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Luv manager's lawsuit dismissed

by TOM DOTY
Staff Writer

PRESTONSBURG — A lawsuit against a mobile home sales chain filed by one of its former managers, who was fired after killing an alleged intruder on company property, has been dismissed.

Michael Kirk shot and killed Ronnie "Tom" Dillion, who was allegedly broke into one of the model homes at Ivel Luv Homes lot where Kirk was manager. According to a complaint filed by Kirk, he was told when he was later fired that he was being dismissed for bring a weapon to work.

Kirk filed the complaint six weeks ago against CMH of Kentucky, which responded last week with a letter saying that the lawsuit should be dismissed because it was improperly served.

Judge Danny P. Caudill heard the matter Friday in circuit court and ruled that the suit be dismissed because it was never served against the company's headquarters in Louisville.

The Kirk Law Firm, which represents Michael Kirk, responded Monday by filing its own motion, in which they claim that they were never apprised of the

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briefs

Mine owners fined for violations

by TOM DOTY
Staff Writer

PIKEVILLE — Operators of C&C Mining Inc., which operates the a mine in Hueysville, were ordered to pay a $58,000 fine on Monday after having been found guilty of not following proper safety procedures.

The ruling was handed down by United States District Judge Danny C. Reeves at the U.S. Courthouse in Pikeville following charges brought against the company after an investigation by officers of the Mine Safety and Health Administration.

Agents of C&C, Clark and Carl Johnson, appeared before Reeves to accept their sentence after being found guilty of not providing a proper ventilation plan for the mine, as well as failing to require water service in case of fire to the mine's fire suppression system.

Punishment for the crime includes a three-year probationary period for the company and a mandatory special assessment penalty of $250.

photo by Tom Doty

Tuesday was the first day of summer, and many youngsters cooled off by taking a dip in the Archer Park swimming pool. The forecast for the rest of the week calls for continued sunshine and rising temperatures, capping off around 90 degrees by the weekend.

New state laws go into effect

by JOE BIESK
Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Kentucky law enforcement officials are hopeful that new legislation requiring people to show picture IDs and sign their names when buying medication containing pseudoephedrine will become a useful instrument in their arsenal against methamphetamine.

"Without controlling pseudoephedrine, it's going to be really hard to get our arms around the meth problem," said David James, head of the Kentucky Bureau of Investigation — an arm of the attorney general's office. "Now that we have some controls on the pseudoephedrine, it will help law enforcement across the state better protect the citizens."

The law went into effect Monday. It requires that medication containing pseudoephedrine — a key ingredient in meth — be kept behind counters and that only pharmacists or technicians sell them. Private purchases are capped at no more than 9

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Auctions held for two businesses

by MARY MUSIC
Staff Writer

PRESTONSBURG — Two restaurants seized by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in April are getting facelifts.

Restaurant operators from Floyd, Johnson and Martin counties turned out Thursday for content auctions at BLK Enterprises, also known as the Red Light Diner, and the Pizza Palace Fun Center in Prestonsburg.

Buyers purchased equipment, inventory, fixtures and miscellaneous items from the Red Light Diner at an auction hosted on the premises by American Way Realty auctioneer Jim Gambill.

Local businessman Kenny Pennington, owner of the Hillbilly Market and the Highlands Center complex on Route 321, purchased the Pizza Palace Fun Center. Pennington said yesterday that he expects opening of his new restaurant, Hillbilly Pizza, on July 1.

Operations ceased at the businesses in April, after they were seized by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court. The businesses collectively owe $131,666.96 in 1999 state

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Trial date set for woman accused of hiding teen

by TOM DOTY
Staff Writer

PRESTONSBURG — A Maytown woman who is accused of hindering law enforcement efforts to find a missing teen will go to trial in September.

Sabrina Blakeman, 39, will face charges of hindering an investigation and endangering the welfare of a minor for sheltering a teen girl who was found at her Maytown home last March, after the child was reported missing for four days.

The Floyd County Sheriff's department visited Blakeman after getting a tip from the child's father. They found several teens at the residence, even though it was a school day, and asked if the missing teen was among the

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Today

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Group urging locals to give a 'second chance'

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- More than 80,000 Americans are currently on the organ sharing waiting list.
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- Transplantable tissues include bone, cartilage, skin, corneas, heart valves, saphenous veins, tendons, and ligaments.
- Acceptable donors range in age from newborn to senior citizens.
- One donor can provide organs, bone, and tissue for nearly 50 people in need.
- KODA pays all costs related to organ and tissue transplantation.
- An organ donor's body is not disfigured by organ or tissue removal. Open casket funerals can still be performed.
- For more information, visit www.kyorgandonor.org.

by MARY MUSIC
Staff Writer

PRESTONSBURG — The Second Chance Volunteers, working with the Kentucky Organ Donor Association, met last week at the Mountain Arts Center to go over plans for the National Transplant Games, which will be held in Louisville.

The tournament, hosted by the National Kidney Foundation, is held to "show the world that transplantation works," said Charlotte F. Wong, educational coordinator for KODA.

Wong said participants from all over the world, including city council member and kidney recipient Don Willis, will compete in Louisville for titles in all major world sports.

It is an emotional time, Wong said, particularly when organ donor families, those whose deceased loved ones are now helping organ recipients live, walk through the stadium during the opening ceremony.

Second Chance is currently boosting an initiative to raise money to pay for athletes to attend the tournament. They are are teaming up with a national fundraiser, selling arm bracelets, modeled after those pushed by Lance Armstrong, with "Donate life" written in

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Dotson looks to bring training home

by MARY MUSIC
Staff Writer

PRESTONSBURG — For five years, honor guard instructors have been traveling to Florida and California to provide training to fire and police department officials. Now, one of the group's members intends to bring the training to Floyd County.

Prestonsburg Fire Chief Gary Dotson returned to Prestonsburg on Flag Day, June 14, from a week-long honor guard training class in Riverside, Calif. Dotson, a director for the Association of Honor Guard Instructors, performed more than 300 military funerals at the Arlington National Cemetery during his service with the "Old Guard" in Washington, D.C., in the 1980s.

He joined three other instructors in Riverside this month to teach fire and police personnel the basics of honor guard procedures.

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Officials held honor guard training for fire and police officials in California this month. The training will be available in Floyd County this year. Pictured are Ron Dorsy, Manatee County EMS, Steve Coffin, Sarasota Fire Rescue, Prestonsburg Fire Chief Gary Dotson, and Adam Ronstalt, Corona Police Department.

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Odds & Ends

■ LONDON — British potato farmers are getting steamed over the use of the term "couch potato."

A group of about 30 farmers demonstrated outside Parliament Monday to publicize their bid to remove the term from the Oxford English Dictionary, arguing that the description of slothful TV addicts harms the tuber's image.

The Oxford English Dictionary defines the term "couch potato" as "a person who spends leisure time passively or idly sitting around, especially watching television or video tapes."

The British Potato Council says the phrase makes the vegetable seem unhealthy. It wants the expression stripped from the dictionary and replaced in everyday speech with the term "couch slouch."

"The potato industry are fed up with the disservice that 'couch potato' does to our product when we have an inherently healthy product," said Kathryn Race, head of marketing at the British Potato Council.

John Simpson, chief editor of the Oxford English Dictionary, said the expression first appeared in the 1993 edition.

"Inclusion is based on currency of the term rather than on the basis of what people want us to put in the dictionary," he said. "When people blame words they are actually blaming the society that uses them."

■ FREMONT, Neb. — Jerry Wedergren and Joanne Todarello McComb have gotten married — 53 years after they first became engaged.

Wedergren, of Fremont, and Todarello McComb, who grew up in Grove City, Pa., first met in 1951 at a dance in Washington, D.C., when she worked for the government and he was stationed at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Bethesda, Md.

They dated and became engaged in June 1952 in Long Beach, Calif., where Wedergren was stationed aboard the USS Toledo.

Separated during the Korean War, Joanne broke the engagement, and both married other people in the 1950s and had children.

Joanne's husband, Thomas McComb, died in 1997. Wedergren's wife, Patricia, died in 2000 in Fremont.

Lonely after his wife's death, Wedergren decided to search for Joanne and he eventually found her in New Jersey. They talked frequently by telephone, and in August 2001 they met in Omaha, though Joanne was slow getting off the airplane.

"I said to myself, 'By God, she got cold feet,'" Wedergren said. "She was the last one off the plane."

In June 2002, 50 years after their first engagement, they set another wedding date. They would have married earlier, they said, but they knew Joanne would lose her government pension if they had. A change in federal law erased that worry, and they made wedding plans. The ceremony was Friday.

"He's still that same, sweet gentleman," Joanne said. "I think this is something that should have happened. I'm thrilled it finally did."

■ WEST DES MOINES, Iowa — A man who police say took restaurant managers to the cleaners over fake dry cleaning bills has been arrested and authorities wonder how many times the alleged scam worked.

Michael Bagwell, who was using the alias Mark Laskowski, carried his dry-cleaning bill to seven suburban Des Moines restaurants earlier this month, police said.

Bagwell went into the Lone Star Steakhouse the first week of June and told the manager that his wife had been in the week before and that a waitress had spilled iced tea on her. He presented a dry cleaning bill for $25.90 and the restaurant's manager, Nicole Graham, apologized and paid the bill.

She became suspicious when Bagwell couldn't remember the ZIP code for his home address, so she watched out the window as he left and saw him go across the road to Famous Dave's Bar-B-Que, where he asked the manager to pay the bill.

Bagwell was arrested June 4 after police received calls from Lone Star Steakhouse and Famous Dave's. Police found 14 fake dry cleaning bills in his car, along with identification cards with Bagwell's photograph and four other names.

The investigation also has spread to Illinois, Georgia and Louisiana.

Police said Bagwell also told officers his name was Mark Matherne, the name of a man released from a Georgia jail in 2004. Bagwell was charged with theft, perjury and stealing Matherne's identity.

■ CHICAGO — It sounds like the ultimate recipe for road rage: A ticket for parking at a meter that was installed after you park your car.

But that's what happened in Chicago last week, where a handful of motorists returned to their vehicles and found parking meters — and tickets — that weren't there when they parked.

According to a spokeswoman for the city's revenue department it was all just an innocent mistake. Efrat Dallal said the vehicles were parked on a stretch of roadway where the meters were temporarily removed during street construction. Then, she said, the meters were put back and the vehicles parked in front of them were ticketed.

But some motorists wondered if that was the case after at least one of the tickets was apparently postdated several hours after it was placed on a car.

"The city is strict enough in its parking restrictions already," said Vince Tessitore. "Chicago gets plenty of revenue ticketing people by legal means without having to be deceptive."

Police department spokesman Dave Bayless said the department employee, whom he said is a traffic aide and not a sworn officer, said she mistakenly put the wrong date on the ticket.

Whatever happened, none of those ticketed on that short stretch of West Illinois Street last Tuesday night will have to pay up, Dallal said.

■ HANOI, Vietnam — All that glitters is not ... edible ?

A restaurant in Vietnam's capital has been ordered to stop putting gold into its meals until authorities test the metal's purity and consult with experts about potential health risks, the official newspaper Vietnam News reported Monday.

Gold isn't on the Health Ministry's list of necessary nutrients, nor is it listed as an approved spice or food additive, the report said.

The Kim Ngan Ngu Thien, or "golden feast," restaurant opened in January, offering dishes mixed with small amounts of gold, which it claimed enhanced the food's nutritional value.

In Asian nations such as India, Japan and China, gold has long been regarded as a restorative or as a treatment for diseases such as smallpox, skin ulcers and measles. In Japan, gold foil is added to tea, sake or food.

However, evidence of the metal's effectiveness is largely anecdotal and official health bodies such as the U.S. Food and Drug Administration do not support such claims.

Despite the lack of medical proof, owner Nguyen Phuong Anh's restaurant has attracted about 100 diners a day since its opening, the paper said. The sparkly metal isn't gratis, however. Gold comes with a 15 percent surcharge.

■ UNICOI, Tenn. — A couple here celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary the same way they did in 1955 — with the father of the bride presiding over the ceremonies.

Edward and Barbara Schell renewed their vows in front of Barbara's father, William Blanding II. Blanding turned 99 in January.

"Well, we feel pretty lucky," Barbara said after Saturday's ceremony. "People change so much over the years, but we've been able to face the compromises."

The elder Blanding has been an ordained minister in the Methodist church for more than 80 years, and is one of the longest-serving Methodist ministers in the country. He began preaching at 17 and got his first ministry in 1930.

Edward and Barbara met in 1954 at Michigan State University at a campus function.

"We've been lucky," she said. "I think luck has a lot to do with it."

■ TAHOE CITY, Calif. — Some people want to turn their back on the city's 80-year-old Fanny Bridge.

The bridge, which derives it name from tourists who lean over to view fish below, is in its last stage of life and probably is beyond repair, said Jennifer Hannum, associate transportation planner for the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency.

"I would like to keep the bridge," Hannum said. "But it doesn't look like that's going to happen."

The two-lane Highway 89 bridge spanning the Truckee River is one of the most congested areas at Lake Tahoe. About 15,600 cars cross the bridge daily and that number soars to 26,500 at peak periods. Pedestrians add to the problem.

The bridge could eventually be closed to either motorists or pedestrians under options being explored by agency officials. They also are considering building a highway bypass to reduce traffic in the area.

"Fanny Bridge has 10 years of life in it," Hannum said. "It's probably beyond repair, no matter if there's a bypass or not."

■ FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. — Cumberland County authorities arrested a man who they say found a fertile spot to grow some illicit herbs — his grandmother's garden.

Cornelius Shaw, 30, is charged with manufacturing marijuana that he allegedly grew in his grandmother's backyard, the sheriff's department said Sunday. He was arrested at her house Friday and was freed on $3,000 bond.

An off-duty sheriff's deputy discovered the weed patch when he was at a yard sale.

Tom Zilg glanced into the yard next door and spotted what investigators later established was 25 marijuana plants with a street value of $25,000, according to a department news release.

Investigators said Shaw told his grandmother he was growing tomatoes, and she had no idea what he was really up to.

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The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, June 22, the 173rd day of 2005. There are 192 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On June 22, 1945, the World War II battle for Okinawa officially ended; 12,520 Americans and 110,000 Japanese were killed in the 81-day campaign.

On this date:

■ In 1611, English explorer Henry Hudson, his son and several other people were set adrift in present-day Hudson Bay by mutineers.

■ In 1870, Congress created the Department of Justice.

■ In 1911, Britain's King George V was crowned at Westminster Abbey.

■ In 1938, heavyweight boxing champion Joe Louis knocked out Max Schmeling in the first round of their rematch at Yankee Stadium.

■ In 1940, during World War II, Adolf Hitler gained a stunning victory as France was forced to sign an armistice eight days after German forces overran Paris.

■ In 1944, President Roosevelt signed the Readjustment Act of 1944, more popularly known as the "GI Bill of Rights."

■ In 1969, singer-actress Judy Garland died in London at age 47.

■ In 1970, President Nixon signed a measure lowering the voting age to 18.

■ In 1987, actor-dancer Fred Astaire died in Los Angeles at age 88.

■ In 1993, former first lady Pat Nixon died in Park Ridge, N.J., at age 81.

Ten years ago: House and Senate Republicans announced agreement on a compromise seven-year budget-balancing plan that would cut taxes by $245 billion and slow spending for Medicare, Medicaid and dozens of other programs. Riot police stormed a hijacked jumbo jet in Hakodate, Japan, freeing all 364 people on board and capturing a lone hijacker.

Five years ago: The state of Texas executed Gary Graham for the 1981 killing of a man in a holdup outside a Houston supermarket; Graham insisted to the end that he was innocent. Independent Counsel Robert Ray ended his investigation of the 1993 firings in the White House travel office, issuing no indictments but saying he'd found "substantial evidence" that First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton played a role in the dismissals.

One year ago: Islamic militants beheaded Kim Sun-il, a South Korean hostage who'd pleaded for his life in a heart-wrenching videotape; he was the third foreign hostage decapitated in the Middle East in little over a month. A federal judge approved a class-action sex-discrimination lawsuit representing 1.6 million female workers against Wal-Mart. Mexican newspaper editor Francisco Ortiz Franco was shot to death in Tijuana. Former President Clinton's memoir, "My Life," was officially released. Child poet Mattie Stepanek, a prominent voice for muscular dystrophy sufferers, died in Washington, D.C., at age 13.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Ralph Waite is 77. Singer-actor Kris Kristofferson is 69. CBS News correspondent Ed Bradley is 64. Actor Michael Lerner is 64. Fox News correspondent Brit Hume is 62. Actor Klaus Maria Brandauer is 61. Singer Peter Asher (Peter and Gordon) is 61. Actor Andrew Rubin is 59. Actor David L. Lander is 58. Singer Howard "Eddie" Kaylan is 58. Singer-musician Todd Rundgren is 57. Actress Meryl Streep is 56. Actress Lindsay Wagner is 56. Singer Alan Osmond is 56. Actor Murphy Cross is 55. Actor Graham Greene is 53. Actor Chris Lemmon is 51. Actor Tim Russ is 49. Rock musician Garry Beers (INXS) is 48. Actor-producer-writer Bruce Campbell is 47. Rock musician Alan Anton (Cowboy Junkies) is 46. Actress Tracy Pollan is 45. Rock singer-musician Jimmy Somerville is 44. Rock singer-musician Mike Edwards (Jesus Jones) is 41. Actress Amy Brenneman is 41. Actress Paula Irvine is 37. Rock singer Steven Page (Barenaked Ladies) is 35. TV personality Carson Daly is 32. Rock musician Chris Traynor (Helmet) is 32. Actor Donald Faison is 31. TV personality/actor Jai Rodriguez is 26. Actress Lindsay Ridgeway is 20.

Thought for Today: "To understand is hard. Once one understands, action is easy." — Sun Yat-sen, Chinese statesman (1866-1925).

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Auctions

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and federal taxes. Kuss filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy on March 8 and individual Chapter 13 bankruptcy on April 6. Her former attorney, Toyray Adams, later filed a motion to dismiss the bankruptcy, arguing that it was filed as an emergency and that his services were retained to resolve Kuss' tax debts.

U.S. Bankruptcy Trustee Phaedra Spradlin, who did not return inquiry calls, filed a motion to convert the Chapter 11 bankruptcy to Chapter 7, allowing the governmental seizure, on April 13. Spradlin argued that Kuss did not provide proof of insurance, failed to set up "Debtor in Possession" bank accounts and failed to appear for her Initial Debtor Conference on March 29. Kuss filed an objection to the seizure, making allegations against her attorney, who withdrew from the case.

Kuss' objection to the auctions and a renewed motion to dismiss the case was submitted at a U.S. Bankruptcy Court hearing prior to the sale Thursday. Barbara Curtin Kenney, attorney for the Finance and Administration Cabinet, said in a subsequent response that that dismissal of the case would be unfair because "it is time for creditors to be paid and cut our losses."

"Rebecca Spegal's (sic, but signed Rebecca S. Kuss) 2003 and 2004 Kentucky Individual Tax returns shows no wages/salaries on line 7 and no dividends on line 9 from BLK Enterprises Inc.," Kenney wrote. "Only rents in the amount of $24,000 to herself to pay the mortgage(s) are shown on her tax returns. She and her husband (not the corporation) are the legal owners of the real property. Partnership incomes of $273 (2004) and $1,515 (2004) are shown for this entity. If all she can do by owning the three corporations is to pay rent to herself to pay the mortgages, then these are not viable businesses which can repay their creditors."

Kenney, responding to Kuss' argument that she was trying to repay the debt, wrote, "given her [Kuss'] past history with the Commonwealth, there will be no pay agreements with these three businesses.

M. Clark Jesse, a Taxpayer Services Specialist II in the Division of the Department of Revenue, filed an affidavit about the tax account of BLK Enterprises for the purpose of this hearing. Jesse said the restaurant was listed in "OSCAR," a computer system used by the Department of Revenue's Division of Collections that contains delinquent taxpayer cases, on May 10, 2002. Jesse said that Kuss, who signed taxes as Becky Spegal, informed the Department of Revenue that the business never operated and that the accounts were closed on July 19, 2002. The business reactivated on June 4, 2003, Jesse swore, and has remained in OSCAR since that time.

U.S. Bankruptcy Court filings indicate that an auction of the equipment, inventory, fixtures, and miscellaneous items of the Hock Shop will be sold on the premises of the Court Street Bingo Parlor next month. Guns, hunting and sporting equipment and miscellaneous items will be sold on July 2. Musical instruments, electronics, appliances and miscellaneous items will be sold on July 9. Tools, jewelry and miscellaneous items will be sold on July 16.

Spradlin and Kuss did not return inquiry calls. Bob Deprez, who works with a mortgage company for Kuss' Red Light Diner property, was unavailable for comment.

Gambill would not disclose the amount of money collected during the auctions.

Laws

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grams, which is about 300 tablets, per month. It does not apply to the liquid and gel forms of the drug.

The bill also would make it a felony for someone to make meth with a child nearby. And anyone caught with at least two ingredients or pieces of meth-making equipment could be convicted of meth manufacturing.

The legislation was one of 158 new laws — from the official demise of public campaign financing to a designated state beverage — that the 2005 Kentucky General Assembly created. The bulk of them took effect Monday.

While authorities are looking at the new meth law as a way to get the upper-hand on drug manufacturers, some people are bracing for what they consider an unnecessary intrusion into their personal privacy.

Being able to track who is buying large quantities of drugs containing pseudoephedrine could prove to be a valuable law enforcement tool, James said. It will allow police and other investigators to monitor who is buying the drug and where, he said.

But Beth Wilson, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union in Kentucky, said there are not "appropriate checks and balances" to guard against abuse of the new system. Better safeguards are needed to ensure the information is viewed only for legitimate law enforcement reasons, Wilson said.

"We have never been a country that supported a fishing expedition by law enforcement, and that's exactly what this does," Wilson said.

Other states that have implemented similar laws, such as Oklahoma, have witnessed up to a 40 percent reduction in the presence of meth labs, Kentucky State Police Commissioner Mark Miller said. That kind of benefit outweighs any personal privacy issues, Miller said.

"Security always requires some inconvenience and it requires some concessions in terms of ultimate privacy," Miller said. "But I don't see this as being an abridgment of their privacy at all."

Mac Bray, a pharmacist and owner of the Medicine Shoppe in Frankfort, said he moved the medication behind the counter a couple of weeks ago. So far, it hasn't posed a problem and customers have had "very little" reaction to the new rules, he said.

"It's not been a big deal," Bray said.

Mike Bradley, who owns a grocery store without a pharmacy in nearby Stamping Ground, said he expects to lose about $15,000 in sales per year. The law unfairly excludes grocers from being able to sell the product, Bradley said. Now customers will be forced to buy pseudoephedrine in neighboring towns, he said.

"It's unfair competition," Bradley said. "If they had just banned it from the whole state, then we all would have been on a level playing field."

Among the other laws that took effect Monday were:

■ Milk is now Kentucky's official state beverage.

■ Certain documents pertaining to homeland security are now exempt from public disclosure under the state's Open Records Act.

■ Kentucky's public financing of gubernatorial campaigns ended. The system was only used in the 1995 governor's race and had not been funded in subsequent years.

■ Electioneering is now banned within 300 feet from voting booths. A federal court struck down Kentucky's previous law outlawing electioneering within 500 feet of voting booths.

■ Public schools will now close on primary election days. Previously, schools closed only on general election days.

■ School boards may now issue high school diplomas to Vietnam veterans who were honorably discharged from the military.

■ Restaurants in Kentucky can't be sued for causing people to become obese.

Trial

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group. The child and Blakeman allegedly lied to the officers and said the adolescent was not at the residence.

Deputy Jeremy Shepherd thought he recognized the missing teen among the group and asked the girl who she was but was given a false name, which Blakeman allegedly verified. Shepherd contacted Prestonsburg High School later and found that the name he had been given matched that of a student who was still in school that day. He went back to Blakeman's home with Sgt. Greg Clark and made the arrest.

Later, Sheriff John K. Blackburn gave a statement about the arrest and included a caveat for adults who may be tempted to lie to officers.

"She [Blakeman] told us that the teen wasn't there," Blackburn said. "It's never a good idea to lie to a police officer conducting an investigation, especially when children are involved."

Dismissed

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Friday court date.

Their response includes affidavits from the attorneys for Kirk and copies of the letters sent out by the Paintsville firm, Tinker and Spurgeon, which is representing CMH. They claim that they didn't receive the letters informing them of the court date until Friday and that by then it was too late to attend the hearing, which was held at 9 a.m. They further note that the letters that were sent were dated for June 15 by the postage machine used by Spurgeon and Tinker but that the letter itself states that it was mailed June 14.

The response from the Kirk Law Firm has asks Judge Caudill not to implement any ruling on the matter until they have a chance to respond to it. They further state that they have an argument ready and request a new hearing be scheduled so that they can argue the merits of their case.

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English and Spanish.

The bracelets, which cost $2, are available for clubs and civic organizations to sell. All proceeds benefit "Team Kentucky" and the money raised in this area will be divided between the people who attend from this area, Wong said.

Second Chance is also selling a "Second Chance Cookbook," compiled by organ donor families, recipients and affiliates of KODA. Nearly 500 recipes have already been submitted for the book, and several more are on the way, Wong said.

The book also serves as an educational tool, with organ donation information scattered throughout. The cookbook, priced at $10 will go on sale in October, in time for holiday shopping, Wong said.

Second Chance will also raffle off a five-day Carnival Cruise this Christmas Eve. The prize includes a "premium level cabin for two," valued at $1,700, and $500 spending money. The winner can upgrade the prize package to a seven-day cruise, Wong said. Tickets, which are on sale now, are $10 and available through Second Chance Volunteers.

Those wanting additional information about purchasing or selling these fundraising items can also contact Wong at (859) 278-3492.

Following these announcements, members continued the meeting Thursday with a volunteer network training session. Attendees learned how to raise awareness about organ donation through giving or participating in presentations at schools, churches, or other organizations. Wong travels all over the state to give day-long presentations and said she's always looking for organ donor recipients who would tell their stories.

Pikeville resident Andy Blackburn, a former Kentucky West Virginia Gas employee, says he would not be alive today had he not obtained his kidney transplants.

Blackburn, who has a hereditary kidney disease, received his first transplant in 1990 and another in 1998.

"When you've been on dialysis for a couple of years, that's your low point," he said. "It's something that keeps you alive. The transplant gives you a new outlook on life. Somebody lost their life to give me life."

Blackburn said he struggled through dialysis five hours a day, three days a week prior to his transplant. He thanks his organ donor regularly, on behalf of himself, his new life, and his family. His daughter was 10 years old at the time of his first transplant.

Wong said when she started with KODA four years ago, there were 420 people on the organ donor waiting list in Kentucky. Now, she says, more than 680 people are waiting.

"The numbers are growing," she said. "We've got to do more to spread awareness."

One area needing more communication revolves around the question about who is eligible to be a donor, Wong said. People routinely believe that they are too old or take too many medications to donate their organs. With medical advancements surfacing every day, Wong said people should, "Let the doctors do their job and let's talk about donation today."

KODA operates two transplant centers in Louisville and Lexington.

"We are the only procurement agency for the entire state of Kentucky," Wong said. "Ninety-five percent of our job is to place and procure organs ... You all know why. We've got to do more to save lives."

The next Second Chance meeting is scheduled for July 26 at 6 p.m. at the MAC.

Training

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The training allows these individuals to form their own honor guards that are used in a "dignified and respectful manner" at patriotic events, memorial or funeral services, and parades.

Dotson said honor guard services give family members and departments the venue to pay their final tribute and respects to the fallen men or women. Students in Riverside learned how to properly execute the appropriate honors for fallen firefighters or police officers.

Those participating learned flag etiquette, how to march, how to properly carry a casket and how to conduct the three-volley tribute which utilizes guns as opposed to the 21-gun salute that uses military cannons to recognize specific military ranks. They also discussed burial customs and traditions that surround different religions.

The class, held at the Ben Clark Public Safety Training Center, ended with a mock funeral at a Riverside cemetery.

Dotson said area police, fire, and rescue personnel have expressed an interest in having the training in Floyd County.

Dotson, who has taught the class in Florida for the past five years, will travel to Florida this year to pick up a casket donated by Bruce Sessler, of Roberts Funeral Home. That casket will be used for training in Floyd County.

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Guest View

Get serious about identity theft

We're hearing more and more about personal financial information falling into the wrong hands. Usually, it is hackers breaching the computers of companies handling our valuable financial data. Sometimes, financial identities are stolen, costing victims an average of about $1,200 and 600 hours to repair. Much of the time, damage is limited to a few fraudulent charges on stolen credit cards.

Late last week, MasterCard International announced that 40 million credit card numbers — including MasterCard, Visa, American Express and Discover cards — had been stolen from CardSystems Inc., one of the companies that processes merchant requests for credit card authorization. It was, by far, the largest such breach to date. ChoicePoint, LexisNexis, Time Warner, Bank of America, the University of California Berkeley, Boston College and a host of other institutions have fallen victim to scammers, hackers or worse.

