

201 Speedway hosting NARA BoB Open Wheel Modified Series

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEXINGTON — This Saturday, the NARA Battle of the Bluegrass Open Wheel Modified Series will make the eastward swing for the series' first appearance of the 2005 season at 201 Speedway.

On Saturday night, Kentucky's premier Open Wheel Modified Series will roll into the 3/8-mile Sitka racetrack for the first time in 2005. A complete racing program is planned with Racing Optics Time Trials, VP Fuels Makin' Power Heat Races, Dale Meers Racing Engines/PBM Performance B-Mains and the Rattliff Motors A-Main paying \$1500 to win. The complete purse for Saturday's program at 201 Speedway follows: 1. \$1500; 2. 700;

3. 500; 4. 400; 5. 350; 6. 300; 7. 275; 8. 250; 9. 225; 10. 200; 11. 180; 12. 160; 13. 150; 14. 140; 15. 130; 16. 125; 17. 125; 18. 125; 19. 125; 20. 125.

Four races into the 2005 Tour for the BoB Modifieds; Hanover, Ind. driver Joey Kramer leads the series standings by just 100 points over defending series champion Kelly Warren. Russ Gabbert sits in third with Hank Bradley and Justin Rattliff rounding out the top five.

For more information on the NARA Battle of the Bluegrass Open Wheel Modified Series, go online to www.naradirtcar.com and click on the NARA Battle of the Bluegrass Open Wheel Modified Series or call the series office at 859/271-4501.

H.S. BASEBALL SCOREBOARD

Wednesday's Games 2005

- Christian County 12, Henderson Co. 4 (2nd Region Tournament at Henderson Co.)
- Allen Co.-Scottsville 9, Greenwood 5 (at Franklin-Simpson, 4th R. Tournament)
- Elizabethtown 7, Nelson County 4 (at Cent. Hardin, 5th R. Tournament)
- Butler 4, DeSales 2 (at Pleasure Ridge Park, 6th R. Tournament)
- Pleasure Ridge Park 15, Beth Haven 0 (6th Region Tournament, 5 innings)
- Oldham County 6 at Scott County 4 (8th Region Tournament)
- Beechwood 5, Boone County 0 (at St. Henry, 9th Region Tournament)
- Covington Catholic 12, Newport Central Catholic 2 (at St. Henry, 9th R. Tournament, 5 innings)
- Harrison County 4, Campbell County 0 (at George Rogers Clark, 10th R. Tournament)
- Lexington Christian 5, Madison Cent. 4 (11th Region Tournament at Madison Central, 10 innings)
- Boyle County 3, Mercer County 1 (at South Laurel, 12th R. Tournament)
- Corbin 10, Whitley County 0 (13th Region Tournament, 6 innings)
- Perry Co. Cent. 11, Knott Co. Central 1 (at Buckhorn, 14th R. Tournament, 5 innings)
- Powell County 5, Leslie County 4 (at Buckhorn, 14th Region Tournament)
- Pikeville 2, Belfry 1 (at Paintsville, 15th Region Tournament)
- Sheldon Clark 9, Allen Central 4 (at Paintsville, 15th Region Tournament)

TRIPLE-A BASEBALL: Indians 15, Bats 1

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS — Paul Chiaffredo drove in four runs, and Caesar Crespo and Yurendell De Caster each had three RBIs as the Indianapolis Indians used a record-tying offensive output to down the Louisville Bats 15-1 Tuesday night.

The Indians started the scoring barrage in their first at-bat,

plating six runs off starter Brian Rose (2-2), who gave up eight earned runs for the loss. The Indians didn't have one big hit in the inning, instead relying on five singles, a triple, a sacrifice fly and Nate McLouth's steal of home to score their runs.

The Indians' other big inning came in the seventh, when they scored five runs, including a two-run homer by Crespo. Chiaffredo

also had a two-run shot in the fifth. The Indians collected 22 hits, tying the most ever by the home team at Victory Field, which opened in 1996.

Indians starter Ian Snell (8-0) shut out the Bats over five innings with seven strikeouts for the win.

William Bergola and Pedro Swann both had two hits for the Indians.

Royals beat Yankees in Bell's debut as manager

by DOUG TUCKER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The Kansas City Royals got the Buddy Bell era off to a good start with a rare victory.

Hours after hiring Bell as their new manager, the Royals snapped a six-game losing streak and beat the New York Yankees for just the second time in 10 tries with a 5-3 win Tuesday night. Zack Greinke also went five innings for his first win in 15 starts.

"I feel great right now," the 53-year-old Bell said. "I forgot how much you have to pay attention. I loved it, man. Right now, I feel whatever it feels like to run a marathon ... I probably feel close to it."

Bell's arrival was greeted with enthusiasm by the Royals, who had become undisciplined and sloppy under Tony Pena, who resigned on May 10. The Royals lost a franchise-record 104 games a year ago.

"Just talking to some guys around the team, he was the per-

son they had some really good things to say about," Greinke said. "People who have played for him or just knew him somehow said he's going to be perfect for us. I don't know if that's what the fans' main guy was. But just about everybody I've talked to, that was the guy they wanted."

Bell, who had been working as Cleveland's bench coach, discovered he missed managing more than he'd realized.

"I think so. It was the first time in a while I didn't have to do something to get my heart started," he said. "It did it on its own. I'm sure I'll get a good night's sleep tonight."

Still, Bell faces a daunting rebuilding project with a team that could be headed for record losses — the Royals are just 14-37. Yet, he was given a contract only through 2007.

"I really don't think the length of the contract has anything to do with the situation here," said Dan Glass, president of the Royals and son of owner David Glass.

"If he performs well and we all perform well and give him the

ammunition he needs from the front office standpoint, we'll all be in good shape. Two and a half years in today's baseball world is a long time."

Yankees manager Joe Torre agreed, however, that a relatively short contract could be a problem if you have a team with selfish and undisciplined players.

"I don't think managers are as concerned about the length of the contract as much as how players perceive it," Torre said. "A lot of times if you have some things you're trying to get across and the players sense they're going to outlast you, then it could become a problem," Torre said. "But of course, if you have those type of players on your club, you may not be successful anyway."

Bell met David Glass' demand that the new manager have previous major league managerial experience. The last time the Royals hired a manager with major league experience was in 1987 when Billy Gardner replaced the ailing Dick Howser.

Bell, a five-time All-Star

third baseman, last managed at Colorado in April 2002.

"We're very excited about this," general manager Allard Baird said. "If you look at his career — 18 years in the big leagues — he's a teacher, a communicator. He's been there and has experienced it as a player and as a teacher. He has patience but is extremely demanding."

Matt Stairs and Emil Brown each collected two hits against the Yankees, who have lost three in a row. They were under the direction of bench coach Joe Girardi while Torre served a one-game suspension.

The Yankees have totaled just six runs during their losing streak.

"We hit some balls hard early and they made some pretty good defensive plays," Girardi said. "We gave them a couple of runs and we kind of took one away from ourselves and that was the difference in the game."

The Yankees, who had won six straight series openers, got the first two batters on base in the seventh. But Tony Womack's grounder forced Derek

Jeter at second and Mike Wood picked Womack off first. Reliever Andrew Sisco then retired pinch-hitter Gary Sheffield on a deep fly to center.

"You want to say it's never going to happen, but it happens at times," Girardi said off Womack getting picked off by a right-hander. "The guy has a good move. That was difficult."

Kevin Brown (4-5) lost for the first time in five decisions as the major league-worst Royals won a series opener for just the fourth time in 18 tries.

Greinke, winless since beating Detroit last Sept. 9, was removed after the fifth inning with a 5-3 lead. The right-hander, who had averaged only one run of support in his 10 starts, gave up three hits, including Hideki Matsui's two-run homer. He walked three and struck out two.

Mike MacDougal pitched the ninth for his third save in five opportunities.

Matsui snapped a career-worst span of 180 homerless at-bats when he hit Greinke's pitch 416 feet over the fence in right,

putting the Yankees ahead 2-0 in the second.

The Royals got a run back in the bottom of the inning on Ruben Gotay's RBI single, then took a 3-2 lead in the third on Brown's RBI double and Terrence Long's fielder's choice grounder.

The Yankees' other hits off Greinke came in the fourth, when Bernie Williams hit the first of his two doubles and scored on Jason Giambi's RBI single.

Gotay walked with one out in the fourth and eventually scored on a throwing error by second baseman Robinson Cano for a 4-3 lead.

Stairs doubled leading off the fifth and Long's sacrifice fly made it 5-3.

