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briefs

Nine killed during holiday

Preliminary statistics* show that nine people died as a result of eight separate crashes on Kentucky's roadways during the July 4 holiday period, which ran from 6 p.m. Friday, through 11:59 p.m. on Monday.

The number of fatalities and crashes is the same as those recorded during the 2004 holiday period.

Of the nine fatalities, preliminary data indicates alcohol was a suspected factor in five of the crashes. Three of the nine victims were not wearing seat belts. Four were riding on motorcycles and one was riding a bicycle. Three of the four motorcycle victims were not wearing helmets.

One double fatality crash occurred in Lincoln County. Single fatality crashes occurred in Anderson, Barren, Cumberland, Fayette, Marion, Nelson and Scott counties.

Through July 4, a total of 436 people have lost their lives on Kentucky roadways. This is 26 less than reported for this time period in 2004. Two-hundred-and-fifty-two of these 436 fatalities were not wearing seat belts.

These statistics are still preliminary as KSP waits for all local law enforcement agencies to report any crashes and fatalities that may have occurred in their areas.

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37 arrested in Magoffin drug roundup

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

SALYERSVILLE — Operation UNITE executed its second drug roundup in Magoffin county last week, so far netting 37 drug trafficking suspects.

The operation was a joint effort that required the aid of Kentucky State Police,

the Salyersville Police Department, HIDTA and the Magoffin County Sheriff's Department to execute the warrants, which were issued after six months of investigative work by Operation UNITE staff.

This was the second roundup in the county following a series of arrests in November. Most of the arrests began with

a call to the group's tip line at (866) 424-4382.

Most of the alleged drug traffickers resided in Salyersville, with 36 residents of the city incarcerated. Several of the suspects were related to each other, with fathers, sons and daughters all indicted for selling drugs. Several of those picked up were also charged with selling drugs

within a thousand yards of a school.

Arrested were:

- Jerry L. "Buzzard" Adams.
- Brenda Allen.
- Michael G. Barnett.
- Tina L. Barnett.
- Terry Bryan Brown.

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Gov. Ernie Fletcher took a moment during his appearance in Paintsville Thursday to recognize Jenny Wiley State Resort Park lifeguards Monica Newsome and Ashley Akers for rescuing a man from a burning boat on Memorial Day weekend at Stratton Branch.

Governor stops in Paintsville to promote broadband plans

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PAINTSVILLE — Gov. Ernie Fletcher spoke Thursday at the Kentucky Entrepreneurial Center to jump start his "Prescription for Innovation" initiative.

In that same vein, the visit featured the governor presenting a \$900,000 check to ConnectKentucky, a broadband internet company.

Fletcher stressed that broadband internet services will connect Kentucky businesses to the rest of the world and open a global market for services to be sold out of the commonwealth.

Fletcher noted that the next step in his plan will see local leadership teams dispatched throughout the region to help area businesses tap into the broader marketplace that will be available to all who use the service.

One point that Fletcher

stressed was that such opportunities will keep the next generation in the state and will displace the trend of leaving the area for economic opportunities elsewhere.

Fletcher stated that his plan for the service will rely on what he calls the "Five A's," which include availability, making broadband internet service available to all citizens of the state; affordability, funding the service so as to keep costs down and entice businesses to test the waters; awareness, making every effort to connect people with the service; applications, instructing businesses on how broadband internet can open up new avenues of commerce; and adaptations, showing area businesses how the service can be used in various ways to enhance their viability.

Fletcher compared the importance of the project to

(See **GOVERNOR**, page three)

Fletcher lashes out against investigation

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PAINTSVILLE — Gov. Ernie Fletcher made time for the media after his appearance Thursday at the Kentucky Entrepreneurial Center and spoke freely about a recent probe into his administration's hiring practices by Attorney General Greg Stumbo.

During the session with the media, Fletcher stood by his choice of Dick Murgatroyd as his deputy chief of staff. Murgatroyd was indicted Wednesday on

(See **PROBE**, page three)

Hunt faces second charge in circuit court

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Martin man accused of killing his wife was rearraigned Thursday in circuit court, facing an added charge of wanton endangerment.

Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner's office brought the new charge against James Hunt, 56, last month after announcing that it would seek the death penalty in the case.

Hunt stands accused of breaking into his wife's Buck's Branch home Nov. 30 and shooting her with a .357 Magnum pistol. The new charge stems from there being a toddler in a playpen in the room when the shooting occurred. Bettina Hunt was found by authorities within two feet of the child,

which the prosecution attests put the child in danger as well.

Hunt was found by authorities when his car went into a creek near the home. The sheriff's department had been dispatched to the scene following a 911 call that Bettina Hunt made to authorities. The recording of that call has been kept from the media for evidentiary reasons and may contain an account of the entire incident.

The Hunts' strained marriage was a matter of record in Floyd County Family Court, where several orders of protection were issued against James Hunt over the course of the couple's troubled marriage.

Hunt will remain at the Pike County Detention Center with no bond pending the trial.

Knott school closing lawsuit dismissed

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Parents of Knott County children who filed a lawsuit to block the closing of two schools by the Knott County Board of Education saw their

suit dismissed in court Wednesday.

Circuit Judge John D. Caudill made the ruling after hearing two days of emotion-filled testimony in the case. Parents argued that the clos-

(See **SCHOOLS**, page three)



Knott County Supt. Paul Randall Combs testified Wednesday that closing two schools in his district would save the board \$200,000 over time.

photo by Tom Doty

Commandments ruling could spur roadside religious messages

by ROGER ALFORD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WHITLEY CITY — It's one of the more conspicuous road signs on U.S. 27, a scenic route that meanders through the Daniel Boone National Forest en route to a popular recreational area on Lake Cumberland.

"WARNING. Jesus is coming. RU Ready?"

Such proclamations, already common throughout the Bible Belt, could become more commonplace along roadways nationwide following recent U.S. Supreme Court rulings that amounted to a split verdict on displays of the Ten Commandments on government property.

"People want to do something to reflect their principles, and that's one way they can legally do it," said Don Swarthout, head of the Kentucky-based

Christians Reviving America's Values.

The high court ruled last month that displays of the Ten Commandments on government property must be evaluated on a case-by-case basis to ensure they don't violate the Constitution. In a pair of 5-4 rulings, the court allowed the Ten Commandments to be displayed outside the Texas state Capitol but not inside two Kentucky courthouses, where the justices said they promoted a religious message.

While some groups have vowed to continue fighting for the right to post biblical passages in public buildings, others are enjoying their constitutional privilege to post them where they're certain to be seen — in places of prominence on private property along roads and interstate highways.

Some are opting for displays on bill-

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Odds & Ends

■ **COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP)** — It didn't take long for deputies to realize they had the right man in a bank robbery. The black dress with red flowers, red straw hat, and little black mustache gave him away. Booker Boyd, 49, chose to disguise himself in drag to

rob a bank in a Columbia suburb Wednesday afternoon, Richland County sheriff's Lt. Chris Cowan said. Boyd hadn't changed his clothes when he was caught a few minutes later driving a stolen Ford Expedition, Cowan said. He was charged with two

counts of entering a bank with intent to steal, Cowan said. Investigators suspect Boyd in two other bank robberies in the past two weeks, but his disguises were much less flashy, authorities said. FBI spokesman Tom O'Neill said he doesn't know

why Boyd decided to dress up Wednesday. "We don't speculate on what motivates these people — or their choice of wardrobe," O'Neill said. ■ **RALEIGH, N.C.** — When Jackie L. Eley's pickup truck was repossessed, more than just her ride was taken away. The 130 watermelons in the truck bed also were repossessed. Revenge, though, has been sweet.