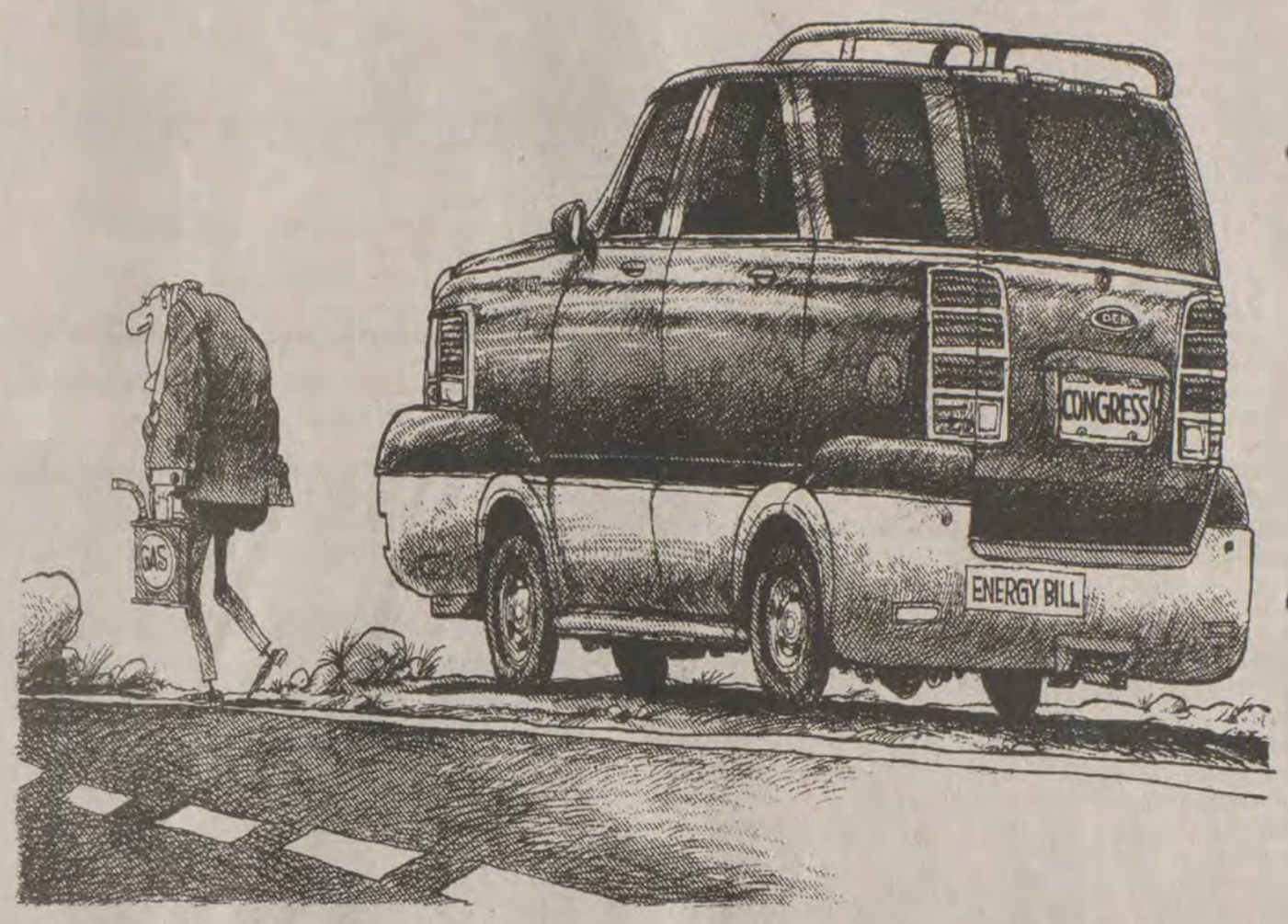
In the case of the Tuscon processing center for CardSystems, MasterCard International says 68,000 accounts have had fraudulent charges posted on them. CardSystems discovered the breach on May 22. It occurred late last year. No other personal data, such as Social Security numbers or addresses, were taken.

While banks are held accountable under federal law for breaches to their systems, third-party companies such as CardSystems, which only processes the transaction between purchaser, merchant and the card-issuing bank are not covered. Further, once a credit card number has been stolen, the safest way to stop further use is for a bank to issue a new card. But that costs banks about $35 per card. In the case of the CardSystems breach, replacing all 40 million cards would cost banks more than $1 billion. Banks figure that since few compromised numbers are used by hackers and other criminals, the cost isn't worth it, so they simply pass the costs to merchants.

With nearly 10 million Americans falling victim to identity theft a year, Congress has stepped in with modest privacy legislation, but most of the tough measures have come from the states, particularly California. The state allows all residents to freeze their credit, which blocks everyone — including the individual — from seeing credit reports until the block is released. Also, it was California law that required ChoicePoint and LexisNexis to notify consumers of the theft of their financial information. California clearly has done a good job of protecting consumers' privacy. But some of the responsibility falls to individuals. Privacy rights experts say consumers should reduce the amount of mail coming into their homes containing account numbers and the like. Shred just about any thing with your name, address and account numbers. And safeguard Social Security numbers.

Meantime, consumers must keep pressure on Congress to prevent — or at least reduce the risk of — identity theft. As we are constantly reminded, our financial data and thieves ability to steal it, aren't stopped by state lines.

— The San Diego Union-Tribune



Capitol Ideas

State government still churning, despite personnel investigation

by JOE BIESK
Associated Press

FRANKFORT — While an ongoing attorney general's investigation into Gov. Ernie Fletcher's administration's hiring practices occupies some attorneys and information technology employees, state government seems to be plugging away at its usual pace.

Taxes are still being collected, checks are still going out and roads are still being built. Even the state attorney general's office is still going about its other business — such as monitoring consumer fraud, investigating drug dealers and rendering open records opinions.

"We've done everything we can to keep this from distracting us," Fletcher told reporters last week.

Attorney General Greg Stumbo began the investigation last month, looking into whether the administration based hirings within the state Merit System on politics rather than applicants' qualifications. The system is supposed to be free from political influence.

A special grand jury in Franklin County last week indicted three top Transportation Cabinet officers — acting Secretary Bill Nighbert, Deputy Secretary Jim Adams and Commissioner Dan Druen — on misdemeanors. They won't be arraigned until next month. Each faces allegations that he conspired to have the cabinet's deputy inspector general fired because he was a Democrat.

Fletcher has charged that the entire investigation is based on politics and has claimed it's targeted at the 2007 governor's race. Stumbo has disputed Fletcher's claims.

But Fletcher says he's tried to keep his administration focused on fulfilling its daily operations.

"Obviously we're concerned because we have worked to bring a change of culture to Frankfort," Fletcher said. "Certainly that's caused some concerns that we've had with this investigation. But there's no question it requires a bit of manpower."

Still, aside from attorneys — many of whom were hired specifically to handle the probe — and a handful of employees directly involved in the investigation, most other government employees' duties seem unhindered.

For instance, Fletcher has been making public appearances throughout the state, and signing proclamations and executive orders. Earlier this month, he appointed his former general counsel John Roach to the Kentucky Supreme Court. Then Fletcher snatched Chief Justice Joseph Lambert's former chief of staff, Jim Deckard, to replace him.

At the Transportation Cabinet, the agency that's been at the center of the investigation, administrators are trying to move forward, spokesman Doug Hogan

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Letters

Paving trail an outrage

Down here in North Carolina, 600 miles from the greatest state, I am outraged for my fellow Kentuckians.

If I were a novelist instead of a nonfiction writer, I could possibly understand why the culprits are weaving a plot to eradicate the name of our most renowned pioneer, Daniel Boone.

First, it was changing the name of the Daniel Boone Parkway. I dissented at the time. Now comes the paving of the Little Shepherd Trail, where Boone trekked close by Pine Mountain. Paving over such a rustic, gorgeously scenic, geographically ideal place is, in a word, insane, without logic.

I admit the personal part — help it get there, wrote about it, even went to Harlan and environs and made speeches about this wonderland.

Let's stand up against this type of opportunism and/or plain ignorance.

If I'm over-reacting, I'm glad.

If I'm wrong, I'm gladder.

Paul R. Jordan
Youngsville, N.C.

Thumb prints would improve licenses

I am writing in reference to The New York Times article of May 4, 2005, printed in the Nation section of The Courier-Journal. This article stated that the U.S. Congress was very close to passing a supplemental appropriations bill for Iraq, to which an unfunded federal mandate for state driver's license bureaus would be attached. This mandate would set very strict rules for all state motor vehicle departments in their issuance of driver's licenses and photo IDs.

A reference was made to the high cost ($500 million) of adopting these measures nationally. Well, the good news for Kentucky taxpayers is that the cost to our state should be minimal. Kentucky has already adopted virtually every stipulation set forth in the bill. This is an issue on which Kentucky has been in the forefront, almost as a model for other states. We have been fighting for years to bring about the changes needed to secure this vital sector of our bureaucracy. Capturing and holding digital images, proof of address, verification of social security number, proof of citizenship, and for legal aliens setting the expiration of their license or photo ID to coincide with the expiration of their INS authorization to be in this country are all measures already in place in Kentucky.

It seems to me that the next step we make must be a move to take advantage of the improved technology available to us. For instance, thumb print scans have proven to be extremely reliable in identifying an individual. Widespread use of this system would virtually eliminate identity theft, when the theft is of a preexisting record. It would also serve as a deterrent to terrorists. Delay in implementing this and other new technologies is based on reluctance by all parties to incur the initial cost of conversion, especially so in what are already lean budget years. This is why I believe the federal government should subsidize these programs under the terms of the Patriot Act. It is clear to me that these expenditures would very quickly be offset by the relief given to merchants and customers who have losses every year from fraud and theft that number in the billions of dollars.

However, we must remember that the technological sword cuts two ways. The criminals also have access to improved

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Protesters face coal association president with slurry dinner

The Associated Press

LEXINGTON — About 175 protesters assembled at a park in Lexington to protest a coal industry practice known as mountaintop removal, and at one point offered a dinner of coal slurry to the state coal association's president.

The protest was organized by Mountain Justice Summer at Triangle Park, and was highlighted by a speech from Patsy Carter, whose daughter was killed in May 2000 in a crash with an overweight coal truck.

"She was taken from me out of greed," Carter said. "I will fight for the rest of my life" to keep overweight coal trucks off the roads, she said.

Carter was one of about 20 speakers at the 90-minute rally.

The protesters were met by 150 people connected to the coal industry who had gathered outside the office of the Kentucky Coal Association to support mountaintop removal mining.

A comical moment occurred when four of the protesters decided to confront coal association president Bill Caylor.

In April 2004, during an event at the University of Kentucky, Caylor said there was nothing toxic in the 300 million gallons of coal slurry that flooded streams in Martin County in 2000. Caylor said that he would eat the coal waste to prove that it was only dirt.

Some of the protesters made up a dinner of the slurry, taken from Martin County, and took it to Caylor Friday. Caylor took a tiny bit of the slurry and touched it to his lips.

Caylor later said the slurry was bland. "It's no more than dirt," he said. "They allege it's toxic, but it's not."

Mountain Justice Summer — a coalition of environmental groups from Kentucky, Tennessee, West Virginia and Virginia — is staging numerous nonviolent protests this summer to press for abolition of mountaintop removal coal mining.

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Obituaries

Adis Irva Stamper Akers

Adis Irva Stamper Akers, age 88, of Vevay, Indiana, widow of Everett Akers Sr., formerly of Martin, passed away Saturday, June 18, 2005, at the Swiss Villa Living Center, in Vevay, Indiana.

She was born February 17, 1917, in Jackson, the daughter of the late Burt Stamper and Ellen Lucas Stamper. She was former Welfare Case Worker for the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include three sons: Donald Akers of Florida, Lonnie Akers of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Everett Akers Jr., of Martin; one daughter, Linda Bergen of Vevey, Indiana; two brothers: Walter Stamper and Harlow Stamper, both of Ashland; nine grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Samuel Burt Stamper.

Graveside memorial service for Adis Irva Akers will be conducted Thursday, June 23, at 11 a.m., at the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. (Paid obituary)

JoAnn Crider Livingston

JoAnn Crider Livingston, 66, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, June 19, 2005, at the Prestonsburg Healthcare Center.

Born August 12, 1938, in Johns Creek, she was the daughter of the late Woodman Crider and Marie Crider Goble. She was a retired prison guard for the state of Florida; and a member of the Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Walt Livingston.

Survivors include two brothers: William Jacob Crider and Charles A. Crider, both of Prestonsburg; and nieces and nephews: Debra Lynn Stanley, Mark Crider, Connie Carr, Randi Jarrell, Randy Crider, Lorie Foley, Ricky Crider, Mandy Jefferson, and Brandy Fitzpatrick.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a brother, Randall Crider.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, June 22, at 11:30 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Roger Music officiating.

Burial will be in the Salyers Cemetery, at Middle Creek, in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Oscar Cole

Oscar Cole, 71, of West 9th Street, Ashtabula, Ohio, ded Wednesday, June 15, 2005, at University Hospital of Cleveland.

He was born January 3, 1934, in Floyd County, the son of the late Arthur Lee and Myrtle (Tackett) Cole, and had been a resident of the Ashtabula Harbor since 1951.

He loved to spend time with his family and grandchildren, and enjoyed playing cards, hunting, and Cleveland sports, especially the Browns and Indians.

Survivors include two sons: Michael (Rhonda) and Ronnie (Wilma), both of Ashtabula; one daughter, Sharon (Greg) Newsome of Ashtabula; a daughter-in-law, Patty Cole of Ashtabula; 13 grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren; three sisters: Alma Gayheart of Ashtabula, Wanda Aumend of Florida, and Pearl Waltari of Washington; and two brothers: James Foster Cole of Washington, and Frank Cole of Ashtabula.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Elaine (Vance) in 1997; one son, Oscar Duane Cole; one grandson, James Dean Cole.

Services were held at 10 a.m., Saturday, June 18, at the Pentecostal Church of God, 2201 Cook Road, Ashtabula, with Rev. Kenneth Roberts officiating.

Burial was in Saybrook Cemetery, under the direction of Ducro Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Obituary available at www.ducro.com (Paid obituary)

Geraldine Marie Watson

Geraldine Marie Watson, died Thursday, June 16, 2005, in Henderson, Nevada.

She was born in Van Lear, Johnson County, December 19, 1917, the daughter of Thomas and Grace Vanhoose Watson. She was a longtime resident of Salt Lake City, Utah, where she was employed by Western Savings and Loan.

She is survived by her brother-in-law, Lynn Burr of Henderson; a sister-in-law, Lillian Watson of Paintsville; and her nieces and nephews: Linda Findlay, Jeffery L. Burr, Rodney T. Burr, Tracy West, Amy Kirk and their spouses; a niece, Marsha Heedrick, her spouse, and two children of North Carolina; and 25 great nieces and nephews, of Henderson.

She was a kind, loving and generous lady, who will be greatly missed.

She has donated her body to the University of Utah, School of Medicine.

Arrangements, were handled by Palm Mortuary. (Paid obituary)

Thomas J. Fannin

Thomas J. Fannin, 53, of Findlay, Ohio, passed away at Birchaven Retirement Village, Findlay, on Sunday, June 19, 2005, following an extended illness.

Born on July 24, 1951, in West Prestonsburg, he was the son of the late Thomas E. and Melda S. (Baldridge) Fannin.

He is survived by his twin sister: Mable D. (Shane) McCullogh, of McComb; and sisters: Sue (Jerry) Sheldon of McComb, Wyn (Tom Scarberry) Preston, and Amber (Jon) Opperman, both of Findlay; and brother John (Lynn) Preston of Ashland. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews, and great nieces and nephews.

He was a graduate of Findlay High School in 1970. Tom worked many years for Blanchard Valley Hospital in the maintenance and dietary departments. He was a member of Trinity Baptist Church. He enjoyed making bracelets, playing guitar and drums, and was in several bands when he was younger. He also enjoyed jokes, and making people laugh with his impersonations of Jerry Lewis, Richard Nixon, John Wayne, and everyone's favorite, Elvis.

Visitation was held Tuesday, June 21, from 2-4 and 6-8 pm at Routson Funeral Chapel, and will be held on Wednesday June 22, from 9-10 a.m., with services immediately following the morning visitation. Graveside services will be held at Trinity Memorial Cemetery, Findlay, with Michael Thompson officiating.

In lieu of flowers, please make memorial donations to the Greater Northwest Ohio Diabetes Assn. Inc., 200 W. Pearl St. Findlay, OH 45840.

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Rati "Dude" Stumbo

Rati "Dude" Stumbo, 91, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, June 16, 2005, at her residence.

Born March 28, 1914, in McDowell, she was the daughter of the late David and Peggy Gayheart McCown.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Judge Henry Stumbo.

Survivors include one son, Jack Stumbo of Prestonsburg; a daughter, Yvonne S. Jones of Prestonsburg; a sister, Edith Judd of Waverly, Ohio; three grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by three brothers: Claude McCown, Bert McCown, and John McCown; and three sisters: Niza Ward, Verlie Tuttle, and Catherine.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, June 19, at noon, at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Chuck Hall officiating.

Entombment was in the Lucy Hall Cemetery, in McDowell, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Active pallbearers: Stan Stumbo and son, Dale Stumbo, David H. Stumbo, Brett and Mike Mccormick.

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Ashland Salisbury

Ashland Salisbury, 89, of Langley, died Friday, June 17, 2005, at his residence.

Born November 11, 1915, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late George B. and Mae Moore Salisbury. He was a retired Kentucky West Virginia Gas Co. employee, a U.S. Army World War II veteran, a member of D.A.V. Chapter 128, at Garrett, and a member of the Wilson Creek Old Regular Baptist Church.

He is survived by Joyce Dudley Salisbury, his wife of 55 years.

Other survivors include two sons: Harold Salisbury of Langley, and Tony Salisbury of Prestonsburg; three daughters: Judith Halbert of Langley, Sherry Shepherd of Allen, and Renee Salisbury of Langley; two brothers: Dempsey Salisbury of Findlay, Ohio, and Haster Salisbury of Parkman, Ohio; a sister, Tava Terry of Langley; 13 grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three sisters: Havel Ison, Harriett Lawson, and Anna Mae Taylor.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, June 19, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial was in the Moore Cemetery, Turkey Creek, Langley.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

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Zola Campbell Gayheart

Zola Campbell Gayheart, age 80, of Garrett, widow of Joe Gayheart, passed away Monday, June 20, 2005, in Richmond.

She was born May 30, 1925, in Mousie, the daughter of the late Sam Campbell and Birdie Gibson Campbell. She was a retired clerk for Campbell Store at Garrett, and a member of the Garrett First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her son, Bob L. Gayheart of Richmond; two sisters: Lucille Francis of Garrett, and Erma Triplett of Kendallville, Indiana; and three grandchildren: Adam Gayheart of Frankfort, Joseph Tyler Gayheart of Hawaii, and Whitney Elizabeth Keogh of Lexington.

Funeral services for Zola Gayheart will be conducted Thursday, June 23, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Clergyman Randy Osborne officiating.

Burial will follow in the Campbell Family Cemetery, in Mousie, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

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THE FAMILY OF BETTY ELAINE HALL

Card of Thanks

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

THE FAMILY OF GWENDOLYN MARTIN BARNETT

Card of Thanks

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

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Turner announces grant for Middle Creek Battlefield Cemetery

FRANKFORT — State Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, D-Drift, announced Monday that the Middle Creek National Battlefield Cemetery in Prestonsburg will receive a $2,730 federal grant for maintenance work.

The Middle Creek Battle, fought in January of 1862, was the largest and most significant Civil War battle fought in Eastern Kentucky. Eastern Kentucky was politically divided, but Confederate feeling in the region ran high enough for it to be considered a Confederate sanctuary. The Battle of Middle Creek effectively ended the Confederacy's first bid to gain control of the region, and Floyd County and the Upper Big Sandy Valley remained a no-man's land for the duration of the war.

For Kentuckians the Middle Creek battle was a poignant example of neighbor against neighbor. During the battle, Floyd County men fired volleys at each other, charged each other's lines, and engaged in hand-to-hand combat on the steep hillsides above the Forks of Middle Creek.

The battle's outcome brought national attention to the Union commander and called into question the military competence of the Confederate commander. Former Ohio State Senator James A. Garfield would use his success at Middle Creek as a stepping stone to the White House; Kentucky politician and Mexican War hero Humphrey Marshall soon found Confederate authorities questioning his military judgment.

The area where the cemetery is located was referred to as "Graveyard Point" during the Middle Creek battle. The cemetery is located near the intersection of KY 114 and KY 2555.

Turner thanked Gov. Ernie Fletcher for making the federal funds available. "This cemetery represents a historical landmark in Eastern Kentucky," Turner said. "This money will allow the Middle Creek National Battlefield Foundation to conserve the battlefield area."

Frank Fitzpatrick, founder and president of the Middle Creek National Battlefield Foundation Inc., said these funds enable the Foundation to maintain and preserve the integrity of an important historic cemetery.

The Middle Creek National Battlefield Foundation is a nonprofit organization that focuses on the interpretation of the battlefield. Fizpatrick said the funds will bring the cemetery up to a more presentable condition. The money will be used for general maintenance, to clear falling trees and to clean and reset the monuments.

The cemetery contains the burial site of U.S. Rep. John Langley, who served in Congress from 1907-1926, and Revolutionary War soldier John Fitzpatrick, ancestor of Frank Fitzpatrick.

Prosecutor notes that job recommendations aren't the problem

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Simple recommendations for state government jobs are proper and not the reason behind a special grand jury examination of Fletcher administration personnel practices, the prosecutor leading the investigation said Monday.

The grand jury met for its fifth day Monday and heard from two state technology officers and Gov. Ernie Fletcher's former receptionist.

"There's nothing illegal about making a recommendation," said Scott Crawford-Sutherland. "It's a question of preselecting certain individuals based on the political affiliation of certain individuals."

Administration and Kentucky Republican Party officials have accused Attorney General Greg Stumbo of pursuing the investigation for his own political ends and pointed out that Stumbo wrote job recommendations for people while he was in the Kentucky House of Representatives.

Stumbo's investigation is looking into whether the administration based hirings within the state Merit System on politics rather than applicants' qualifications.

The state created the Merit System in 1960 after decades of periodic turnover in state government that accompanied changes in gubernatorial administrations. The system requires job decisions be made on the basis of qualifications and forbids decisions based on age, race and gender, as well as political affiliations.

Crawford-Sutherland also provided some defense of the special grand jury, which was impaneled just two weeks ago and has already indicted three top Transportation Cabinet officials for conspiring to fire the agency's deputy inspector general.

Lt. Gov. Steve Pence last week said the grand jury is a tool of the prosecutor.

Crawford-Sutherland noted that the grand jurors were called for duty and chosen at random. "These are 12 citizens whose names I don't even know," Crawford-Sutherland said after Monday's proceedings. "They are being very diligent."

Acting Transportation Cabinet Secretary Bill Nighbert, Deputy Secretary Jim Adams and Commissioner Dan Druen were each indicted on three misdemeanor charges and are scheduled to be arraigned July 12. Fletcher has said they will remain on the job, including making personnel decisions.

Fletcher's office late last week said it had discovered a compact disc of hundreds of job recommendations received by the governor's office from 1996 to 1998 during Paul Patton's term. Crawford-Sutherland said he would review the material but noted that personnel violations are general misdemeanors and must be prosecuted within a year.

Mike Inman, commissioner of the Commonwealth Office of Technology, and Mark Rutledge, executive director of infrastructure for the office, were among the witnesses to appear before the grand jury Monday. Both were in the grand jury room for more than 30 minutes and declined to comment on their appearances.

Also appearing was Tula Prewitt, Fletcher's former receptionist. Prewitt now works in the Commerce Department. She appeared briefly before the grand jury and then accompanied Crawford-Sutherland and her lawyer to meet with a judge. That practice has been followed by grand jury witnesses who have acknowledged invoking their right against self-incrimination.

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Dwale Homecoming fund raiser, 2005

The Dwale Homecoming fund raiser, 2005 will be held July 8th, at the Dwale shelter, at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome. Bring a pie and join the fun.

Lewis Family Reunion

To be held June 25, at the Pines Building, Jenny Wiley State Park. Call Harold Lewis, at 297-5114 for more information.

Auxier Lifetime Learning Center Kid's Summer Camps

Quilting Camp - June 20-24, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; learn to make a pillow and lap quilt.

Sewing Camp - July 18-22, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; learn to make your own purse.

Fee: $10; most supplies and a snack provided.

More info., call 886-0709.

Camps for ages over 8; limit 12 per class.

Jarrell Family Reunion

Will be held Sunday, July 3, at the Mountain Christian Academy School gym, from 9 a.m to 4 p.m. All relatives and friends are cordially invited to attend. Please bring own drinks.

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 throughout 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 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.

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 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 at Christ United Methodist, Allen

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

ACHS Class of '95

It's been ten years, classmates! And a reunion is being planned for the weekend of August 13. Please email the planning committee at: rebelsclassof1995@hotmail.com or, contact Amy Adams Osborne at 358-2947 or Misty Lynn (Bush) Isaac at 358-9184 if you are interested in attending or have questions or ideas to share.

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: phs_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.

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: dochallparsons@charter.net.

Over 50? Need a friend?

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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.

Interested in new job training?

Are you a senior citizen on a fixed income struggling with soaring medical bills and living expenses? Could you use some extra spending money but don't know how to get back into the workforce?

If you are at least age 55, the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) may be able to help. Earn extra money, learn new skills, and help your community at the same time! To find out more, call: 886-2929.

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. EDP classes are also held at the Mullins Learning Center, in Pikeville, on Tuesdays, from 4:30-8:30 p.m. Contact Andy Jones at 606-788-7080, or 800-443-2187, ext. 186, or Linda Bell, at ext. 160 to make an appointment.

GED classes are also available.

Floyd County Extension Homemaker Club Meetings

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

"Looking For a Support Group?"

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

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

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

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

•**US TOO! Prostate Cancer Survivors Support Group** - For all men with prostate cancer and their families. Group meets the 3rd Thursday of each month, at 6 p.m., at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville.

•**Community Weight Loss Support Group** - Meets Thursday's at 6:30 p.m., at the Martin Community Center. For more info., call 377-6658. Those who have had gastric bypass surgery most especially welcome to attend. Meetings being offered as support to anyone needing extra support in dealing with weight loss.

•**Domestic Violence Hotline** - 24-hour Crisis Line manned by Certified Domestic Violence counselors. Call 886-6025, or 1-800-649-6605. Remember, "Love Doesn't Have to Hurt."

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

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Road builder warns of higher prices for blacktop, gravel

The Associated Press

PIKEVILLE — A road building company is warning officials in eastern Kentucky to be ready for a major increase in the cost of asphalt and gravel after the defeat of legislation that would have allowed trucks to haul heavier loads.

In a memo sent to county officials, Mountain Enterprises president Philip Annis warned of the price increases, citing the high cost of diesel fuel and the defeat of House Bill 8, which would have increased the weight limit for trucks hauling gravel and other natural resources.

"When this bill was defeated, freight rates skyrocketed," Annis said. "In some cases, rates have doubled."

In Floyd County, the cost of gravel increased this year by more than $4 to $13.95 a ton, according to bids opened Friday. In Pike County, bids on hot-mix asphalt increased by $6.85 a ton to $34.95 a ton in some areas, records show.

Floyd County magistrates at Friday's meeting were not pleased, "but there's nothing we can do," said clerk Brandy Kidd.

Based in Lexington, Mountain Enterprises Inc. is the state's largest road contractor. The company, owned by Leonard Lawson, also supplies gravel, blacktop and paving services to most mountain counties.

Former Inez Mayor Mickey McCoy said the Mountain Enterprises memo appeared to be an attempt to justify cost increases while urging county officials to back passage of the bill in the next session of the General Assembly.

"I call it Lawson's Law," said McCoy, a member of Kentuckians for the Commonwealth. "It looks like Mountain Enterprises is going to get its money, one way or another. Instead of being held hostage by one road contractor, however, maybe our county judges ought to start pressuring the legislature to start looking for a new source of blacktop and gravel for eastern Kentucky."

Annis cited increases in the cost of other fuels and ingredients as factors in the price increases, but his memo appeared to focus on the impact of the defeated legislation.

If prices fall and stabilize, Annis wrote, "we will gladly reduce our prices accordingly."

Letters

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technology. What were once expensive, hi-tech color photocopiers, scanners, and software programs are now widely available to any layman. As a result, extremely fine quality counterfeit documents are freely circulated every day. Some of these documents would challenge a trained FBI expert to separate the authentic from the false. This clearly exceeds the scope and skill level of most drivers' license personnel.

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Tony Miller
Jefferson County Circuit Court Clerk
Louisville

Ideas

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said.

"I think it has been a distraction obviously," Hogan said. "But the emphasis and the focus from the secretary on down has been full speed ahead with the various projects throughout the state."

Currently, agency officials have a "significant amount" of road projects in the pipeline and are working to improve highway safety, Hogan said. The investigation has been limited to the agency's legal team, Hogan said.

Other agencies reported similar experiences.

Mark York, a spokesman for the state's Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet, said the investigation has not had any effect on the agency.

"We're still issuing mining permits, air quality permits. We're still doing inspections," York said.

Even the attorney general's office is keeping up with its workload, despite the investigation, spokeswoman Vicki Glass said. The Kentucky Bureau of Investigations still investigates public corruption, Medicaid and welfare fraud and illegal drug activity, Glass said.

"The investigation has caused no interruption in the investigations, prosecutions and other services this office provides for Kentucky's citizens," Glass said.

State Auditor Crit Luallen's office has loaned out one of its technology experts to the attorney general's office, spokesman Jeff Derouen said. But auditors continue their daily jobs, and continue auditing each of Kentucky's 120 counties, and any other special examinations, he said.

"I can think of no situation outside of a disaster, like a tornado or something, that would keep the professional auditors from continuing to do their jobs," Derouen said.

For Fletcher, he says the administration is "very, very focused" and intent on moving beyond the investigation.

"Kentucky has tremendous potential, and a lot of it has been missed in the past because of political bickering," Fletcher said. "I'm going to do everything I can to keep political bickering from stopping the progress that we're making. And we've been making very good progress."

Joe Biesk is a statehouse reporter for The Associated Press.

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Health Extra

Medicaid budget looms out of control again

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Kentucky's Medicaid program, which has threatened to careen out of financial control in recent years, is facing another huge shortfall next year, officials said.

Dr. James Holsinger, secretary of the Cabinet for Health and Family Services, on Monday blamed the federal government for a big chunk of the estimated $675 million shortfall expected in the coming fiscal year.

The state's portion of that cost would be about $215 million.

Medicaid shortfalls have come regularly in recent years as the number of people on the state-federal program for health care services has risen steadily along with the cost of medical care.

"We are now facing a true Medicaid crisis in Kentucky — one that requires us to look at every option available to us to preserve Medicaid for the neediest, most vulnerable people we serve," Holsinger said.

"We are examining every option in the hope of avoiding potentially painful changes to the Medicaid program," he said. "We must have an open discussion about the situation now facing Medicaid."

Holsinger said cutting services or the number of people eligible would be the last resorts to balance a Medicaid budget. Adding co-payments — charging Medicaid recipients a fee for some of the services — is a likely option, Holsinger said.