Notes: The Yankees are beginning a 12-game road trip, their longest in two years, going to Kansas City, Minnesota, Milwaukee and St. Louis. ... The Royals purchased the contract of outfielder Shane Costa on Tuesday and designated outfielder Eli Marrero for assignment. ... Williams drew his 1,000th career walk in the second inning.

Astros 4, Reds 1

by MICHAEL A. LUTZ
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — Roy Oswalt is making adjustments faster than the Cincinnati Reds.

Oswalt took the major league lead for wins against one team without a defeat, improving to 14-0 against the Reds by leading the Houston Astros to a 4-1 victory Wednesday night.

Oswalt (6-6) had lost four of his last five decisions but he was masterful against the Reds. He was tied for the lead in victories against one team without a loss with Pedro Martinez of the New York Mets, who has a 13-0 record against Seattle. Randy Johnson of the New York Yankees is 12-0 against the Cubs.

Oswalt studies all of his games against the Reds to stay ahead in the guessing game.

"I watched some film on their lineup, and they had two guys who had different stances today," Oswalt said. "They were a little more off the plate. When they do that you have to change something and that opens up the outside pitches."

The Reds were again left scratching their heads.

"You've got to tip your hat to him," Ryan Freel said. "But 0-and-14 off the guy is pretty unusual. He's got a live fastball and the difference between his fastball and curve is 20 mph, and that's tough to adjust to. But we've seen him a lot and by now you'd think we

would be able to make adjustments. Obviously we haven't."

Oswalt says he doesn't think about his mastery.

"You never know about things like that," Oswalt said. "Sometimes you match up well, sometimes you don't. There are some guys who are .220 hitters who hit .400 off me and there are some guys who hit well and don't get anything off me. It's just a difference in how they see the ball."

"I think I match up against them well and I guess they don't really see the ball well against me."

Or keep up with Oswalt's adjustments.

"I know him pretty good and this is the first time I've seen him throw a slider," Freel said. "I didn't know he had one. Add that to his repertoire and that makes him even better."

Lance Berkman put the Astros ahead 2-1 in the fourth inning with a homer off Ramon Ortiz (1-4). It was the second of the season for Berkman. Jason Lane had a two-run double in the seventh inning.

Brad Lidge pitched the ninth for his 12th save in 14 opportunities. The Astros won for the fourth time in five games and Lidge has saved each of those victories.

Oswalt retired the first 10 batters before Felipe Lopez extended his hitting streak to 14 games with a double with one out in the fourth. A single by Sean Casey and an RBI hit by Ken Griffey Jr. evened the game

at 1 in the fourth.

Adam Dunn then walked to load the bases but Joe Randa hit into a double play to end the inning.

Oswalt allowed just one more hit. He pitched seven innings, allowed four hits and struck out four.

"The last two years, every time we've faced him we don't get too much going," Javier Valentín said. "Against us, he's like Cy Young."

Ortiz loaded the bases in the first inning without an out but held the Astros to one run.

Willy Taveras got his major league-leading 20th infield hit. Todd Self walked and Craig Biggio singled. Berkman then took a called third strike. Morgan Ensberg hit a sacrifice fly and Chris Burke flied out.

Ortiz pitched 6 2-3 innings, allowing six hits and four earned runs while striking out seven.

Notes: For the first time since Oct. 2, 1982, the Astros had an all-rookie starting outfield with Burke, Taveras and Self. In the 1982 game, the starters were Tim Tolman, Scott Loucks and Larry Ray. ... Ensberg led all major league third basemen in May with 14 extra-base hits. ... Houston's 10-19 record (.345) was the team's lowest ever for May. ... Lopez's hitting streak is a career high and the longest for the Reds this season. ... Casey has hit safely in nine straight games. ... Austin Kearns of the Reds is hitless in his last 20 at-bats.

Strangles threat has New York racing officials on alert

by RICHARD ROSENBLATT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Extra precautions are being taken to ensure that Belmont Park is safe for horses running in next Saturday's Belmont Stakes after a suspected case of a contagious respiratory disease was discovered.

Already, a possible case of strangles in one horse has delayed the arrival of Preakness Stakes winner Afleet Alex.

The 3-year-old son of Northern Afleet was scheduled to arrive at Belmont from Pimlico Race Course in Baltimore last Saturday, but the trip was delayed after a barnful of horses at the New York track was quarantined last week.

A special barn for out-of-state horses competing in the Belmont is being set up in order to eliminate any chance of contagion from strangles.

"We are fixing up a barn, which right now is barn 14, that will be completely secure and open to all shippers coming in for races on the Belmont Stakes Day card," New York Racing Association racing secretary Mike Lakow said Wednesday. "There are about 30 stalls there, which will be power washed, disinfected, painted and made totally secure."

Belmont Stakes horses already on the grounds will be moved to Barn 8 on race day.

Horses infected with stran-

gles usually have a rapid onset of fever, followed by swelling and abscess formation in their lymph nodes, which narrows the horse's airway passages. It is seldom fatal, but can sideline a horse for several weeks.

Kentucky Derby winner Giacomo has been training at Hollywood Park in California and was expected to be shipped to New York on Tuesday.

Afleet Alex trainer Tim Ritchey said he's waiting until NYRA officials have control of the situation before sending his colt to New York.

"I didn't want to put his health at risk, and would never do that," Ritchey said Wednesday after Afleet Alex breezed five furlongs in 1:01.3-5 at Pimlico. "I would have liked to have been at Belmont to have him train over that racetrack. Hopefully we can ship on Saturday."

NYRA officials said that weekend tests on horses by a local laboratory and one at the University of Illinois came up negative. All the horses in Barn 60 — approximately 30 — were quarantined last week when Lady Libby developed a high fever. The horse was isolated and sent to Cornell University for testing and treatment.

"The problem with her was that she was treated with antibiotics," Lakow said. "Her tests so far are negative, but her medication may have affected the tests' results."

The horses tested were allowed back on the training track Wednesday, but only after regular training hours ended at 10:30 a.m.

NYRA vice president Bill Nader said three rounds of tests will be taken, but the negative results from the first round were "encouraging."

"We have the situation under control," Nader said, "but we are going to continue to take every precaution to maintain a high level of confidence for horsemen stabled on and off the grounds."

In March, there was an outbreak of strangles at the Palm Meadows Training Center in Boynton Beach, Fla., near Gulfstream Park. Several horses, include five trained by Dale Romans, were diagnosed with strangles on March 23. A total of 36 horses were quarantined.

After the outbreak in Florida, about five weeks before the Kentucky Derby, several trainers, including Nick Zito, shipped some of their horses to Kentucky.

On March 11, portions of two barns at the Churchill Downs-operated Trackside facility in Louisville were placed under quarantine due to a suspected case of strangles.

Other Belmont possibilities include Preakness runner-up Scrappy T, Andromeda's Hero, Pinpoint, Southern Africa, A.P. Arrow, Reverberate, Chekhov and Sort It Out.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Today's Games
Atlanta (Hudson 6-3) at Pittsburgh (K. Wells 3-4), 7:05 p.m.
Florida (Beckett 7-3) at Washington (L. Hernandez 8-2), 7:05 p.m.
Arizona (Vazquez 5-3) at Philadelphia (Myers 4-3), 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Schmidt 3-1) at N.Y. Mets (Ishii 1-3), 7:10 p.m.
St. Louis (Carpenter 7-3) at Houston (Rodriguez 1-1), 8:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Milton 3-6) at Colorado (Francis 4-2), 9:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Mitre 0-0) at San Diego (Anton 7-1), 10:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Capuano 4-4) at L.A. Dodgers (Weaver 5-4), 10:40 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Today's Games
L.A. Angels (Escobar 2-2) at Boston (D. Wells 3-4), 7:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Chen 5-2) at Detroit (J. Johnson 3-4), 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Westbrook 2-7) at Chicago White Sox (Hernandez 5-1), 8:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Mussina 5-3) at Minnesota (Mays 3-2), 8:10 p.m.
Texas (Park 5-1) at Kansas City (R. Hernandez 2-7), 8:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Fossum 2-3) at Seattle (Sele 4), 10:05 p.m.
Toronto (Halladay 8-2) at Oakland (Elliott 1-1), 10:05 p.m.

Legends double up Lake County



SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEXINGTON — The Lexington Legends scored three runs in the eighth inning to pull away for a 6-3 win over Lake County Wednesday night. The victory helped the Legends keep pace with first place Hagerstown. The Legends trail the Suns by one game, the Captains have begun to fade trailing by 4.5 games in the Northern Division.

Lexington bolted from the gate thanks to Hunter Pence's two-run homer in the first inning. The blast traveled an estimated 467 feet making it the longest ever hit at Applebee's Park. Pence's homer bumps Jon Topolski's 451 ft. homer struck in the 2001 play-

offs against Hagerstown.