The state Court of Appeals has ruled that the repo firm, Mid-East Acceptance Corp., must pay Eley \$1,365 — three times the melons' value — as well as legal fees. Eley's truck was repossessed July 29, 2002, a day when the temperature would reach 98 degrees with 89 percent humidity. She had missed two payments. The men refused to let her unload the produce. And their boss refused to let Eley retrieve her melons later that day from the yard. Two days later, the company had second thoughts. "The watermelons are rotting, and the smell is polluting the storage lot," the company wrote to Eley, demanding that she take her melons or pay the cost of removing them. Eley refused. As she testified, "The melons were spoiled. They

wouldn't do me any good. They took the truck, they took the melons. They were their melons then." ■ **JAMAICA, Vt.** — A search is on for a parakeet that escaped its owners' summer home last week. Wonder if you've found it? Ask it something in Hungarian. Peetuka is a 4-year-old Hungarian-speaking parakeet, said owner Carol Mezofi, of New York City. "It was a hot day and we were sitting on the porch. My mom opened the door to go inside and he flew out," she said. "We tried to lure him back in and we stayed up all night but he didn't come back. We cried for a few days I don't think we'll find him now unless we get lucky." Mezofi and her husband Laszlo said the small blue, white and gray bird, whose name is the Hungarian equivalent of "Steve," wasn't valuable, but was important to the family. Laszlo Mezofi said his 86-year-old mother-in-law, Anna Boehm, would sit and talk to the bird in her native tongue for hours. "He's really not a bird to her or us. He's a little person and part of our family." The Mezofis searched the area near their home in Jamaica and put up signs asking people to call if they saw the bird. So far, no one has called. The family is offering a reward.

■ **GRANTS PASS, Ore.** — To prove his love, a 38-year-old man set himself on fire before getting down on one knee and asking his girlfriend to marry him. About 100 people gathered to watch Todd Grannis perform the flaming stunt on Monday, which involved wearing a cape soaked in gasoline. Grannis climbed a 10-foot scaffold, was set on fire and then plunged into a swimming pool, dousing the blaze. Emerging unscathed, he got down on one knee and proposed. "Honey, you make me hot," he told his sweetheart, Malissa Kusiek. "I hope I'm getting the point across that I'm on fire for you." Kusiek, who has been dating Grannis for several years, said "yes," but added that she was a little angry because of the danger. "At first I was mad, because I thought, 'He's not a stuntman,'" Kusiek said. "Then, of course, the tears started flowing. Of course I said yes. I was so thrilled." Grannis said he came up with the stunt through the help of his friend, professional stuntman Eric Barkey. "She wasn't expecting it. She had no clue," Grannis said.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, July 8, the 189th day of 2005. There are 176 days left in the year.

■ **Today's Highlight in History:** On July 8, 1776, Col. John Nixon gave the first public reading of the Declaration of Independence, in Philadelphia.

On this date: ■ In 1663, King Charles II of England granted a charter to Rhode Island.

■ In 1853, an expedition led by Commodore Matthew Perry arrived in Yedo Bay, Japan, on a mission to seek diplomatic and trade relations with the Japanese.

■ In 1889, The Wall Street Journal was first published.

■ In 1891, Warren G. Harding married Florence K. DeWolfe in Marion, Ohio.

■ In 1919, President Wilson received a tumultuous welcome in New York City after his return from the Versailles Peace Conference in France.

■ In 1947, demolition work began in New York City to make way for the new permanent headquarters of the United Nations.

■ In 1950, Gen. Douglas MacArthur was named commander-in-chief of United Nations forces in Korea.

■ In 1975, President Ford announced he would seek the Republican nomination for the presidency in 1976.

■ In 1993, a jury in Boise,

Idaho, acquitted white separatist Randy Weaver and a co-defendant of slaying a federal marshal in a shootout at a remote mountain cabin.

■ In 1994, Kim Il Sung, North Korea's communist leader since 1948, died at age 82.

■ **Ten years ago:** Chinese-American human rights activist Harry Wu was arrested in China and charged with obtaining state secrets (he was later convicted of espionage and deported). A deadly heat wave began in the nation's midsection; it claimed more than 800 lives, more than half of them in Illinois. Steffi Graf won the women's singles title at Wimbledon, defeating Arantxa Sanchez Vicario.

■ **Five years ago:** Venus Williams beat Lindsay Davenport 6-3, 7-6 (3) for her first Grand Slam title, becoming the first black women's champion at Wimbledon since Althea Gibson in 1957-58. The Pentagon's missile defense project suffered its latest setback when a rocket that had taken off from Kwajalein Atoll in the Pacific failed to intercept a target missile launched from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California.

■ **One year ago:** Enron founder and former chairman Kenneth Lay pleaded innocent in Houston to charges related to the company's collapse. Adelpia Communications Corp. founder John Rigas and his son Timothy

were convicted in New York of looting the cable company and deceiving investors. A Swedish appeals court threw out a life prison sentence for the convicted killer of Foreign Minister Anna Lindh, ruling that Mijailo Mijailovic should receive treatment for his "significant psychiatric problems."

■ **Today's Birthdays:** Singer Jerry Vale is 73. Singer Steve Lawrence is 70. Actor Jeffrey Tambor is 61. Ballerina Cynthia Gregory is 59. Actress Kim Darby is 58. Children's performer Raffi is 57. Actress Anjelica Huston is 54. News columnist Anna Quindlen is 52. Actor Kevin Bacon is 47. Rock musician Andy Fletcher (Depeche Mode) is 44. Country singer Toby Keith is 44. Rock musician Graham Jones (Haircut 100) is 44. Rock singer Joan Osborne is 43. Writer-producer Rob Burnett ("Ed") is 43. Actor Corey Parker is 40. Actor Billy Crudup is 37. Actor Michael Weatherly ("Dark Angel") is 37. Singer Beck is 35. Country singer Drew Womack (Sons of the Desert) is 35. Christian rock musician Stephen Mason (Jars of Clay) is 30. Actor Milo Ventimiglia is 28. Rock musician Tavis Werts (Reel Big Fish) is 28. Singer Ben Jelen is 26. Actress Sophia Bush is 23.

■ **Thought for Today:** "Fools are more to be feared than the wicked." — Queen Christina of Sweden (1626-1689).

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Governor

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road work and said that it was even more important to have broadband capability as it transgressed roads and made Kentucky merchants a force to be reckoned with globally.

"We must provide the tools for success to our young people and show them that they don't have to leave home for an opportunity," Fletcher said.

Probe

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charges of political discrimination and criminal conspiracy.

"I know Dick and have known him for a long time," Fletcher said.

The governor noted that Murgatroyd was an excellent worker who spent 25 years arranging charity benefits for Bob Hope. He also dismissed the current investigation against his office saying, "It's politics."

Fletcher recounted applying for a job at the Transportation Cabinet after college and being told that he would have a better chance of employment if he changed his political affiliation to that of a Democrat.

Fletcher also defended Murgatroyd's performance record, saying, "He has done an outstanding job."

Fletcher had less praise for Stumbo and has been quoted as stating that Stumbo's aims are politically motivated with an eye on the next governor's race.

"This kind of action by the attorney general is unconscionable," Fletcher said.

Fletcher reiterated his goal to end patronage practices in state government.

"What we did do was stop that," Fletcher said. "We tried to make a level playing field and hire on merit."

Schools

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ings were politically motivated and that it impacted the test scores of their children, who were aware of rumors that the closing was imminent.

Both schools were underused, however, which the school board argued was an unjustified expense.

The court ruled that both Caney and Beckham Combs school were being closed for proper reasons, though the judge did note that he wasn't a particular fan of consolidation.

Caudill also thanked the parents for coming to court every day and showing the proper judgment by letting a court make the final decision, which he admitted would be unpopular with the parents.

One parent loudly intoned that the assembled parents were

indeed unhappy with the ruling, but the rest of the parents took the decision quietly.

Caudill summed up his decision by saying, "The testimony heard this week illustrates that the board hasn't abused its discretion."

Caudill also noted that it is tough to serve on school boards and noted, "I had several friends run for school board spots, but luckily they got beat."

Caudill also used the moment to clear up any misconception that the decision was politically motivated by pointing out that one of the board members who voted to close the schools was from the same district and has made her chances of being reelected slimmer by voting to close the schools.

MSU-P'burg to hold third motorcycle ride Aug. 7

PRESTONSBURG

Registrations are now being accepted for Morehead State University at Prestonsburg's third annual motorcycle ride on Sunday, Aug. 7.