The agency will review services Kentucky offers that are not mandated by federal rules, such as dental, vision, hearing and some mental health coverage. Holsinger said the state will not stop paying for prescriptions, which also is optional. At about $800 million, that's the most expensive part of the program.

State Sen. Julie Denton, R-Louisville, chairwoman of the Senate Health and Welfare Committee, said she has been briefed about the problem.

Denton said she understands that Medicaid's problems worry people who depend on it. "It's a scary proposition," she said.

The $4.7 billion annual program, which pays medical bills for 691,000 poor or disabled Kentuckians and for long-term care for the elderly, broke even this year — barely — thanks to a last-minute $95 million infusion from the state legislature in March.

Advocacy groups say they understand that cabinet officials have little choice, but they remain wary of upcoming changes.

"For someone not to get glasses or proper dental care, that is a quality-of-life issue," said Anne Marie Regan, of the state office of legal services.

She added that even though additional fees of $3 don't sound like much, those costs can mount up quickly for Kentuckians on fixed incomes.

OLW honors Brenda Francis

MARTIN — Our Lady of the Way Hospital recently honored Brenda Francis as the winner of the Waneta P. Newsome Employee Recognition Award.

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Francis is Our Lady of the Way Hospital's financial aid clerk and a self-proclaimed "people person." This title lends itself well to her position and her personality.

Brenda was just 13 when she became a candy striper and first shared her talents with Our Lady of the Way Hospital. In 1997, Brenda began as an employee with Our Lady of the Way Hospital working her first five years in the Registration Department.

"I enjoy my job as financial aid clerk and love helping people," Francis said. "I always want to do my very best for every person I encounter."

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Area's top Little Leaguers set to vie for district titles

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE – Area Little League All-Star teams are busy with practice and preparation for the upcoming District 7 tournaments. The tournaments, back in Paintsville, will feature teams from throughout Eastern Kentucky.

Paintsville Little League, which will field seven teams in district tournament competition, will begin hosting District 7 tournament games on Saturday, July 7. Games will be played within the Paintsville Little League Complex and Charlie Adkins Field, home to the Paintsville High School baseball team.

This year, some divisions will play out their tournaments using pool play. Others will play under the familiar double-elimination format.

The 9-10, 11-12 and 13-14 divisions in baseball will use pool play as teams from Johnson, Morgan, Martin, Magoffin, Floyd, Pike, Knott and Letcher counties try to advance out of district competition.

Pool play has become popular in recent years.

The 9-10 division features three pools. Pool A includes Harold-Allen-Prater, Beaver Creek, Phelps, Magoffin County and Virgie. Pool B has East Ridge, Martin County, Fleming-Neon, Knott County and Prestonsburg. In Pool C, Belfry, Morgan County, Paintsville and Whitesburg will battle for the top spot. The top two teams from each pool will move on to a single-elimination tournament.

In the always competitive 11-12 division, Pool A consists of Virgie, Harold-Allen-Prater, Martin County, Magoffin County and Phelps. Pool B features tournament host Paintsville, Belfry, Prestonsburg and East Ridge. Rounding out the 11-12 division, Knott County, Morgan County, Whitesburg and Fleming-Neon will play out of Pool C.

The 13-14-year-old tournament features 11 teams. The tournament will

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KHSAA slates press conference for today

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – Kentucky High School Athletic Association Commissioner Brigid DeVries will hold a press conference today at 10 a.m. (CT) in the Media Room at Diddle Arena in Bowling Green. An announcement regarding the Leachman Buick & GMC/KHSAA Boys' and Girls' State Golf Tournaments as well as the Houchens/KHSAA Girls' State Basketball Tournament will be made at that time.

Over the weekend, Lexington Christian won the state baseball title with a 7-0 win over defending state champion Christian County.

Attendance for the week also set a record with 14,955 fans passing through the turnstiles over the four days.

Leading 1-0, Lexington Christian posted six runs in the third as it banged out four hits after two were out and made the most out of two errors by Christian County. Jimmy Stanley of LCA went the distance, allowing just three hits while striking out eight and walking just two.

LCA used a two-out single by Kruger in the bottom of the seventh to rally to defeat Owensboro Catholic in the opening game of the tournament. The Eagles then handed Trinity (Louisville) a 5-2 loss in the semifinals to advance to the championship.

Christian County's big bats paced the Colonels to the championship with an 8-2 win over Harrison County in the opening round and then a 6-1 win over Boyd County in the semifinals. The Colonels managed just three hits while committing five errors in the championship loss to Lexington Christian.

A rundown of the tournament honors follows.

First Corbin Financial Corporation Sportsmanship Award: Chris Wade (Lexington Christian).

Fifth Third Scholarships - (One time $530 scholarship each).

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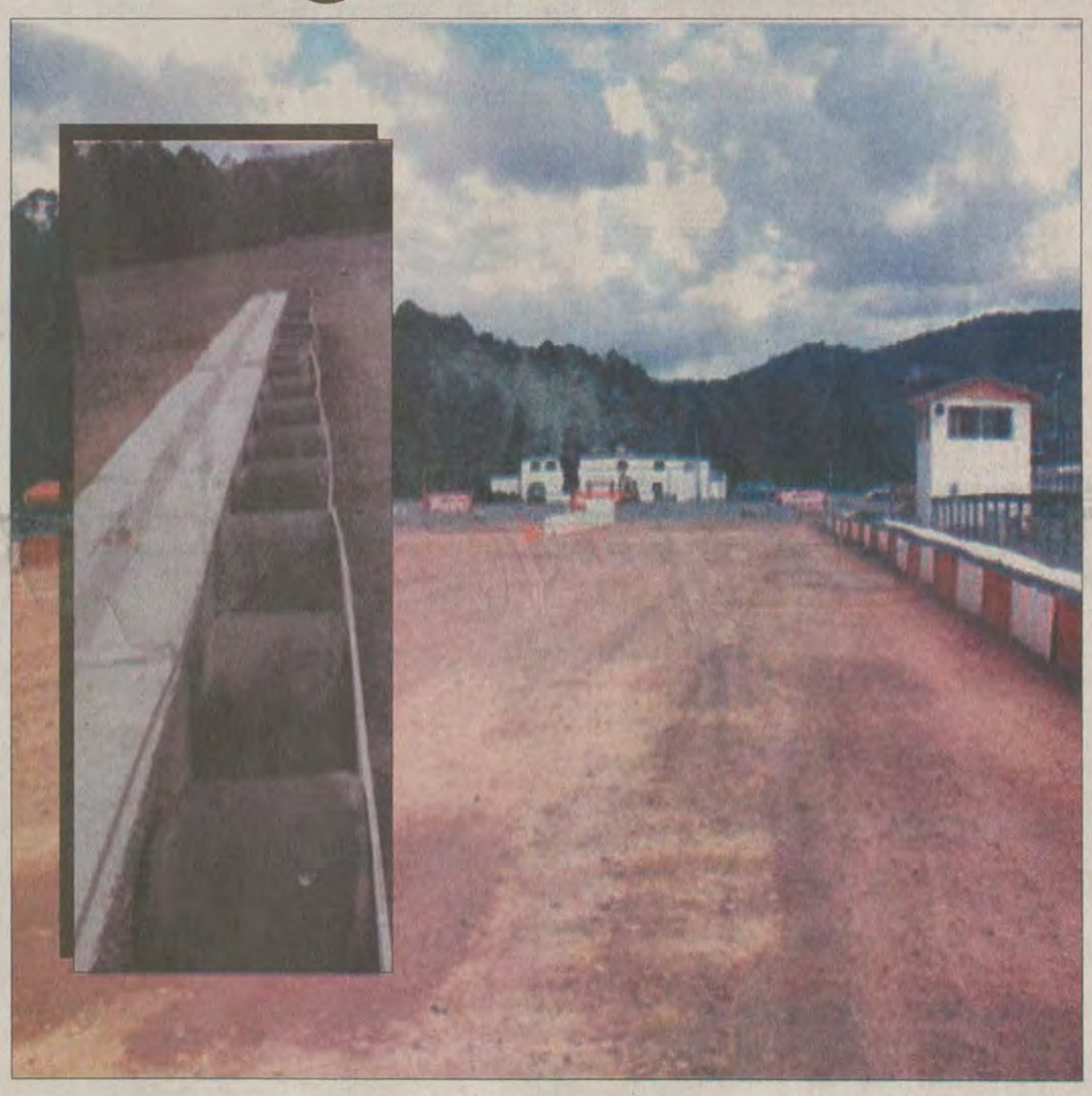
LPR gets even safer



photos courtesy of Lonesome Pine Raceway

Lonesome Pine Raceway has installed safer barriers to its ATV dragway. LPR General Manager Morris Copley continues to stress safety.

ATVDRA introduces effective, inexpensive safer barrier

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

COEBURN, Va. – At Lonesome Pine Raceway, safety is no doubt a top priority.

In an effort to provide a safer racing experience, the ATV Drag Racing Association has worked with Lonesome Pine Raceway to develop an inexpensive safer barrier for use on dirt/sand drag strips. The ATVDRA can now say that they, not the NHRA or IHRA, was the first to develop a solution for their sport that will protect their racers and spectators in a better manner. "NHRA and IHRA continually write rules to slow down technology and the speed of the cars, yet they never address the real problem," said Randy Edley, President of the ATVDRA. The tracks they race on have been around in some cases for 25 years and no updates to the safety of those facilities has ever been attempted. For the first time a drag racing organization has developed and implemented an inexpensive system that will help protect the racer and the spectator in the event of an accident.

"The safer barrier style project began with a discussion of a way to protect quad drag racers and still maintain a concrete barrier for spectator protection. We believe this is more cost effective than metal guard rails and definitely safer than haybails, concrete walls and metal guard rails for the racer that might have an encounter with those other barriers. We would like to thank Morris Copley, General Manager of Lonesome Pine Raceway, for his work in implementing this new barrier."

Since opening, the Lonesome Pine Dragway has seen steady growth with interest and participation from many area ATV drag racers.

Tournament to benefit Multiple Sclerosis

JRT Golf Scramble slated for Friday at StoneCrest

by JAMIE HOWELL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

PRESTONSBURG – Having a family member diagnosed with an unfamiliar disease can take it's toll on any family but for State Senator Johnny Ray Turner, having his wife diagnosed with the disease brought about a much different reaction. "Upon discovering there was no cure for this disease, my daughters and I wanted to find a way to support the research of MS," said Turner. "We began having an annual golf tournament in 2003 and over the past two years, have donated close to $20,000.00 to the National MS Society."

The third annual Johnny Ray Turner Fight "FORE" Multiple Sclerosis will take place on Friday at StoneCrest Golf Course in Prestonsburg. Entry fee is $300.00 per team and includes green fees and lunch. The tournament will be a best ball scramble format with a shotgun start

(See BENEFIT, page two)

UK golfers thrive in summer tournaments

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – A pair of University of Kentucky golfers made strong showings in recent summer tournaments. Junior Cale Barr finished second at the 2005 BellSouth Men's State Amateur in Prestonsburg, while incoming freshman Dan Woltman won his first American Junior Golf Association Invitational at the FootJoy Boys Invitational in Greensboro, N.C.

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Kinzer Motorsports team battles Outlaws at KC Raceway

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ALLEN – The Brandon Kinzer Motorsports Dirt Late Model team traveled to Jim Nier's KC Raceway over the weekend of June 17-18 to compete at the Veterans Appreciation 100. The 100-lap event payid$20,000 to the race winner and a hefty $1,500 to start.

In qualifying, Kinzer put the Barry Wright Chassis ride around the high-banked, 3/8-mile oval with a time of 14.709. Of the 39 cars on hand, Kinzer posted a time good enough for 29th.

Due to qualifying, Kinzer had to make a heat race start near the rear of the field in heat race number one. Unable to make up as many positions as needed, Kinzer fought his way up to the sixth position.

His B-Main efforts proved fruitful. His third place finish was good enough to transfer into the A-Main.

Kinzer went on in the event to start 21st – flanked beside 22nd place starter Keith Berner.

The Floyd County driver went on to pass three cars en route to an 18th-place finish and collected $1,500 for his efforts.

"This was the first time we've raced here in several years." Kinzer said. "Jim Neir has done a lot of work to this

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photo courtesy of Brandon Kinzer Motorsports

Floyd County dirt Late Model driver Brandon Kinzer competed at KC Raceway in Ohio over the weekend.

Settlement reached in Earnhardt case

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON, N.C. – The race team of the late Dale Earnhardt said it reached a settlement with an insurer who had refused to pay the stock-car driver's life-insurance policy, ending a nearly monthlong trial.

Richard Childress Racing had sought $3.7 million from United of Omaha Life Insurance Co., the amount for which the team had insured the popular driver. Terms of the settlement were not disclosed.

The racing team applied for the policy on its star driver shortly before the 49-year-old Earnhardt died in a last-lap crash in the 2001 Daytona 500. The insurance company declined to honor the policy, saying Earnhardt had not taken a required physical.

Judge Kimberly Taylor ruled in favor of the race team June 13 after chastising the insurer for failing to provide key documents in the case. The only remaining issue to decide was how much the insurer would pay the race team.

Kinzer

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place to make it one of the nicer dirt tracks in the country. I just wish that the race track wouldn't of locked down for the feature, our team had a good car."

This weekend, the Brandon Kinzer Motorsports race team will head to the New Thunder Valley in Lawndale, N.C. on Friday for a $4,000-to-win Southern Allstars-East (SAS-E) event and then they head south for Cherokee Speedway on Saturday for another $4,000-to-win SAS-E event.

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Joshua Rodgers (Lexington Christian), Anthony Stacy (Christian County), Brandon Rosen (Boyd County), John McVey (Harrison County).

All-Tournament Team: Jason Franzblau (Trinity (Louisville)), Chris Horn (Trinity (Louisville)), C.J. Wamsley (Boyd Co.), Casey Branham (Boyd Co.), Chase Joiner (Christian Co.), Matt Hunt (Christian Co.), Trey Wheeler (Christian Co.), Korey Colyer (Lexington Christian), Jimmy Stanley (Lexington Christian), Tyler Oliver (Lexington Christian).

Most Valuable Player: Garrie Krueger (Lexington Christian).

Golfers

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Barr led after the second round and finished just two strokes behind Paducah's Rick Cochran with a three-day total of 213 (72-67-74) at StoneCrest Golf Course. The Versailles native tied for second with Bradley Ruch of Louisville.

"I know Cale was disappointed that he didn't win but he played great and he's played great all summer," said UK head coach Brian Craig. "We're excited about having Cale here the next two years to lead this team."

Woltman won the FootJoy Invitational in a sudden-death playoff against Roberto Galletti, Jr. of Clayton, Calif. Woltman and Galletti, Jr. finished the tournament with scores of 10-under-par 278.

With a one-stroke lead heading into No. 18, Galletti, Jr. hit his approach shot barely left of the green leaving him in position to two-putt for the win. Woltman finished with par, and prepared to congratulate Galletti, Jr. However, Galletti, Jr. missed the three-foot putt for par to win sending the two back to No. 18 tee for the sudden-death playoff tied at 10-under-par.

In the playoff, Woltman hit his approach shot 25 feet from the hole in nearly the exact place Galletti, Jr. had his chance to win from during regulation. He two-putted for par while Galletti, Jr. hit into the left bunker off the tee leading to a bogey.

The momentum shifted in Woltman's favor on No. 15 when he walked in a 35-foot putt from the fringe for eagle. Galletti, Jr.'s bogey caused a three-shot swing to tie them at 11-under-par.

"This is a tremendous accomplishment for Dan in one of the premiere junior tournaments in the nation," said Craig. "This falls right in line with what I know Dan is capable of and we're excited to have him on campus in August to help pursue our goal of another Southeastern Conference championship."

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feature six teams in one pool and five teams in another.

In the 15-16 tournament, final preparations were being finalized late last week. Paintsville, Morgan County and East Ridge were the first 15-16-year-old tournament teams entered.

District 7 officials met again Sunday and finalized the schedules for this year's tournaments. Tournament brackets will appear in an upcoming edition.

Changes are coming to Little League baseball.

The Little League International Board of Directors earlier this year accepted a recommendation from USA Baseball to change the league age determination date for its players starting in the 2006 season.

The league age determination date is the age a player has attained as of a specific date, for the purpose of placing the player in a particular division. For more than 55 years in Little League, that date was July 31.

Starting in 2006, the date in all division of Little League Baseball will be April 30 of the current year. The date in all divisions of Little League Softball will be Dec. 31 of the previous year.

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scheduled for 11 a.m. Registration will begin at 10 a.m. Door prizes will be given along with prizes for Longest Drive and Closest to the Pin. Melissa Turner has been the driving force behind the tournament since the first annual event in 2003 and has continued to make the tournament such a success each year.

Any business or individual interested in sponsoring a hole may do so by contacting Melissa Turner at 377-6962.

Cumberland basketball heats up with summer camps

TIMES STAFF REPORT

WILLIAMSBURG – Summertime means school is out and a time to relax, but 32 teams from across the area packed their gym bags to attend the Patriots men basketball team camp at the University of the Cumberlands (Cumberland College) this past week.

There were 14 different schools with about two to four teams per school, making competition that much stronger and challenging. The camp was run on a tight schedule starting on Sunday, June 12th until Wednesday, June 15. On Sunday, the games started at 6 pm and ended the night with a 9 pm game. Monday morning starting at 9 a.m. whistles were being blown and goals were getting shot until 9 pm. From the Rollins Center to Williamsburg High School balls were being rebounded and taken to the hoop. The intramural gym on the campus of the University of the Cumberlands (Cumberland College) was held for the junior varsity teams to play their games. Each game was being run on two 20-minute running clock periods with the clock only stopping at the whistle for one minute. An individual player was dressed out and ready to play when it was time for their team to perform. This year's camp was good in the aspect of the number of team and individual bodies that was there. Teams came from Alabama, Georgia, and Ohio and Kentucky. This year's camp was one of the best and Coach Donnie Butcher believed the camp was ran smoothly and hopes next year there are more teams and more states around attend.

Butcher has been coaching for about 18 years and 16 out of those years have been here in Kentucky. Butcher decided to start doing this team camp about eight years ago with a good reasoning. "One of the reasons we decided to do the team camp was to help us with recruiting," said Butcher.

One of the University of the Cumberlands basketball player's falls as one of Butcher's examples.

"Dave Vance (Barbourville) attended our team camp and it gave us chance to see him and see him play," Butcher added. "But recruiting is not the only reason. Summertime is fun for me; more fun than the season just because the competition atmosphere is gone for the moment."

P'burg Little League All-Star teams announced

by JAMIE HOWELL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

PRESTONSBURG – The teams have now been set and practice is underway for the annual Little League baseball tournaments throughout the area. Prestonsburg Little League has released the names and coaches for the teams that will represent it in the upcoming District 7 tournament.

A rundown of the Prestonsburg teams and coaches follows.

9-10-year-olds: Coaches – Manager Les Stapleton, Coach Dewayne Rodebaugh, Coach Brad Hall. Players: Adam Castle, Aaron Griffith, Adam Griffith, Brett Blankenship, Kaleb Rodebaugh, Trey Stapleton, J.D. Adams, Seaton Hall, Shane Hall, Cody Chaffin, Corey Conley, Tate Goble.

11-12-year-olds: Coaches – Manager Ned Pillersdorf, Coach Janet Stumbo, Coach Bryan Griffith. Players: Adam Crisp, Alex Griffith, Lucas Stewart, Kevin Roman, Kyle Chaffin, Tyler Hall, Caleb Petry, Brian Branham, Nathaniel Fraley, Wilson Allen, Joseph Jamerson, Jaden Spurlock.

13-14-year-olds: Coaches – Manager Darrell Sparks, Coach Denny Ousley, Coach Gary Craynon. Players: Josh Blackburn, Donavan Mullins, D.J. Ousley, Cameron Tincher, Tyler Sparks, Zak Key, Allen Craynon, Seth Setser, Billy Robinson, Austin McKinney, Chris Schoolcraft.

Girls' Softball (11-12): Coaches – Manager Shamron McKenzie, Coach Mike Hackworth

Players: Emma Smith, Kaitlyn Minix, Kalan Wells, Mika Hackworth, Alexis DeRossett, Victoria Hammond, Jessica Lafferty, Madyson Nunnery, Brittany McKenzie, Hannah Walker.

Blackcats to host two-day passing tournament

by JAMIE HOWELL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

PRESTONSBURG – After traveling to Louisville and Lexington in back-to-back weeks, the Prestonsburg Blackcats will stay on their own home turf this week to host a seven on seven passing tournament. Blackcat Coach John DeRossett spoke about looking forwards to the week ahead.

"We have Oldham Co. Pikeville, Paintsville and Sheldon Clark that have agreed to come and throw with us this week and we are certainly looking forward to the challenge," said DeRossett.

The two-day camp will be open to the public and will get underway on Thursday morning. Prestonsburg finished the Louisville camp with a 3-1 record and the Kentucky. camp with a 3-1 record. The Blackcats picked up wins over such powers as Owensboro Catholic and Fort Campbell in the two tournaments. Other wins came against Grant County, Holy Cross and Madison Southern.

The two-day event will run all day Thursday and Friday at Prestonsburg High School.

Maddux matches Seaver

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Greg Maddux sounded like a giddy teenager after matching a boyhood favorite on the career wins list.

Chris Carpenter and Andy Pettitte did not have to equal a Hall of Famer to make a few fans of their own Monday night.

Maddux earned his 311th victory to tie Tom Seaver for 17th on the all-time list, allowing three runs and seven hits in six innings to help the Chicago Cubs beat the Milwaukee Brewers 5-4.

"Cool," Maddux said. "Because you know what, I watched him. That was one of the guys I was lucky enough to watch. Growing up, I was a huge Reds fan. When he went to the Reds, I was all fired up and everything. So, yeah, that's cool."

Carpenter took a shutout into the ninth inning, leading the visiting St. Louis Cardinals over the Cincinnati Reds 6-1.

Carpenter (10-4) allowed three hits through eight innings before Felipe Lopez led off the ninth with his 12th homer, ending the right-hander's career-best scoreless streak at 17 innings. He threw a one-hitter to beat Toronto 7-0 last Tuesday.

"The game he pitched against Toronto, it was lights out," St. Louis manager Tony La Russa said. "He was just as good today. He's got so many weapons, and he competes so hard."

A day after his wife Laura gave birth to their fourth child, Pettitte pitched five-hit ball for seven innings in the Houston Astros' 7-0 victory over the Colorado Rockies.

"He's a good pitcher and when he's able to cut the ball by us like he was tonight, he's very good," Rockies manager Clint Hurdle said. "He threw every pitch for strikes and we didn't make a run on him in any inning."

In other NL games, it was: Washington 7, Pittsburgh 4; San Diego 1, L.A. Dodgers 0; and San Francisco 8, Arizona 3.

Derrek Lee hit his 19th home run and Aramis Ramirez also connected off Tomo Ohka (5-4) with two outs in the first for Chicago, which just came off a three-game sweep by the Yankees.

Maddux said the early run support was important.

"It was quick – bam, bam," he said. "It's nice, it's always nice to go out there with a lead."

Maddux (6-4) gave up Lyle Overbay's two-run homer in the third and Rickie Weeks' RBI double in the sixth. He walked three and struck out two before leaving for a pinch-hitter in the seventh, and improved to 11-2 in 18 career starts against Milwaukee.

Astros 7, Rockies 0: At Houston, Pettitte (4-7) improved to 3-3 with a 3.15 ERA at Minute Maid Park this season. He tied his season high with eight strikeouts, walking only one.

He was pitching on little rest, having stayed up all night with his wife and newborn son. But the Astros made it easier for the left-hander, opening a 3-0 lead in the first inning on Jason Lane's two-run double and Adam Everett's RBI single off Joe Kennedy (3-7).

"I was up all day yesterday and all day today just sitting at the hospital," Pettitte said. "I was a little worn down. It seemed like two long days.

"But I was able to come out and get in a real good rhythm early and that helped me a lot."

John Franco and Chad Qualls each worked a hitless inning to finish Houston's fifth shutout of the season.

Nationals 7, Pirates 4: At Pittsburgh, Livan Hernandez (10-2) induced four double-play grounders in winning his ninth consecutive decision, and Jose Guillen homered twice for Washington.

Mark Redman (4-5) was the loser.

Padres 1, Dodgers 0: At San Diego, Jake Peavy (6-2) struck out a career-high 13 and held Los Angeles to two hits in eight innings.

Brian Giles went 3-for-3 with a walk, including a one-out RBI double in the fourth inning. Trevor Hoffman finished for his 18th save and the 411th of his career.

Brad Penny (3-4) allowed one run and six hits in six innings.

Giants 8, Diamondbacks 3: At San Francisco, Pedro Feliz hit a three-run homer and Mike Matheny followed with another homer to lead the Giants.

Noah Lowry (4-6) gave up six hits in 5 2-3 scoreless innings.

Diamondbacks starter Javier Vazquez (7-5) was tagged for 10 hits for the fourth time this season and the third in five starts.

Baseball: Cardinals 6, Reds 1

by TERRY KINNEY
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CINCINNATI – Even after pitching another gem, Chris Carpenter was frustrated. The way he's throwing the ball, he figures he should be able to go all the way every time out.

Carpenter took a shutout into the ninth inning, and the St. Louis Cardinals got two-run homers from Albert Pujols and Reggie Sanders in a 6-1 victory over the Cincinnati Reds on Monday night.

"I wanted to finish the game, but I just couldn't do it," Carpenter said. "I couldn't get the leadoff guy in the ninth, and they weren't going to leave me out there with 120 pitches to go through the middle of their lineup."

Carpenter (10-4) allowed three hits through eight innings before Felipe Lopez led off the ninth with his 12th homer, ending the right-hander's career-best scoreless streak at 17 innings. Carpenter threw a one-hitter to beat Toronto 7-0 last Tuesday.

He was lifted after walking Rich Aurilia, and Ray King got three outs to finish the four-hitter. Carpenter struck out eight and walked two. He has allowed just four runs over 31 innings in his past four starts.

"The game he pitched against Toronto, it was lights out," St. Louis manager Tony La Russa said. "He was just as good today.

"He's got so many weapons, and he competes so hard."

In his last start in Cincinnati, Carpenter allowed five runs in seven innings but got a no-decision when the Cardinals rallied for the biggest ninth-inning comeback in team history, overcoming a six-run deficit for a 10-9 victory.

They didn't need that Monday.

Sanders hit an RBI double in the third and homered in the fifth, his 14th. Reds pitchers have allowed at least one home run in 57 of 70 games for a total of 106 homers – most in the majors.

Abraham Nunez added an RBI single in the seventh. Ryan Wagner then came on in relief for Cincinnati, and Pujols hit his second pitch into the right-field seats for his 18th homer, making it 6-0.

Cincinnati fell a season-high 18 1/2 games behind St. Louis in the NL Central.

St. Louis' first five runs were charged to Aaron Harang (4-6), who has lost all four starts in June. He gave up five runs and eight hits in 6 1-3 innings.

It took Harang 24 pitches to get his first out. After loading the bases with two singles and a walk, he got Sanders to fly out to right, then retired the next two batters on a strikeout and a grounder.

"Bases loaded, nobody out, he did a whale of a job getting out of it, but without question, it taxes you a little bit," Reds manager Dave Miley said.

So Taguchi, starting in center field because of Jim Edmonds' rib injury, made an Edmonds-like catch in the sixth, reaching above the wall to rob Aurilia of a home run.

"I made a couple mistakes and got a couple of great defensive plays," Carpenter said.

He only needed a couple, baffling Reds batters and not allowing a runner to reach second base before Lopez's homer.

"He was tough," Miley said. "Every hitter came back in talking about his movement."

Notes: Pujols has nine homers at Great American Ball Park, and Sanders has seven. ... OF Larry Walker was scratched from the Cardinals' lineup just before gametime with a stiff neck. ... The Cardinals were ready to send Edmonds home for treatment of a hairline fracture of his left middle rib, but he said he was feeling better. La Russa said Edmonds would take batting practice and be available to pinch-hit after missing the first six games of the Cardinals' road trip. ... The Reds put INF Luis Lopez on the disabled list with a torn hamstring, and recalled INF William Bergolla from Triple-A Louisville. Lopez will have surgery and is expected to miss the rest of the season. ... Reds leadoff batter Ryan Freel, who has started at five positions this season, missed his second straight game with a sore toe.

Infielder Luis Lopez out with torn hamstring

by TERRY KINNEY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI – Luis Lopez knows his season is over. He's not ready to give up on his career, though.

Lopez was put on the 15-day disabled list Monday with a torn right hamstring. He originally thought it was just a strain, but an MRI revealed the career-threatening injury.

"I knew that I did something, but nothing of that magnitude," said Lopez, who appeared in only 17 games with the Cincinnati Reds this season. "I've still got a lot to offer baseball."

The 34-year-old Lopez described the injury as being similar to one that ended Ken Griffey Jr.'s season last year, when he pulled the muscle from the bone.

"It's a shame, but it's reality," Lopez said. "The first step is to let the swelling go down."

To fill Lopez's roster spot, the Reds recalled infielder William Bergolla from Triple-A Louisville.

Lopez has played in more than 90 games just twice in a 10-year career: in 1999 with the New York Mets (117 games) and in 2001 with Milwaukee (92 games).

He also played for San Diego and Baltimore, and signed a minor league contract with Cincinnati in December. Lopez was promoted to the Reds' roster May 20 and started two games at second base and two at shortstop.

Now he's headed home to Puerto Rico to discuss possible surgery – again – with his wife. He missed the entire 1995 season because of Tommy John surgery on his right elbow.

"It's not what I expected. But if I want to play baseball again, I've got to do it," Lopez said. "I'm not going to dwell on it. I've been through a lot of stuff in my career."

Surgery has been tentatively scheduled for July 5, the Reds said.

Bergolla, 22, is getting his second chance with the Reds this season. He was with Cincinnati last month and appeared in 15 games, but was optioned back to the Triple-A affiliate when Rich Aurilia came off the disabled list.