The Captains bounced back to tie the game in the third inning on back-to-back home runs. Chris Gimenez and Juan Valdez took Juan Gutierrez deep.

Lexington regained a brief lead with a run in the fifth inning. Frankie Caraballo led off with a single and scored on Ben Zobrist's double. Lake County equaled the Legends effort with a run in the top of the sixth inning. Brian Finnegan singled and scored on Mike Butia's single.

The game remained tied until the eighth. With the bases loaded, Chris Clark singled in two. Frankie Caraballo's sacrifice fly scored Mitch Einertson to give Lexington a 6-3 lead.

Enyelbert Soto (2-1) pitched 1/3 of an inning to record his second win of the year. One day after picking up his sixth win, Chad Reineke grabbed his second save of the year. Scott Roehl (2-3) suffered his third loss of the season.

Horse owner sues for right to name filly after Jefferson slave

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — A thoroughbred owner has gone to court seeking the right to name a 2-year-old filly after Sally Hemings, a slave and reputed mistress of Thomas Jefferson.

The Jockey Club, which regulates the naming of thoroughbred racehorses, refused to allow the name, so history buff Garrett Redmond filed a federal lawsuit. "To name a horse after someone is an honor," said Redmond, owner of Ballycapple, a farm in Paris. "I have a horse here named after my wife."

His suit, filed last week in U.S. District Court, seeks to force the Jockey Club to let him use the name and allow the Kentucky Horse Racing Authority to let him race the 2-year-old filly under the name. Redmond thought the proposed name was perfect, since the filly is out of the Colonial Affair mare Jefferson's Secret.

Alan Marzelli, president of The Jockey Club, wouldn't comment on the suit, except to say "it is clearly laid out in black and white in the papers that you have. There is nothing more I could add to that that

would make it any clearer how we feel about this name."

According to court filings, The Jockey Club wrote that Redmond would have to have Hemings' written permission to use the name.

Redmond wrote back, "I will gladly get her permission if you can dig her up! Don't be silly — it's not a living person. By the way, did you get written permission when horses were named 'Louis Quatorze' or 'Buddha'?"

Then The Jockey Club denied use of the name on grounds that she was a famous or notorious person, requiring stewards' approval.

In a June 4, 2004, letter from Ogdon Mills Phipps, chairman of The Jockey Club, Phipps said the name "is a clear reference to the slave woman alleged to have had children with Thomas Jefferson. Naming a thoroughbred horse 'Sally Hemings' may be offensive to persons of African descent and other ethnic groups, may be offensive to descendants of the specific people involved, may have negative historical implications, may have negative moral implications and may be degrading to

ethnic groups and descendants of the people involved."

Redmond counters that the stewards are applying the standard arbitrarily, violating his free-speech rights.

Dan Jordan, president of the Thomas Jefferson Foundation, which runs Monticello, Jefferson's home near Charlottesville, Va., acknowledged that Jefferson loved horses. But Jordan wouldn't comment on the appropriateness of naming one for a reputed Jefferson mistress.

"We believe there was likely a relationship, so we're not running from the issue," Jordan said. "It's an unlikely sounding name for a racehorse. We just don't get involved in stuff like this. Jefferson loved horses, but that's in the category of not our business."

Shay Banks-Young of Columbus, Ohio, a descendant of Madison Hemings, who said he was the son of Jefferson and Sally Hemings, was stunned by the possibility of seeing "Sally Hemings" running at the track.

"A horse named Sally Hemings? That sounds absolutely ridiculous to me," Banks-Young said. "I can't imagine somebody wanting to do something like that."

NASCAR receives five Hall of Fame proposals

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

Proposals to fund and construct a new NASCAR Hall of Fame were received Tuesday by NASCAR from five cities — Atlanta, Ga., Charlotte, N.C., Daytona Beach, Fla., Kansas City, Kans., and Richmond, Va. Over the next 60 days, these proposals will be reviewed by NASCAR, with site visits scheduled for later this summer. NASCAR says it would like to have a final decision by the end of the year on where to build the sport's first official Hall of Fame.

"NASCAR is honored to receive proposals from these five cities that all play an important role in hosting NASCAR NEXTEL Cup events each year," said Mark Dyer, NASCAR Vice President of Licensing.

"These five cities are all winners and are to be congratulated for their diligence and dedication to the Hall of Fame project. We now will get to work and study each of these proposals carefully and completely. Later this summer, we will schedule site visits to each of the five cities. We are excited about the prospect of partnering with one of these cities to produce a world-class facility that will enshrine the legends of NASCAR and give our millions of loyal fans a touchstone of the sport they love."

NASCAR has enlisted the services of OnSport as a consultant during the evaluation process. OnSport previously worked on the development of the Basketball Hall of Fame and the World Golf Hall of Fame projects.

NASCAR announced last January its plan to develop a new Hall of Fame. Request for proposals were then sent to groups in Atlanta, Birmingham/Talladega, Ala., Charlotte, Daytona Beach, Kansas City, Richmond, and the state of Michigan. Since that time, Birmingham/Talladega and the state of Michigan opted not to participate in the proposal process.

2005 NASCAR Nextel Cup Standings

Driver Standings

1. Jimmie Johnson, 1,747
2. Greg Biffle, 1,676
3. Elliott Sadler, 1,542
4. Ryan Newman, 1,530
5. Jeff Gordon, 1,516
6. Tony Stewart, 1,488
7. Kevin Harvick, 1,485
8. Carl Edwards, 1,459
9. Jamie McMurray, 1,451
10. Kurt Busch, 1,441
11. Rusty Wallace, 1,429
12. Mark Martin, 1,423
13. Jeremy Mayfield, 1,417
14. Dale Jarrett, 1,406
15. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 1,397
16. Kasey Kahne, 1,351
17. Jeff Burton, 1,325
18. Michael Waltrip, 1,295
19. Joe Nemechek, 1,226
20. Sterling Marlin, 1,214

KENTUCKY SPEEDWAY



Racing brothers Rusty and Kenny Wallace are poised to race at Kentucky Speedway in an upcoming Busch Series race.

Wallace brothers set for Meijer 300 Presented By Oreo

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

SPARTA — Rusty and Kenny Wallace visited Kentucky Speedway Tuesday to provide media with a preview of the June 18 "Meijer 300 Presented by Oreo" NASCAR Busch Series event.

Rusty Wallace made the most of his day by turning test laps in his No. 64 Top-Flite Golf Dodge in preparation for his upcoming Kentucky battle with fellow NEXTEL Cup Series regulars Michael Waltrip, Greg Biffle and Carl Edwards.

"Kentucky is a track I really, really enjoy driving. We got to looking at the schedule for the Busch Series team that I own and there were four or five conflicting dates for my drivers, Jeremy Mayfield and Jamie McMurray. I hired Bill Elliott for some of them, but Kentucky presented questions about who could drive the car. Everybody kept moaning about how hard it was to get back and forth from a Cup track and I said, 'the heck with it, I'll do it myself.'"

He is using his test time to create Kentucky race and qualifying set-ups in order to ease his transition between his Cup Series car at Michigan International Raceway and his No. 64 Busch Series ride.

"I'm testing because we want to work out the bugs and get a good solid race set-up underneath it and a good solid qualifying set-up underneath it because the schedule getting back and forth to Michigan is not the easiest thing in the world. We practice all day Friday at Michigan, then I leave and come over here for a one-hour practice session on Saturday morning. Then, we get back in the plane, qualify the Cup car on Saturday around noon and fly back here to qualify and race the Busch car. It can be done, but I can't afford to show up at the track with a bunch of problems. I tested my No. 66 car here last year and the speeds I ran would've put me front row for the race last year, so I kicked myself for not driving here last year."

Kenny Wallace joined his brother on the podium and said fans can expect to see tight racing in the speedway's sixth

NASCAR Busch Series event.

"This is a big race for Kentucky Speedway, there's a lot of great racecar drivers that are going to be here. I told everybody the Busch Series is becoming a mini NEXTEL Cup Series. You're seeing the effort that my brother Rusty is putting in. Every (Busch) race that he's driven he's been in the top 10," Kenny Wallace said.

He said he's ready to soak up the big event atmosphere at the speedway in 18 days and maintaining his team's momentum that brought it to sixth in the current series standings.

"It'll be a big week here. You're going to have Rusty, Greg Biffle, Michael Waltrip, Carl Edwards, and, of course, my team which has run real well this year. We have a great team and we're going to win some races this year. We have a couple second-place finishes, we almost won a couple weeks ago at Darlington (S.C.) and we're sixth in the points. We're going to go after a win like we do every week. Kentucky has been a real good racetrack for me, but I keep blowing motors here. I'm looking for a little redemption."