Proceeds from the ride will go to a scholarship fund to assist area students attending MSU at Prestonsburg. The ride pays tribute to the memory of the late Dr. Margaret Lewis, a former director at MSU Prestonsburg.

Participants can pre-register by calling the MSU Prestonsburg regional campus or the regional campus office at MSU. Riders also may register on the day of the event, beginning at 9 a.m. at MSU at Prestonsburg.

The ride will begin at 10 a.m. and travel to the main campus in Morehead and back to Prestonsburg. There will be refreshment stops along the way, lunch will be provided and a drawing will be held for prizes.

"We are very excited about the prizes that area businesses have donated," said Lula Bowling, MSU at Prestonsburg director.

To date, donations from the various businesses in several cities include:

■ Prestonsburg area: Action Petroleum, 4-\$25 gas cards; Archer Clinic Pharmacy, \$25 donation; Billy Ray's Playhouse-Restaurant, Meal Gift Certificates; Brash and Sassy, Free hair cut; Castle's Jewelry, \$25 gift certificate; Christina's Florist, plant; City of Prestonsburg, \$200; Comfort Suites, one night's stay; Country at Heart and Old Town Fudge Co., \$10 gift certificate for one-lb. of fudge; C & R Office Supply/Richie's Hallmark, candles; East Kentucky (Prestonsburg) NAPA, two gift certificates; Foodland, water; Hair Gallery, free haircut and manicure; Holiday Inn,

two tickets to the Comedy Club and one night's stay; Jenny Wiley Theatre, two tickets to show; LeRose, \$25 gift certificate for a free spray tan; McDonald's, 100 gift certificates for a variety of menu items; Microtel Inns, one night's stay; Ned Pillersdorf, \$100; Pro-Hair, one tanning session; Small Town Tattoo & Body Piercing, \$100 gift certificate for tattoo; StoneCrest Golf, two rounds golf; Triple Scents Candles and Flowers, gift certificate; Tropical Isle, two 50-minute tanning sessions; and Wal-Mart, \$25.

■ Martin: Add-a-Touch Florist, flower arrangement; and Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, \$100.

■ Louisa: American Driving Academy, \$500.

■ Paintsville: Arby's, meal cards; Fazoli's, two spaghetti dinners; Maggard's Furniture, basket set; Ponderosa, two steak dinners; Shoney's, two dinner gift certificates; Bob Evans Farms Restaurant, two candles; and Peking's, \$100.

■ Pikeville: Applebee's, gift certificate; Bob Evans Farms Restaurant, gift certificate; Mr. Gatti's, gift certificate; Goody's, \$10 gift card; Landmark Inn, \$50 gift certificate; Shoney's, gift certificate; Wal-Mart, \$500; Skin Addiction Tattoos and Body Piercing, one \$50 and one \$75 gift certificates; and Yamaha, \$100.

On the MSU campus, field games will be held in the east parking lot of the Academic-Athletic Center during the lunch break. Trophies and prizes will be awarded at the end of the ride.

The cost to participate is \$20 per person, and \$5 per passenger.

Additional information is available by calling MSU at Prestonsburg at (606) 886-2405 or (800) 648-5372; or MSU's regional campus office at (606) 783-2605.

Messages

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boards. Others are using hand-scrawled signs on lawns or cow pastures. Yet others are putting bumper stickers on their cars.

Jimmie Greene, a retired judge-executive in southeastern Kentucky, said he put a placard of the Ten Commandments on his lawn, as did most of his neighbors, after a judge first ruled that the display in the McCreary County courthouse had to come down.

"You should have seen it," he said. "The landscape was covered with Ten Commandments."

Churches, in particular, have begun making use of their marquees to display short Biblical passages that are known as "sentence sermons." Christian business owners are also incorporating the messages on their outdoor advertising.

"We're kind of a sound bite society," said L. James Harvey, of Grand Rapids, Mich., author of three books of sentence sermons. "I'm trying to convince churches that they have a drive-by congregation, and they can reach out to them with these messages and sometimes change a life."

Jim Ratliff, owner of Lighthouse Christian Bookstore near Pikeville, said he is seeing strong sales of ornamental license plates that

allow people to share their messages with other motorists on their cars. "Got Jesus?" one asks. "God Is My Copilot," another proclaims.

"Those license plates make as many statements as you could possibly make," he said.

Others prefer bumper stickers or T-shirts adorned with a list of the Ten Commandments or messages like "Smile, God Loves You."

"It's about freedom of speech," Swarthout said. "It's about sharing principles for people to live by."

Such displays are also not likely to draw much controversy. Critics of the displays of the Ten Commandments on government property, such as the American Civil Liberties Union, said they have no problem with these kinds of public pronouncements.

"They should do it in their homes, in their religious institutions, on their cars, in their businesses and not through their government," said David Friedman, who successfully argued the ACLU's case against the two Kentucky courthouses before the Supreme Court. "The government is all of ours, and it can only be all of ours when it remains neutral."

Associated Press writer Bruce Schreiner in Louisville contributed to this story.

Roundup

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■ Willeta Bailey.
■ Donald Cantrell.
■ Rebecca Sue Chambers.
■ Nikki Jordan Cheek.
■ Terry Cobern Jr.
■ Larry Collins.
■ Dawn Marie Davis.
■ Charles Gambill Jr.
■ Bill Gipson Jr.
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Worth Repeating ...

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

— Samuel Butler

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Guest View

Editorial roundup

The Spokesman-Review, Spokane, Wash., on the retirement of Sandra Day O'Connor:

Until Chief Justice William Rehnquist's failing health made his resignation from the U.S. Supreme Court a day-to-day expectation, two other names had provided the leading rumor fodder about President Bush's first opportunity to make an appointment to the high court: John Paul Stevens and Sandra Day O'Connor.

Odd, then, that it caught so many by surprise when O'Connor did decide to step down.

But then, it wasn't the first time O'Connor had provided surprises. Appointed by President Reagan in 1981 to replace Potter Stewart, she came out of Barry Goldwater's Arizona and was expected to be a reliable conservative. She became, instead, a staunchly independent swing vote. Yes, she was a conservative, but she was anything but predictable.

That, along with a keen legal mind, made her an admired justice. ... Both the Senate and Bush would be wise in the weeks ahead to remember that O'Connor is regarded so warmly not because of the extremist expectations when she joined the court, but because of the measured thoughtfulness she demonstrated after she got there.

St. Petersburg (Fla.) Times, on the cost of the war in Iraq:

In another miscalculation in planning for the Iraq war, the Bush administration failed to include sufficient funding in its budget for the number of veterans returning from Iraq and Afghanistan who need medical care. The Veterans Affairs Administration admitted last week that it had underestimated medical costs by \$2.6 billion this year and next, prompting emergency action by Congress to come up with the money. The administration had budgeted for 23,553 veterans who would need medical care; that number has exploded to more than 100,000. ...

For months, congressional Republicans and the White House have thwarted efforts to boost VA medical funding by Democrats, who warned that the agency would experience shortfalls this year. The administration had known of the problem for seven months, but it was not until last week that Veterans Affairs Secretary Jim Nicholson admitted the \$1 billion shortfall. Republican lawmakers, angry and embarrassed, scrambled to put together \$1.5 billion in emergency funding.