Bergolla hit .143 (5-for-35) with an RBI in his stint with the Reds.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE:
Today's Games
Washington (Patterson 3-2) at Pittsburgh (Fogg 4-3), 12:35 p.m.
St. Louis (Mulder 8-4) at Cincinnati (Ra.Ortiz 2-5), 12:35 p.m.
Colorado (Jennings 4-7) at Houston (Clemens 5-3), 2:05 p.m.
Florida (Moehler 2-4) at Atlanta (Ramirez 5-4), 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (V.Zambrano 3-6) at Philadelphia (Padilla 3-6), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (C.Zambrano 4-3) at Milwaukee (D.Davis 8-6), 8:05 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Houlton 2-1) at San Diego (Stauffer 1-2), 10:05 p.m.
Arizona (Halsey 4-5) at San Francisco (Schmidt 4-3), 10:15 p.m.
AMERICAN LEAGUE:
Today's Games
Tampa Bay (Kazmir 2-5) at N.Y. Yankees (Pavano 4-5), 1:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Howell 1-1) at Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 8-1), 2:05 p.m.
Boston (Miller 2-2) at Cleveland (Lee 8-3), 7:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Cabrera 5-6) at Toronto (Walker 2-0), 7:07 p.m.
Detroit (Robertson 2-5) at Minnesota (Mays 3-2), 8:10 p.m.
Oakland (Zito 3-8) at Seattle (Moyer 6-2), 10:05 p.m.
Texas (Rogers 9-2) at L.A. Angels (Washburn 3-3), 10:05 p.m.

Horsemen get past Ft. Wayne

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FORT WAYNE, Ind. – Lexington wide receiver Chad Spencer caught five passes for a season-high 95 yards with two touchdowns to lead the Horsemen to one of their most complete victories of the season, a 58-41 decision in front of 7,071 fans in the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum. The Horsemen dominated the rushing game 163-130 and passed for 188 yards and three touchdowns against the league's leader in pass defense.

The Horsemen (8-4), who stand atop the United Indoor Football South Division, handed the Freedom (10-2) their second consecutive loss. The 58 points scored by Lexington marks a season-high in points allowed by Ft. Wayne. Horsemen running back/wide receiver Randy Bell rushed for 65 yards with two touchdowns, while fellow running back Derek Homer added 73 yards with a score. Wide receiver Harry Lewis caught four passes for 68 yards with a touchdown.

Horsemen quarterback Dusty Bonner completed 12-of-24 passes for 188 yards with three touchdowns, while Ft. Wayne signal-caller Bryan White threw five interceptions including two in the end zone.

Lexington led 31-28 at halftime, but the Freedom remained close throughout much of the game before the Horsemen put the victory away late in the fourth quarter. Lewis and Bell scored back-to-back 19-yard touchdowns after a Ft. Wayne field goal to ice the win for the Horsemen.

Lexington returns to action Saturday when it hosts the Tennessee Valley Raptors in Rupp Arena. Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m. ET and the game will be carried live on Supertalk 96.1 FM with Gary Ball and Bill Ransdell. The contest is being billed as "Kids Night." The first 500 children 12 and under receive a coupon for a free buffet at Gatti-Town. Kids will have the opportunity to meet Geoffrey the Giraffe from Toys R US and two children each will win a new bicycle.

Single-game tickets for the remaining three home games of the 2005 season are still available for purchase. Please contact the Horsemen at 859/422-PASS or the Lexington Center Ticket Office at 859/233-3535. For more information on the Lexington Horsemen, please log on to the team's official Web site at www.lexingtonhorsemen.com.

NFL players visit EKU lineman camp

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

RICHMOND – Members of the reigning two-time Super Bowl champion New England Patriots visited the campus of Eastern Kentucky University Friday to lend a hand with head coach Danny Hope's Offensive and Defensive Lineman Camp. Patriot starting tackles Matt Light and Brandon Gorin, both of whom played for Hope at Purdue University, helped campers work on the fundamentals of line play on the final day of camp.

"We're really excited about the turnout we've had this year. At a point in time when a lot of people are losing numbers at camps, we're increasing. Our line camp is special in a number of ways. Not only is it coached by our full-time staff, but I have current NFL players in here helping out," said Hope. "I think what makes our camp different is that we stress pass rushing and pass blocking techniques. A lot of high school players are behind in these areas because most high school offenses are run oriented. So we present an opportunity for these kids to work on their fundamentals while developing these areas."

Light and Gorin teamed up with the EKU coaching staff to teach the 90-plus campers (grades 9-12) the basics of line play. Campers went through various drills and exercises to improve their stances, footwork, alignment, pass rush, use of hands and blocking techniques. For Light and Gorin, the camp allowed the duo an opportunity to repay someone who helped them get where they are today.

"Obviously, we went through Purdue when he [Hope] was there and this is a great way for us to come back and team up with him to help some kids in the area. It's also a way for us to get back to basics and remind ourselves of what it takes," said Light. "This is a great camp with a great turnout and these kids are all willing to learn. He has a way about coaching and a style that lets him relate to any kid, and you can see the development they make in this short time. They're a little shell shocked at first but they get going in no time and by the time they leave here they will have a heck of an understanding of what it takes to be an offensive lineman."

"Anytime he [Hope] asks us to do something I don't hesitate at all, because he's a lot of the reason why we're at where we're at," added Gorin. "I'm glad to see that he is in such a good situation with a great turnout here and a lot of support from his staff and this city. If we can just help a little bit by being here, we're glad to do it. Being an offensive lineman, it's also important for us to teach these kids the kind of things we were never told at this age."

Light was drafted by the Patriots in the second round of the 2001 NFL Draft (48th overall). He enters the 2005 season having started 60-consecutive games at left tackle, dating back to the 10th game of his rookie season, and has been an integral part of all three Super Bowl champion teams. Gorin, a three-year starter at right tackle for the Boilermakers, was drafted by the San Diego Chargers in the seventh round of the 2001 NFL Draft (201st overall). He was signed by the Patriots on Jan. 6, 2003 and was the starting right tackle on last year's Super Bowl team.

The Colonels open the 2005 season at home at Roy Kidd Stadium on Sept. 3 against Appalachian State. Kickoff for the season-opener is 6:30 p.m

Matt Light, New England Patriots.

Louisville 3, Charlotte 2, 10 innings

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FORT MILL, S.C. – Austin Kearns drove in the winning run with a single in the top of the 10th as Louisville beat Charlotte 3-2 on Monday night in the International League.

The Knights led 2-0 going into the ninth, but the Bats got an RBI single from Pedro Swann and drove in another run on a fielder's choice by Chris Denorfia to send the game into extra innings.

Greg Norton hit a sixth-inning solo home run from Charlotte, and Jamie Burke scored the Knights' other run on a passed ball in the second.

Louisville reliever Allan Simpson (3-1) allowed no hits in two innings of work to get the win, while Chris Booker earned his seventh save, allowing just one runner in the bottom of the 10th.

Charlotte starter Felix Diaz pitched a shutout going into the ninth but was pulled after giving up hits to the first two batters. Reliever Matt Smith (0-3) came in with one out in the ninth and allowed the winning run an inning later to pick up the loss.

Legends win, force one-game playoff

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEXINGTON – The Lexington Legends returned to form and it couldn't have happened at a better time. With the first half on the line, the Legends hung on for a 6-5 win over Lake County on Sunday. The victory forces a one game playoff with Hagerstown.

The Suns defeated West Virginia 1-0 behind a no-hitter by Gaby Hernandez. South Atlantic League rules dictate that when there is a tie between two teams after the first half, the champion will be decided by a one game playoff. The playoff game is the first regularly scheduled game between the two teams in the second half. So Lexington and Hagerstown will decide the first half title on Saturday June 25th at Hagerstown

Lexington got standout performances by Brian Triplett and Troy Patton. Triplett ripped a two run double in the first inning to the Legends going. Patton may the lead stand up with six shutout innings. Jeff Wigdahl cleaned up an eighth inning mess to pick up his 13th save of the season.

Bengals claim ex-Ohio State quarterback off waivers

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI – The Cincinnati Bengals claimed quarterback Craig Krenzel off waivers from the Chicago Bears on Monday, bringing him back to the state where he won a national championship in college.

Krenzel, a fifth-round pick in the 2004 NFL Draft, appeared in six games last year and became the first Bears quarterback in nearly 40 years to start his career with three straight victories. But he lost his last two starts and Chicago waived him last week.

Overall last year, Krenzel completed 59 of 127 passes for 718 yards. He threw three touchdowns and six interceptions.

He was a two-year starter at Ohio State, leading the Buckeyes to a 14-0 record and the national championship in 2002.

The Bengals also waived linebacker Khalid Abdullah and defensive tackle Terrance Martin on Monday. Abdullah, the Bengals' fifth-round draft pick in 2003, played in 16 games as a rookie but missed last season with an ankle injury.

Martin played in two games for the Bengals last season.

Rondo to vie for 2005 U21 National Team spot

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – Kentucky rising sophomore Rajon Rondo will be among 21 players competing for a spot on the USA Basketball Men's Under-21 National Team during the organizations tryouts July 21-23 in Dallas, Texas. The trials will be used to select the final 12-member team that will travel to Mar De Plata, Argentina, Aug. 5-14, to vie for the 2005 FIBA U21 World Championship.

Rondo, who started all 34 games for Kentucky as a freshman, is one of two Southeastern Conference players attending the tryouts. He is joined by LSU's Glen Davis, the 2005 SEC Freshman of the Year. Rondo led the SEC in steals as a newcomer and set the school record with 87 steals last season. He averaged 8.1 ppg, 2.9 rpg and 3.5 apg.

Saint Joseph's coach Phil Martelli has been named the head coach for the U21 team and will be assisted by Drexel's Bruiser Flint and Georgia's Dennis Felton. Tryouts begin on Thursday, July 21 at the Dallas Maverick's practice facility and continue through Saturday, July 23. After the team is announced, they will have compete in the 2005 Global Games at the Dr. Pepper Star Center in Dallas from July 27-31 before departing on August 1 for Argentina.

College World Series: Florida wins, UT eliminated

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

OMAHA, Neb. – Florida won its seventh straight game and moved within a win of the championship round of the College World Series with a 7-4 victory Sunday night over Nebraska that sent the hometown favorites into an elimination game.

Adam Davis homered and Jeff Corsaletti tied a CWS record with three doubles for the Gators (47-20), who snapped the Cornhuskers' 11-game winning streak.

Florida will take its longest winning streak of the season into Wednesday's game against the winner of Tuesday's matchup between the Cornhuskers (57-14) and Arizona State.

Arizona State eliminated Tennessee with a come-from-behind 4-2 victory in Sunday's first game.

Tommy Boss, who had complete-game victories for the Gators in the regionals and super regionals, left with two out in the fifth after Ryan Wehrle's two-run double pulled the Huskers to 7-4.

Sidearming reliever Darren O'Day (8-3) earned the win, limiting Nebraska to two singles the rest of the way and retiring the last seven batters.

Florida offset Nebraska's huge home-field advantage by scoring twice before Husker starter Johnny Dorn (12-2) had thrown his sixth pitch. Corsaletti opened the game with a double, and Davis followed with his 11th home run.

Arizona State 4, Tennessee 2: Arizona State staved off elimination again as Seth Dhaenens hit a go-ahead double in a three-run, eighth-inning rally and the Sun Devils eliminated Tennessee.

The Sun Devils (40-24) were on the verge of elimination last weekend in their super regional at defending national champion Cal State Fullerton. After losing the opener when a balk on an intentional walk allowed the winning run to score, ASU came back and won the next two games to earn a trip to Omaha.

Blanked for six innings by Tennessee freshman James Adkins and trailing 2-0, the Sun Devils got one back in the seventh and then took the lead in the eighth.

Dhaenens, who'd entered the game as a replacement in the sixth and made an error in the seventh, doubled to put the Sun Devils ahead. J.J. Sferra hit a sacrifice fly for a 4-2 cushion.

That finished Adkins (10-5) after 125 pitches. The left-hander gave up eight hits and four runs in 7 1-3 innings.

ASU reliever Pat Bresnehan (5-4), who pitched the final 3 1-3 innings after replacing starter Erik Averill, got the win, allowing just two hits.

MSU men's basketball program adds three

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD – The Morehead State University men's basketball program has announced the signing of three more individuals during the recent signing period. They are Ryan Allen, a 6-7, 210-pound forward from Columbus, Ohio, and Mt. San Jacinto College; Clinton Reisz, a 6-10, 230-pound center from Hartford,, and Ohio County High School; and Shaun Williams, a 6-6, 225-pound forward from Irvington, N.J., and Des Moines Area Community College.

Allen averaged 8.7 points and 6.2 rebounds as a freshman for Coach Patrick Springer at Mt. San Jacinto. He will join the Eagle program as a sophomore. As a senior for Coach Gene Caslin at Columbus Mifflin High School, he earned all-city and all-district honors.

"Ryan is an athletic front line player," said MSU Coach Kyle Macy. "He has played for excellent coaches, and we believe he has outstanding days ahead of him on the college level."

Reisz averaged 16 points, 10 rebounds and two blocked shots as a senior for Coach Kyle Estes' Ohio County squad that finished the 2004-05 season with a 26-8 record. Reisz was first-team all-district and all-region and honorable mention all-state.

"Clinton suffered a collarbone injury during his senior season, but showed great determination to come back and play," Macy said. "He has excellent size, and more importantly, a strong desire to work hard and reach his potential."

As a sophomore at Des Moines Area in 2003-04, Williams averaged 17.1 points and 7.4 rebounds for Coach Orv Salmon. He was conference player of the year and was named regional tournament most valuable player after scoring 40 points and pulling down 18 rebounds in the semifinal round. He played high school basketball at Irvington High School.

"I'm excited to have Shaun join our program for the 2005-06 season," Macy said. "He is a versatile player with the ability to play inside or outside. He also brings experience from the junior college ranks, something we are looking for in this recruiting class."

Public offers opinions on location for proposed arena

by BRUCE SCHREINER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE – A governor's task force heard divergent opinions Monday on an issue that's the talk of this basketball-crazy town – where to put a proposed arena.

The public was asked for its views on what could decide the future home for University of Louisville basketball. Some endorsed a downtown location close to a dining and entertainment district. Others backed a campus site, saying it would add more vitality to student life.

The Louisville Arena Task Force, featuring some of the city's top political and business leaders, is reviewing where an area should be built as well as how to pay for it and who would operate it. The group's recommendations are due to Gov. Ernie Fletcher by Oct. 1.

Speakers agreed Monday that UofL should be the lead tenant, but said the arena should be multipurpose, hosting concerts and other events to make it cost effective.

"This city is hungry for something big, for something great," said one speaker, Neville Blakemore, 35, who advocated a downtown arena. "My generation wants to make its mark, especially when making our mark will take our city to the next level."

Blakemore urged UofL and the Kentucky State Fair Board to sacrifice self-interests to help make it happen. UofL leaders have pushed a campus arena to replace Freedom Hall, its aging home. The state fairgrounds has been mentioned as another possible arena site.

Blakemore said the fair board should operate a new arena, and said UofL should get a bigger slice of revenue than it gets at Freedom Hall for accepting a downtown site.

He urged city officials to keep fighting for a downtown location, drawing nods from Mayor Jerry Abramson, a task force member and downtown arena advocate.

"Do not let us down," Blakemore said. "Fight and keep fighting until everyone realizes that a downtown arena is not only the best thing for downtown Louisville, it is in the best interest of our community."

Roger Burkman, who played on UofL's 1980 national championship men's basketball team, said a campus arena would spark economic development near campus and would benefit students and basketball players. Another advantage, some speakers said, would be that a campus arena would replace unsightly grain elevators towering along Interstate 65.

"Cosmetically, it would be a great thing for our campus," Burkman said.

Student government leaders at UofL said most students support a campus arena. Nathan Haney, among the student leaders, said the success of the Louisville men's basketball team – which reached the Final Four this year – was driving talk of a new arena.

Haney also dismissed arguments by downtown advocates that a campus arena wouldn't lead to spin-off spending. "No matter where we put an arena, people are still going to stay in our hotels, they're still going to eat in our restaurants," he said.

Bob Tiell, another downtown arena supporter, said the ultimate outcome of the arena debate would help shape the city's future.

"You build one of these things every 50 years," he said. "We better get it right because we won't get another shot at it for a couple generations."

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Spurs 96, Pistons 95, OT

by CHRIS SHERIDAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. – Robert Horry was all set to cut through the lane after inbounding the ball with 9.6 seconds left when a strange thing happened – extremely strange, actually, considering his postseason history.

Rasheed Wallace suddenly went to double-team Manu Ginobili in the corner, leaving no one within 15 feet of one of the best clutch shooters in NBA postseason history.

Bad idea. Very bad.

"I saw Rasheed bite and said: 'Oh, let me stay out here,'" Horry said after he knocked down a wide-open 3-pointer with 5.8 seconds remaining in overtime Sunday night to give San Antonio a 96-95 victory over Detroit in Game 5 of the NBA Finals.

Horry, the veteran dubbed "Big Shot Bob" whose clutch postseason 3-pointers have defined his career, gave the Spurs a 3-2 lead in the best-of-seven series. San Antonio bounced back from a pair of lopsided losses to defeat the defending champs in their own building and send the series back to Texas needing just one more victory for a third title in seven years.

"The play was for me to take that shot, but then I saw Rasheed coming," Ginobili said "My first option in those moments was Robert. He's a winner. He's been in that situation so many times. Everyone knows what he does."

The Pistons had one final chance after Horry's shot, but Richard Hamilton missed a runner from the lane and Bruce Bowen rebounded to end it.

After four blowouts, this was the type of game everyone had been waiting almost two weeks to see – an intense, closely-fought nail-biter befitting of a championship series. The fourth quarter was close throughout, with clutch shots coming from Chauncey Billups and Hamilton for the Pistons, and Horry and Ginobili of San Antonio.

The player who wasn't hitting the big ones was two-time NBA Finals MVP Tim Duncan, who missed six straight foul shots and a putback at the end of the fourth quarter that would have won it for the Spurs.

"An absolute nightmare, yes," Duncan said. "(Horry) pulled me out of an incredible hole that I put myself in."

Game 6 will be Tuesday night, and Game 7, if necessary, on Thursday.

The Pistons haven't won in San Antonio since 1997, and the Spurs had the NBA's best regular-season home record.

Horry finished with 21 points, Duncan had 26 points and 19 rebounds, Ginobili scored 15 and Tony Parker 14. Billups led Detroit with 34 points.

"It was the kind of game where you hate to see anybody lose," Pistons coach Larry Brown said.

Of the prior 23 times a finals series has been tied 2-2, the Game 5 winner has gone on to win the title 17 times. The most recent time it has happened was 2003, when San Antonio defeated New Jersey. A game 5 loser won following a 2-2 tie most recently in 1994, when the Houston Rockets defeated the New York Knicks in Games 6 and 7.

Duncan also missed San Antonio's first two shots of overtime and lost control of an entry pass with 56 seconds left in the extra period with Detroit ahead 95-93.

An offensive rebound gave Detroit two possessions while running down the final minute of overtime, but Billups missed on a drive with 9.4 seconds remaining. After a timeout, Horry knocked down the 3 that won it.

"You can't go back and say shoulda, woulda, coulda. It was caught in the corner and I just tried to double. Now we have a day and a half. We're cool," Wallace said.

The late 3 wasn't the only big shot by Horry, whose offensive poise was a direct contrast to Duncan's troubles.

The Pistons were ahead 87-85 before Horry caught a pass and quickly launched a 3-pointer that dropped through with 1:17 left in regulation, giving him seven straight points for the Spurs. Duncan had a chance to extend the lead after Hamilton missed a jumper, but the career 69 percent foul shooter missed a pair from the line with 1 minute remaining.

Billups scored on another of his crafty drives to give Detroit an 89-88 lead, and the Pistons fouled Duncan when he got the ball down low on the next possession. With the crowd noise at its loudest of the series, Duncan missed the first foul shot – making him 0-for-6 in the period – but made the second.

San Antonio's best defender, forward Bruce Bowen, took over guarding Billups on the next possession, and there appeared to be contact as Billups drove the lane and missed. But no foul was called, and San Antonio got the ball back with 16.9 seconds left able to hold for the last shot of regulation.

Ginobili dribbled the clock down and drove on Tayshaun Prince, but missed. Duncan was there for the rebound, grabbed the ball with two hands and had a wide-open chance for an easy putback, but his shot somehow came up short. He walked off with his hands balled into fists covering his mouth.

Coach Gregg Popovich said he spent 90 percent of his preparation time focusing on the mental aspect of what his team needed to do, the other 10 percent on X's and O's. The Spurs were much more aggressive in terms of taking the ball to the basket – the one things they had done best in the first two games – and Ginobili was especially effective in the early going.

Billups had a pair of airballs early in the third quarter, one of which hit the supports behind the backboard, but he came back with a long jumper and a three-point play in transition for a personal 6-0 run that tied it at 61-all before Horry ended the quarter with a 3-pointer – a preview of what was to come.

Notes: Officials Ron Garretson, Steve Javie and Mike Callahan worked Game 5. The Pistons are 0-5 in the playoffs with Garretson on the court. ... Recording star Kid Rock sang "America the Beautiful" a capella while wearing a vintage Rick Mahorn warmup jersey. He closed the song with a shout of "Let's rock!" before putting his black hat back on and giving a satisfied nod to the crowd, which ate it up.

Texas blanks top-ranked Tulane

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

OMAHA, Neb. – Texas set a record with its 75th College World Series win Monday night, riding the strong pitching of Kyle McCulloch to a 5-0 victory over top-seeded Tulane.

In its fourth straight and record 32nd appearance overall at the CWS, Texas passed Southern California's mark of 74 victories.

The Longhorns, unbeaten in two games so far this year, advance to a Wednesday night game at Rosenblatt Stadium against the winner of Tuesday night's Tulane-Baylor elimination game.

Texas (53-16) scored two in the first off Tulane's top lefty, Brian Bogusevic (13-3), added two more in the fifth and another in the sixth, while collecting 12 hits.

The Longhorns got a stellar catch from right fielder Nick Peoples when he jumped against the right field wall in the eighth to take an extra base hit away from Micah Owings.

McCulloch (11-4) pitched out of a first-inning jam and allowed six hits in seven shutout innings with three walks and seven strikeouts. J. Brent Cox pitched the final two innings to complete just the sixth CWS shutout since 1994.

It was also Texas' first shutout at the CWS since 1983 when Calvin Schiraldi blanked James Madison.

Baylor 4, Oregon State 3, 10 inn.: Baylor extended its first College World Series appearance in 27 years by at least one day with its first win in the tournament.

Mike Pankratz, batting .193, blooped an RBI single over first baseman Andy Jenkins and just out of the reach of second baseman Chris Kunda, ending the Beavers' first appearance in the CWS since 1952.

The Bears (45-23) advanced to a Tuesday matchup against Tulane.

Jeff Mandel (4-0) got the win for Baylor after holding Oregon State (46-12) to one hit in 4 2-3 innings of relief.

Josh Ford reached base safely leading off the 10th against Kevin Gunderson (6-4) after Beavers shortstop Darwin Barney couldn't field a high-bouncing grounder. Ford advanced to second on a sacrifice before Reid Brees singled through the left side of the infield to put runners on first and third.

Pankratz, who entered the game as a pinch hitter in the eighth inning, then got the game-winning hit on an 0-1 pitch.

Baylor starter Trey Taylor couldn't make it out of the second inning after walking five of the 10 batters he faced.

Paintsville Little League names All-Stars

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PAINTSVILLE – Paintsville Little League last week announced its All-Stars in six divisions.

The league is gearing up to host this year's District 7 tournaments.

A list of the All-Stars named follows

Baseball, 9-10: Juwan Mayes, Hunter Ratliff, Nick McKenzie, Jordan Young, Tanner Fitch, Lane Daniels, Quade Ward, Chase Blevins, Trent Arrowood, Garrett LeMaster, Alex VanHoose, Chaynse Hill.

11: Jordan Stewart, Dustin VanHoose, Josh Moore, Cody VanHoose, B.J. Hamilton, Matthew Daniels, Timmy Miller, Alex Tibbs, Brooks Pelphrey, Tanner Blevins, Kasi Watson, Dustin Hayden.

11-12: Will Meek, Shey Spencer, Tyler Conn, Jimmy Preston, Jonathan Gourdouze, Ross Sanor, Zach Jackson, Tyler Kestner, Ethan Daniel, Timmy Sublett, Ty Collett.

13-14: Taylor Smith, Nick Vance, Dillon Baldwin, Jake Cyrus, Zach Vialpondo, Caleb Sloan, Seth Rice, Austin Lyons, Patrick Butcher, Dyllon Brown, Brad VanHoose.

Softball, 11-12: Dakota McKenzie, K.J. Slone, Sarah Williams, Shelby Rice, April Clay, Jessica Stacy, Carlee Smith, Meg Lewis, Lori Perkins, Paige Spriggs, Blair Butcher, Grace Mills. 13-14: Kansas Lyons, Cara Richardson, Audra Owens, Emily Castle, Jordyn Combs, Taylor Robinette, Lakela Lathrop, Chelsea Morgan, Kayla O'Bryan, Amanda Jarrell, Kasondra Welch, Amanda O'Bryan.

At press time, a list of all-stars for the 15-16-year-old team was unavailable.

Kentucky 41, Tennessee 27

by CHRIS DUNCAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE – Reigning Kentucky Mr. Football Curtis Pulley threw two touchdown passes to JaJuan Spillman and David Jones had a 98-yard kick-off return Friday night to lead Kentucky to a 41-27 win over Tennessee in the annual meeting of all-star teams from each state.

The Kentucky-bound Pulley, who starred at Hopkinsville High School, was 7-of-14 passing for 120 yards and rushed for a third score as Kentucky beat its southern rival for the fourth straight year.

South Carolina-bound Cade Thompson went 17-of-30 for 269 yards and a touchdown for Tennessee. He also threw three interceptions.

The game ended with an ugly fight. Kentucky backup quarterback Brandon Smith tried to end the game by kneeling inside the Tennessee 20, but Tennessee's Blake McAdams sprinted in for a clean hit on Smith.

Players and coaches spilled onto the field, and referees had to pull players apart. Several Tennessee players left the field without shaking hands with the Kentuckians as fans booed.

Tennessee outgained Kentucky 348-257, but was doomed by five turnovers.

Dustin Menetrey intercepted Thompson in the final minute of the third quarter, and Smith found Zipp Duncan to put Kentucky ahead 33 seconds into the fourth. Smith and Duncan hooked up again for a two-point conversion and a 27-20 Kentucky lead.

Thompson then engineered a 14-play, 80-yard drive and scored the tying touchdown with a 1-yard quarterback sneak with 4:24 left.

The Kentucky-bound Jones, who played at Belfry, then took the ensuing kickoff, found a gap on the right and outran a pack of Tennessee defenders for a score.

Caleb Meenach intercepted a Thompson pass a minute later to seal the win. On first down, Pulley took the shotgun snap and burst through the middle for a 26-yard touchdown.

Both teams looked shaky early.

Pulley was sacked on Kentucky's first play and the second snap skidded past him and out of the end zone for a Tennessee safety.

After a Tennessee punt, Pulley scrambled and heaved a pass to the Louisville-bound Spillman, who made the easy catch near the 20 and trotted into the end zone.

Thompson guided Tennessee for its first offensive score early in the second quarter. Thompson, from Maryville High School, went 5-for-7, setting up a 42-yard field goal by Tyler Lorenz.

Later in the quarter, Tennessee-bound Lamarcus Coker returned a punt to the Kentucky 12. Two plays later, Thompson zipped a TD pass to Alabama-bound Travis Sikes down the right sideline. Thompson found Casey Hill for a two-point conversion and a 13-6 Tennessee lead.

Tennessee threatened again after a 69-yard pass from Thompson to Brian Hall. Jones intercepted Thompson in the end zone, but Tennessee's Baron Huber recovered a fumble on Kentucky's first play after the turnover and scored.

Smith engineered a scoring drive late in the half, scrambling for a 7-yard TD run on the final scrimmage play before the break.

Pulley returned in the third quarter and capped a 71-yard drive with a 12-yard touchdown pass to Spillman. Tim Masthay's extra-point kick was blocked, and Tennessee led 20-19.

Indiana dominates Kentucky in all-star game, extends win streak

by MALCOLM C. KNOX
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOWLING GREEN – Maybe they were mad about the girls losing.

Josh Mayo led Indiana's boys all-star team, with 18 points, to a 94-72 win over Kentucky's team after an opposite result in the earlier girls game. The Kentucky win in the girls game ended Indiana's win streak at four. The boys extended theirs to two. Indiana's boys lead Kentucky in the series, 73-40.

"We came out with the mind-set that we didn't want that to happen to us," said Indiana's Nick Rogers.

Rogers led all rebounders with eight, and was one of five Indiana players to score double figures, with 11.

Kentucky Mr. Basketball Domonic Tilford led Kentucky with 15 points and three assists.

The closest Kentucky would come was an early 3-3 tie. Indiana led the rest of the way.

Indiana shot the ball better, 48 percent to 31, pulled down more rebounds, 50 to 38, made more assists, 18 to 7, and made more threes, 10 to three, than Kentucky.

Indiana jumped to a 25-13 lead with 12:40 to play in the first half. Kentucky had chopped it down to 33-30 with 7:10 to go. Indiana went on a 17-4 run to lead at the half 50-34.

Indiana coach Joe Buck said he didn't expect his team to win by 20.

"We don't set those types of goals," he said. "We talk as a team about playing together and effort. ... We'll go back with that same approach."

The all stars will play again next Saturday in Indianapolis' Conseco Fieldhouse.

Indiana Mr. Basketball, 7-foot Luke Zeller scored only two points but was happy with his role.

"All you do is let them take it to the hole," he said indicating teammates Mayo and Dominic James, "and go get the rebound if they miss."

Zeller had seven rebounds and James scored 11.

"They just had great depth and it wears on you," Kentucky coach Gary Forrest said.

Though Zeller and James were more lauded than Mayo, Forrest wasn't surprised.