Fans can enjoy a full day of activity at the track on June 18. The NASCAR Busch Series will hold two practice sessions

beginning Saturday at 10:00 a.m., country artist Travis Tritt will perform a two-hour concert beginning at 3:00 p.m. and Busch Series qualifying is set for 5:00 p.m. Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback and race Grand Marshal Ben Roethlisberger will give drivers the command to start engines and the green flag will drop for "The Meijer 300 Presented by Oreo" at 8:00 p.m. The weekend begins Friday, June 17, with the NASCAR AutoZone Elite Division Southeast Series "Insight Communications 150" race at 8:00 p.m.

Tickets for "The Meijer 300 Presented by Oreo" and all Kentucky Speedway events including the one-night-only "Jammin' in the Bluegrass Presented by Meijer" concert with Tim McGraw, Trick Pony and Billy Dean are on sale now. Fans can reserve tickets by phone at 888-652-RACE (7223), online at <http://www.kentuckyspeedway.com> and <http://www.tickets.com>, through Tickets.com outlets including Meijer stores and at Kentucky Speedway ticket offices at 2216 Dixie Hwy., Ste. 200, in Ft. Mitchell, Ky., and the speedway Fan Center outside the track in Sparta, Ky. Visit the track Web site for the complete schedule.



Military services tap NASCAR market

by JOHN ZENOR
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sr. Master Sgt. Thomas Kichline sees "a tremendous amount of similarities" between NASCAR and the Air Force. Both have high-powered vehicles run by highly efficient teams who can pack up and relocate in a hurry.

But that's not why the Air Force sponsors Ricky Rudd's Nextel Cup team.

"It's our target market," said Kichline, the Air Force's superintendent of motorsports.

Yes, the Air Force does have a superintendent of motorsports.

Hugely popular among young men, NASCAR has become a recruiting tool used by all the military services. The Air Force, Navy, Marines and Army all sponsor either Nextel Cup or Busch racing teams, blending in with the racing world's corporate staples of laundry detergents, cereals and beers. Ditto for the Coast Guard and Army National Guard.

They set up booths to reach and educate potential recruits and their "influencers," or parents and guardians, and often bring newcomers to the ranks to races.

"NASCAR, in general, is highly popular, and that's why all the military brands are involved," said Joe Nemechek, who drives the Army's No. 1 Chevrolet. "NASCAR fits their demographics."

The Army is the biggest spender, while the Marines have the longest stint as primary sponsor of a NASCAR team among the military services at six years. The Army spends \$16 million a year on everything from its sponsorship of NASCAR and Nemechek's team to running an interactive area at races that draws 35,000-40,000 leads per year, according to Col. Thomas Nickerson, the Army's national advertising director.

He said that price tag, while hefty, accounts for just over 6 percent of the Army's total advertising budget.

"It makes good business sense for the Army to help the Army reach our recruiting goals," Nickerson said.

It's not just business to Martha Nemechek, Joe's mother. The 65-year-old comes to his races decked out in Army combat fatigues adorned with "That's my boy, GI Joe" signs, patches given her by soldiers and a drill sergeant's hat.

Martha Nemechek said she is currently communicating with 12 soldiers stationed in the Middle East.

"They always ask me what's going on at home and how's Joe doing," she said. "I e-mail them back. Some of them ask me about (Dale) Earnhardt or Jeff

Gordon. They'll ask for something of Joe's.

"I buy whatever they want and mail it to them."

At the track, she takes soldiers or future soldiers to her son's hauler and they often get a chance to visit with Nemechek, too.

"They're very good to Joe and Joe loves to go to their hospitals or to visit people who have come back from the war," Martha Nemechek said of the Army. "He's had people in wheelchairs, who lost a leg, who lost an arm, and he brings them to the race."

"Joe's a big asset to the Army."

The Navy sponsors David Stremme's Busch team, and has been increasing its NASCAR presence.

"We were running a campaign about three years ago as a retention tool, keeping sailors in the Navy," said Sr. Chief Jeff Priest, the Navy's on-site track coordinator. "It kind of morphed into a Busch sponsorship in 2003 for 10 races and then we went all in last year."

The military rivalries on the track don't exactly measure up to the Army-Navy football game, but Stremme said there is some pride at stake.

"If I do good and especially if I beat the other military cars out there, it's bragging rights for them," he said. "So I always try to do my best and represent them well on the track. It's not like I'm representing some little company or something."

"This is something that thousands and thousands of men and women watch. One of the things I like is I feel like I kind of get to give something back to them."

Nemechek said driving for the Army has been an educational experience. He's met not only front-line soldiers, but Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld and President Bush.

"I know a lot of soldiers that are watching how their car performs, and I want to give them something to be proud of, something to pull for," Nemechek said.

Rudd, meanwhile, gets another chance to exercise his need for speed. An amateur pilot for 22 years, he's been able to ride in an F-15 and in a refueling plane among other high-flying experiences.

"We have had a lot of opportunities that we probably would have never had," Rudd said.

For the military, a track presence affords a chance for "belly-to-belly selling, where we get to talk to the recruit face to face," Kichline said.

He also gets plenty of requests for NASCAR paraphernalia.

"Anything to give them a sense of hometown USA," Kichline said.

AT BRISTOL: Mopar Thunder, DukesFest combine for big weekend

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

BRISTOL, Tenn. — Big events are common place at Bristol Motor Speedway and Bristol Dragway. But rarely is a weekend any larger than next weekend's combination of fast cars and movie stars. The Hensley Enterprises 6th Annual Mopar Thunder, presented by Parts Depot/All Pro Bumper To Bumper, takes over Bristol Dragway this weekend in conjunction with CMT DukesFest 2005.

Mopar Thunder is 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.

DukesFest is a two day "Celebration of America's family TV show," according to show promoter Ben "Cooter" Jones. Many of the original cast, who went on to make a name for themselves in Hollywood and on Broadway, will be at the event. John "Bo Duke" Schneider and Catherine "Daisy Duke" Bach are among those slated to appear.

Tickets for Mopar Thunder will also be honored at CMT DukesFest. A ticket to DukesFest also gains entry to the action at Mopar Thunder. Gates open Friday at 9 a.m. and at 8 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Mopar Thunder Schedule

FRIDAY

- 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

- 8 a.m. — Gates Open
- 9 a.m. — Competitor's, Spectators, Car Show Registration
- 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

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

Eldora's Nextel Prelude tickets depleted

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

ROSSBURG, Ohio — Eldora Speedway officials announced Wednesday that there are no more tickets available for the Nextel Prelude to the Dream event to be held June 8.

When tickets for the unique event, featuring several NASCAR Nextel Cup drivers, including track owner Tony Stewart, went on sale May 2, a pre-determined allotment of tickets was prepared. That allocation has since been fulfilled and the track management now prepares for a capacity crowd.

"We have been overwhelmed with the enthusiastic response and are looking forward to an action-packed evening with plenty for the fans to enjoy," explained Eldora promoter Larry Kemp. "With the inclusion of the Nextel Cup drivers, and an invasion of the Fastrak Champions Series, we have attempted to create an event with a comfortable,

family-friendly setting for the fans, with many initiatives to enhance the experience."

The Nextel Prelude was conceived as a mid-week promotional lead into the annual Dirt Late Model Dream that same week (June 10 & 11), an event that boasts of a hefty paycheck of \$100,000 awaiting the 100-lap feature winner. Tickets for that event remain available through the track box office at 937/338-3815.

For those unable to make it to the Nextel Prelude to the Dream, Stewart has announced that in August he will be bringing fellow Nextel Cup drivers Kasey Kahne and Dave Blaney to join him against the National Racing Alliance (NRA) Sprint Invaders in another mid-week special. That event, sponsored by Old Spice, will be contested August 17, with ticket sale information to be announced within the month.

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THROUGH MY EYES

The world around us

I'm feeling the effects of the past couple of weeks of wear and tear today. Two weekends of having "little brother," Barry, in to visit, plus one long three-day weekend of carpet and upholstery cleaning, closet straightening and pet maintenance. Yes, I did do these same sort of activities during spring break in March - what can I say? I have a few perfectionistic tendencies. And, if you suffer from the same, then you know how miserable we can make our lives, right? Oh, to be one of those souls who can just "step over" the mess and not think about the dust bunnies and dirt gremlins hiding underneath and behind all that furniture and clutter!