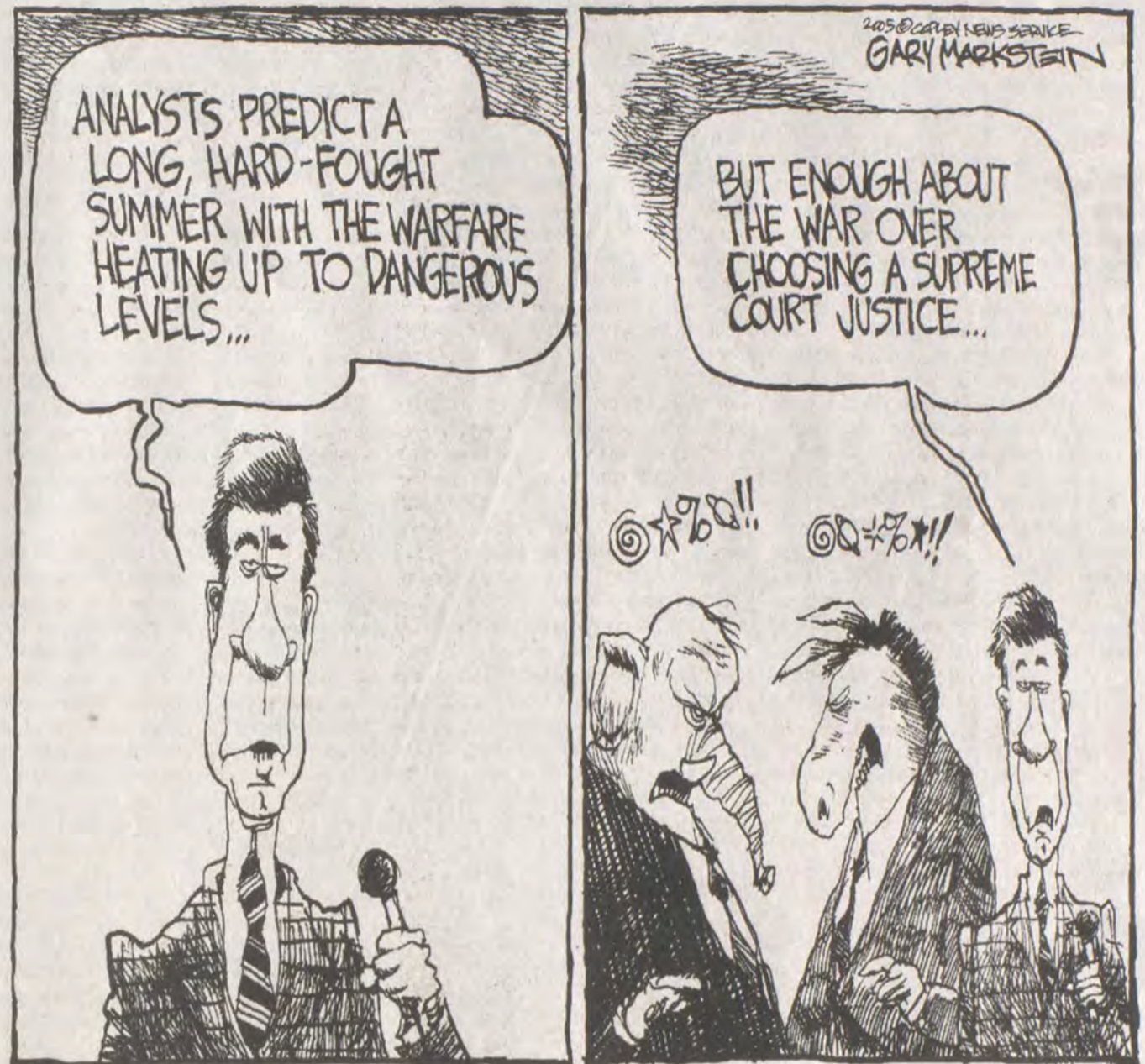
The true cost of the fighting in Iraq and Afghanistan is the American soldiers who are killed and wounded. Veterans' medical care should not be treated as just another item in the dishonest budget games played in Washington. ...

Chicago Tribune, on NASA's "Deep Impact" mission:

... The climax of the Deep Impact mission, tracked by the probe's mother ship as well as the Hubble and other telescopes, could provide the most riveting holiday gift from NASA since Apollo 8's first manned orbit of the moon on Christmas Eve of 1968.

Deep Impact is an elegant experiment, if "elegant" can be applied to a kamikaze attack on a dirty space snowball half the size of Manhattan. The ancients considered comets harbingers of doom, but modern scientists think they are refuse from the birth of the solar system. Many comets may have smacked into Earth in its infancy, seeding it with the raw building blocks that eventually came together to create life.

The surfaces of comets have baked in the sun for eons, but trapped inside is pristine stuff that could help tell us how we came to be. ...



Guest Column

Think globally for future business success

by **MARTHA LAYNE COLLINS**
KENTUCKY WORLD TRADE CENTER CHAIR & CEO
FORMER GOVERNOR OF KENTUCKY

As the new chair and CEO of the Kentucky World Trade Center I have the unique perspective of a past governor whose administration looked abroad to create job opportunities locally. Our economy is increasingly dependent on globalization and how we react to this trend will ensure our future successes. I am excited about highlighting our local businesses and their impact on the global economy. Kentucky companies ARE competing at the international level and reaping the benefits of an expanded marketplace.

The Kentucky World Trade Center

recently hosted what is considered the largest gathering of international trade professionals in the state and surrounding regions. Representatives from over 20 different countries joined us as we celebrated the 13th annual World Trade Day in Louisville on June 2. We also highlighted six Kentucky companies for their outstanding performance in international trade. Companies from across the region networked to their advantage and the energy in the room was apparent as people from different cultures, backgrounds and nations exchanged ideas and discussed business opportunities. When you have a large gathering of individuals brought together to celebrate the international aspect of our community and more specifically the economic benefits to our community, how can you not be excited?

Just recently, the state of Kentucky was chosen to participate in the "Trade Roots" program offered by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. As one of only 10 states chosen to promote exports, Kentucky welcomed the Ambassador of Chile to kick off the event. Every day

officials and dignitaries from many countries contact companies around the state about doing business here. We certainly have gotten the attention of the world and understanding the importance of these connections is just as important if we are to continue our success. Grasping the advantages created by increasingly liberal global economic policies, enhanced technology, and cheaper transportation will also help businesses in Kentucky flourish.

If we consider that over \$10.7 billion worth of sales (2003) makes up the state export business, and new markets such as China and India represent over 2 billion of the world's population, how can we not fully consider the advantages of taking our business international? Every week, Kentucky based businesses ship computer products to France, hospital and medical supplies to Malaysia and India, building equipment to Uzbekistan, and software technology to Brazil.

Kentucky is the eleventh largest exporter per capita in the United States

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Letters

Lottery money now solely for education

When Kentucky voters passed a constitutional amendment to create a state lottery nearly 17 years ago, many did so in an effort to support increased funding for education. Our state's General Assembly then decided Kentucky Lottery proceeds should be placed in the General Fund, with the exception of two years where proceeds went to KERA-related programs.

While a majority of General Fund proceeds go to pay for primary and secondary education in our state, many citizens felt all of our dividend payments should go to directly support education. In 1998, legislators proposed a radical change in how proceeds would be spent — our dividends would be slowly trans-

ferred from the General Fund to college grant and scholarship programs.

As of July 1, 100 percent of Kentucky Lottery proceeds are now going to support college scholarships and grants. Since the Lottery has been funding these scholarship and grant programs on a partial basis since 1999, more than \$480 million has been used to make 475,000 grant and scholarship awards to our state's best and most deserving students. These funds are administered by the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA).

How has this helped our state? Prior to 1999, KHEAA found the number of students attending college in Kentucky had remained flat for several years. However, since the start of the Kentucky Lottery-funded scholarship and grant programs, college attendance in the commonwealth has jumped 20 percent.

Floyd County has most certainly realized the benefits of these programs. In the last fiscal year alone, 1,467 grants and scholarships worth \$1,842,299 were

awarded to Floyd County students.

The economic well-being of our state is directly tied to increasing the educational level of our citizens. All of us are proud of the work the Kentucky Lottery and KHEAA have done — and will continue to do — to help make the dream of higher education a reality for thousands of Kentuckians.

Arch Gleason
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At the Movies: 'Fantastic Four'

by DAVID GERMAIN
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"Fantastic Four" got there first, developing the concept of superheroes as a dysfunctional family four decades ago. But "The Incredibles" did it far, far better on the big screen.

That animated smash owes an enormous debt to its predecessor, appropriating specific superpowers from the Marvel Comics quartet and the essential theme that life on the homestead goes smoother when kinfolk all row together.