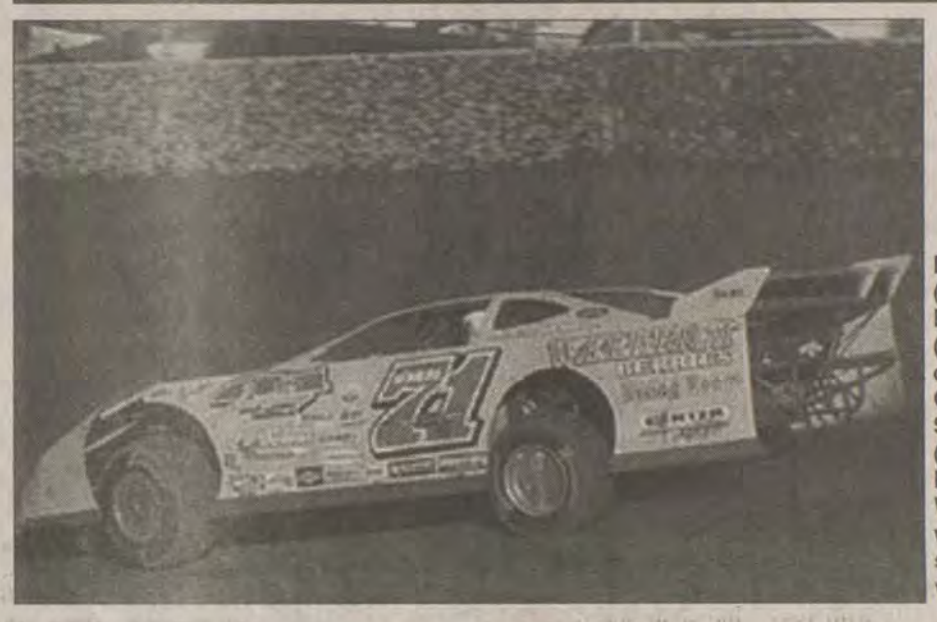
"If you read our scouting reports, we said he was probably the most athletic player on their team," Forrest said.

Indiana-Kentucky Boys: Indiana (94) – Zeller 1-5 0-0 2, James 4-9 3-5 11, Holsinger 3-5 0-0 8, Mayo 7-10 1-2 18, Drews 2-4 0-1 4, Gary 2-2 0-0 4, Rogers 4-7 3-4 11, Armstrong 0-1 0-0 0, McPherson 2-6 0-0 4, Arnold 1-5 1-1 3, Bassett 3-9 6-6 14, Cloud 5-8 0-0 13, Holland 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 35-73 14-19 94.

Kentucky (72) – Tilford 5-16 4-6 15, Votel 4-9 3-3 11, Saxton, K. 1-5 2-2 4, Sexton 2-9 8-8 14, Fields 2-5 0-0 4, Saxton, B. 0-0 0-0 0, McFarland 1-4 0-0 2, Jassey 0-4 6-8 6, Belcher 1-6 1-2 3, Furman 3-6 1-2 7, Berry 2-4 2-3 6. Totals 21-68 27-34 72.

Indiana	50	44	94
Kentucky	34	38	72

3-Point Goals–Indiana 10-26 (Zeller 0-3, James 0-3, Holsinger 2-4, Mayo 3-5, Drews 0-1, Arnold 0-1, Bassett 2-4, Cloud 3-5), Kentucky 3-26 (Tilford 1-8, Saxton, K. 0-4, Sexton 2-8, McFarland 0-3, Belcher 0-2, Berry 0-1). Rebounds–Indiana 50 (Rogers 8), Kentucky 38 (Tilford, Votel, Sexton, Belcher 5). Assists–Indiana 18 (Holsinger 5), Kentucky 7 (Tilford 3).



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Donnie Moran (above) and Don O'Neal (left) each competed at Cedar Lake Speedway (New Richmond, Wis.) over the weekend and scored NARA victories.

Kentucky girls break Indiana win streak in all-star game

by MALCOLM C. KNOX
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BOWLING GREEN – Kentucky's reigning Miss Basketball proved why she earned that title, in the same arena where she helped lead Louisville Sacred Heart to three consecutive high school state championships.

Carly Ormerod's game-leading 23 points helped lead Kentucky to a 72-67 win, in Western Kentucky's Diddle Arena.

Kentucky's win Saturday broke a four-game win streak by Indiana.

Brittany Pittman added 12 points and 10 rebounds for Kentucky.

Indiana's Kahla Roudebush led her team with 19 points.

Indiana was favored to win the game, with several of its players moving on to play for Division I college programs next year.

"We obviously showed tonight, we're not underdogs," Kentucky coach Chrysti Noble said.

Indiana coach Jack Campbell knew better than to believe the hype.

"You read that stuff in the paper and you never believe it because you still gotta play the game," he said.

The lead changed hands four times in the first half with Kentucky going into the half with a 34-28 lead.

Indiana's Kimberly Roberson was a spark for her team, but had to sit after committing her third foul. She led her team with eight at the time. Roberson fouled out with less than six minutes in the game with 13 points and four assists.

"Unfortunately that was really big," Campbell said. "She was just electric with what she gave us offensively and defensively."

Kentucky led the second half, by as much as 15, until a jump shot by Roudebush tied the game at 63 all, with 4:27 to play. Another jumper by Roudebush put Indiana ahead, 65-64, a minute and a half later.

A free throw by Ormerod put Kentucky ahead for good, 66-65, with 2:22 to go.

"I can't say enough good things about her," Noble said. "It showed tonight that she's a leader on the floor."

Indiana still had enough to threaten again, but Kentucky's Shannon Novosel and Maggie McKemie blocked two shots by Roudebush in the lane, two seconds apart, sealing the win.

"She'd been driving in all night," Novosel said. "And the coaches kept telling us, 'You gotta shut down the lane. You gotta shut down the penetration.'"

Indiana still leads the series overall, 29-28.

This year's game was the first in the all-star series to be played in Bowling Green, after four years in Owensboro. The all star series has also been played in Louisville, Lexington, and Frankfort.

The teams will play again next Saturday, in Indianapolis' Conseco Fieldhouse.

Lexington Christian 7, Christian County 0

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON – The Lexington Christian Academy Eagles used a six-run third inning to defeat Christian County 7-0 and capture their first-ever state championship Saturday night at Applebee's Park.

Lexington Christian pitcher Jimmy Stanley (10-1) went all seven innings for the Eagles (32-7), surrendering just three hits while striking out eight batters and allowing only one Christian County baserunner past second base. Stanley also scored the first run of the contest after reaching base on a walk in the first inning.

Eagles' third baseman Seth Hargrove provided the game's only extra base hit, a double in the fourth inning, and paced the balanced Lexington Christian offense by going 2-for-4 with an RBI.

The defending champion Colonels (37-6) were trailing 2-0 in the bottom of the third inning when Christian County pitcher Anthony Stacy (14-3) struck out Zach Monroe for what should have been the third out of the inning. But the pitch hit the ground and Colonels' catcher Matt Hunt tossed the ball to the pitcher's mound and jogged toward the dugout instead of throwing to first base for the putout.

The mental mistake prolonged the inning by seven batters, allowing the Eagles to add five more runs and a build 7-0 lead.

Stacy, last year's winning pitcher in the state championship game, picked up the loss for the Colonels by giving up seven runs and six hits in three innings of work. Only one of Stacy's runs was earned, as the Christian County defense committed four errors in the first three innings and five errors for the game.

The Eagles' 7-0 win marked the largest margin of victory in a state championship game since Lafayette defeated Elizabethtown 14-2 in 1992, and it was the first shutout in a title game in four years. It was also the first time Christian County had been shutout this season.

The game was played in front of a state-record crowd of 3,912 fans.

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Bolton wins Everstart Series event on Kentucky Lake

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BENTON – Yamaha pro Terry Bolton of Paducah, caught a two-day total of 10 bass weighing 37 pounds, 9 ounces to win the EverStart Series Central Division event on Kentucky Lake presented by Yamaha. He was awarded a fully rigged Ranger 519 VX powered by a Yamaha or Evinrude outboard, Minn Kota trolling motor, Garmin electronics and EverStart Batteries plus $10,000 cash. He also won an additional $10,000 from Ranger for being a registered Ranger owner, another $3,000 for being the highest Ranger Cup finisher and an additional $1,500 for meeting the Yamaha contingency requirements for a total of $64,500 in cash and prizes.

"I finally got it right," Bolton said of his first major win in 13 years as a touring professional angler in front of his hometown crowd. He caught not only one bass that broke the 5-pound mark, but also a behemoth that weighed more than 8 pounds. His final day limit of 21 pounds, 5 ounces was the second heaviest limit of the entire event.

"That 8 pounder was the fourth bass I caught Saturday morning," he said. "You just don't catch bass like that on this lake in the summer. When I put her in the livewell, I knew it was going to be a special day." While all nine of the other competitors weighed in smaller limits on day four, Bolton improved his catch by more than 5 pounds from the previous day.

Bolton made a key adjustment on Saturday that meant the tournament for him. He marked fish on his depth finder suspended off the bottom and realized he would have to hop his jig up to them to catch the better bass. He used a brown 5/8-ounce homemade jig to catch his final-day limit.

Rounding out the top-five pros are Curt McGuire of Lawrenceburg, Tenn. (10 bass, 33 pounds, 2 ounces); Larry Frasier of Owensboro (10 bass, 29 pounds, 2 ounces); Shawn Penn of Eddyville (10 bass, 285 pounds, 6 ounces); and William M. Davis of Russellville, Ala. (10 bass, 28 pounds).

David Curtis of Trinity, Texas finished in 8th place but locked up the points title in the EverStart Series Central Division. His points title is a major accomplishment considering it's his second points title this year after winning the points standings in the Wal-Mart FLW Texas Tournament Trail earlier this year. Curtis had three top-10 finishes in four events in the Central Division and two top-10 finishes in four events in TTT competition.

Chuck Rounds of Benton caught 10 bass weighing 30 pounds, 14 ounces to win the Co-angler Division and a fully rigged Ranger plus $5,000 cash. The win was Rounds second EverStart Series win on Kentucky Lake. His last win came in 2000. He's also won three Wal-Mart Bass Fishing League tournaments on Kentucky Lake since 2002.

"Everyone was dragging their jigs," Rounds said, "but I like to hop my jig." Rounds ties his own jigs and favored black and blue and brown crawfish patterns in this tournament.

Rounding out the top-five co-anglers are Brad Taylor of Catlettsburg, Ky. (10 bass, 22 pounds, 15 ounces); Emmet Barnett of Waldron, Ark. (10 bass, 22 pounds, 7 ounces); Gilbert Herald of Pittsburg, Texas (10 bass, 22 pounds, 3 ounces); and Melinda Mize of Ben Lomond, Ark. (10 bass, 22 pounds, 2 ounces).

Mark King of Gurdon, Ark. won the points title in the Co-angler Division of the EverStart Series Central Division

EverStart Series tournaments are four-day events consisting of two rounds. The entire field competes Wednesday and Thursday, and the top 10 pros and co-anglers - based on two-day accumulated weights - advance to the final round. Anglers start at zero Friday, and pro and co-angler winners are determined Saturday based on two-day accumulated weights.

Saint Liam wins Foster for Frankel

by CHRIS DUNCAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE – Trainer Bobby Frankel won Saturday's Stephen Foster Handicap with a horse he barely knows.

Saint Liam, who just arrived in Frankel's barn this week, passed Presidentialaffair around the final turn and pulled away for a 2 3/4-length win in the Grade 1, $828,000 race for older horses at Churchill Downs.

The 5-year-old horse's previous trainer, Richard Dutrow, is serving a 60-day suspension in New York for medications violations. Mark Reid, the racing manager for owner William Warren, said Frankel was the only man he considered to replace Dutrow.

"It's nice when you can get Babe Ruth off the bench to pinch-hit," Reid said.

Dutrow's suspension ends July 31 and Reid said the horse will immediately go back to Dutrow and prepare for the Whitney Handicap in August.

Frankel said he'll have no problem giving the horse back – even though he thinks the 5-year-old is the top older horse in the country following the June 13 retirement of 2004 Horse of the Year Ghostzapper, also trained by Frankel.

"This moves him to the head of the class now," Frankel said. "People are congratulating me. Give Dutrow credit. His crew got this horse ready."

Saint Liam covered the 1 1/8 miles in 1:47.52 and paid $3.80, $3 and $2.40 under regular rider jockey Edgar Prado.

Eurosilver, and jockey Rafael Bejarano, finished second and paid $8 and $4.20. Perfect Drift, who won the Foster in 2003, was 2 3/4 lengths back in third and paid $2.60 under Gary Stevens.

M B Sea, Gouldings Green, the Frankel-trained Badge of Silver, 2004 Foster winner Colonial Colony and Presidentialaffair rounded out the field.

Saint Liam also won the Clark Handicap at Churchill Downs last fall and the Donn earlier this year. The horse also challenged Ghostzapper in the Woodward last September, losing by a neck.

"This might be the second-best race he ever ran," Frankel quipped.

Presidentialaffair charged to the early lead and set a fast pace until Prado urged Saint Liam around the final turn. The son of Saint Ballado easily passed Presidentialaffair on the outside and Prado put the whip away as the colt drew clear in the stretch.

"I had the best horse in the race," Prado said. "I was 100 percent confident all the way."

The Foster was one of six stakes at Churchill Downs on Saturday. In the others:

–Jockey Pat Day earned his first stakes win since his May 17 return from hip surgery, guiding Two Trail Sioux to a start-to-finish victory in the Grade 2, $330,000 Fleur de Lis for fillies and mares, 3-years old and up.

–Derby Trial winner Don't Get Mad, who finished fourth in the Kentucky Derby, won the Grade 3, $217,400 Northern Dancer for 3-year-olds.

The Ron Ellis-trained Don't Get Mad was one of about 100 horses quarantined at Churchill Downs on May 17 after other horses showed symptoms of equine herpes. He was cleared to train again on June 3 and showed no ill effects from the brief layoff, beating Unbridled Energy by 3 1/4 lengths with Gary Stevens aboard.

–Rush Bay, with Robby Albarado riding, surged out of a pack and held off Big Prairie by a neck to win the Grade 3 $220,400 Jefferson Cup for 3-year-olds on the turf.

–Rich in Spirit, also ridden by Stevens, burst from a pack in the final furlong to win the Grade 3, $225,000 Regret for 3-year-old fillies on the turf.

–Senor Swinger and jockey Brice Blanc, passed Mr. Krisley and Silver Traffic in the closing strides to win the $111,200 Opening Verse for 3-year-olds and up.

Three jockeys punished for Derby ads appeal sanctions

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE – Three jockeys fined and suspended for wearing unapproved advertising on their clothing during the Kentucky Derby have appealed the penalties levied by stewards at Churchill Downs.

Stewards suspended Jeremy Rose, Kent Desormeaux and Corey Nakatani from riding for seven days and fined the jockeys $5,000 each. The suspensions, announced Friday, were to begin Monday, but the penalties will be stayed until the appeal is heard by the Kentucky Horse Racing Authority, executive director Jim Gallagher said Monday.

Gallagher said no hearing date for the appeal has been set.

Rose, who rode Afleet Alex to a third-place finish, wore an ad for an online poker company during the Derby. Nakatani rode Wilko and Desormeaux rode Greeley's Galaxy in the May 7 race.

Jockeys sued in federal court and won the right before the 2004 Derby to wear advertising on their clothing. But under racing authority guidelines, any advertising must be approved by the horse's owner and track stewards

Prince Prado wins Churchill feature

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE – Prince Prado, ridden by Eddie Martin, Jr., held off On the Acorn for a neck victory in Sunday's featured $57,000 allowance optional claiming event for 3-year-olds and up at Churchill Downs.

Prince Prado won for the first time in six starts, covering the 1 1/16 miles on the turf in 1:42.41. The 5-year-old son of El Prado paid $19.40, $9.60 and $6.20.

On the Acorn, with Brice Blanc aboard, paid $6.80 and $4. Gretchen's Star was another length back under Calvin Borel and paid $4.20.

Prince Prado, trained by Vickie Foley, earned $28,520 and boosted his career total to $221,848. Foley is a co-owner with James English.

Kerry subs Dale Jr. in Busch test at Daytona

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. – Having friends willing to draft with you is always important at superspeedway tracks such as Daytona – and Kerry Earnhardt hopes his one-day testing session in his brother's Busch Series ride earns him a favor.

Kerry Earnhardt shook down the No. 81 Menard's Chevrolet that Dale Earnhardt Jr. will wheel in the Winn Dixie 250 on July 1. Also testing Monday at the speedway were Jeff Spraker (subbing for Mike Bliss in the No. 30 Ski Motorsports Chevrolet) and Clint Bowyer (No. 2 Richard Childress Ring Chevrolet).

"I'll think I'll have one this coming Daytona," Earnhardt said when asked if he'll have any drafting friends. "I'll have a couple of them here actually with [DEI driver Paul] Menard and Junior both. I know they'll work with me quite a bit. We've done it in the past and I know it'll happen this time. I believe that's the only ones that are going to be out there."

Joe Ruttman was testing the No. 09 Phoenix Racing Chevrolet in preparation for the Nextel Cup Series' Pepsi 400 on July 2.

When Kerry Earnhardt returns for the Pepsi 400 Weekend, he'll be pulling double duty. He'll race the No. 99 Chevrolet in the Busch race as well as the No. 33 Chevrolet in the Cup event.

Earnhardt drove a second Michael Waltrip Racing entry earlier this year at Talladega and challenged for the victory before settling for a fifth-place finish.

The lack of drafting partners at the end of the race played a factor in the fifth-place finish. He's looking to deliver a different story at Daytona.

"[Waltrip] just asked me if I like to drive Daytona and of course you don't turn it down as a driver, especially as bad as I want to get back in the seat," said Earnhardt, who sat on the pole at Daytona during February's Craftsman Truck Series race.

Racing at the legendary tri-oval of Daytona International Speedway is something Earnhardt loves to do.

"Daytona really puts on a great show," Earnhardt said. "Race is a race. I love them all but Daytona and Talladega both are very special. The superspeedway races are very challenging. You have to be mentally prepared as much as physically. You have to know when to make the right moves drafting at the right time."

Bowyer was walking with an extra spring in his step. He earned his first career Busch victory a few weeks ago at Nashville, Tenn.

"It was good to get that monkey off of our back with that first win," said Bowyer, who earned his first series victory in his 32nd start. "It was a long time coming. We got close a couple of times but for whatever the reason we couldn't get it done."

Bowyer, who was testing a new Chevrolet from the Richard Childress Racing stable, hopes more victories will be around the corner.

"I don't know what it is about that first win," Bowyer said. "Even when I was racing dirt cars back home. You race and race and race and you don't win. Then finally once you get that win you can click more off. It's like you see the light. You figured it out after that."

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Campbell delivers KO to win US Open

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PINEHURST, N.C. – Michael Campbell heard a roar that shook the sun-baked ground at Pinehurst No. 2, the unmistakable sound of Tiger Woods making another birdie to cut into his lead Sunday at the U.S. Open.

Campbell backed off his shot in the adjacent 14th fairway, then hit a laser that never left the flag.

Moments later, another cheer rang out, louder still, from the 18th green as Woods finished with a birdie. Campbell had more work to do to earn his first major championship. This time, he fired an 8-iron into 20 feet on the par-3 17th, and the birdie putt dropped in the center of the cup.

"I heard the roars going up," Campbell said. "And I knew what was going on."

Campbell answered every challenge Woods threw at him until a U.S. Open full of surprises – from Jason Gore's memorable run to Retief Goosen's unforgettable collapse – got the biggest one of all.

Woods was the one who buckled.

Once touted as a rising star, Campbell finally delivered a major championship no one saw coming with a collection of steely par saves and a knockout punch on the 17th to capture the U.S. Open, joining 1963 British Open champion Bob Charles as the only players from New Zealand to win a major.

"I worked hard for it. I deserve it. And I have it," Campbell said. "It's all mine."

The last 10 years were a collection of unlimited potential and shattered confidence.

The last 10 holes were packed with pressure during an intense duel with the world's No. 1 player.

"I stayed patient for 10 years, and I went through some ups and downs, some injuries, missing cuts, missing tournaments," Campbell said. "But deep down inside, I knew that I had something in me to do something special."

Woods must have felt like he went back in time to the 1999 U.S. Open at Pinehurst, when his rally was snuffed out by a bogey on the 17th hole. He made two of them this time, missing an 8-foot par putt on the 16th hole, then ramming his 25-foot birdie putt 6 feet by and missing that one to the right.

A birdie on the last hole gave him a 1-under 69, his second runner-up finish in a major and little consolation.

"I figured if I could just get to even par ... if I was lucky, I might be able to get into a playoff," Woods said. "Unfortunately, I made those two bogeys on 16 and 17 and (they) kind of put me out of that equation."

Campbell had a three-shot lead at No. 18 and finished with a bogey he could afford. The only thing he couldn't beat was Pinehurst, finishing at even-par 280, the first time a U.S. Open champion failed to break par since Lee Janzen at Olympic Club in 1998.

Campbell raised his arms when the final putt fell and looked to the sky, stunned by a crowning moment in a career that looked so promising in the British Open at St. Andrews a decade ago.

The 36-year-old tugged his cap down over his face and then dabbed at his eyes. After hugs with his caddie and playing partner Olin Browne, Campbell thrust his fist in the air and threw his ball into the crowd.

"It's just amazing," he said.

The last hug was for Woods' caddie, Steve Williams, a fellow New Zealander.

"I think that was the single greatest sports moment in New Zealand history," Williams said.

Woods stayed behind the 18th green and watched Campbell finish, gently rubbing a clenched fist over his lips as he stared back toward the 17th green. There would be no 10th major on this day.

"Unfortunately, it's frustrating," Woods said. "If I putt just normal, I'm looking pretty good."

There might not have been any tense moments if not for Goosen, the two-time U.S. Open champion who turned in a collapse that ranks among the greatest in major championship history. He lost his three-shot lead in three holes and crashed in spectacular fashion, closing with an 81.

Gil Morgan was the last 54-hole leader at the U.S. Open to fade so unceremoniously, shooting 81 in the final round in 1992 at Pebble Beach.

"I messed up badly," Goosen said. "I obviously threw this away, but I'll be back next year. We all have bad rounds."

Gore, 818th in the world rankings but No. 1 to the massive crowd at Pinehurst, shot 84. Browne, who started the final round tied with Gore three shots from the lead, closed with an 80.

That set the stage for a duel between Campbell and Woods.

"I was telling myself 20 times a hole (to) keep my focus, keep my focus, keep my focus," Campbell said. "And it worked."

Campbell hasn't been in contention at a major since the '95 British Open, where he hit one of the most memorable shots out of the Road Hole bunker to save par and take the lead into the final round. He finished with a 76 at St. Andrews, missing out on the playoff by one shot.

His career has been a roller coaster since, much like the state of his emotions Sunday afternoon. But he showed the poise of a champion down the stretch, even with roars for Woods ripping through the pines.

Woods, eight shots behind as he headed up the third fairway, had the look of a winner when he birdied the first two holes on the back nine to get within two shots of the lead.

Campbell answered with a 25-foot birdie on No. 12, the toughest hole in the final round.

Woods stuffed his approach on the 203-yard 15th hole to 5 feet, and the cheer was such a jolt that Campbell backed off his shot in the 14th fairway. He hit that one to 8 feet and made par.

The tournament effectively ended on the next two holes.

Campbell was short and in the bunker on the 15th, but hit a terrific shot out to 6 feet to save par. Up ahead, Woods quickly took himself out of contention with bogeys. He ended with a 12-foot birdie, but it was too late.

Campbell earned $1.17 million for his first victory in the United States, which comes with five-year exemptions on the PGA Tour and the other three majors.

Sergio Garcia (70), Tim Clark (70) and Mark Hensby (74) tied for third at 5-over 285.

It was the hardly the star-quality leaderboard that Pinehurst produced six years ago, when the late Payne Stewart beat Phil Mickelson with a 15-foot par putt on the last hole, with Woods and Vijay Singh another shot behind.

But it still demanded the best golf, and Campbell proved a worthy champion.

"Hats off to him," Woods said. "He was in the doldrums and worked his way back. Now he's one of the best."

Felton wins Nationwide Tour title

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KNOXVILLE, Tenn. – Australia's Kim Felton won his first Nationwide Tour title, making a 10-foot birdie putt on the final hole for a one-stroke victory over two-time PGA Tour winner David Peoples in the Knoxville Open on Sunday.

The 30-year-old Felton closed with a 3-under 69 to finish at 11-under 277 on the Fox Den course. The 45-year-old Peoples also closed with a 69.

Campbell claims another 15 minutes of fame

by JIM LITKE
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PINEHURST, N.C. – He used up his 15 minutes of fame.

Or so everyone thought about Michael Campbell.

"I worked really hard for this, ups and downs my whole career," he said in the fading light of Sunday evening, half a world away from the nine-hole muni where the New Zealander learned to play golf.

The slim silver U.S. Open trophy he had just wrested away from Tiger Woods was still clutched so close that he could see his reflection in it.

"But it's worth the work," he added. "It's just amazing."

Ten years ago, Campbell was going to be golf's next big thing. He came out of nowhere to grab the third-round lead at the British Open, thanks to a miraculous escape from the toughest spot in the toughest bunker on the toughest hole in major championship golf. What Campbell couldn't have known at the time was that singular shot would become a snapshot of the adversity that lay ahead.

Before teeing off the next day, Campbell performed the Haka, a chanting, knee-slapping Maori ritual dance in a brazen challenge to his opponents. Then he went out on the Old Course at St. Andrews in gusts so stiff even the seagulls walked and shot 76. That left him a stroke short of making the playoff eventually won by John Daly. And just as quickly, Campbell went back to nowhere.

His career from that point until this one was more down than up, and never lower than at the end of one of Campbell's infrequent forays on the PGA Tour. At the 2003 Players Championship, his long, uncomplicated swing had become a series of short, herky-jerky motions, hampered by overanalysis.

"I feel like an alien has taken over my body," Campbell said back then, and soon after, he retreated to the European tour.

There were highlights, to be sure, such as the first time he stared down Woods, at the Johnnie Walker Classic in Taiwan in 1999. That Campbell managed to hold off Woods again, this time over the tight fairways and treacherous, domed greens at Pinehurst No. 2, might have surprised some people. But not Tiger.

"Look at his career. He was playing real well, then all of a sudden, he lost it," Woods said. "He lost his game and had to rebuild it from scratch. He did a fantastic job of coming back, from a person missing cut after cut after cut, to now, a person who's the U.S. Open champion.

"That's a lot of work right there," Woods added, "and he should be very proud of it."

Woods' caddie, Stevie Williams, a Kiwi himself, was even more effusive.

"I think that," Williams said, "was the single greatest sports moment in New Zealand history."

Forget about how long that moment was in coming – the amazing thing is that it happened at all.

Michael's wing of the Campbell family descends from Sir Logan Campbell, a Scot who emigrated to New Zealand in 1845. His great-great-great-great grandson may have had the pedigree for the game, but he was a gifted athlete who dreamed of playing rugby, the Kiwis' national sport, until his mother decided it was too rough.

For all the prowess Campbell demonstrated at golf at a tender age – he carried an 11 handicap at age 12, was a ranked amateur by 16, and represented New Zealand in international matches by 18 – his parents took some convincing that he could make a career of it. So Campbell went to work after college as a telephone technician. He didn't turn pro until 1993, and didn't really convince anybody he'd made the right choice until that stirring Houdini act from the bunker on the Road Hole at St. Andrews in 1995.

"I came close, you know, 10 years ago. What a place," Campbell recalled, his voice softening. "But it wasn't my turn."

Three years later, fighting a lingering wrist injury, Campbell lost his playing privileges on both the European and Australasian tours. He thought about selling golf balls for a living until a few tournament sponsors came through with invitations that enabled Campbell to keep hitting them instead.

"And" he said, "it's been a great journey since then."

Ten victories around the world in the last half-dozen years, but the one that validated the rest was the longest shot of them all. Not because Campbell became the first player since Steve Jones to win the Open after going through qualifying play, but because his handlers had to talk him into qualifying in the first place.

"And I scraped through," he said, "just scraped through."

Those same words could describe so many junctures in Campbell's career. At some of those, he was tempted to grab an ax and chop his clubs in half. At others, he would picture his hero, Ben Hogan, whose quest to reduce a complex game to the simple task of hitting every fairway and every green made him the quintessential Open golfer. So much that when the folks at the USGA searched out someone to model their course setup on, Hogan was their man.

"I loved the way he moved. I've read all his books," Campbell said. "I've got them at home. I admire his work ethic, the way he worked so hard."

And that was who Campbell sought to channel one more time, turning the trophy around in his hands. He went past the names of Jones and Vardon, Nickaus and Palmer and stopped at Hogan.

"I can see his name four times," Campbell said. "And now mine's going down there somewhere."

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Casey wastes no time getting to work with Wolves

by DAVE CAMPBELL
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MINNEAPOLIS – Dwane Casey's first full day on the job as Minnesota's new coach wasn't wasted.

By noon, he had worked out three promising draft prospects and pledged to visit as many of the Timberwolves' current players as he could before the summer starts.

For Casey, the excitement of a new venture has made the hectic pace easier to cope with. And that excitement is what he's eager to show to the players he's now in charge of. He wants to let them know where he's coming from and set out the expectations for what the Wolves hope is a much better season than the one they just had.

"I'm not going to win anybody over," Casey, a former University of Kentucky player and assistant coach, said Saturday, after supervising a workout with Sean May and Rashad McCants of North Carolina and Joey Graham from Oklahoma State.

Though there's no guarantee any of them will ever play for Minnesota, Casey made a strong impression on the trio of NBA hopefuls.

"He's real genuine. Just very straightforward and a good guy to be around," said McCants, who dined with Graham, Casey and Kevin McHale, the team's vice president for basketball operations. "He has a good glow to him."

Graham, who played for coach Eddie Sutton at Oklahoma State, shared stories with Casey, who was an assistant on Sutton's staff at Kentucky in the late 1980s.

May felt Casey's time had come to be a head coach.

"He's definitely been overdue," May said. "He's served his time."

Casey, who had been an assistant with the Seattle SuperSonics since 1994, thrives on meticulous preparation. He keeps notebooks from practices and games to use as references.

"You can tell that he knows the game and that he teaches the game," May said.

Casey must also figure out, with McHale's input, who is going to be on his staff. With the draft looming on June 28, it's definitely a busy time.

Casey won't meddle too heavily in the team's evaluation of potential picks, instead reiterating the type of players that he sees fit for his system. That usually means athletic guys who can break down defenses on the drive as well as players with good ballhandling skills, floor vision and a willingness to share the ball.