Anywho, that type I am not and so, I once again wore myself out this past holiday with household chores - and, believe it or not, I still have a list! Methinks me needs a handyman...and a full-time maid...and maybe a home chef and personal trainer, and, oh

(See EYES, page three)

POSTSCRIPT

Trail blasting

When does a trail cease to be a trail? The term trail conjures in my mind a narrow, curving, dirt-bedded, somewhat rugged pathway.

It can be remnants of an old route our ancestors used to find where they wanted to settle, perhaps with a cart and a mule, a few head of cattle, hogs and chickens.

It can mark how they got across the hills to visit family and friends or to get supplies at the community store.

The Mayo Trail notwithstanding, a trail does not — repeat — does not involve blacktop, dividing lines and guardrails.

The state is planning to use half a million dollars of our tax money

(See POSTSCRIPT, page two)

Little kids with big anger

Although much is said about the various ways that adults react and cope with angry feelings, there is that all-important issue of dealing with angry children. An even more important issue directly associated with children's anger, is that their anger usually stimulates angry feelings in the adults. Since so many of us were led to believe that anger was bad and were often made to feel guilty for expressing anger, it is of up most value for us to teach our children to accept the feelings, channel and direct them in appropriate ways.

PC student named national award winner

Cortney Flannery, a student at Pikeville College, has been named a United States National Collegiate Award winner in the field of Biology by the United States Achievement Academy.

Cortney was nominated for this honor by Dr. Tracy L. Soltesz, a professor at the college.

Cortney will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Collegiate Yearbook, a national publication.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is

more important than ever before in America's history," said Dr. George Stevens, Executive Director of the United States Achievement Academy. "Our winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement."

The Academy selects winners based upon the exclusive recommendation of professors, coaches, counselors and other qualified sponsors and upon the standards of selection set forth by the Academy. Cri-

teria for selection include: academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, motivation, citizenship and dependability, and recommendation from a professor or college official, among others.

Cortney is the daughter of Udale and Brigitte Flannery, of Beaver. She is the granddaughter of Opal Reynolds, of Beaver, and the late Billy Reynolds and Donna Flannery, also of Beaver, and the late Marvin Eugene Flannery.



Cortney Flannery



Kathy Prater
Lifestyles editor



Spring graduates of the Leadership Floyd County 2005 class, from left to right: Rob Shepherd, ICC Technology Partners; Judy Bailey, First Commonwealth Bank; Henry Webb, Floyd County Schools; Donna Cassell, Citizens Bank; Judy Bocook, Big Sandy Community and Technical College; Lenny Cieslak, Cabinet for Families and Children; Billie Jean Cole, Big Sandy Community and Technical College; Trish Cieslak, The Perfect Setting; and, Jerri Turner, Floyd County Schools. Not pictured are Regina Fraley, City of Martin and Will Snyder, Appalachian Research & Defense Fund.

Graduates of the 2005 Youth Leadership Floyd County program: Jessica Fraley, Prestonsburg High School; Tiffany Owens, Allen Central High School; Mary Williamson, South Floyd High School; Tara Gearheart, South Floyd High School; Tera Addis, South Floyd High School; Katy Hall, South Floyd High School; Pam Slone, Prestonsburg High School; Kellie Hatfield, Prestonsburg High School; Chayse Martin, Prestonsburg High School; Shannon Goble, Prestonsburg High School; Adam Reffett, Allen Central High School; Elizabeth Chaffin, Prestonsburg High School; and Westley Hall, Prestonsburg High School.



Floyd County Chamber of Commerce recognizes graduates of leadership programs

Article submitted by Mandy Stumbo, Executive Director, Floyd County Chamber of Commerce

The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce recently recognized both the graduates of their Leadership Floyd County and Youth Leadership Floyd County programs at the Chamber's Annual Awards & Installation Banquet. The Chamber leadership programs are designed to promote and

develop informed business and community leaders among the citizenry of Floyd County. The programs are designed in a way that participants may gain insight into the operations, available programs, services, and issues of Floyd County. The primary focus of the leadership programs is to build communication networks among individuals willing to assist in the advancement of the county's growth, along with spurring new and innovative ideas in the process.

The programs offer emerging leaders an

inside view of Floyd County. Through fast paced sessions, participants explore issues with key decision makers, develop a network of contacts and join "the fast track" to effective community service. The Youth Leadership Floyd County Program is composed of area high school sophomores from throughout Floyd County. This year marked the first time the Youth Leadership Floyd County program was offered.

The Chamber will begin accepting applications for the Class of 2006 this coming August

THINGS TO PONDER

The adults must allow the children to feel all of their feelings. Then, if the adults know what is happening, they can use their skills to show children acceptable methods of expressing their feelings. **STRONG FEELINGS CANNOT BE DENIED.** Angry outbursts need to be recognized and treated with respect and not always viewed as an indication of a serious problem. Before attempting to address the child's anger, the adult needs to identify the source of the outburst. Some possible causes for the outbursts may be: a defense to avoid painful feelings; associated with failure, low self-esteem, and feelings of isolation; or related to anxiety about situations over which the child has no control. In addition, angry defiance may be related to feelings of dependency, sadness, and depression. For younger folks, anger and sadness are

very similar; what an adult experiences as sadness is expressed by a child as anger.

Before jumping into the situation with the angry, acting-out child, the adults need to distinguish between anger and aggression. Anger = a temporary emotional state created by frustration. Aggression = frequently an attempt to hurt a person or to destroy property. Try not to avoid anger and aggression. When evaluating children's aggressive behavior, be careful to distinguish between behavior that represents emotional problems and behavior that is normal. As mentioned earlier, adults need to display to kids that their feelings are accepted, while suggesting other methods for expressing feelings. For example, "It's OK to be upset. Let me show you what some children would do in a situation like this." It is hard for adults to

remember when they are upset too, but it is not sufficient to tell children what behaviors that are unacceptable. The children need to be taught ways to behave that are acceptable. Important, important - adults must find ways to communicate to children about what is expected of them.

Even though the adults may obtain some relief of their anger by spanking or hitting the angry child, research has repeatedly shown that punishment is not the most effective way to communicate to children. The following are some helpful ideas, but not a "bag of tricks." A very basic approach is to be alert to when the child is being good and tell him/her what behaviors please you. Recognize positive efforts



Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

(See PONDER, page three)

Postscript

to destroy the Little Shepherd Trail that follows Pine Mountain from Letcher County to Harlan County.

And we know that the tab will be far more than that half-million after a rash of change orders.

Right now, Little Shepherd Trail is about 12 miles of dirt pathway going from US 119 at about the top of Pine Mountain to Kingdom Come State Park in Cumberland.

It goes back, no doubt, to the days of wagons as transportation. Now it's used by hikers,

horse riders, ATV drivers and four-wheel drive enthusiasts — all of whom like the idea of seeing raw nature up close without traffic markers.

The state wants it to be a smooth drive for anyone, which by definition means the natural state will be forever changed.

Remember, the state just completed a multi-multi-million-dollar remake of US 119 over Pine Mountain, widening lanes and softening curves. The idea was to make the road from Whitesburg to Cumberland, and on to Harlan, safer and quicker.

OK, so that's been done. Why mess with Little Shepherd Trail?

A lot of folks in Letcher County are questioning the wisdom of paying the trail.

As they should.

And perhaps we should all be questioning such acts.

What better use could be made of that \$500,000? The state should be held more accountable for the allocation of funds in these tight times.

Turning a trail into a road should not be a priority — or even a consideration, for that matter.

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Lackey P.O. appreciates customers

The Lackey Post Office celebrated "Customer Appreciation Day" on May 25, 2005. To show appreciation for the small community and its patronage, refreshments were served to all.

Postmaster Billie Trimble said, "The day turned out to be a big success. Everyone enjoyed the refreshments and just the overall atmosphere of the small community. I couldn't ask for

any better customers than I have at Lackey." Postmaster Trimble also shared that she hopes to present an "even bigger event" for the Lackey community next year.



Let us show off your family pet!

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

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

features@floydcountytimes.com.

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

We will be waiting to hear from you!



A performance from the 2003 Summer Theatre Workshop Children's Division on the Jenny Wiley Theatre main stage.

JWT's Summer Theatre Workshop for Kids Returns!

JWT is proud to announce that the Summer Theatre Workshop (formerly the Children's and Teen Theatre Workshop programs) resumes this summer for students ages 7 - 16. Summer Theatre Workshop provides participants with an intense theatre experience including instruction and practice in acting skills, vocal delivery, body movement, character development, improvisation and basic production. The workshop also includes a tour of Jenny Wiley Theatre, seminars with JWT Professional staff and, it will culminate in a performance on the JWT stage to give participants the experi-

ence of rehearsing and producing a full play. Students learn and gain valuable performing arts experience while meeting new friends and having fun.