Now the original foursome must flounder in the wake of "The Incredibles," which makes "Fantastic Four" look like a dim, dismal affair by comparison. Even if the cartoon hit had not stolen its thunder, though, "Fantastic Four" would weigh in as a featherweight, feather-headed flick, a low point in the current wave of comic-book adaptations.

Unlike the sometimes ponderous self-importance of "Batman Begins," the themes of racism and alienation in the "X-Men" movies or the notion of personal sacrifice in the "Spider-Man" films, "Fantastic Four" aims for a good old goofy time.

It succeeds on the goofy part, presenting a shallow tale that has a few laughs but no real drama. Less a movie than an anecdotal collection of slapstick action, "Fantastic Four" carries the silliness to



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One and a half stars out of four.

such a degree you practically expect campy flashes of "Thwap!" and "Kapow!" a la the 1960s "Batman" TV show.

The movie starts at the beginning, explaining how four astronauts encountered a nasty space storm whose radiation turned them into a merry band of mutants.

Dr. Reed Richards (Ioan Gruffudd), a weeny egghead who has to go begging arrogant old school chum Victor Von Doom (Julian McMahon) to back an expedition to study the storm, is turned into human Silly Putty, able to stretch and contort his body any way he wants.

Reed's former squeeze Sue Storm (Jessica Alba), now Von Doom's girlfriend, finds she can turn invisible and create force fields. Her brother, Johnny Storm (Chris Evans), gains the power to fly and engulf himself in flames. Reed's buddy Ben Grimm (Michael Chiklis) is transformed into a rocklike hulk with amazing strength.

Unlike the usual superhero

alter egos, the foursome's identities and powers become widely known after a public spectacle of heroics on the Brooklyn Bridge. In the media, Reed becomes known as Mr. Fantastic, Sue the Invisible Woman, Johnny the Human Torch, and Ben the Thing.

Meantime, Victor has been quietly mutating himself, taking on metallic and electromagnetic properties that make him the virtually indestructible megalomaniac Dr. Doom, whose first order of business is to eliminate the Fantastic Four. He doesn't seem to have any plans beyond that.

Tim Story, who made an admirable debut with "Barbershop" but followed with last year's feeble action comedy "Taxi," was a curious choice to direct. As "Taxi" showed, he is not very adept at handling action, and the far more elaborate stunt sequences in "Fantastic Four" look choppy and ill-defined.

The visual effects are cartoonish. Again, the movie suf-

fers from comparisons to "The Incredibles," which had the benefit of being a real cartoon, its heroes' abilities wilder yet still more believable because of their animated context.

The screenplay by Mark Frost and Michael France presents a miserly little personal battle between the good guys and Doom, leaving no sense that anything is at stake other than these sideshow freaks themselves.

Relationships among the groups are thin and corny, and the movie's endless gatherings of gawking onlookers continually distract. The background crowds ham it up so much they collectively deserve a worst-actor prize for non-speaking extras.

After the Brooklyn Bridge incident, a mess they indirectly caused, the Fantastic Four spent much of the movie squabbling like a family in group therapy gone horribly wrong. They knock each other about with no regard to the safety of others, begging the question, are these superheroes more trouble than they're worth?

Of course, the movie has the obligatory set up for a sequel. Let's hope this misfit family decides to part company before it comes to that.

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Rental Central

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

New releases were slim this week but distributors have, once again, used a slow week to debut some classic films on DVD.

"Hide and Seek" — This ghost story ranks as the only true new release of the week. Robert DeNiro stars as a dad who tries to help his ailing daughter get over her mother's suicide by moving the fractured family into a quiet upstate New York area. This turns out to be one of many mistakes for dad. Soon the daughter is looking like a zombie and invents an imaginary friend who may actually be a vengeful ghost. Despite a few shocks, this one goes nowhere fast and has a conclusion that anyone can figure out from the trailer.

"Prozac Nation" — Christina Ricci stars here in the true story of a young woman coping with depression while embroiled in the intense and competitive curriculum at Harvard University. The studio sat on this release since 2001 so it's not really a new film, but it does offer another heartfelt performance by Ricci, though the clumsy editing makes it a little difficult to sit through.

"Point Blank" — DVD finally releases this brutal gangster drama that was originally released in 1967. Lee Marvin stars as a gangster out for revenge against his girlfriend and his business partner who shot him and left him for dead following a heist. If it sounds familiar, you may have seen the 2000 remake, "Payback," which starred Mel Gibson. John Boorman ("Deliverance") directed this

film noir gem which still delivers.

"The Film Noir Classic Collection: Volume 2" — Warners Brothers returns with a second collection of dark gangster classics. This release saves the week from tedium and offers five films that feature twisted themes, gun-toting heroes and chain-smoking molls:

■ "Born to Kill" — Stars Lawrence Tierney ("Reservoir Dogs") as an amoral killer who vents his anger at those closest to him and has all the loyalty of a hungry pit bull.

■ "Dillinger" — Tierney is back in this account of the criminal career of John Dillinger. Here Dillinger comes off as another thug until a jolt in prison hardens him into a killing machine. Tierney is once again cast as a ruthless killer and pulls off the part with ease.

■ "Narrow Margin" — This one was remade in the 1980s, but the original still holds up. Charles Magraw, usually cast as a bad guy, stars here as a detective assigned to guard a key witness at a mob trial. The bulk of the film takes place on a train as Magraw decides to outwit mob assassins by pointing them at the wrong target since they have no picture of their intended victim.

■ "Clash by Night" — Here you get a film noir love triangle

that you know will end badly. Barbara Stanwyck stars as a woman who moves back to the quiet fishing village she grew up in. She soon settles down with a slowwitted business owner but betrays him when she falls for the wrong guy.

■ "Crossfire" — This study of racism wraps up the collection and is a powerful film that could also be classified as a drama. The killing of a Jewish man is investigated by a cop and an MP when it turns out the killer was one of three soldiers who were drunkenly celebrating the end of World War II. A great cast of guys named Robert include Mitchum, Ryan and Young ("Father Knows Best").

Next week will end the summer DVD slump with the release of Clint Eastwood's Oscar winner for best picture, "Million Dollar Baby."

This week also marked the passing of two screenwriters who wrote films for Alfred Hitchcock. Evan Hunter wrote the screenplay for Hitchcock's classic film "The Birds" and also turned his earlier career as New York school teacher into an excellent novel, and later a film, called "The Blackboard Jungle," which revealed the poor quality of education in inner city schools. He was also the author of the "87th Precinct" crime novels which averaged a book a year from 1959 until present and led to several films and

even a television series. He was 78 years old.

Ernest Lehman penned "North by Northwest" and also wrote "The Sweet Smell of Success" as well as the film adaptations of Broadway hits like "West Side Story" and "The Sound of Music." He was 89.



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During Academic Awards Week in May, Morehead State University honored outstanding students in the various departments. The Department of Agricultural and Human Sciences recognized Janet E. Johnson, of Prestonsburg, as its "Outstanding Undergraduate Student" and "Outstanding Dietetics Student." Dr. Michael Moore, provost, congratulated her during the College of Science and Technology's Honors Awards Program. Johnson, a senior dietetics major, is a graduate of Prestonsburg High School.

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Maytown Church of Christ, 66 Turkey Creek Rd., Langley. Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m., Sunday morning worship 11:00 a.m., Evening Worship 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
Upper Toler Church of Christ, 3.5 miles up Toler Creek on right; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy Dale Bush, Minister.
Weeksbury Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Mike Hall, Minister.

CHURCH OF GOD

Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judith Caudill, Minister.
Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Crum, Minister.
First Church of God; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steven V. Williams, Pastor.
Garrett Church of God, Garrett; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Bragg, Minister.

Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Prater, Jr., Minister.
Little Paint First Church of God, 671 Little Paint Road, East Point; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Charles Heater Jr., Minister.
The Ligon Church of God of Prophecy, Saturday Services, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Ralph Hall, Pastor.