He also wants someone willing to be a good teammate and listen to instruction.

"You can't be buddy-buddy," Casey said. "But I think this is a players' league. You have to understand that."

Two putts and a trophy that got away

by DOUG FERGUSON
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PINEHURST, N.C. – Tiger Woods looked like a beaten man as he stood behind the 18th green, gently rubbing his knuckles over his upper lip as he gazed back at the 16th and 17th holes, a 200-yard area of Pinehurst No. 2 that cost him a chance to win the U.S. Open.

Off to his right was the bronze statue of Payne Stewart, striking the winning pose from six years ago.

Woods always has said he was thrilled that Stewart made a 15-foot par putt on the final hole to win the 1999 U.S. Open at 1 under par. He said it helped him sleep better knowing that Stewart finished two shots ahead of him, and that the par putt Woods missed on the 17th hole that year ultimately didn't matter.

This time, it did.

Michael Campbell won the U.S. Open by two strokes, with clutch shots down the stretch and a little help from Woods.

The guy who has built a mystique by making pressure putts blinked twice in two holes late Sunday afternoon, missing an 8-foot par on the 16th and three-putting for bogey on the 17th, missing from 6 feet.

Eight shots behind after two holes, Woods found little consolation from this close call at Pinehurst.

"Depends on how you get there, you know?" he said. "If you come out of nowhere to get second, then yeah. But if you feel you had a chance to win and you didn't take that opportunity to win the tournament, then it's disappointing. The two seconds that I've had ... the PGA at Hazeltine and now here ... I did not get it done."

Campbell showed him how to do it.

The 36-year-old from New Zealand dropped only two shots on the back nine, both times when it didn't matter.

One of them came on the 16th, after Woods had bogeyed to four shots behind. The other came on the 18th hole, when he could have three-putted from 3 feet and still won.

In between was a collection of shots that define U.S. Open champions.

With not much green to work with on the 11th, Campbell blasted out to 6 feet and holed the par putt with authority. He did the same on the par-3 15th, having to hit out of a bunker with the ball close to a steep knoll. It came out perfectly, as did the 6-foot putt he made.

And the final blow, an 8-iron into 20 feet, was as pure as it gets.

"He brought his game starting with the first swing," said Olin Browne, who played with Campbell and shot 80. "He recovered when he needed to recover. He executed when he needed to execute. He didn't make any stupid mistakes. And he played smart when he had to play smart."

The only thing Campbell didn't beat was par _ that meaningless bogey on the last hole gave him a 69 to finish at even-par 280, the first time a U.S. Open champion didn't break par since Lee Janzen at Olympic Club in 1998.

Next up is the British Open at St. Andrews, which appeals to Campbell and Woods for different reasons.

Campbell no longer goes back to the Old Course thinking about an opportunity that didn't come along for another 10 years. His shot from the Road Hole bunker on the 17th skipped up the sodded bank to within inches to save par, and he had the 54-hole lead. Then he shot 76 in the final round to miss by one shot the playoff won by John Daly.

"It's just been an interesting journey the last 10 years," Campbell said. "Leading the Open championship back in '95 and having a chance to win a major championship, it wasn't my time to win. But today was."

Now he goes to St. Andrews as the U.S. Open champion, one who didn't slide through the back door. Under the pressure of a final round, with cheers rocking around him every time Woods made a birdie, Campbell played with poise and confidence to become the first sectional qualifier since Steve Jones in 1996 at Oakland Hills.

He also joined Bob Charles as the only Kiwis with a major.

"Deep down inside, I knew that I had something special in me to do something special," he said.

Woods goes back to St. Andrews with memories of his overwhelming victory five years ago, when he failed to hit into a single bunker, broke the major championship record by finishing 19 under par and won by eight strokes.

But he also brings some baggage.

There already were questions about his game even after he won the Masters, where he had a two-shot lead until making ugly bogeys on the final two holes to fall into a playoff with Chris DiMarco.

He couldn't get away with making two bogeys down the stretch at Pinehurst No. 2.

"I felt like if I could get to even par and post that number, then I was looking pretty good, at least getting into a playoff," Woods said. "Unfortunately, it didn't work out for me. I didn't feel comfortable with my putter all week."

Campbell, who nearly quit the game seven years ago when a wrist injury led to shattered confidence, finally has his first major championship and wonders where it will lead next.

"He was down in the doldrums there and worked his way out of it," Woods said. "And now he's one of the best."

Edwards rallies to win at Kentucky Speedway

by MURRAY EVANS
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SPARTA – Carl Edwards raced to his third NASCAR Busch Series victory of the year Saturday night, passing Martin Truex Jr. with a little more than lap to go in the Meijer 300 at Kentucky Speedway.

Edwards, who won the Nextel Cup event last Sunday at Pocono after missing the rain-delayed Busch Series race in Tennessee, worked his way back to the front of the field after dropping to ninth with a four-tire stop with 31 laps left.

Edwards led 150 of 200 laps in his Roush Racing Ford on the 1 1/2-mile oval, finishing 0.69 seconds ahead of Truex's Chevrolet.

The Nextel Cup driver took a chance with 31 laps left when he made the four-tire stop under a green flag. After dropping to ninth, he worked his way to fourth, and got a break with 15 laps left when a collision between Greg Biffle and Tyler Walker brought out a caution. Edwards needed less than a lap to pass Reed Sorenson and Clint Bowyer after the restart with eight laps left, and was pulling up on Truex when Biffle's car caused another caution with seven laps to go.

After the restart with two laps left, Truex blocked Edwards on the high side of the track, but Edwards ducked underneath and took the lead.

Edwards, who won a Craftsman Truck series race at Kentucky Speedway in 2003, also has won Busch Series races this season at Atlanta and Richmond. He and Truex are the only three-time series winners this year.

There wasn't much that didn't go right for Edwards on Saturday. He set a Busch Series track qualifying record and started on the pole after a fast lap of 181.287 mph.

He knew early that he had the best car. During the first caution of the race, 23 laps in, Edwards said, "Right now, I've got one of those cars that you get every once in awhile. It's perfect."

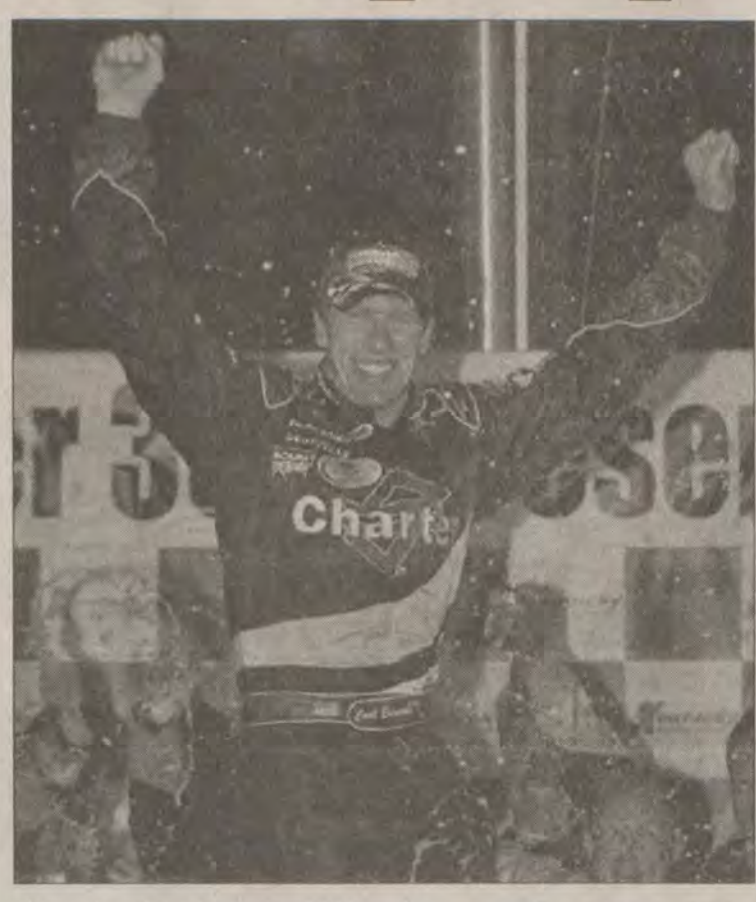
Edwards' average speed was 117.097 mph.

Edwards, a two-time winner this on the Nextel Cup series, was one of five Nextel Cup regulars to drive Saturday. Sterling Marlin overcame a spinout on lap 81 to finish sixth. Rusty Wallace, running in only his second Busch Series race of the year, was 24th, and Biffle, who exited the race during the final caution, was 30th.

Kentucky native Michael Waltrip was the first driver to drop out of the race. Cars driven by Waltrip and Johnny Sauter touched on the sixth lap, costing Waltrip three laps, and on lap 13, Waltrip made contact with the wall in the fourth turn.

"Johnny Sauter spun," Waltrip said. "I hit him and must have broken something in the front of the car. I couldn't drive it after that."

The race drew 70,114 fans, the fifth sellout in five years for the Busch Series race at Kentucky Speedway.



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Carl Edwards executed a back flip Saturday night at Kentucky Speedway following his win in the Meijer 300 Busch Series race.

NASCAR Busch-Meijer 300 Results

1. (1) Carl Edwards, Ford, 200 laps.
2. (3) Martin Truex Jr., Chevrolet, 200.
3. (16) Clint Bowyer, Chevrolet, 200.
4. (8) Reed Sorenson, Dodge, 200.
5. (10) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 200.
6. (27) Sterling Marlin, Dodge, 200.
7. (4) J.J. Yeley, Chevrolet, 200.
8. (13) Stacy Compton, Ford, 200.
9. (11) Casey Atwood, Dodge, 200.
10. (2) Jon Wood, Ford, 200.
11. (6) Justin Labonte, Chevrolet, 200.
12. (12) David Green, Ford, 200.
13. (33) Tony Raines, Chevrolet, 200.
14. (18) Kenny Wallace, Ford, 200.
15. (5) Denny Hamlin, Chevrolet, 200.
16. (25) Brandon Miller, Chevrolet, 200.
17. (26) Stanton Barrett, Chevrolet, 199.
18. (19) Aaron Fike, Ford, 199.
19. (9) Tyler Walker, Dodge, 199.
20. (36) Tim Sauter, Chevrolet, 199.
21. (34) Randy LaJoie, Chevrolet, 199.
22. (22) Chad Blount, Chevrolet, 199.
23. (42) Michel Jourdain Jr., Ford, 199.
24. (7) Rusty Wallace, Dodge, 198.
25. (28) Ashton Lewis Jr., Ford, 198.
26. (30) Kertus Davis, Chevrolet, 198.
27. (41) Steve Grissom, Ford, 197.
28. (29) Ryan Hemphill, Dodge, 196.
29. (38) Wade Day, Chevrolet, 194.
30. (21) Greg Biffle, Ford, 190, accident.
31. (14) Jason Keller, Ford, 184.
32. (15) David Stremme, Dodge, 165, accident.
33. (39) Mark Green, Chevrolet, 150.
34. (17) Blake Feese, Chevrolet, 131, handling.
35. (35) Jeff Fuller, Chevrolet, 126, engine failure.
36. (43) Wayne Edwards, Dodge, 111, transmission.
37. (37) Jamie Mosley, Ford, 69, accident.
38. (24) Johnny Sauter, Dodge, 39, accident.
39. (32) Eric Jones, Dodge, 26, engine failure.
40. (20) Tim Fedewa, Dodge, 18, accident.
41. (23) Regan Smith, Dodge, 18, accident.
42. (31) Michael Waltrip, Chevrolet, 7, accident.
43. (40) Chris Horn, Chevrolet, 0, engine failure.

Race statistics:
Winner's Average Speed: 117.111 mph.
Time of Race:
2 hours, 33 minutes, 42 seconds.
Margin of Victory: 0.690 seconds.
Caution Flags: 10 for 44 laps.
Lead Changes: 12 among 8 drivers.
Lap Leaders: C.Edwards 1-42; J.Keller 43-45; G.Biffle 46-51; C.Edwards 52-71; D.Green 72-73; C.Edwards 74-133; M.Truex Jr. 134-135; C.Bowyer 136; J.Yeley 137; S.Marlin 138-142; C.Edwards 143-168; M.Truex Jr. 169-198; C.Edwards 199-200.
Point standings: 1, R.Sorenson, 2,186; 2, M.Truex Jr., 2,150; 3, C.Bowyer, 2,145; 4, C.Edwards, 2,120; 5, K.Wallace, 1,991; 6, D.Hamlin, 1,882; 7, A.Lewis Jr., 1,874; 8, D.Stremme, 1,809; 9, G.Biffle, 1,764; 10, J.Keller, 1,753.

NEXTEL CUP: Biffle wins fifth race of year

by MIKE HARRIS
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BROOKLYN, Mich. – Five wins in 15 races is a pretty good start to the season. Greg Biffle wants more.

"Believe it or not, we've had some lows this season," Biffle said Sunday after using late-race strategy to win the Batman Begins 400 at Michigan International Speedway. "I mean, we've won five races, but also, at the same time, we had a radiator bar through the grill at Phoenix and then, last week (at Pocono), we lost the brakes when I thought we could have won the race.

"I just hope we can eliminate some of those mistakes that we've made," he added. "We've only made a couple, but we've got to try to close in some more in the points."

If his Roush Racing No. 16 team does stop making mistakes, he could turn the entire season into a runaway.

Heading into next Sunday's road race in Sonoma, Calif., Biffle is second in the standings. With leader Jimmie Johnson struggling to a 19th-place finish Sunday, Biffle cut the deficit from 123 points to just 49.

He did it by outdueling and outfoxing runner-up Tony Stewart, staying on track with slightly worn tires and turning that decision into his eighth career victory.

The powerful Roush team, winner of the last two season championships, got its eighth victory of the season. It was another strong showing for the entire team, with three of Biffle's four teammates finishing in the top five and the fifth driver, defending series champ Kurt Busch, fading to 12th after running in the top 10 through most of the 200-lap event on the 2-mile, high-banked oval.

Stewart led a race-high 97 laps, but lost a strategy battle at the end.

Biffle, who led 63 laps, was running second to Stewart when he decided to stay on the track during a late caution as the front-runner and several other lead-lap cars pitted for fresh tires with 31 laps to go. Biffle and the rest of the leaders had pitted about a dozen laps earlier.

"It was my decision," Biffle said. "I wanted to lead and there was no doubt in my mind that we had a fast enough car to beat those guys. It's just so hard to pass here. And I was hoping enough of those guys would stay out with us that Tony would have to burn up his tires trying to get back to us.

"If everybody behind us had gone in, we could have been a sitting duck. But we had four or five of those guys stay out there with us."

The drivers who did stay out were Roush teammates Matt Kenseth, Carl Edwards and Busch, as well as Elliott Sadler.

Playing into Biffle's hands, Joe Nemechek and Michael Waltrip also beat Stewart back onto the track, leaving him eighth for the restart on lap 174.

Stewart, trying for his first win since last August at Watkins Glen, got all the way to third by lap 178, but it took him until lap 198 to get past Kenseth, the 2003 series champion.

"I never would have imagined that we wouldn't have got to the front with 12-laps-fresher tires," Stewart said.

"They may have got us at the end, but we held our own today," he added. "We had fresher tires at the end but, for some reason, they didn't take off the way they had all day. I probably overdrove the car to try to get to the lead again."

Mark Martin, another Roush driver, finished third, followed by Kenseth and Edwards, Nemechek, Waltrip, Sadler and rookie Kyle Busch.

Martin, running his final season in the Cup series, said Roush's domination this year is no fluke.

"It's only my opinion," Martin said, "but Roush Racing has the hottest drivers in racing. We have great engines, great drivers and great crew chiefs. We've been working real hard for a long time and it's showing now."

Biffle, who also won the season-ending race last year at Homestead, Fla., flew back to Michigan late Saturday night after crashing and finishing 30th in a Busch Series race in Kentucky. He said he was in some pain Sunday from a sore foot, a cut wrist and an aching head.

"But winning cures everything," Biffle said, grinning.

Edwards, who won last week at Pocono, also won Saturday night in Kentucky.

Ryan Newman, who set a track qualifying record in winning the pole, lost the lead on the first lap to Casey Mears on Sunday and never got back in front, finishing 15th.

Dale Earnhardt Jr. continued to struggle. He started near the back of the 43-car field and worked his way up, but had to regain a lost lap late in the race and wound up 17th. It was the fifth straight race the fan favorite has been outside the top 10.

It was also rough day for the Hendrick Motorsports team, which has five wins this season.

Johnson was never in contention and teammate Jeff Gordon, a four-time series champion, continued his recent struggles, finishing 32nd, three laps behind Biffle, and falling all the way to 12th in the standings, 406 points behind Johnson.

Only the top 10 and any other drivers within 400 points of the leader after the 26th race of the season will be eligible to race for the Cup championship over the final 10 events.

While Kyle Busch did manage a top 10 finish for the team, the fourth Hendrick entry, Brian Vickers was knocked out early. Vickers, coming off a second-place run last week at Pocono, brought out the first of four caution flags when a deflating tire sent his car careening into the water barrels at the entrance to pit lane.

Housewright scores Late Model win with fill-in crew chief

TIMES STAFF REPORT

COEBURN, Va. – With his crew chief Larry Collins at Kentucky Speedway Saturday helping with Wade Day's NASCAR Busch Series effort, Kingsport, Tenn. Late Model racer Brad Housewright inaugurated suspension specialist Ken Hunley's first crew chief experience with a victory leading flag to flag in the BB&T 210 at Lonesome Pine Raceway.

David Hopkins who drove the only Ford in the 75-lap Honda of Prestonsburg Late Model race Saturday, snapped Wayne Hale's streak of five consecutive poles to start this season.

With the three car inversion, however, Hopkins started inside the second row behind Housewright and Hale starting first and second.

It didn't take long for the caution flag to fly as Kirby Gobble who started fifth made contact with Hopkins in turn one on the second lap, causing sheet metal damage to the front of both cars. Hopkins and Gobble restarted at the back of the field and would meet again later in the race.

On the restart Housewright jumped out to grab the lead, a feat which he would repeat two more times has the caution flag flew on laps seven and 16 for debris.

Brian Blevins who started fourth made contact with Hale on the initial start and Blevins took advantage to grab the second position, which he would hold the remainder of the race.

Hopkins had worked his way back up to sixth place by the halfway point, but was unable to break into the top five. Meanwhile Gobble, who had pitted during both early debris cautions, slowly caught Hopkins.

While trying to pass the Ford on lap 48 Gobble made contact with Hopkins again in turn three to bring out the fourth caution.

Both cars would continue after extensive work on pit lane, and after the race the Hopkins team expressed its displeasure with Gobble.

Housewright held the lead throughout the turmoil that occurred behind him, but in the final laps Blevins and Hale had caught him and the three were nose to tail. Blevins said after the race he could have taken Housewright out at any time during those waning laps.

"I think Housewright needs to thank the officials and thank me because I could have punted him any time I wanted to with five to go and I just don't race like that," said Blevins, who was leading the points standings coming into the event. "I apologize to Wayne Hale because I got into him at the first of the race. I didn't mean to. I don't know if he missed a gear or what. It wasn't like him not to go.

"I'm not going to apologize to Housewright because he's wrecked me before and I didn't wreck him so I think he needs to thank me real nice."

For Housewright it was his first victory since the season opener in April.

"I appreciate him (Blevins) for running me clean tonight," Housewright said.

"There was a couple of opportunities he probably had to get under us and go on. I got to thank my crew chief. It's the first time he's ever done this, and Ken Hunley had the car running pretty good."

Hale finished third ahead of Joey Owens and Buddy Talbert. Gobble wound up seventh ahead of Hopkins in eighth.

Roger Neece overcame a six car inversion after earning the pole to win the 35-lap Miner's Exchange Bank Street Stock feature.

Brothers Doug and Rob Austin started beside each other on the front row, and it was Rob Austin who grabbed the early lead. By the time the caution flew on lap 15 for a car stalled on the track Neece had worked his way to second, and it took only four laps after the restart for him to dispatch Rob Austin and sale away to a dominating victory - his second in a row and third of the season. Rob Austin finished second ahead of Tony Vance, Chris Tunnell and Doug Austin.

T.J. O'Quinn took the checkered flag first in a controversial 30-lap Mod 4 race, but was disqualified in post race inspection.

Jody Bostic nipped the pole away from Freddie Taylor Jr. by 3/1000ths of a second, but with a three car inversion they started behind O'Quinn. Those top three cars ran nose to tail and often side-by side throughout.

When Jeff Roark spun on lap 21 to bring out the caution Bostic and O'Quinn had been side-by-side for four laps with O'Quinn retaining the lead across the finish line by a bumper.

On the restart Bostic tried to put a bumper on O'Quinn to gain an advantage, but instead it hurt Bostic's momentum and Taylor Jr. grabbed the second spot. With his second place finish Taylor Jr. was credited with the victory ahead of Bostic, Rocky Yates, Brad Ball and Dave Watson in fifth.

"What you get when you've got cars qualifying almost identical laps is close racing," Bostic said after the race. "You've got to do a lot of bumping and pushing, and I wasn't intending to wreck anybody but if you're going to win you're going to have to push. I can't ride around and follow somebody all race. I got break checked on a restart and got shoved into the wall, so nobody's got anything to be mad about."

In just his second start in the Community Trust Bank Pure 4 division Gene Estep grabbed the win ahead of Tony Perry, Carl Lawson, Steve Skeens and Linton Perry in fifth.

Travis Watson earned his sixth consecutive McDowell Professional Pharmacy Legends race, but was followed closely this week by Steve Mitchell in second and Greg Turner in third.

Wanda Phillips earned her first victory in the Ladies Pure 4 race, and John Clark took home the trophy in the Amazing Grace Cafe Hornets race.

LPR returns to action this Saturday, June 25 with a full slate of racing.

LPR extends congratulations out to former Late Model track champion Danny O'Quinn Jr. who finished sixth in the ARCA race at Michigan Friday; and former Late Model track champion Wade Day who finished 29th in the NASCAR Busch Series race at Kentucky Speedway Saturday.

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POISON OAK

So, who was better off?

With Deep Throat and Watergate recently popping up again, we're reminded that in this age of instant news coverage, everybody's fair game.

It probably really started with Nixon, but today's media seems to delight in negative stories about famous people, especially those who hold public office.

Clyde Pack

It didn't use to be that way. When I was a kid, only positive things about our public officials—both local and national—were ever reported in the paper or on the radio. If I'd made a joke or said something derogatory about President Roosevelt, my dad would have worn me out. And, it wasn't so much the fact that he was a Rooselvelt man (although he was) as it was that in that day and time, one just didn't bad-mouth the President of the United States, especially a smart-mouthed, coal-camp kid.

Although we never seriously talked politics (or religion), I knew that Dad had been a Hoover Republican, turned Roosevelt Democrat, and that he, like most of the country's working class, blamed the depression on ole Herb, and looked at FDR as the absolute savior of the nation.

Many historians today still back Dad's theory of the situation. Of course, a like number have absolved Hoover of any blame for anything, and have turned the tables on the Democratic leadership (or lack of same) of that day, saying that Hoover was merely the fall guy for the whole mess.

Be that as it may, however, Dad was a good American and strictly forbade any blasphemous remarks about our leaders from any of his offspring.

Of course, one of the reasons the

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Ross completes KAELI program

The Kentucky Adult Education, Council on Postsecondary Education and the Collaborative Center for Literacy Development has announced that Kay H. Ross, of the David School, has successfully completed the Kentucky Adult Educators Literacy Institute (KAELI).

Ross, along with 44 other KAELI participants, was recognized at a state networking seminar held April 18, at Marriott's Griffin Gate, in Lexington.

KAELI is a professional development initiative that provides an innovative, university graduate/undergraduate course for selected adult educators in literacy. Ross was nominated by her supervisor as an educator who is dedicated to helping adult learners attain literacy goals in the workplace, family and community. She completed the rigorous course by reviewing strategies and research in reading and writing; participating in on-site coaching visits; undertaking case studies and using an online Webquest that linked theory to teaching practices. Ross completed the course at Western Kentucky University.

All KAELI graduates are invited to become members of the KAELI alumni. This year, the alumni, under the guidance of Dr. Mark Condon, University of Louisville, has established the "Slices of Life" website (www.kyyae.org/life.asp) where adult learners publish their original literacy works.

KAELI is a project of the Collaborative Center for Literacy Development (CCLD), funded through KRS 164.041 Adult Education and Literacy Initiative Fund and housed at the College of Education, University of Kentucky.

Roberts honored in Frankfort ceremony

Adam Justin Roberts, a student from Betsy Layne High School, was recently recognized at a ceremony held in Frankfort, for being selected as a 2005 Commonwealth Governor's Scholar.

At a reception held in the Governor's mansion, Roberts and 72 other students were honored. The 73 students represent high schools from across the state.

Commonwealth Governor's Scholars are chosen for the potential they have shown in overcoming adversity in their lives. The students not only excel in school and as members of their local communities, they have also balanced high school pursuits with difficult circumstances. Each Commonwealth Governor's Scholar will attend one of three Governor's Scholars programs held this summer at Bellarmine University, Centre College, or Eastern Kentucky University.

Members of the legislature joined Gov. Fletcher in honoring the Scholars, as did members of the Governor's Scholars Program Board of Directors.

Gov. Fletcher congratulated Adam Justin Roberts for being chosen as one of 73 Governor's Scholars for 2005.

photos by Kathy J. Prater

The expansive gardens of the home of Verlin Nichols, on North Central Avenue, have been selected to receive the Prestonsburg Woman's Club "Yard of the Month" award for the month of June.

A weathered deck chair, a couple of whimsical touches, and the beautiful blooms of a Yucca plant draw the eye to this delightful area of Mrs. Nichols' garden.

The ornamental touches added to this weathered gate near the back entrance of the Nichols home highlight the delicate wildflowers found growing there.

Another unique, and eye-catching, addition to the garden is this trumpet honeysuckle which Mrs. Nichols says is well-liked by visiting hummingbirds.

June 'Yard of the Month' a lush oasis

by Kathy J. Prater
FEATURES EDITOR

A loving project began years ago with her late husband is how Mrs. Verlin Nichols describes the lush gardens surrounding her home on North Central Avenue. "It's just something we always enjoyed doing together," she said. "It's a lot of work, but I enjoy it and it keeps me busy, too."

With a myriad of plants almost too many to number, the yards of the Nichols home are an oasis of calm. Looking closely, one will spy yucca plants, hosta, trailing ivy, ferns, and a wide variety of ornamental shrubs and bushes, all alongside bright summer blooms of all kinds including primrose, geraniums, miniature roses, daisies, buttercups, and a multitude of delicate wildflowers. Most of the plants are fairly common, but others, such as the Chinese Lantern plant - often used in craft projects shares Mrs. Nichols - and the trumpet honeysuckle, showing off long, red, tubular flowers that hummingbirds just adore, add unique touches to the gardens.

Add a lovely gazebo, some weathered deck furniture and a handcrafted wooden flowerbox hung on a garden gate underneath a pewter plaque that reads: "The kiss of the sun for pardon; The song of the birds for mirth; One is nearer God's heart in a garden; Than anywhere else on earth" and you understand the thought behind all of the work that Verlin and Preston spent such long hours investing their time into.

Congratulations for your prestigious award - it is one well-deserved.

CRITTER CORNER

Hot Spots

By Dr. Carol Combs-Morris, DVM

"My dog has some sort of terrible wound"

"I think my dog has been burned, but I don't know how."

"I know you don't believe me, but this happened overnight."

These are typical phone calls we get during the warmer months. While they all sound very serious, it often turns out that these animals are suffering from what we call "hot spots". (If you try to look up this condition in a textbook, you will find it under "acute moist dermatitis".)

Hot spots are areas of extremely inflamed skin that occur mostly in dogs and occasionally in cats. They are usually secondary to some other problem such as an insect bite, a scratch or a small puncture from something such as a thorn. Anything that causes a significant local irritation can set off a hot spot.

The animal begins to scratch, lick and bite at the offending area, causing even more inflammation. Before long, the combination of irritation, bacteria from the nails and mouth, and moisture from saliva cause a severe skin condition completely out of proportion to the relatively mild injury that started it.

Hot spots can vary from a pea-sized spot of red skin to large areas of hairless, raw, oozing tissue several inches across. They can literally show up overnight, and sometimes do have an appearance that suggests boiling liquid has been thrown on the animal. I suspect that more than one neighborhood feud has been started over

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This is "Korky." Korky is a Collie owned by Seth Jones, of Printer. Seth, 13, a student at South Floyd Middle School, shares that Korky loves children and enjoys taking daily walks with him. Seth also says that he is not the only one in his family who loves Korky, including his "Nana" who feeds and waters and looks out for Korky while Seth is at school! Apparently, Korky knows he's a lucky dog, judging from the way he is smiling for the camera!

School Calendar

"Back to School Health Fair will be held July 27, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Allen Central High School"

Athletic Physicals will be provided at Our Lady of the Way Hospital's Wheelwright Clinic, on July 13, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., for students enrolled at McDowell Elementary, Osborne Elementary and South Floyd High and Middle Schools. Parents must accompany children for services and also must stop by the Family Resource Center offices to pick up physical form to take along.

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 Central High School

■ July 8 - Free athletic physicals for ACHS area will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Martin Family Health Center, located beside the Martin Post Office.

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.

Betsy Layne High School

■ The Betsy Layne Ladycats will be hosting a basketball camp to be held June 22, 23, and 24, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., each day. The Ladycat Basketball Day Camp will be held at the Betsy Layne High School Practice Gym (on the hill at the high school). The camp is for girls who will be entering grades 1 thru 9. Cost is $50 per camper and $40 for each additional camper in family. Lunch will be provided daily.

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

■ 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

■ The FRC will host summer activities at the school that will be offered FREE of charge to all students enrolled at McDowell Elementary: July 11-15 - Physical and Health Activities Camp. Children will participate in physical and health education programs. Offered in collaboration with McDowell ARH; July 18-22 - Nutrition Camp. Children will learn the importance of how to eat healthy and be active. Children will prepare nutritious, easy to prepare snacks each day; also, they will learn how to make healthy versions of old favorites. Students will also learn about the basic food groups. Camp offered in collaboration with Our Lady of the Way Hospital; July 25-26 - Environmental Camp, offered in collaboration with Floyd County 4-H program, UK Cooperative Extension Service. Students will learn about environmental issues with "hands-on" activities.