Summer Theatre Workshop is Monday - Friday, June 13 thru June 24, from 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., at Clark Elementary School, in Prestonsburg. The performance is Monday, June 27 at the JWT Amphitheatre. Both a novice and an experienced track will be available to ensure that participants of varying skill levels receive the most appropriate experience. Fees for the Summer Theatre Workshop are \$180. To register, or for more information, call JWT

at 606-886-9274 or 877-CALL-JWT.

Funding for the Summer Theatre Workshop has been made possible in part by funding from Kentucky Power Company a unit of American Electric Power. Jenny Wiley Theatre receives funding from individuals, corporations, the Prestonsburg Convention and Visitors Bureau and Paintsville Tourism Commission. Partial funding has been provided by the Kentucky Arts Council, a state agency in the Commerce Cabinet, with support from the National Endowment for the Arts.

Howard earns both master's and pharmaceutical degrees

Wesley Howard, of Hueysville, graduated summa cum laude from the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy on Friday, May 6, 2005. Wesley also received the Merck Award. Additionally, he

also graduated with a master's degree from the UK Gatton College of Business and Economics on Sunday, May 8, 2005. Congratulations go out to the graduate from his wife and daughter, Gabby.

Wesley Howard



School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

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

Betsy Layne Elementary

The Betsy Layne Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center is located in the 500 building of the campus. The goal of the FRYSC is to meet the needs of all children and their families who reside in the community or neighborhood by the school in which the center is located. For further

information, please contact the center at 478-5550 or 478-9751, ext. 310.

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

Clark Elementary

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

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

Duff Elementary

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

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

May Valley Elementary

June 7 - Family Resource Center Advisory Council meeting, 2 p.m., in school library. Open to public, all invited.

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

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

McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center

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

Mountain Christian Academy

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

Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

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.

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

FRC monthly Advisory Council

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

Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

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

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

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

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

Wesley Christian School

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

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



Family Medicine

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

Prompt rabies shots may have saved life

Question: My cat brought home an almost dead bat the other day. Without thinking, I reached down to get the bat away from the cat, and I got scratched by the bat. I went to the ER and was treated with a couple of different rabies vaccines. Can you tell me more about rabies and treatment for exposures? By the way, the cat is fine.

Answer: Rabies is a viral infection of the nervous system in humans and mammals. By far the most common way a human gets rabies is when he or she

bitten by an infected animal. Rarely, rabies has been transmitted to a person through contact with an animal's saliva or other body fluid without the history of a bite. Once the symptoms of rabies appear, the disease is nearly always fatal. That's why public health officials usually err on the side of caution when deciding whether or not to administer the life-saving rabies vaccine.

Any mammal can get rabies. Rabies is most common in wild animals such as raccoons, skunks, foxes, coyotes and bats. Domestic animals, such as cows and cattle can also get rabies. Due to aggressive vaccination programs in the United States, most cases of rabies in the dog and cat population have been eliminated.

Usually, as in your case, rabies vaccine is given promptly after the exposure. There are exceptions, however. People who are at high risk for contact with rabid animals — like veterinarians, animal handlers and people who frequent caves — are often given rabies vaccine even if they haven't been bitten. This is called a "prophylactic" or preventive vaccination. In other parts of the world, rabies among dogs is still quite prevalent, so some international travelers also get pre-exposure rabies vaccine.

It appears that you managed your exposure well. I assume the wound was cleaned with antiseptic solution. One of the shots you got was the rabies immune globulin. This contains some "ready to go" antibodies to rabies. This was then followed by the rabies vaccine, which stimulates your own body's

rabies antibodies. The rabies vaccine is a series of five shots that are given at specific intervals. While we have all heard the stories about having to get shots "in your stomach," the modern vaccine is given in your arm — like a flu shot — and is usually just as painless. In your case, having this shot may easily have saved your life.

Rabies prevention is always preferable to treatment. Keeping your animals, such as dogs, cats, and ferrets vaccinated protects not only your pet but also you and your whole family. That is, if they are bitten by a rabid animal they won't develop the disease and be able to pass it on to anyone else.

Other good preventive steps are basically common sense. Stay away from wild animals, especially raccoons, skunks and foxes. Don't handle or feed

wild animals. Never adopt wild animals or nurse sick animals in your home. The illness they have may be rabies. Bat-proof your house by plugging small holes and repairing torn screens.

And, if you're traveling abroad, avoid wild animals, and stay away from dogs. In other parts of the world, human rabies claims thousands of lives annually.

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Ponder

and reinforce good behavior. Find opportunities to say such things as, "I like the way you come in for dinner without being reminded. I'm glad you shared your snack with your sister." Of course, teachers can also apply this principle; i.e., "I know it was difficult for you to wait your turn, and I'm pleased that you could do it. Thanks for sitting in your seat quietly."

A second suggestion is to deliberately ignore inappropriate behavior that can be tolerated; that is, ignore the behavior and not the child. Sometimes, this is referred to as "Don't get upset unless the house is on fire. (Or) Be careful of how you choose your wars. (Or) Don't pick at everything, just the important ones." Thirdly, children are like adults; they need to have ways to be physically active that are acceptable — exercise and activities. Remember, they are not going to vegetate in front of the TV with the remote control like some adults might, which leads to another important approach to children and their feelings. That is, structure the surroundings. If kids are left to super-

charge themselves or a wide range of ages are expected to play together for a long period of time, trouble is going to brew and erupt. Parents need to know what are reasonable expectations of children, based on age and abilities.

Again, this means that adults know what is going on and are able to step in to prevent "challenging" situations and substitute more desirable choices. Sometimes, this can be as simple as separating the children, sending each in opposite directions to do different things, that will attract praise.

Other approaches to decreasing anger outburst in children include: (1) use closeness and touching by moving physically closer to the child. Young ones are frequently calmed by having an adult nearby; (2) be ready to show affection with a sudden hug; (3) find ways to show humor in the situation. Kidding can help the child to "save face", but the kidding should not be in the form of sarcasm or teasing ridicule; and (4) express an interest in the child's activities. Who doesn't like someone to show an awareness of what we

are doing? (5) appeal directly to the child by telling him/her how you feel and ask for consideration. Of course, do the same thing in return for the child; (6) explain the situation, since even young children can begin to react properly once they understand the cause of their frustration; and (7) encourage children to see their strengths as well as their weaknesses. In other words, try the positive approach, instead of always seeing doom and gloom. Another "face saving" technique for the angry child is to use physical restraint and remove him from the situation completely, if necessary. By all means, the adult cannot afford to lose his temper and other children should not be allowed to make "smart", unfriendly remarks of the out-of-control child.

There are even more ways to help the situation for when the adults really get upset with angry small ones. Some examples include clear communications; such as say "No" with short and precise limits within which the child can function. Tell the child that their angry feelings are accepted and offer

suggestions for expressing them more appropriately. Important — teach children to put their angry feelings into words, rather than fists. Wouldn't it be great if everyone practiced this! Build a positive self-image; encourage children to see themselves as valued and valuable people. It's so nice to know that someone thinks you are worthwhile. Most, most, most importantly, adults must model appropriate behavior. Parents and teachers' actions have a powerful influence on a child's behaviors.

Please — stop, listen, and think of choices, when a child is showing angry feelings. Younger individuals certainly have their rights to their feelings. It is also just as important that adults do not use their interactions with angry children as a chance to unload their angry feelings and frustrations from other sources when needing to cope effectively with their children. Coping with anger within the home in an acceptable manner is of great value, especially during stressful times, such as the holidays, illness, or parents' marital conflicts.

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New Arrivals

WRMC New Arrivals

May 21, 2005
- A son, Ethan Darrin Hamilton, to Stephanie and Ricky Hamilton

May 23, 2005
- A daughter, Mary Olivia Robinson, to Jennifer and Milam Robinson

May 24, 2005
- A son, Donovan Chad Trentham, to Alicia and Chad Trentham

May 25, 2005
- A son, Matthew Kaden Ramey, to Brandy and Matthew Ramey

May 26, 2005
- A son, Bryce Dale Tackett, to Sylvia and Terry Tackett

Eyes

yeah! Oprah's life I am not living - back to r-e-a-l-i-t-y.....!

All of this long-winded intro merely to explain that I am filling this space with friendly email again.

Oh, well, I think it's funny and, hopefully, so will you.

Children's Science Exam Answers (supposedly "real answers given by real children")

Q: Name the four seasons.

A: Salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar. (On a local note, I still like the answer given by Alex Griffith, grandson of Chalmer and Ann Howard: "Turkey, deer, squirrel and rabbit.")

Q: Explain one of the processes by which water can be made safe to drink.