EPISCOPAL

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

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METHODIST

Auxier United Methodist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.
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Allen Christ United Methodist, Allen; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lemaster, Minister.
Community United Methodist, 141 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Neeley St.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steve Pescosolido, Minister.
Elliott's Chapel Free Methodist, Rt. 979, Beaver; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Philip T. Smith, Minister.
Emma United Methodist, Emma; Sunday School 10 a.m., Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m.; Pastor David Proffitt.
First United Methodist, 256 South Arnold Avenue; 9 a.m. Contemporary Service; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. UMY'S Service; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark D. Walz, Pastor.
Horn Chapel Methodist, Auxier Road, Auxier; Sunday Morning Service, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Mid-week Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday Evening Service held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.
Graceway United Methodist, Rt. 80, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday Night, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.
Salsbury United Methodist, Printer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby G. Lawson, Minister.
Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Brad Tackett, Minister.
Wheelwright United Methodist, Wheelwright; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Isaac, Minister.
Vogle Day United Methodist Church, Harold; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wed. Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Dennis C. Love, Pastor.
Drift Pentecostal, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, Saturday/Sunday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Shannon, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thurs., 6:30 p.m.; Buster Hayton, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Weeksbury; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; John "Jay" Patton, Minister.
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Faith Worship Center, US 460, Paintsville; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frye, Minister.
Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wed., 6:30 pm.; Laverne Lafferty, Minister.
Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hall St.; Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.
Living Water Ministries Full Gospel Church, Conley Fork of Spurlock, Prestonsburg; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m. Pastor: Curt Howard.
Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship Service, 7 p.m., Saturday/Sunday.
Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Martin; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; John W. Patton, Minister.
Spurlock Bible (Baptist), 6227 Spurlock Creek Rd., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Stephens, Minister. 886-1003.
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The Father House, Big Branch, Abbott Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wright, Minister.
The Tabernacle, Rt. 321 (Old Plantation Motel), Christian Educator 10:00; Sunday Morning, 11:00; Sunday Evening, 7:00; Wednesday, 7:00; Pastors, Paul and Ramona Aiken.
Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright; Monday-Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.
Zion Deliverance, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Prayer Line: 358-2001; Jeff Kinslow, Pastor
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International Pentecostal Holiness Church, 10974 N. Main St., Martin; Rev. Ellis J. Stevens, Senior Pastor.
Rising Sun Ministries, 78 Court Street, Allen, Ky.; Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Pastor: D.P. Curry.
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The award packets will also contain a "Perfect Attendance Student On Board" magnet, decal, certificate, and congratulatory

letters from Floyd County Family Court Judge Julie Paxton, Floyd County Chamber of Commerce President Mandy Stumbo, and the Education/Dependency/Neglect/Abuse Committee.

Festivities are being planned for a special awards presentation and reception to be held on Sept. 19. Tentative plans include a visit to the Floyd County Justice Center where the students will meet Judge Paxton for a "special" presentation, followed by a visit to the East

Kentucky Science Center for a show and reception hosted by the East Kentucky Science Center and Prestonsburg Tourism. A tour of the May House will conclude their day.

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Governor's deputy chief of staff among those indicted in hiring probe

by JOE BIESK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — A special grand jury indicted three of Gov. Ernie Fletcher's subordinates, including his deputy chief of staff, on various misdemeanor charges, including criminal conspiracy and political discrimination.

Dick Murgatroyd, Fletcher's deputy chief of staff and former deputy transportation secretary, was indicted Wednesday on allegations of political discrimination, criminal conspiracy and violating state employees' rights. Cory Meadows, executive director of transportation enhancement programs; and Dan Druen, a Transportation Cabinet commissioner, were also indicted on misdemeanor political discrimination and criminal conspiracy charges. Druen had previously been indicted on other misdemeanor charges related to the investigation.

"These indictments allege specific violations in regard to specific personnel actions that occurred involving employees within the Transportation Cabinet," prosecutor Scott Crawford-Sutherland told reporters at the Franklin County courthouse.

The indictments cap two days of work this week by the Franklin County special grand jury investigating allegations that the Fletcher administration has based personnel decisions within the state Merit System on politics rather than candidates' qualifications. That system was established in 1960 to insulate rank-and-file employees from political influence. Violations are misdemeanors.

The governor also controls a number of political appointments separate from the Merit System.

Attorney General Greg Stumbo, a Democrat, began the investigation in May after Douglas W. Doerting, the Transportation Cabinet's former assistant personnel director, approached prosecutors with reams of documents and e-mails alleging improprieties in the administration's personnel decisions. Doerting has obtained whistleblower protection and no longer works in state government.

Wednesday's indictments marked the second time in less than a month the grand jury has indicted ranking officials within Fletcher's administration.

Druen, acting Transportation Secretary Bill Nighbert and Deputy Secretary Jim Adams were each previously indicted on misdemeanor charges they conspired to fire the cabinet's deputy inspector general, Mike Duncan. Duncan was a Democrat and supported Democrat Ben Chandler — Fletcher's opponent in the 2003 gubernatorial election.

Fletcher, Kentucky's first Republican governor in more than 30 years, has said the investigation is politically motivated. He said Stumbo wants to run against him for governor. Stumbo has countered that the allegations were brought to his office.

Fletcher spokeswoman Carla Blanton on Wednesday called the indictments "a travesty of justice" and said the administration would review the charges. It would be "inappropriate" to comment on their substance, she said.

"This is the first misdemeanor prosecution in the 45-year history of the merit sys-

tem, despite enormous proof that previous administrations had merit patronage systems in place," Blanton said. "Providing a level playing field of opportunity for all Kentuckians has obviously made some people uncomfortable."

Since the probe began, investigators in the Kentucky Bureau of Investigation — an arm of the attorney general's office — have carried out search warrants at the offices of various top-level administrators including Fletcher's former and current chiefs of staff. Investigators have left the state Capitol and other government office buildings with boxes of documents and items including computers and Blackberry devices, which are wireless handheld units that include a cell phone and e-mail access.

Murgatroyd was charged Wednesday with 16 counts of political discrimination, two counts of violating the rights of a state employee and one count of criminal conspiracy. Druen was charged Wednesday with nine counts of political dis-

crimination and one count of criminal conspiracy. Meadows was charged with five counts of political discrimination and one count of criminal conspiracy.

One indictment alleges Murgatroyd violated the rights of two state employees by influencing their transfers within state government. The indictment claims Murgatroyd played a role in transferring merit system employees Jerry D. Gritton and Scotty Fugate for no reason. Fugate eventually retired because of the move, according to the indictment.

Another indictment claims Murgatroyd, Druen and Meadows committed political discrimination in the "appointment of Marjorie Ann Stewart to a position in the state classified (merit) service." Murgatroyd's attorney, Jack Smith, said his client would plead not guilty to the charges. "I personally am disappointed at the indictment," Smith said in a phone interview. "This is not the Dick Murgatroyd that I know."

When Murgatroyd appeared

before the grand jury in early June, he invoked his constitutional right against self-incrimination.

Druen's attorney did not return a call seeking comment.

Meadows' attorney, Richard Guarnieri, also said his client would plead not guilty.

"He hasn't violated any laws," said Guarnieri, who declined additional comment, saying he had not had a chance to read the indictments.

Associated Press Writer Bruce Schreiner contributed to this report.

Obituaries

Cora Ratliff Slone

Cora Ratliff Slone, 83, formerly of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, July 3, at San Antonio, Texas.

She was born July 12, 1921, at Hueysville, the 13th of 16 children born to Polly and Jim Ratliff, formerly of Hueysville.

She is survived by a son, Forrester Slone (Betty), a daughter, Ida Jolene Robinson (Rod), and seven grandchildren, all of San Antonio.

Also surviving are two sisters, Dottie Neeley of Hueysville, and Maudie Hoover of Hippo, and one brother, Joseph Ratliff of Hueysville.

Cora was a long-time resident of Lancer, and was the owner of a grocery store there for many years.

Later this summer, her ashes will be brought to Floyd County for burial in the Neeley Family Cemetery at Hueysville.

Shawn Alan Newsome

Shawn Alan Newsome, age 30, of Teaberry, died Monday, July 4, 2005, at Muskies Lodge, in Menifee County.