■ 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. Ask your sport coach for information. Watch for advertisement and flyers with date and location.

■ 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 visi-

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YESTERDAYS

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

Ten Years Ago

June 21 and 23, 1995

More than $85,000 will have to come out of Floyd County's general fund to pay for improvements at Thunder Ridge racetrack, because a $2.7 million bond issue for the project has been depleted...Floyd County lost a "pretty good bundle" of federal funding last year, because its Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) failed to meet at least twice during the year...In an ongoing process of collecting delinquent taxes from local businesses, the City of Prestonsburg, filed suit against P & B Ambulance Service, Monday...An obvious rift between Floyd Judge-Executive Bob Meyer and County Attorney Jim Hammond grew wider at Friday's fiscal court meeting during discussions relating to building a new $17 million facility which would house the county's circuit and district courtrooms, plus county offices...After 12 years of dedicated service, one of Prestonsburg Fire Department's finest passed away Monday afternoon. Susie, the department's Dalmation, at the age of 12 died of a heart attack, Monday, according to her veterinarian, Dr. Mark Greene...A cut in services in the criminal division of the Floyd County Attorney's Office is being blamed on county budget cuts, but a portion of that funding for personnel in that division comes from state revenues...Floyd County's school system will share in a $11.2 million civil recovery, stemming from an alleged bid-rigging conspiracy that "milked" 65 Kentucky School districts. In 1990, the state filed a lawsuit against 15 milk suppliers, who allegedly conspired to circumvent the competitive bidding process and, in effect, overcharged the school districts by millions of dollars...A federal grand jury in Ashland began hearing testimony Wednesday, into a federal probe involving Floyd County Attorney Jim Hammond. From the witnesses who testified Wednesday, the probe apparently involves issues related to the child support enforcement department, administered through the county attorney's office...Eastern Kentucky woodworkers are coming out of the woodwork! Artists, crafters, furniture makers, manufacturers and even carpenters are uniting to market their goods as well as preserve the environment...A University of Kentucky van is bridging the gap to dental care for some Floyd County children, age 2 through 12. The UK Dental School, in conjunction with the Floyd County Health Department, will offer dental services to children who qualify, according to income standards...Floyd County Assistant County Attorney Bob Bishop has resigned from his post, a day after testifying before a federal grand jury in Ashland, investigating county attorney Jim Hammond. Bishop declined to say Thursday, if his resignation is related to his grand jury appearance on Wednesday...Floyd County area women will have a place to live in Prestonsburg, while recovering from substance abuse, due to a $10,000 grant to MCCC. The grant will help pay for the work to renovate 13 new rooms at the Layne House...Citing pretrial publicity and location, a change of venue was ordered, Thursday, in the case of accused murderer, Clawvern Jacobs. Floyd Circuit Judge John David Caudill ordered that the trial be moved to Warren County in Western Kentucky...There died Frank DeRossett, 54, of Allen, Tuesday, June 20, at La Grange; Phillip Mayo Jenkins, 46, of Martin, Tuesday, June 20, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Grace W. Hewitt, 91, of Banner, Monday, June 19, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg; Virgie Johnson Slone, 66, of Garrett, Friday, June 16; Myrtle Robinson Hunter, 79, of Prestonsburg, Thursday, June 15, at King's Daughters Medical Center in Ashland; Birchell C. Hall, 70, of Bryson City, N.C., formerly of Martin, Friday, June 16, in Lexington; Lulu V. Sturgill, 92, of Nicholsville, Saturday, June 17, at her home; Delores A. Mills, 58, of Loves Park, Ohio, Thursday, June 15, at her residence; Gracie Prater Adams, 80, of Prestonsburg, Sunday, June 18, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Edward R. Payne, 65, of Avilla, Indiana, Wednesday, May 31, at Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne, Indiana; Grace W. Hewitt, 93, of Banner, Monday, June 19, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Avinell Ousley, 62, of Risner, Wednesday, June 21, at Saint Joseph Hospital, in Lexington; Douglas Gene (Jack) Akers, 60, of Honaker, Tuesday, June 20, at his residence; Gardez Henderson Dingus, 89, of Allen, Wednesday, June 21, at his residence.

Twenty Years Ago

June 19, 1985

A squabble over boundaries threatened, last week, to derail a drive by Allen area residents to establish a taxing district in support of their ailing fire department...A landslide on Branham's Creek is joining six East Kentucky reclamation projects for which federal funds have been committed...District Judge Harold Stumbo turned down a request by a drunk driver, Monday, that he be sent to an alcoholic treatment program. Stumbo sentenced Donald R. Whitaker to 30 days in jail...An explanation is due from Attorney General David Armstrong, Floyd County Attorney Arnold Turner Jr., said yesterday (Tuesday), as to why allegations of forgery against County Clerk Carla Boyd were never presented to the grand jury that indicted 16 people, including five county officials, last December...Two Teaberry coal operators wound up in Floyd Circuit Court, last week, as Scotty Hamilton accused Sterling Tackett of stealing his mining scoop. There died: John Dee Mitchell, 29, of Dwale, was killed late Saturday night by a train...Adam Noble, 55, of McDowell, died Thursday, at his residence, following an apparent heart attack...Samuel Lee Crum, 70, of Betsy Layne, died June 8, at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Lexington, following an extended illness...C.D. "Chill" Francis, 67, of Allen, died Monday, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington, following an extended illness...Orville L. Steele, 68, of Betsy Layne, died Saturday, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital, following a brief illness...Bessie Mae Stephens, 78, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, at her residence following an extended illness.

Thirty Years Ago

June 18, 1975

Floyd and neighboring counties may be the more fortunate ones as many Kentucky counties, their industries and schools, face a natural gas shortage next winter as a result of a cutback by Columbia Gas of Kentucky...Friday was the last day of the school year for the one-room school on Daniel's Creek, the county's last one-roomer...Floyd county has a total of 3,300 veterans, including 28 veterans of the Spanish American War, according to a Veterans Administration compilation made December 31, 1974...The Floyd County Mapping Project, an undertaking of the Kentucky Department of Revenue to identify every parcel of property in the county, will begin in early July..."No immediate danger" was the report of Damon Harrison, of the state planning office, to the Environmental Quality Commission, last week, concerning Maxey Flats, a low-level nuclear waste disposal site in Flemng County...Sgt. Randall S. Branham of Honaker, is a recent graduate at Keesler Air Force Base, Miss., of the U.S. Air Force chaplain services' supervisory course...There died: Mrs. Hattie Wright, 44, of Auxier, June 10, at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington; Paul R. Hill, 52, formerly of Weeksbury, May 27, in Detroit, Mich.; Carl Joseph, 42, of Prestonsburg, Wednesday, June 11, at a hospital, here; Mrs. Beckie Tackett, 82, of Beaver, Sunday, at a nursing home, here; June Maynard Ferrell, 59, of Fostoria, O., native of this county, June 8, in a Findlay, O., hospital; Mollie Miller, 103, native of Abbott Creek, last Wednesday, in Coal Grove, O.; Eugene Hunt, 54, of Allen, June 9, at his home; Eugene Prater, 65, of Ada, O., formerly of Abbott Creek, June 10, in a Lima, O. hospital; Edith Herald Kishpaugh, 60, of Paintsville, formerly of Prestonsburg, last Friday, at the Paintsville Hospital; Peggy Gene Stanley Park, 38, of Burbank, O., formerly of this county, Sunday, in an Akron hospital; Dud Barnett, 108, of Brainard, last Thursday; William (Bud) Mills, 87, of Auxier, Sunday, at the Paintsville Hospital; Mary Roop Clifton, 73, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, at a hospital; Mrs. Mary Alice Ousley, 43, of Prestonsburg, Sunday, at a Martin hospital; Mrs. Minnie Clark, 68, of the Abbott Road, Tuesday, June 10, at a hospital, here.

Forty Years Ago

June 17, 1965

Two federal-aid projects slated to begin in Floyd County, next Monday, will add approximately $300,000, mainly in payrolls, to the economy, County Superintendent Charles Clark said this week...Congressman Carl D. Perkins announced, Tuesday, that the Housing & Home Finance Agency has added, $5,538 to its share of the Courthouse Square urban renewal project here, to permit the City of Prestonsburg to make additional relocation payments...Floyd County's Homecoming, last weekend, did not bring home a great number of expatriates, but the programs offered, Friday and Saturday nights and Sunday afternoon, made hundreds who had never left home glad they were there...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Chester Baldridge, of Columbus, Ohio, a daughter, Lisa Gail, May 19...There died: Romeyn C. Dyer, 60, Allen contractor, Tuesday, at St. Mary's Hospital,

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Oak

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general public held politicians in such high esteem in those days, was because the media did. Apparently, Washington reporters knew how to keep their mouths shut. You'd have to be pretty naive not to realize that every one of them was aware of FDR's mistress, Ike's girlfriend, and Kennedy's sleeping around. But it wasn't until after they were long gone that stories of their ribald behavior began to be made public.

So, who was really better off, the generation who got 30 minutes of national news every evening, or those of us who can watch minute by minute developments from all over the world?

Most likely, the general feeling today is that we do indeed have a right of know. But can you imagine what life would have been like in the 1940s if all this instant information had been available to a church-going (Free Will Baptist) coal miner? Had these folks known, or even suspected, that their leaders were just human after all, there's no telling how they would have reacted. Say what you will about 24-hour coverage by the media, with all its marvels in technology, but I, for one, am grateful that our fathers and grandfathers weren't as advanced(?) in news coverage as we are today.

Completes MSU Spanish studies program

Gloria Newsome, second from left, graduated Summa Cum Laude from Morehead State University on May 14, 2005. Gloria majored in Spanish Education and earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree with a 3.923 GPA. Gloria was employed for 12 years as a classfied employee in the Floyd County School System prior to taking an educational leave in January 2004 to complete her studies. She lives in Weeksbury with her husband, Wayne (third from left) and sons, Bill (first from left) and Brian (fourth from left).

Yesterdays

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Huntington, West Virginia; Phonzo (Hoover) Harrington, 61, of Prestonsburg, Saturday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Lida Davidson Spradlin, 87, Sunday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Molly Holbrook, 82, of Abbott Creek, June 2, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Spurlock Damron, 88, June 7, at his home at Honaker.

Fifty Years Ago

June 16, 1955

Dewey Lake visiting is on its way to a new record, figures for the first five months of the year indicate, said J. R. "Red" Weaver, reservoir manager, this week. As of June 5, 189,215 persons had visited to lake. Business is on the upgrade in Floyd County and, as in most parts of the nation, the automobile is sparking the rise, according to figures revealed by the publication, Consumer Markets...An estimated loss of $7,000 resulted from the fire which, Saturday afternoon, swept the second floor of the V. A. Smiley home on North Highland Avenue here...The postoffice that serves famed Caney Junior College and surrounding territory will, on July 1, bear the name that was intended for it from the first—Pippa Passes, Ky.—instead of the present Pippapass...Continuing with its plans to build here, a Community building, Floyd Post, American Legion, met Friday evening at the courthouse and cast its definite vote for such an undertaking...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. John A. Campbell, now of Fort Wayne, Indiana, a son, June 6...There died: Dr. Henry Francis King, 58, Friday, at Huntington, West Virginia; A. J. Coburn, 84, formerly of Hueysville, last Saturday, at Huntington; David Alfred Bowles, 73, of Charleston, W.Va., Monday, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Earl Honaker, at Harold.

Sixty Years Ago

June 17, 1945

Development of coal holdings of the Turner-Elkhorn Coal Company on Frasure's Creek, near McDowell, will begin around July 1. Three tipples are under construction...The past week was the first such period, in many months, when no war casualties were reported...Contract on surfacing of the Left Beaver highway from Gearheart to Wheelwright Junction was awarded, Monday, to the R. B. Tyler Co., Louisville, on its low bid of $48,125...There died: Mrs. Cynthia Fitzpatrick Holbrook, 87, last Thursday, on Middle Creek; Mrs. Harriet Horn Hopson, 92, Tuesday, at a Paintsville hospital, of injuries suffered in a fall, here, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Bill Blackburn; the Rev. James Buchanan Goble, 85, Wednesday, at Edgar, of injuries sustained in a fall, the preceding Thursday.

Seventy Years Ago

June 14, 1935

Isaac Centers, 75, and Susan Holt Newsom, 30, of Prestonsburg, were killed in the wreck of a truck, Friday, at the mouth of Coon Creek in Pike County. Injured were Mrs. Fred Caudill and two sons: Elmer and John, and Hilda, infant daughter of Mrs. Newsom...Bill Cook, Floyd County merchant, was killed, Friday, by a shot fired from ambush on the head of Right Beaver Creek, in Knott County...Three men were wounded Sunday, in a gunfight between Garrett residents and employees of a street carnival which had been showing there. The wounded are Lacey Triplett, 35, of this county, and Stanley Western and "Whitley" Davis, of the Golden Valley Shows. Fifteen members of the carnival troupe were jailed here...Ernest Wright was shot and killed, Sunday afternoon, on the Spurlock Fork of Middle Creek, within 50 yards of the spot where his father, Henry Wright, was killed two years ago...There died: Clint Herald, 73, June 8, at West Prestonsburg.

School

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tors, 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 Tristan Parsons, Center Coordinator, or Anita Tackett, Assistant.

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

■ "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

Proud of that little one?

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Family reunion?

Share your family news. If your family is having a reunion, the Times will publish a picture, along with basic information, about the happy gathering. Stop by the Times office, located on 263 South Cental Avenue (across from Ray Howard Furniture), or send info. to PO Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; or email to: features@floydcountytimes.com.

Weddings/Engagements

Couple exchange vows in Maui

Ms. Judy Collins and Mr. Jason Pawlukiewicz exchanged wedding vows on May 1, 2005, in an outdoor ceremony performed on the tropical island of Maui, in the Hawaiian Islands. In attendance were Maxine and Otto Collins and Jim and Donna Pawlukiewicz, parents of the bride and groom, respectively. Also attending were Debbie and Brian Mistele, of Seattle, sister and brother-in-law of the bride, and their children, Stephen and Matthew. Ms. Collins is the granddaughter of the late Troy and Stella Branham, formerly of Grethel.

Reynolds-Goble

Joe and Rebial Reynolds, of Allen, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristy Rachelle, to Michael Douglas Goble, the son of Doug and Patricia Goble, of Banner. Kristy is a graduate of Betsy Layne High School and Eastern Kentucky University, where she received a bachelor's degree in medical practice management. She is currently employed by Select Specialty Hospital, in Lexington. She is the granddaughter of Arco and Hettie Hunt, and Sue and the late Joe Reynolds. Michael is also a graduate of Betsy Layne High School and Eastern Kentucky University, where he received a bachelor's degree in biology. He is currently attending the University of Kentucky College of Medicine, where he is completing his first year of study. He is the grandson of Loretta and the late Winston Carr, and the late Arthur and Edna Mae Goble.
The couple will wed on Saturday, July 9, 2005, at half past four o'clock in the afternoon, at the Betsy Layne Freewill Baptist Church. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed. Following a honeymoon trip to Jamaica, the couple will return to reside in Lexington.

Gettin' hitched?

If you're planning a wedding and would like to announce your engagement and wedding plans, the Times would be glad to help. Just drop by the Times office, or send photo and information to The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, or e-mail to: features@floydcountytimes.com. We will be happy to run either an engagement announcement or wedding photograph, with accompanying basic information, for free as our "Best Wishes" to the happy couple.

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AFTER

Porter named 'Kentucky Colonel' and 'Kentucky Admiral'

Steven G. Porter, PPA Cert., Master Photographer, attended the Kentucky Professional Photographer's Association's annual convention, held January 28-31, 2005, at the Marriott Hotel and Northern Kentucky Convention Center, in Covington.

During this convention, the Governor of Kentucky honors select members of the Kentucky Professional Photographer's Association with two of the state's most prestigious honors, the Kentucky Colonel Award and the newly appointed Kentucky Admiral Award.

Gov. Ernie Fletcher presented Porter with not only the Kentucky Colonel Award, but the Kentucky Admiral Award also. Only a handful of people in the entire nation have been honored with the receipt of both of these awards.

The title "Kentucky Colonel" has been around since 1813, when the Kentucky Militia had just returned from a highly successful "War of 1812" campaign that resulted in control of the Northwest being returned to the United States. Early Colonels actually served military roles. However, in the latter part of the 1800's, the position took on a more ceremonial function. At this point in time, the "new" organization was to be called the "Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels." Some of the early Kentucky Colonels included such famous figures as Mae West, Bing Crosby, Fred Astaire, W.C. Fields, Bob Hope, Jerry Lewis and even Pope John Paul II.

The Kentucky Professional Photographer's Association was founded in 1943, and is the premier provider of educational opportunities and fellowship among professional photographers in Kentucky. It's mission is to educate its members by providing opportunities to enhance photographic skills and abilities through lectures, demonstrations, hands-on experiences and print competition. These opportunities occur in the atmosphere of friendliness and warmth in an organization which lives through its members and supporting suppliers. Through these efforts, the quality of photography available to the consumer will be improved and the quality of life for the photographer will be elevated.

Porter is one of 14 professional photographers in the entire state of Kentucky who has achieved the status of "Master of Photography and Craftsman" degree, and one of four professional photographers in the entire state of Kentucky with the "Master of Photography, Craftsman" degree and is also PPA certified.

Porter owns and operates Porter Studio, located at 28 Porter Drive, in Prestonsburg. Studio number is 874-8935.

Colorful balloons brightened the day for Riverview residents as they kicked off the week of celebration with a balloon lift-off.

Peacie Warren was honored as the healthcare center's "Oldest Mother."

Ernest Stephens took a liking to a miniature horse who paid a visit on Western Day.

Fun week at Riverview

National Nursing Home week was observed May 6-12 at Riverview Healthcare Center, Lancer. Residents and staff celebrated with a balloon lift-off, a Mother's Day luncheon, 50's Day, Western Day, and more.

The center's oldest mother, Peacie Warrens, was honored with a beautiful plaque and bouquet of flowers during the Mother's Day luncheon and residents enjoyed a delicious meal with their families and friends.

Throughout the week; family members and friends visited often to enjoy meals and fun activities with residents and staff members.

As always, the Riverview Healthcare Center showed one and all just how much they care for their special residents. To volunteer, or to learn more about the services offered at the healthcare center, ca!l 886-9178. Melissa Allen, Director.

Bob Crum dressed up in his best Western gear for a day of fun.

Vivian Stambaugh enjoyed looking "cool" in her sunglasses and bandanna for 50's Day.

Critter

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what was actually a hot spot!

A common feature of all hot spots is that they produce the kind of intense itching that crosses over into pain. I think they must feel like that area of poison ivy that you just can't stop digging at, even after your mother tells you to leave it alone. Soon it is a raw, soupy mess that still itches, but hurts to scratch.

Animals with hot spots are miserable, and in warm moist weather the condition can become lethal if flies lay eggs in the damaged areas. Fly eggs look like masses of small, flat, yellow grains of rice. These can hatch within a matter of hours into maggots that burrow into and destroy the surrounding tissue. The presence of a hot spot is an indication to call your vet.

When we are presented with a patient with a hot spot, our first goal is to relieve the itching, so the animal will stop mutilating itself. Usually some combination of antibiotics, steroids, and/or antihistamines is needed to provide relief. Sometimes we have to sedate the animal and shave the hair for several inches around the area to allow air to get to the affected tissues and let them dry. An Elizabethan collar may be needed if nothing else will keep the animal's tongue away.

Once the crisis is over, so to speak, we turn our attention to trying to find out what caused the problem in the first place. Often we never know what it was. In general, we try to get some good flea control in place and try to minimize the number of flies and mosquitoes in the pet's environment. We ask the owner to do some detective work to determine whether the animal seems to be allergic to anything.

Some animals seem much more prone to skin problems in general, and hot spots in particular. Longhaired animals may benefit from having their hair clipped short in the summer for better air circulation to their skin.

If your pet should develop a hot spot, hopefully you will be able to recognize what is going on. You should realize that there is no need to panic, but that it does warrant a trip to the vet before it becomes serious.

Residents enjoy activities at Prestonsburg Healthcare Center

Ms. Virginia Linton, shown above, a resident of Prestonsburg Healthcare Center, proudly displays a handmade quilt she recently completed. Virginia, along with several other residents, participated in a learning activity conducted by center activity director, Cheryl Lafferty, in which they engaged in constructing lap quilts for themselves, and other, center residents.

The group even managed to involve those residents who were not physically able to participate, by allowing them to observe and interact verbally.

"Our staff endeavors, on a daily basis, to engage our residents in meaningful activities that allow them to demonstrate their skills, share experiences and improve their overall quality of life," Lafferty said. "We at Prestonsburg Healthcare are very proud of the gifts, talents and accomplishments of our residents. Our quilting project actually developed from just a typical daily gathering of residents around a dining room table to visit, share stories and quilt."

What began as a typical activity, according to Lafferty, transformed into a meaningful experience for the residents.

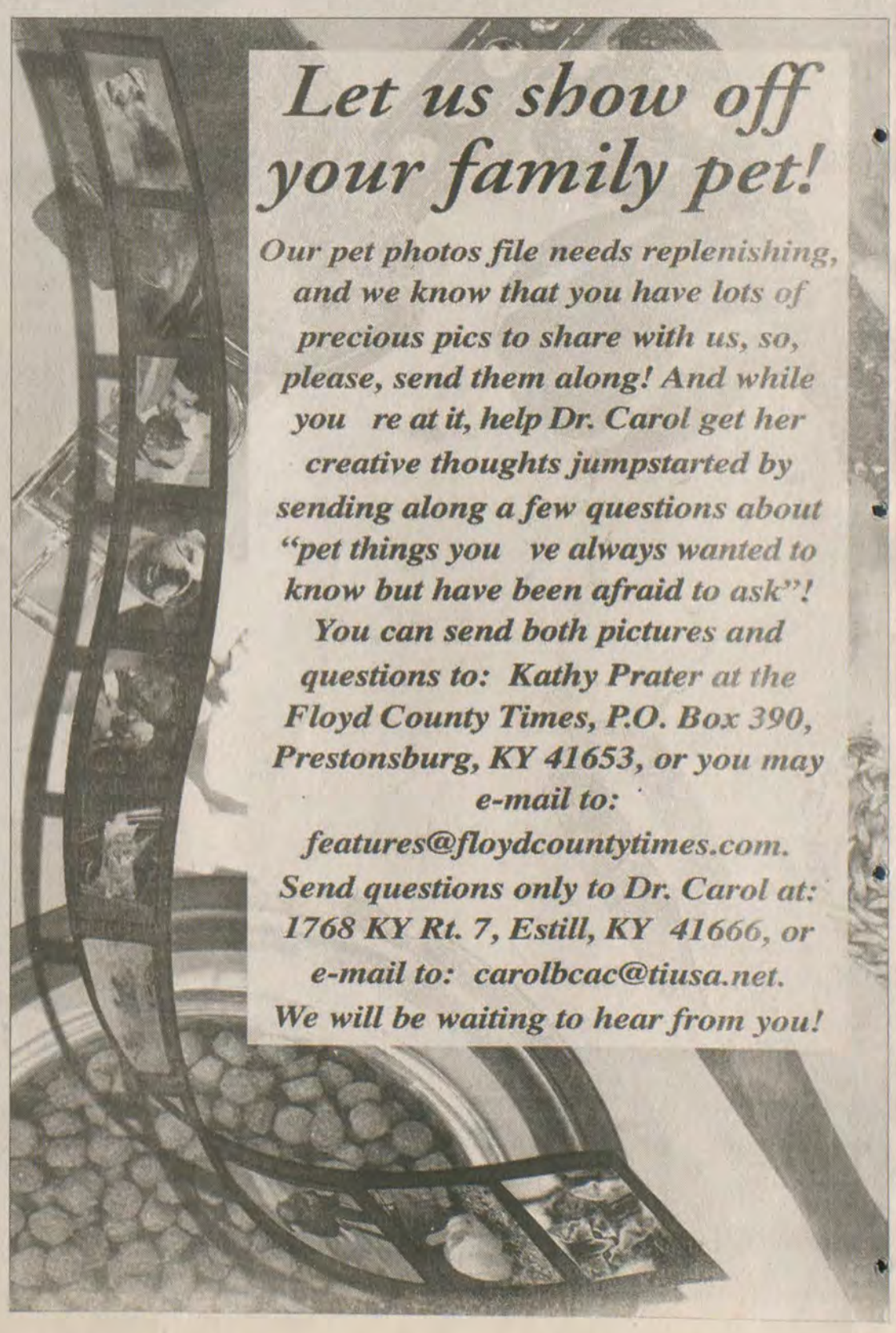
For more information about Prestonsburg Healthcare Center, and about how you can become a volunteer and make a meaningful difference in the lives of those who have given much, call the center's activity director at 886-2378.

Slone completes MSU program

Jamie R. Slone

Jamie Ratliff Slone recently completed a four-year master program in University Studies at Morehead State University. Jamie achieved this accomplishment while working full-time as a teacher in the Floyd County School System, part-time as a counselor, and serving as a full-time wife, mother and homemaker.

Her family wishes to acknowledge the hard work and dedication she has exhibited and the sacrifices she has made in working toward her educational and career goals.



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130-Cars

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140 - 4 x 4s

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Date & Time of Public Sale: June 24, 2005 at 11:00

Type of Collateral: 2003 Mitsubishi Montero Sport 4x4 S/N 2107

Contract Date: 06/10/05

Location: Call Mike Haney for location 886-2321
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150- Misc.

INFO FOR PUBLIC SALE

Date and Time of Public Sale: June 24, 2005 at 11:00

Type of Collateral: 1982 Chevy Tumblebus S/N 7350

Contract Date: 06/10/05

Location: Call Mike Haney for location 886-2321
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FOR SALE: Honda CH 80 Elite80 Scooter 2002 Model. Actual miles 450 miles. $800.00 Call 886-8506 ask for Patty or after 5 call 367-1934.

160-Motorcycles

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FINANCIAL

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FOR RENT: 3 Room office suite. $600 month. Call 886-1020 ask for C.V.

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HOUSE FOR RENT: 3 BR 2.5 BA. 1300 Frasure CK. $200 deposit, $325 per month. 1-888-602-3961.

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Trailer lot for rent on old U.S. 23 between Prestonsburg and Paintsville call 606-886-9007 or 889 9747

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NOTICES

810 - Auctions

PUBLIC AUCTION
The date of the auction is the 24th day of June at 11:00 of 2005 at the First Commonwealth Bank, 311 North Arnold Ave, Prestonsburg, KY. Items can be viewed by appointment only. The last day to view items is June 23 of 2005. Call Mike Haney at 886-2321 or 424-6453 for an appointment.
5 Wolf Tanning Beds
Assortment of tables, fans, chairs
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Cash Drawer
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Tan Master Bed Controller
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Pyle Pro Mixer
Pyle Pro Dual CD Player
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Assortment of Special Effects Lighting
Rotator Twisting Belt-Small, Med, Large
Tumbling Belt
4x8x2 1/2 Power Mat
Handspring Machine Small
Handspring Machine Set
42 x 42 Tumbling Floor

815- Lost & Found

REWARD: Lost in the Betsy Layne Pike/Floyd Hollow area-female black lab, 1 yr old, recently spayed, wearing a blue collar, answers to "Buffy". any information call 478-4629. leave message or 226-0298.

LEGALS

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 877-0165 AMENDMENT 4

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that DFM, Inc., P.O. Box 367, 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 recieved within thirty (30) days of today's date.

INVITATION TO BID
CFP KY36-PO38-501-03

The Housing Authority of Martin, Kentucky, will receive sealed bids for the CFP Modernization—**Siding Installation at Pageant Hill, at 10:30 a.m., on Friday, July 15, 2005,** at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

A Prebid Conference will be held at 10:30 a.m., on Friday, July 1, 2005, at the Housing Authority Administrative Offices at 109 Raymond Griffith Drive #1101, Martin, KY. The scope and details of the proposed project work will be discussed. Attend-ance is recommended.

Copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained upon request from Browne Group Architects, together with a deposit in the amount of $50.00, made payable to: Browne Group Architects, at 1351 King Ave., Suite 200, Columbus, Ohio 43212, for one set of documents.

Complete details of this Invitation to Bid may be obtained by contacting Mr. Bruce Coleman, Executive Director, at the Housing Authority of Martin, at (606) 285-3681, or Browne Group Architects, at (614) 486-7145.

Bruce Coleman,
Executive Director

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KAR 350.093, notice is hereby given that AEP KENTUCKY COAL, L.L.C., P.O. Box 270, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for Phase I release on Permit Number 877-5022, which was last issued on 5/10/04. The application covers an area of approximately 36.56 surface acres and 1181.99 underground acres, for a total of 1218.55 acres. The operation is located 2.0 miles southwest of David, in Magoffin County. It is approximately 1.0 mile east from SR 7 junction with SR 542, and located 1.5 mile east of the confluence of Molly Branch and Licking River.

The original bond in effect for 877-5022 is $233,000. Approximately 60% of the original bond amount of $233,000 is included in this application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes, grading and seeding completed on 10/26/04.

Written comments, objections and requests for public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by August 8, 2005.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 9:00 a.m., August 9, 2005, at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Floyd County Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by August 8, 2005.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to 405 KAR 8:010, Section 16(5), the following is a summary of permitting decisions made by the Department for Natural Resources, Division of Mine Permits with respect to applications to conduct surface coal mining and reclamation operations in Floyd County.

Frasure Creek Mining
Limited Liability Company
836-0303
Issued050524
Frasure Creek Mining
Limited Liability Company
836-5441
Issued050519
Czar Coal Corporation
858-5064
Issued050509

ADVERTISEMENT FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The Floyd County Public Schools will be receiving responses to a Request for Qualification of companies interested in providing a Drug/
Alcohol Screening Program.

Firms wishing to respond shall attend a mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference to be held at Floyd County Public School's Central Office, 106 North Front Ave., Prestonsburg, Ky., on July 5, 2005, at 10 a.m. Firms planning to attend the conference and site visits shall notify Henry Webb and request an RFP packet at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the conference.