A: Flirtation makes water safe to drink because it removes large pollutants like grit, sand, dead sheep and canoeists.

Q: How is dew formed?

A: The sun shines down on the leaves and makes them perspire. (Being a former student of horticulture, folks, I actually know the "real" answer to this one! I'll maybe bore you with that another time.)

Q: How can you delay milk turning sour?

A: Keep it in the cow. (How 'bout the refrigerator?)

Q: What causes the tides in the oceans?

A: The tides are a fight between the Earth and the Moon. All water tends to flow towards the moon, because there is no water on the moon, and nature hates a vacuum. I forget where the sun joins in this fight. (Like to step in, Mr. Shubinski?)

Q: What are steroids?

A: Things for keeping carpets still on the stairs.

Q: What happens to your body as you age?

A: When you get old, so do your bowels and you get inter-continental. (Well, I think I may be looking forward to that!)

Q: What happens to a boy when he reaches puberty?

A: He says good-bye to his boyhood and looks forward to his adultery. (Mine better not!)

Q: Name a major disease associated with cigarettes.

A: Premature death. (Sounds like someone's been listening...)

Q: What is artificial insemination?

A: When the farmer does it to the bull instead of the cow. (Comment? I wouldn't dare!)

Q: How are the main parts

of the body categorized? (e.g., abdomen).

A: The body is consisted into three parts—the brainium, the borax and the abdominal cavity. The brainium contains the brain, the borax contains the heart and lungs, and the abdominal cavity contains the five bowels, A, E, I, O and U. (Now, come on!)

Q: What is the fibula?

A: A small lie. (Ain't no "small lies," son!)

Q: What does "varicose" mean?

A: Nearby. (Good answer, don't you think? I'd have to give credit on this one.)

Q: Give the meaning of the term "Cesarean Section."

A: The Cesarean Section is a district in Rome. (Well, guess what - I've been there 3 times and I don't think I was on a holiday...)

Q: What does the word "benign" mean?

A: Benign is what you will be after you be eight. (Had a linguistics course once - this is what they call "African-American Vernacular English" - honest.)

See ya next week, guys!

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Mr. Lonnie Badger receives a certificate of appreciation from Tram Postmaster Glenna Stewart.

Tram Post Office honors customers

Postmaster Glenna Stewart and PMR Mary Wilson served refreshments to their customers on May 25 as the Tram Post Office observed "Customer Appreciation Day." Lonnie Badger was presented with a gift cer-

tificate to show community appreciation for all the many services he provides. Mr. Badger is a school bus driver and he serves as pastor of the Riverside Baptist Church as well as serving as "fill-in" pastor for Highlands

Regional Medical Center. His wife, Joyce, is a nurse at the Mud Creek Clinic. Both are great tributes to the Tram area.

The Tram post office also gave away several door prizes to show their appreciation for their customers.

Salisbury named to 'Who's Who'

Linda Richmond Salisbury, owner and director, Linda's Carousel Day Care, Inc., of Martin, has been named a member of "Who's Who Among America's Teachers" for 2005.

This honor is exceptionally gratifying to Mrs. Salisbury since she was nominated for the distinction by a former student who said that she had made a distinct difference in their life.

Knowing that there is no greater reward for a teacher than to be valued and remembered by former students, Mrs. Salisbury is honored to have been cited for academic excellence in her field. Students who have been named to "Who's Who Among American High School Students," "Who's Who Among American High School Students - Sports Edition," and the National Dean's

List are invited to nominate one teacher from their academic experience to be named for honors themselves.

Linda Salisbury is married to Bill Salisbury. The couple have twin sons, William and Jonathan Salisbury. Mr. and Mrs. Salisbury reside in Martin. Mrs. Salisbury says that she is "truly honored and truly happy about being selected" for this distinction.



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850-Personal

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LOOKING FOR A GUY that new Draxie that worked at the Coleman Restaurant in 1961. He came to Hellier at Elkhorn and gave her a matchbox. You know what was in the box. Please call 281-389-6306 and leave number and message.

NOTICE OF INTENTION

LEGALS

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. 4060 1.

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.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Floyd County School System, 106 Front Avenue, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet proposing to place a modular classroom unit in the flood plain at Prestonsburg Elementary, located on North Lake Drive, approximately 0.2 mile southeast of the intersection of Rte. 1428 and Rte. 114, being on the east side of Route 1428 and the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River, in Floyd County, KY. Said location having a latitude of 37°40'12.78"N and a longitude of 82°46'24.74" W. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, KY 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5438 RENEWAL

(1) In accordance with 405 KAR 350.055, notice is hereby given that The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, 544 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has applied for renewal of an underground coal mining operation, located 0.8 mile northwest of Blue Moon in Floyd County. The operation includes 17.71 surface acres and underlies 518.0 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary is 535.71 acres.

(2) The operation is approximately 0.4 mile southeast from KY 2030's junction with Gunstock Branch Road, and located on Gunstock Branch. The latitude is 37°30'47". The longitude is 82°42'40".

(3) The operation is located on the Harold and McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area is owned by Eddie L. Kidd, Walker & Ruby Gayheart, Albert & Lackie Stephens, The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, Ola B. & Bee Halbert, James Wilson McKinney, Huber Lawson, Lowell Thomas Carroll, Kenny & Janet Greer, Steve & Phyllis Hall, Marion Roberts Estate, Harry & Phyllis Lawson, Clyde Greer, Donald & Lois Adkins, Elmer & Phebe Case, Edgar & Lucinda Kidd, Beverly Wright, Charles & Dorothy Meade Heirs, Michael & Rita Hancock, John & Ethel Elliott, Robert Anthony and Dale Kidd, Dwayne & Sue

Carroll, Ivan & Ethel Carroll, Johnny & Sally Meade Heirs, Norma Jean Mature, Martha Yates, Cecil & Martha Hunter, Douglas Gene & Wanda Akers, Anna Mays, Perkins, Brigham & Emalene Roberts, Oscar & Opal June McKinney, Del Wayne McKinney, Ronald Spurlock, and Ray & Geraldine Spurlock.
(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, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE PERMIT NO. 836-0300 INCREMENT NO. 13

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Motts Branch Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 2765, 436 Daniels Creek Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, has applied for Phase 1 bond release on permit number 836-0300, Increment No. 13, which was last issued on 7/7/03. The application covers an area of approximately 848.67 acres, located 2.9 miles northeast of Hueysville, in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 1.5 mile northwest from Ky. Rte. 2029's junction with KY Rte. 7, and located in Salyers Branch and Racoon Branch of Saltlick Creek, Mudlick Branch, and Shepherd Branch of Brush Creek. The latitude is 37°30'45". The longitude is 82°53'57".

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 13 is a certificate of deposit, cash amount, and a bond pool type in the amount of \$64,500.00. Approximately sixty (60) percent of the original bond amount in the amount of \$64,300.00 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, and seeding to achieve the approved post mining land use, which was completed in September 2004. Results thus far achieved are: area is stable and the post mining land use has been established.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by July 5, 2005.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for July 6, 2005, at 9:00 a.m., at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by July 5, 2005. This is the final advertisement of the application.

Independent Auditor's Report

January 14, 2005

To the Mayor and Members of the City Council
City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

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

In our opinion the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, as of June 30, 2004, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 14, 2005, on our consideration of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 2 through 6 and 30 through 35, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky's basic financial statements. The supplementary information on pages 36 through 40 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. These statements on pages 36 through 40 have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relations to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Stephens & Lawson, PSC

**CITY OF PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY
COMBINING STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - COMPONENT UNITS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004**

	Prestonsburg Park Board	Mountain Arts Center	StoneCrest Golf Course	Total
Expenses:				
Recreation:				
Archer Park	\$383,625	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 383,625
Mountain Arts Center	-	1,414,399	-	1,414,399
StoneCrest Golf Course	-	-	1,050,717	1,050,717
Total Expenses	383,625	1,414,399	1,050,717	2,848,741
Program Revenues:				
Charges for Services	125,684	915,180	729,949	1,770,813
Operating Grants and Contributions	-	20,033	-	20,033
Capital Grants and Contributions	-	-	-	-
Net Revenue (Expense)	(257,941)	(479,186)	(320,768)	(1,057,895)
General Revenues:				
Motel and Restaurant Tax	210,009	266,140	-	476,149
State of Kentucky Subsidy	-	238,662	-	238,662
Other Income	-	12,228	-	12,228
Lot Sales	-	-	45,000	45,000
Transfers from Primary Government	-	-	40,000	40,000
Interest Income	127	2,991	128	3,246
Total General Revenues	210,136	520,021	85,128	815,285
Change in Net Assets	(47,805)	40,835	(235,640)	(242,610)
Net Assets, Beginning	65,681	714,451	372,910	1,153,042
Prior Period Adjustment	(14,147)	(145,813)	(20,179)	(180,139)
Net Assets, Ending	\$3,729	\$609,473	\$117,091	730,293