Born September 12, 1974, in Pikeville, he was the son of Cecil Jr., and Mary "Susie" Spears Newsome. He was a disabled veteran.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by two sons, Seth Alan Newsome and Joshua Aaron Newsome, both of Hueysville; two sisters, Lisa Newsome (Carson) Akers, and Michelle Newsome, all of Teaberry; and two nieces, Carly Cierra Akers and Cassidy Cheyanne Akers.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, July 7, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin. Military services were conducted by Chapter 169, Betsy Layne.

Burial was in Newsome Cemetery, at Teaberry, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Scott, Jack Joseph

Age 68, of Hamilton, Ohio, passed away at his residence on Tuesday, June 28, 2005. Born in Martin, on August 24, 1936, he was the son of the late Silas and Dorothy Lee (Dye) Scott. On December 20, 1982, in Warsaw, Indiana, Jack married Nancy Wilcox. He was employed as a certified aid with Greenwood Manor Nursing Home for fifteen years. He attended West Side Baptist Church. Jack is survived by his wife, Nancy Scott; his children, Debra Jarrell of Auxier, Jackalee and DeWayne Scott of Allen, Christopher Blevins of Canton, OH, and Neil Blevins of Hamilton; two grandsons, Mitchell Jarrell and Timothy Ferguson; five granddaughters, Elizabeth Jarrell, Sureka Scott, Kayei, Zoe and Tori Blevins; three great-grandchildren, Tyler and Michia Jarrell and Blake Labor; sisters and brothers, Edna Hale of Martin, Delores Collett of Garrett, Leo Scott of Amhurst, OH, James Scott of Prestonsburg, Patricia Martin of McDowell, Henrietta Boyd of Martin, and Bessie Jenkins, also of Martin.

He was preceded in death by a son, Phil Scott; granddaughter, Whitney Scott; and brothers Glen, Julius and Silas Scott Jr.

Funeral services were held at Webb Noonan Funeral Home, Ross Avenue, Hamilton, OH, on Saturday, July 2, 2005. Pastor Michael J. Holmes officiated.

Interment was in Millville Cemetery.

Visitation was held at the funeral home.

The family suggests memorial contributions to Hospice of Cincinnati, Inc., PO Box 710784, Cincinnati, OH 45271-0784.

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Patricia Ann Mahan, 35, to Daniel Ray Bullock, 33, both of Indianapolis, Ind.

Taylora Gayle Justice, 31, of Pikeville, to Bishop Jackson Newsome, 36, of Chicago, Ill.

Marsha Lynn Newsome, 17, of Pikeville, to Dustin Allen Stanley, 20, of Martin.

Christina Elliott, 32, of Pikeville, to Michael Edward Shepherd, 31, of Prestonsburg.

Amy Marie Hunt, 30, of Pikeville, to Jason Paul Baker, 27, of McDowell.

Stephanie Brandi Little, 21, of Oak Ridge, Tenn., to Tony Ray Flannery, 25, of McDowell.

Rachell Denise Howell, 35, to Stevie Clyde Hall, 34, both of McDowell.

Samantha Jo Newsome, 19, to Eric Jordan Keathley, 20, both of Pikeville.

Melinda Gail Short, 25, of Martin, to Glen Ramey, 41, of Garrett.

Civil Suits Filed

Theresa Raschella vs. John D. Demoya; for damages incurred in an auto accident.

Huntington National Bank vs. Wilma W. Leslie; to collect a debt.

Larry Fields vs. Lawrence Hale; for damages incurred from an auto accident.

Cathy McKinney vs. Gary Lowe; for damages incurred in an auto accident.

John Goble vs. Mary J. Thompson; for damages incurred in an auto accident.

Charles Ward vs. Christopher Kidd; for damages incurred after being struck by an auto.

Tonya Slone, et al vs. Joseph B. Ratliff; for damages incurred to several plaintiffs in an auto accident.

Citibank vs. Michael D. Rodebaugh; to collect a debt.

Ellis Hall vs. Arnold Mosley; to collect damages incurred in an auto accident.

McDowell ARH vs. Christopher Rudder; to collect fees amassed during medical treatment.

Customer Portfolio Services vs. Misty A. White; to collect a debt.

Small Claims Filings

Floyd County Housing Authority vs. Crystal Sexton; to collect a debt.

Laura Sue Goodman vs. Buffie Cornett; to make good for damages incurred during an auto mishap.

Jennifer Carroll vs. Richard Wright; to recover money paid for a car that was unknowingly, to the buyer, under a lien.

Charges Filed

Timmy Bryant, 42, of Pikeville; violation of an emergency protective order.

Freddie Conn, 59, of Printer; alcohol intoxication, criminal littering.

Otis Wallen, 54, of Allen; alcohol intoxication, criminal littering.

Keith Williams Halbert, 34, of McDowell; public intoxication.

Rodney Thompson, 22, of Harold; alcohol intoxication.

Sam Clifford Bradley, 24, of Prestonsburg; criminal mischief, theft by unlawful taking.

Walter Moore, 29, of Grethel; possession of a prescription drug not in its original container.

Sheila M. Conn, 26, of Martin; fourth-degree assault.

Sheila Ezzard, 23, of Prestonsburg; disorderly conduct, terroristic threatening.

Julius Ryan Mullins, 26, of Little Paint; alcohol intoxication.

Jimmy Conn, 41, of Harold; fourth-degree assault.

Kimberly Deaton, 45, of McDowell; alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.

Michael Todd Kidd, 24, of Harold; public intoxication.

Ronald Keith Gayheart, 30, of McDowell; alcohol intoxication.

Jeffrey Glenn Martin, 48, of Eastern; alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.

Property Transfers

Roy and Carol Spears to Ruby and James Newman, property located at Toler Creek.

Larry and Linda Mullins to Lisa and Shaun Little, property located at Right Beaver.

J. Michael Click to Delores and Charles Dingus, Rabon and Judy Flannery, property location undisclosed.

Linda and Gary May to Faye Gray, property located at the Garfield addition in Prestonsburg.

Thomas and Margaret Holbrook to Danny and Suzanne Sellards, property location undisclosed.

Donald and Frances Tackett to Raymond and Patty Biles, property located at Pinhook Branch.

Teresa and Ronnie Prater, Janet and Prentiss Crum to Freda Crum, property location undisclosed.

Dallas and Rosa Click to Earl and Debbie Thompson, property located at Goble-Roberts.

Mark and Jan Hunt to Marty

and Jackie Tackett, property located at Little Mud.

Interstate Natural Gas Company to Jack and Anna Johnson, property located at Jack's Creek.

Shadery and Betty Watson to Brenda K. Watson, property location undisclosed.

Aaron and Samantha Tucker to Carla Burchett, property located at Prestonsburg.

Correction

A marriage reported in the June 24 "For the Record" contained inaccurate information. The item should have noted that Kimberly Gaye Sanders, 42, wed Tommy Castle, 43. The couple now resides in Weeksbury.

Clarification

The Gary McCoy reported as being sued by Discover Bank in the July 1 "For the Record" is not the same person as the Gary McCoy who resides at Cardinal Est., Mouth of Abbott Creek, in Prestonsburg.

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Belfry handles Prestonsburg

by JAMIE HOWELL
 CONTRIBUTING WRITER

PAINTSVILLE – After opening the District 7 All-Star Tournament with a 7-3 win over East Ridge, the Prestonsburg All-Stars ran into a buzzsaw in the form of the Belfry All-Stars in game two of pool play on Monday afternoon.

Belfry scored early and often en route to a 17-2 win over Prestonsburg.

In what looked early to be a good game in the making, both teams scored once in the first inning. Belfry got on the board first with an

RBI single from Tyler Williams to take a 1-0 lead. Prestonsburg answered in the bottom half of the inning on a leadoff inside the park homer off the bat of Tyler Hall to tie the game at 1-1 after one inning. Belfry went on to outscore Prestonsburg 14-1 over the next two innings.

The Prestonsburg All-Stars added a run in the third inning on another homer from Hall, but could not mount a rally. Belfry came away with the 17-2 win in four innings.

Belfry pitcher Brandon Chapman allowed only three Prestonsburg hits in the game. With the loss, Prestonsburg fell to 1-1 in pool play.