Henry Webb,
Director of Instruction
Floyd County Public Schools
106 North Front Ave.
Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653
Telphone—606-886-4552
Email: hwebb@floyd.k12.ky.us

Only responses from those respondents attending the conference shall be considered.

Responses are due by 1 p.m., local time, June 30, 2005, at Floyd County Schools Central Office, 106 North Front Ave., Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.

All questions concerning this RFP shall be answered at the pre-proposal conference.

The Floyd County Board of Education does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, religion, marital status, sex, or disability, in employment, educational programs, or activities as set forth in Title IX, & VI, and in Section 504.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO RELOCATE GRAVES

Jerry Fannin is the owner of certain property located 761 feet or 0.14 mile from the intersection of Kentucky Rt. 1428 and 180 feet or 0.34 mile right ascending Stephens Branch Road which he obtained by deed dated January 12, 2005, and of record at Deed Book 509, Page 473, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk. He has discovered an abandoned cemetery on this property which contains nine (9) identifiable graves. It is his intention to relocate these graves.

The identifiable graves are: Unknown Infant; Kate Cecil Howard; John Howard; James G. Hatcher; Mary L. Hatcher; James H. Hatcher; L. M. Koogler (born 2/28/1884, died 9/27/1901; Anna B. Myers (born 12/23/1877, died 5/28/1954); and Wallace Myers (born 12/4/1886, died 9/28/1954). All reasonable efforts have been made to contact these decedents' next of kin and determine if there are other graves in this location

1. The cemetery has no known official name. It has been abandoned for many, many years.

2. This notice is to request assistance from anyone having knowledge of persons buried in this location, or the names of their next of kin.

3. If you have any information about persons buried in this location, please contact Don Hughes at Abbott Engineering, 3073 Ky. Rt. 321, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, (606) 886-1221.

4. This notice will run each Wednesday in the Floyd County Times for a period of 60 days from May 18, 2005. At the expiration of 60 days notice, Jerry Fannin will petition the Floyd Fiscal Court to grant authority to relocate the graves, whose next of kin cannot be located.

5. The graves requiring Fiscal Court approval to be relocated will, according to state law and regulations, be relocated at a perpetual care cemetery in Floyd County, and will be marked by appropriate headstones and footstones. The relocation will be supervised by a licensed funeral director who will have obtained the appropriate permits from the Health Services Cabinet, Department of Vital Statistics. The relocation is planned to take place on or after July 20th, 2005.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 836-5238 AMENDMENT NO. 3

1) In acccordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that CONSOL of Kentucky Inc., P.O. Box 130, Mousie, Ky. 41839, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface and underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located 0.9 mile northeast of Handshoe, in Knott and Floyd Counties. This amendment will not add any surface disturbance, but will underlie an additional 1992.0 acres, making a total area of 3595.7 acres within the amended permit boundary.

2) The proposed amendment is approximately 0.2 mile west from County Road 1280's junction with Ky. Hwy. 2029, and located along Lick Fork.

3) The proposed amendment is located on the Handshoe U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the underground method of mining. The surface area is owned by CONSOL of Kentucky Inc., and Leslie Bradley. The amendment area will underlie land owned by Kentucky Department of Transportation, CONSOL of Kentucky Inc., Mitchell Stephens, Leslie Bradley, Floyd Co. Fiscal Court, Johnny Hoover Heirs, First Commonwealth Bank, Lindburg Hale, Nadene Howard, Gary Handshoe, Pheba Handshoe Bryan, Clinton Handshoe, Eldree Handshoe, Ratliff Turner, Hershall and Margaret Handshoe, Bessie Conley, Lois Conley, Oakley Conley, Bradford Handshoe, Cletis Howard, Kirstina Strohschein and Beulah Leitch, Sharon Chaffins, Michael Crager, Wanda Hutchinson, Marvin and Janet Shepherd, Levisa Coburn Estate, Western Pocahontas Properties Ltd., Rex and Madge Hicks, Rosa Oney, Velton Prater, Charles and Becky Howard, Kenneth Bailey, Clyde Bailey, D.D. Compton and Betty Compton. The operation will affect an area within 100' of public road Ky. Hwy. 2029 and Lick Fork Road. The operation will not involve relocation or closure of the public roads.

4) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Offfice, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653-1410. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

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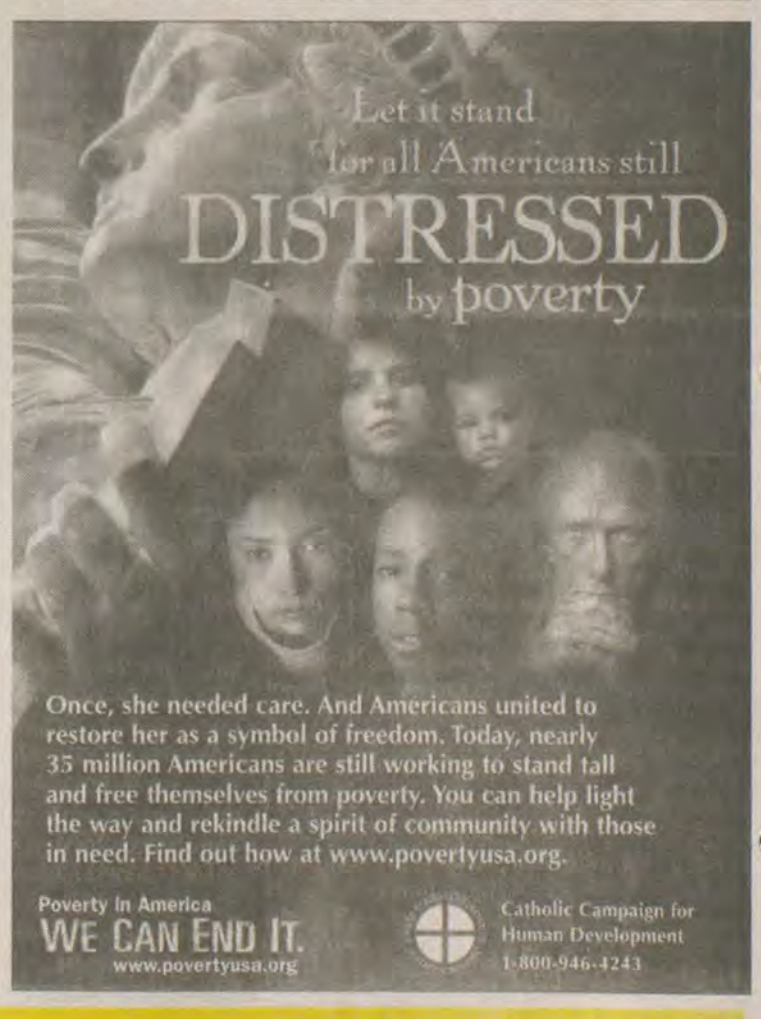

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CAMP Kid Scoop®

This Week: Sea Stars

SMART FUN IN THE SUMMERTIME

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Stars of the Sea

Camp Kid Scoop #4

The ocean is full of amazing creatures, and one that is unique is the sea star or starfish.It is a sea creature,but it lives close to the shore. Sometimes they are washed up on the beach or stranded in a tide pool, giving people a chance to see this mysterious creature up close.

Seeing Stars

What is a sea star and what is it not? A starfish is not a fish at all.Many marine biologists want to change its name to a **sea star**, because most of them look like stars. Sea stars are **echinoderms** (eh-keen-oh-durmz) – animals that lack a back bone.

Sea Star's Rays

Sea stars have arms but no legs. Their arms are called "rays." Some sea stars have five rays, some have six, ten or twenty.

Chow Time!

Sea stars have no eyes, no ears, no nose. They do have a _____ on their underside. To eat, a sea star _____ on top of, and slowly wraps its _____ around its food.

One thing sea stars like to eat is clams. Once one has wrapped its rays around a clam _____, its hundreds of tentacles _____ to the shell and hang onto it as it pulls and pulls until the shell opens. As soon as it opens just a little, the sea star _____ its stomach out of its body and into the shell and _____ the clam. This can take an hour or two.

No Bones About It

Sea stars don't have skeletons. Their spiny, tough skin gives them their shape and protects them.

Neat Feet

Sea stars have feet but no toes. If you look on the bottom of a sea star's ray, you will see rows of soft tentacles called **tube feet**. The sea star slowly creeps along on these feet.

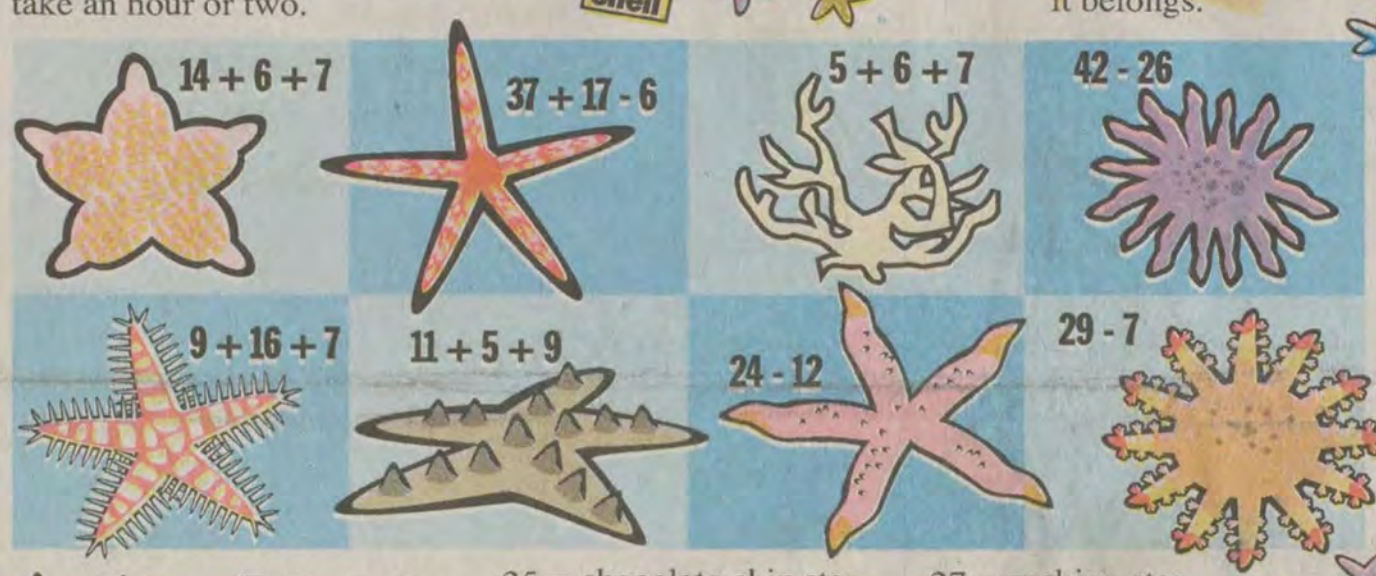
crawls mouth rays pushes digests attach shell

These sea stars swiped some of the words from paragraphs at left. Write in each word where it belongs.

Sea Star Search

How many sea stars can you find on this page in 30 seconds? Now have a friend try. Who found the most?

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.



Star Match

Do the math to match each sea star to its name.

25 = chocolate chip star
22 = sun star
48 = candy cane star
18 = basket star
27 = cushion star
12 = fat star
32 = comb sea star
16 = sunflower sea star

Standards Link: Life Science: Students know examples of diverse life forms in different environments; physical structure or behavior may improve an organism's chance for survival.

Extra! Extra!

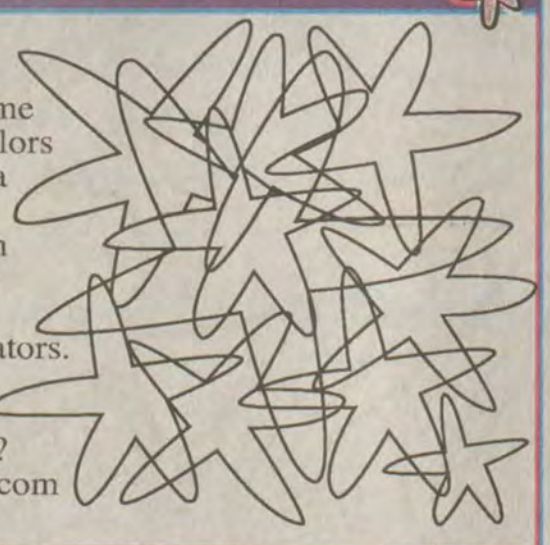
Creature Cut-Ups

You can create a new creature from the parts of creatures pictured in today's newspaper. Cut out different parts of different people and animals found in today's newspaper. Use these to create a new creature. Give your creature a name. Make up things about it, such as what it eats and where it lives.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

A Galaxy of Sea Stars

There are more than 3,600 different kinds of sea stars. They come in lots of different colors and shapes. Some sea stars are colored to match the surfaces on which they live. This camouflage helps them hide from predators.



How many sea stars are hidden here? Visit www.kidscoop.com for the answer.

Standards Link: Life Science: Animals have structures that serve different functions.

Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

SEA
STARS
SKELETONS
TENTACLES
CREATURE
PREDATORS
CRAWLS
RAYS
SHORE
TUBE
CREEPS
TIDE
POOL
ARM

E	T	C	S	H	O	R	E	S	P
H	I	E	S	Y	A	R	N	N	R
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W	P	I	A	E	A	S	E	A	A
A	T	E	L	R	T	C	A	S	T
R	R	E	A	R	S	F	L	H	O
C	K	C	R	E	E	P	S	E	R
S	A	R	M	I	P	O	O	L	S

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

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BEYOND Kid Scoop

Little-Known Facts

Look through today's newspaper and find three to five facts that you think not too many people know. Create a question for each fact. See how many people know these facts.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Ask questions to demonstrate comprehension.

Where is the best place to see a MAN EATING FISH?

ANSWER: At a seafood restaurant.

Weekly Writing Corner

Summer Jokes & Riddles

How do you know when it's summer?
A: Instead of a teacher giving you work, your parents give it to you.
Keigh, 6th grade

What did the surfer say to the wave?
A: Nothing, he just waved.
Brendan 5th grade

What do you get when a melon falls in a pool?
A: A watermelon!
What board do you dance on?
A: A boogey board!
Nathan 6th grade

What goes through the woods without a sound?
A: A path.
Elsa 4th grade

Why did the teacher have to wear sunglasses?
A: The students were very bright.
Katrina 6th grade

What do you call a witch at the beach?
A: A sand-witch!
Rachel 4th grade

Riddle: I'm high in the sky. Big and blinding. Not yellow, but gold, like a golden goblet.
A: I'm the sun!
Maya 5th grade

Birdie, birdie, in the sky
Why did you do that in my eye?
Birdie, birdie, in the sky, I am glad that elephants don't fly.
Dariella 6th grade

Knock, knock.
Who's there?
Doris.
Doris who?
Doris closed. That's why I knocked.
Kristen 6th grade

It may be red, it may be orange but if you touch me, I might go crazy. What am I?
A: Sunburn
Miguel, 6th grade

What's a cat's favorite ice cream flavor?
A: Mice Cream.
Shannon, 6th grade

Write On!

Summer Jokes and Riddles

Deadline: July 17, 2005
Published: Week of August 14, 2005
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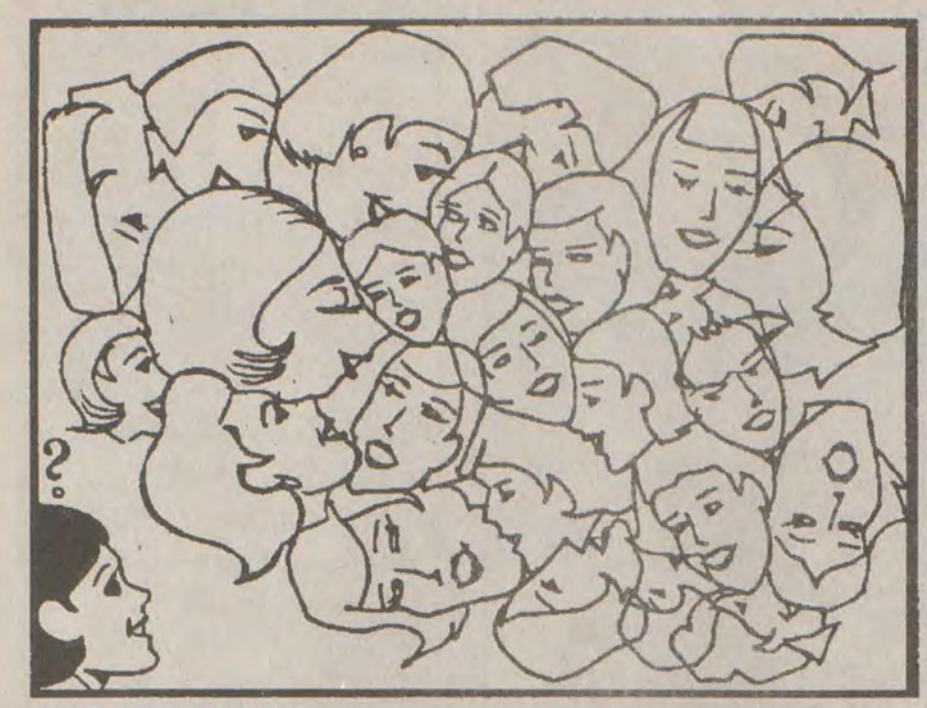

HEADY TASK! Let's see, 25 models and 25 hairstyles, which is the right one for me? How many persons do you find pictured?

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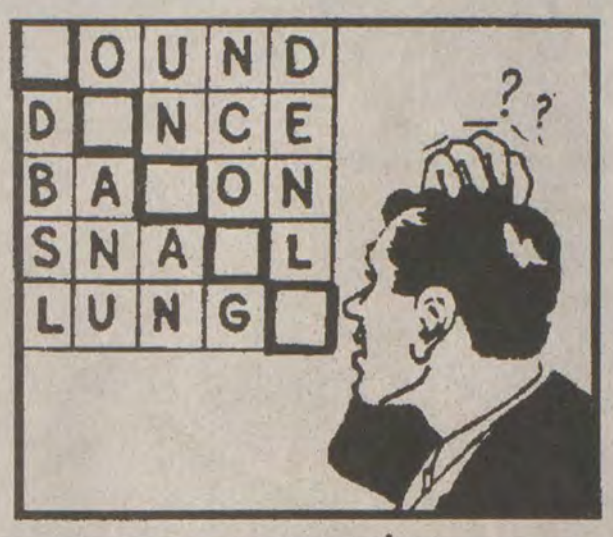


DOUBLE ENTRY CITY WATCH

ONE letter is needed to complete each word in the diagram at left, and thus reveal the name of a major European capital. Definitions:

1. **U.K. monetary unit.**
2. **Macarena, for one.**
3. **Munchausen's title.**
4. **Slug's relative.**
5. **Respiratory organs.**

Replace the aforementioned letters in accord with the following definitions and you will discover an alternate South American capital:

1. **Hale and hearty.**
2. **Cone-hat wearer.**
3. **Morning menu item.**
4. **Traffic tie-up.**
5. **Swordsman's maneuver.**

What are the two cities?

Paris, France, and Sucre, Bolivia.

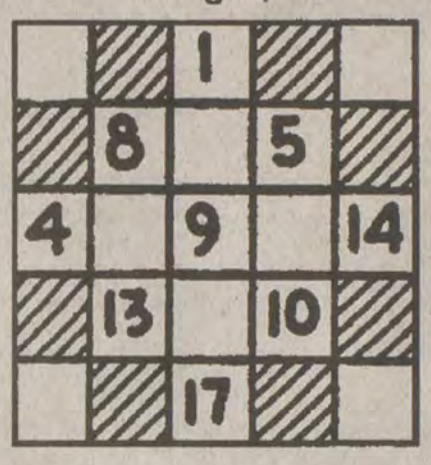
NAME GAME! What's in a name? Perhaps another name. See if you can add four four-letter first names of persons to identify these countries: 1. Argen— 2. Den— 3. Hun— 4. Paki—

1. Tina. 2. Mark. 3. Gary. 4. Stan.

45 A GO-GO! Let's see if you are quick at figures. How quickly can you insert the following eight numbers — 2, 3, 6, 7, 11, 12, 15 and 16 — at right, so that the numbers present in each five-square row total exactly 45?

Hint: Numbers now in place in each of the four five-square rows total 27, which means that missing numbers must total 18.

There are various ways of inserting numbers to comply. Give it a try.



Top row across: 15,1,16; next: 8,12,5; next: 4,11,9,7,14; then 13,6,10; bottom: 2,17,3—will do it. Other ways will work, too.

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Newspaper reading adventures for little learners!

My Kid Scoop™

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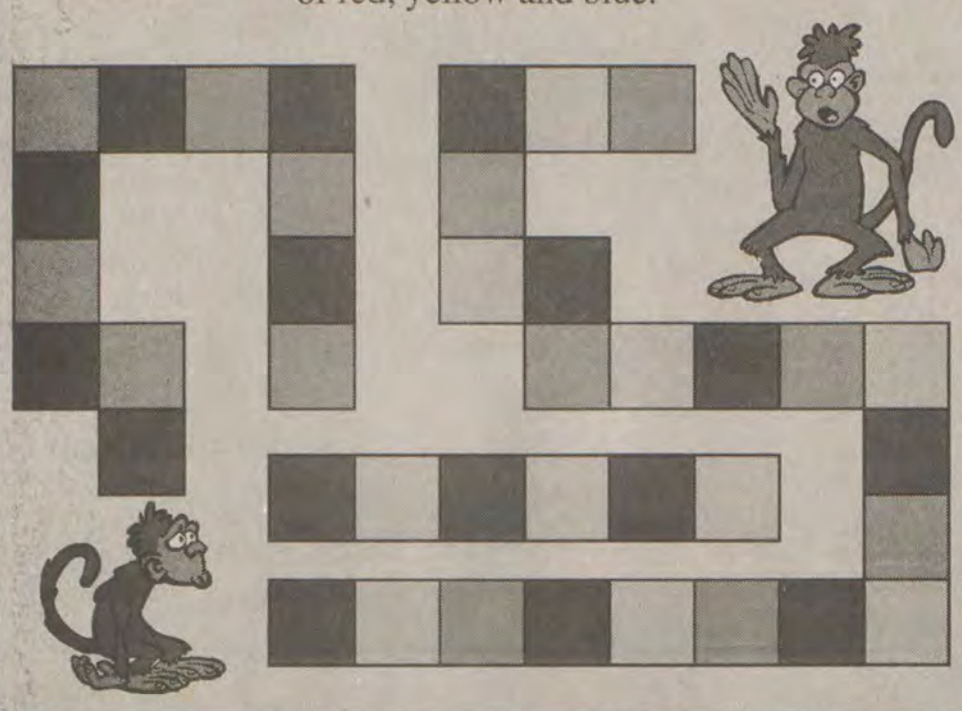
My name:

Learning Buddies: Spell your child's first name, using the lines to write large letters. Use an uppercase letter for the first letter in the name and lowercase letters to spell the rest. Have your child trace the letters with a finger, crayon or pencil.

Help Molly Monkey Find Her Mommy

Follow the path on the map with bricks in the pattern of red, yellow and blue.



My Rhyme Time

(Sung to the tune of "Row, Row, Row Your Boat")

Fold, fold, fold your paper
Neatly as can be,
Toss, toss, toss your paper
A newspaper boy/girl you'll be.

My Letters

M is for **Map**
m is for **map**

Learning Buddies: Read the two phrases aloud. Have your child read with you. Trace the uppercase and lowercase letter **M**. Say the letter as you trace it.

How many words or pictures can you find on this page that have the sound that the letter **M** makes in the word **map**?

My Numbers

How many ?

How many ?

How many ?

Learning Buddies: Trace and say the number. Read the questions. Touch and count to find the answers.

My Sentence

Learning Buddies: Read the first part of the sentence aloud. Ask your child to think of a way to finish the sentence. Write your child's words in the lines. Read the entire sentence to your child while pointing out that reading is done from left to right. Older children may want to trace all or some of the letters in the sentence.

GO My map shows STOP

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Letter Identification With your child, look through the newspaper to find pictures of things that start with the same sound as the letter **M** in **map**.	**Math Play** Point to the number **3** in the newspaper. Have your child say the number and trace the number **3**s that are large enough.	**Story Telling** Read a **Lost and Found** classified ad. Ask your child to tell a story about the lost animal. Your child might want to pretend to be the lost animal.	**Go for a Ride** Ask your child, "How many pictures of things to ride on can you find in today's paper?" (Examples: cars, planes, trains, boats, etc.)	**Right and Left** Open the newspaper so that you see two pages. Point out which page is on the **right** and which is on the **left**. Ask your child questions that require the answer **left** or **right**.	**STOP and GO** Show your child how to spell the words **STOP** and **GO**. Look through the newspaper together to find and cut out the letters that spell each word. Trace the letters in the word **STOP** in red. Trace the letters in the word **GO** in green.	**Syllable Clap** Find and read two-syllable words in the newspaper. Clap your hands as you say each syllable. Have your child clap and repeat the word withyou. Next try three-syllable words.

Learning Buddies!

My Kid Scoop comes out once a week, but you can use the newspaper every day to prepare your child for success in school. Each daily activity focuses on a specific learning readiness skill.

Step by Step Success 1. Read the activity instruction aloud. 2. Show how to do the activity by doing it yourself first. 3. Ask your child to copy what you do.

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7	5	6	3	2	8	2	6	4	6	3	6	5
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7	8	3	8	7	4	3	4	3	4	3	7	3
J	S	E	E	O	L	M	T	B	H	E	Y	R

HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.

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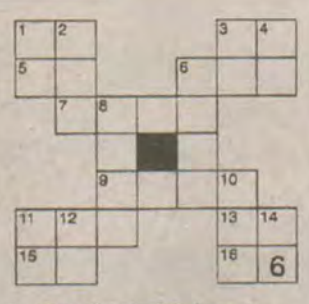
Rational Numbers

by Linda Thistle

Using the clues, simple arithmetic, and a little logic, place a single digit (0 to 9) in each empty box in the diagram. To help you get started, one digit has been entered in the diagram.



ACROSS

1. Four times 3-Down
3. 16-Across minus 1-Down
5. Sum of the digits of 6-Down
6. Five hundred less than 8-Down
7. The third digit is the sum of the other digits
9. The last digit is the sum of the other digits
11. One-third of 7-Across
13. Seven more than 16-Across
15. Fifty more than 1-Across
16. Two times 12-Down

DOWN

1. The first digit is four times the last digit
2. One-third of 9-Across
3. Sum of the digits of 9-Across
4. 5-Across plus 1-Down
6. The first digit is the sum of the other digits
8. The third digit is the sum of the other digits
10. One-eighth of 6-Down
11. 4-Down plus 12-Down
12. The last digit is four times the first digit
14. Five less than 1-Down

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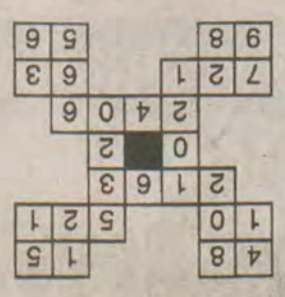
Rational Numbers

answers



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The rise of dinosaurs

Part two of four

The Triassic period marked the beginning of a time of recovery for life on Earth. Mass extinctions at the end of the previous period — the Permian — were brought about by all-time low sea levels, global climate changes, and low oxygen levels in the atmosphere and water.

Extinction brought major developments in the surviving land animals, including the emergence of ruling reptiles, called the **archosaurs**, which dominated the land.

Habitats diversified, and land plant life adapted significantly. Life in the sea also began to flourish again, and bony fish, corals and mollusks formed Earth's first primitive reef systems.

Eudimorphodon

(YOU-die-MORF-o-dahn)
Wingspan: About 2.5 feet (.75 m)

Flying reptiles, or pterosaurs, evolved about 70 million years before the first-known birds. Eudimorphodon is the earliest-known, and had very sharp, pointed teeth, probably to help it catch fish.

Most of the animals on this page never shared the same habitat or lived at the same time, but they are shown in scale with each other.

Placerias

(pluh-SEHR-ree-uhs)
Length: About 11.5 ft (3.5 m)

A hippopotamus-like, herding **therapsid**, or mammal-like reptile, it was not a dinosaur. Placerias ate roots, ferns, moss and other low-lying plants.

Plateosaurus

(PLAT-ee-oh-sore-uhs)
Length: About 26 feet (8 m)

Heavily built, it usually walked on all four legs but could stand on its hind legs to reach the tree leaves that it ate. Its five-fingered hands could grasp food.

Coelophysis

(seel-OH-fie-sis)
Length: About 10 feet (3 m)

The best skeletal remains were discovered in 1947 by Edwin Colbert at Ghost Ranch, N.M. Several hundred animals were jumbled together in a mass grave. Phytosaurs, fish, clams and crayfish were also found at the site, providing a snapshot of the Triassic ecosystem.

Euparkeria

(eew-PARK-er-ee-ya)
Length: About 2 feet (.6 m)

Euparkeria is a close relative of the archosaurs. Its body form is unusual for reptiles of the time, in that the hindlimbs are longer than the forelimbs. Scientists believe it is a sister group to all other Archosauria, or is part of the lineage leading to dinosaurs.

Did you know?

- The name **Triassic** refers to the threefold division of rocks of this age that were found in Germany.
- Scientists agree there was a worldwide disaster that occurred about 200 million years ago, toward the end of the Triassic period. Some scientists believe the geological evidence points to a meteor impact, which coincides with a mass extinction that eliminated half the major groups of life and allowed the small surviving dinosaurs to evolve and diversify during the Jurassic period.
- Spiral-shelled mollusks called **Ammonites** evolved rapidly in the Triassic. The distinct forms of their changing shells are used as **index**, or **indicator, fossils** to aid scientists in dating the surrounding rock strata.

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Going back in time

APPROXIMATE PLACEMENT OF THESE REPTILES AND DINOSAURS ON THE GEOLOGIC TIMESCALE

The Scythian Epoch 248 to 241 million years ago	The Middle Triassic Epoch 241 to 227 million years ago	The Late Triassic Epoch 227 to 205 million years ago			
Euparkeria Early Triassic South Africa		**Placerias** Late Triassic N. America	**Coelophysis** Late Triassic N. America	**Plateosaurus** Late Triassic Western Europe	**Eudimorphodon** Late Triassic Italy

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