**CITY OF PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY
COMBINING STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS-COMPONENT UNITS
JUNE 30, 2004**

	Prestonsburg Park Board	Mountain Arts Center	StoneCrest Golf Course	Total
ASSETS				
Current Assets:				
Cash	\$ 44,263	\$415,154	\$123,977	\$583,394
Investments	-	74,497	-	74,497
Inventories	-	-	98,322	98,322
Accounts Receivable, Net of Allowance for Bad Debt	-	16,447	-	16,447
Other Current Assets	-	1,500	-	1,500
Total Current Assets	44,263	507,598	222,299	774,160
Non-Current Assets				
Fixed Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	118,042	245,620	115,602	479,264
Lots for Sale	-	-	200,000	200,000
Total Non-Current Assets	118,042	245,620	315,602	679,264
Total Assets	\$162,305	\$753,218	\$537,901	\$1,453,424
LIABILITIES				
Current Liabilities				
Accounts Payable	\$ 7,568	\$ 70,843	\$ 73,402	\$151,813
Refundable Deposits	-	1,463	-	1,463
Advanced Ticket Sales	-	62,737	-	62,737
Due to City of Prestonsburg	151,008	8,702	347,408	507,118
Total Current Liabilities	158,576	143,745	420,810	723,131
NET ASSETS				
Invested In Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	118,042	245,620	115,602	479,264
Unrestricted (Deficit)	(114,313)	363,853	1,489	251,029
Total Net Assets	\$3,729	\$609,473	\$117,091	\$730,293

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)

Transfers To Other Funds	(263,000)	(40,000)	(285,111)	(588,111)
Transfers From Other Funds	285,111	263,000	-	548,111
Proceeds of Loans	120,000	-	-	120,000
Sale of Assets	130,615	-	-	130,615
Net Other Financing Sources (Uses)	272,726	223,000	(285,111)	210,615
Net Change in Fund Balances	62,812	(13,661,307)	(8,647)	(13,607,142)
Fund Balances Beginning of Year	562,379	14,245,654	310,989	15,119,022
Prior Period Audit Adjustment	112,049	-	57	112,106
Fund Balances End of Year	\$737,240	\$584,347	\$302,399	\$1,623,986

Reconciliation of the net changes in fund balances - total governmental funds to the change in net assets of governmental activities:

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of activities are difference because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures while governmental activities report depreciation expense to allocate those expenditures over the life of the assets:
Capital asset purchases capitalized 14,930,323
Depreciation expense (849,749) 14,080,574

Loan proceeds are reported as financing sources in government funds and thus contribute to the change in fund balance. In the statement of net assets however, issuing debt increases long-term liabilities and does not affect the statement of activities. Similarity, repayment principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but reduces the liability in the statement of net assets.
Capital lease proceeds (120,000)
Principal repaid on Debt 69,686 (50,314)

Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities \$423,118

**CITY OF PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES—
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004**

	General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUE				
Fire District Tax	\$198,127	\$ -	\$ -	\$198,127
Hotel and Restaurant Tax	-	-	342,931	342,931
Insurance Tax	575,719	-	-	575,719
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	20,213	-	-	20,213
Property Taxes	401,541	-	-	401,541
911 Telephone Fee	-	-	96,643	96,643
Occupational and Business License	1,536,767	-	-	1,536,767
Other Licenses and Permits	215,695	-	-	215,695
Franchise Fees	60,858	-	-	60,858
Base Court Revenue	13,798	-	-	13,798
Intergovernmental	695,586	474,737	248,311	1,418,634
Interest Income	1,661	160	3,291	5,112
Reimbursements	50,160	-	-	50,160
Rental	9,370	-	-	9,370
Charges for Services	558,310	-	8,883	567,193
Donations	-	-	25,051	25,051
Mountain Top Project Reimbursement	390,000	-	-	390,000
Other Revenue	32,801	42,869	26,975	102,645
Total Revenue	4,760,606	517,766	752,085	6,030,457
EXPENDITURES				
General Government	1,986,716	-	55	1,986,771
Police Department	828,697	-	12,741	841,438
Fire Department	808,641	-	1,047	809,688
Public Works	1,074,074	-	-	1,074,074
Dispatch	211,595	-	106,920	318,515
Code Enforcement	57,522	-	-	57,522
Recreation	3,275	-	12,218	15,493
Streets	-	-	12,434	12,434
Capital Outlay	-	14,402,073	-	14,402,073
Tourism	-	-	330,206	330,206
Total Expenditure	4,970,520	14,402,073	475,621	19,848,214
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	(209,914)	(13,884,307)	276,464	(13,817,757)

**CITY OF PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2004**

	General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS				
Cash	\$ -	\$ 999	\$302,399	\$303,398
Investments	164,523	-	-	164,523
Receivables:				
Taxes Receivable	533,834	-	-	533,834
Tourism Commission	36,597	-	-	36,597
Notes Receivable	-	-	37,329	37,329
Due from Component Units	507,117	-	-	507,117
Construction in Progress	-	583,348	-	583,348
Total Assets	\$1,242,071	\$584,347	\$339,728	\$2,166,146
LIABILITIES				
Cash Overdraft	64,559	-	-	64,559
Accounts Payable	77,135	-	-	77,135
Payroll Taxes and Withholdings	263,137	-	-	263,137
Due to Tourism	100,000	-	-	100,000
Deferred Revenues	-	-	37,329	37,329
Total Liabilities	504,831	-	37,329	542,160
FUND BALANCES				
Reserved for Capital Projects	-	584,347	-	584,347
Reserved Fund Balances	-	-	302,399	302,399
Unreserved Fund Balances	737,240	-	-	737,240
Total Fund Equity	737,240	584,347	302,399	1,623,986
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$1,242,071	\$584,347	\$339,728	\$2,166,146
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Assets are different because of the following:				
Property Taxes Receivable not collected within sixty days are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.				56,291
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds				
Deferred Revenues as they relate to property taxes receivable			(56,291)	
Long-Term Obligations			(821,804)	(878,095)
Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation, used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds except for construction in progress reported in the Capital Projects Fund				22,885,782
Net Assets of Governmental Activities				\$23,687,964

The financial statement prepared in accordance with KRS 424.220 is available for public view in the City Clerk's Office located at 200 North Lake Drive. Citizens may obtain a copy of the complete auditor's report for duplication costs of \$0.10 per page.

hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by July 5, 2005. This is the final advertisement of the application.

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 bid can be altered by written addendum and that verbal communications from whatever source are of no effect.

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1 Full Size Heavy Duty Pickup Truck
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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.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 836-5470

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, 544 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for a permit for an underground mining operation, located approximate-

ly 0.23 mile northeast of Orkney, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 15.15 acres of surface disturbance, and will underlie an additional 1,011.85 acres, making a total of 1,027.00 acres within the total permit boundary.

The proposed operation is located 0.23 mile northeast from State Route 122's junction with Spewing Camp Branch Road, and located 0.2 mile north of Spewing Camp Branch.

The proposed operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Nicholas Cooley and Mary Anderson. The permit area will underlie land owned by Kennel Dye, Rabon and Millie Dye, Millie Hall Estate, Mary Jane Anderson, Jimmy R. and Diana Conley, Brenda Johnson, Anita Stumbo, Curtis and Pamela Sword, Richard Stumbo Estate, Polly Howell Estate, Progress Land Corporation, The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, Ster-

lition Gayheart, Ed Moore Estate, Day Gayheart, Ivan and Shirley Moore, Ted Moore, Prophet Moore Estate, Willard Moore Estate, Jake Cooley, Bertha Short, Donald and Brenda Howell, Jerry F. Howell, Edgar and Leviathan Jones, JRM Coal Co., Inc., Tracy and Linda Frasure, Randall and Judy Frasure, Deanie and Kathryn Frasure, Elvie and Jane Collins, Bethel and Avellene Gayheart, Bill Mosley, Carl and Patricia Mosley, Green and Hellen Gayheart, and Bert Newman.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5465

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Mason Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 2864, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, has applied for a permit for an underground coal mining operation, located 2.2 miles east of Emma, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 3.63 surface acres, and will underlie 130.38 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 134.01 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 2.2 miles southeast from Ky. Rt. 194's junction with Ky. Rt. 1428, and located on Cow Creek. The latitude is 37°38'07". The longitude is 82°39'27".

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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