The Prestonsburg girls' softball squads came together and fielded the first All-Star team in the history of the P'burg league. However, the Prestonsburg girls came up a bit short with a loss to Magoffin County by a final score of 17-10. The Prestonsburg girls' softball league continues to grow with this season's addition of a second league team. Interest in girls' softball continues to grow in the area and an even bigger turnout is expected for next season's league. Coaches for the Prestonsburg All-Stars were manager Shamron McKenzie and coach Mike Hackworth.



photo by Jamie Howell
 Alex Griffith was one of the pitchers to see action Tuesday evening when P'burg took on Belfry.

Look out for Bryce Williams

by RICK BENTLEY
 TIMES COLUMNIST

If you do this for a living for very long, a few things are bound to happen. For one, you'll make somebody mad. Sometimes they'll call you and tell you about it, but just as often you'll never know. And when you do find out they're mad, odds are good you won't know why.



Rick Bentley

Just as often, you'll make friends. You'll meet nice people, or write something someone agrees with and they'll want to do something nice for you.

This is where we stand at the crossroads. You have to determine, is this a gift I can accept or one I should not? It boils down to this: If I accept this gift, will it sway my thinking down the road? Will I still be able to deal with this person in an honest fashion?

For going on 18 years, I've faced this issue. Since my name first appeared in print, I've debated it. And I've always done what I thought was right. Sometimes I've accepted, sometimes I've declined.

For most of you, the issue is standing in front of the mirror. Can you face that guy with a clean conscience?

For me, it's facing the blank screen. Can I still say what needs to be said, or am I obligated to support someone who has done wrong?

Every day, for nigh on 18 years. But today, I'm looking the other way. I'm admitting it for the world to see. Perhaps Marty Backus in Pikeville or Dave Bowyer in Prestonsburg will say the line has been crossed, will tell me my services are no longer needed. But I've sold out.

It happened last weekend, when I was on a trip with my new good friend. His name is Bryce Williams.

Bryce is five years old, and he's the person who has brought me down. It wasn't his daddy, Bart, who I've known since his freshman season at Pikeville College. It wasn't his papaw, Paul, who I met soon after. They were on this trip of ours, but it wasn't them to whom I'll speak only kind words of from here on.

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P'burg 9-10-year-olds knock off Knott County



Above, left: Pitcher Cody Chaffin threw a one-run complete game Wednesday evening as Prestonsburg beat Knott County 7-1.
 Above, right: Prestonsburg Manager Les Stapleton has his team off to a 2-0 start.

Prestonsburg improves to 2-0 with 7-1 win

by JAMIE HOWELL
 CONTRIBUTING WRITER

PAINTSVILLE – Good pitching can take a team a long way and for the Prestonsburg 9-10-year-old All-Stars, good pitching has been the rule in the first two games of the District 7 Tournament. Trey Stapleton tossed a no-hitter in the opener for Prestonsburg and Cody Chaffin took the mound on Wednesday and calmly struck out four and allowed only four hits in a 7-1 win over Knott County.

Pitching out of a jam was something that Chaffin was able to do on two occasions early in the game.

After a scoreless first inning, the Knott County All-Stars loaded the bases with only one out in the inning. But Chaffin would get out of the jam by getting Tyler Triplett to ground out to end the inning. Prestonsburg got on the scoreboard in the bottom half of the second inning after back to back singles from Stapleton and Kaleb Rodebaugh. A ground ball from J.D. Adams brought in Corey Conley from third (Conley was entered for Stapleton as a special runner) for the first run of the game.

Knott County scored its only run of the game in the third inning after a triple from Matthew Thompson and a run

scoring grounder from Derek Combs. With the game tied 1-1, Prestonsburg tacked on three runs in the bottom of the third inning. Adam Griffith led off the inning with a hit. Griffith's hit was then followed by back-to-back triples from Seaton Hall and Shane Hall. Rodebaugh added a third triple and brought a runner for the third run in the inning. P'burg led 4-1 after three innings and was never really threatened thereafter. The Prestonsburg All-Stars added two more runs in the fourth with the highlight of the

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Dale Brown joins college coaching staff



TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE – He was the junior college player of the year, played for the most beloved team to ever play for the most storied basketball program in the country and was a key player in what is generally considered the greatest game of college basketball ever played.

Make no mistake about it, Dale Brown left his mark on college basketball.

Now, the Pascagoula, Miss., native hopes to do the same thing, only this time as a coach.

Pikeville College added Brown to its men's basketball coaching staff this week, where he will assist Randy McCoy. McCoy has guided the Bears to three NAIA Div. I national tournament appearances and 135 wins in his six seasons in Pikeville, leaving him 18 behind Paul Butcher on the all-time wins list at the school.

"Dale obviously has some serious credentials as a player and his name-recognition is off the charts in basketball circles," said McCoy. "He has gotten off to a solid start as a coach but wanted to get on the collegiate level. We believe Pikeville College is the perfect place for that to happen."

Brown has spent two seasons coaching in the World Basketball Association. In 2004, he was an assistant coach with the Southern Crescent Lightning based in Peachtree City, Ga., for the team that won the league title.

He spent this season in Biloxi, Miss.,

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BK Motorsports headed to North Georgia Speedway

by STEVE LeMASTER
 SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN – During the Independence Day Weekend, the Brandon Kinzer Motorsports team stayed close to home, competing at 201 Speedway in neighboring Johnson County.

A track that has been in operation for over 20 years now, 201 Speedway hosted the NARA Battle of the Bluegrass (BoB) Series on Saturday. The feature event was a \$3,000-to-win, 40-lap feature race. Kinzer qualified 12th in the Barry Wright Racecars entry.

Twenty-nine Late Models were vying for the feature win. Following an inversion of the field, Brandon Kinzer started on the pole of the third heat race.

In the A-Main race, Kinzer worked his way into second-place. He pushed race-leader Whitney McQueary. When the checkered flag was waved, Kinzer had a runner-up finish to his credit.

Late in the race, Kinzer saw a bit of an opening. But to advance past the raceleader, contact would have ultimately

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Prestonsburg resident Steve Blackburn will be one of the drivers in competition tonight when Kentucky Speedway hosts the ARCA Series. Blackburn will be behind the wheel of the No. 69 Dodge.

photo courtesy of Kentucky Speedway

Martin County holds on, beats HAP

by STEVE LeMASTER
 SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE – The Martin County 11-12-year-olds held on Monday evening and posted an 11-8 come-from-behind win over the HAP (Harold-Allen-Prater) All-Stars in the District 7 Tournament at Paul B. Hall Field.

HAP led 1-0 at the end of the first inning and 5-2 at the end of the second inning.

Martin County put together a six-run

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Bentley

It was Bryce, the cutest little boy amongst the 24,923 in the Great American Ball Park last Friday night. It was Bryce, who sat two seats from me and watched the Astros score 10 times while our beloved Reds managed only 7. It was Bryce, in his black Reds jersey with DUNN 44 on the back.

See, Bryce has it all figured out. He has seen the future, and, lucky me, he will play a starring role in it.

Bryce figures he'll play basketball at Pike High for his dad. "We'll go to Rupp Arena, win the big trophy, cut down the net and hang it on the trophy," he says. And see, I want to be there to see Bryce win the state championship.

Then, he's decided he'll go to the University of Kentucky, and, after that, to play for the Reds.

And on Friday, he promised me and Papaw Paul he'd hook us up with the good seats to follow his career. When Paul told him we wouldn't actually need tickets for the Reds games, that we'd be ok with sitting with him in the dugout, he was ok with that.

So at that particular point,

somewhere north of Lexington and south of Cincinnati, I climbed right down off my high horse.

Every man has his price, Ted DiBiase used to say. I, too, am only mortal.

My price: Courtside seats for four years of UK basketball and a dazzling career in Great American.

On Saturday, I swayed only a little when Bryce had a change of heart. Seems he'd decided he was still going to Kentucky, but now wanted to play football instead. "I'd make a good quarterback," he told me as we passed a football in Papaw's back yard. "But I'm going to play running back instead."

I told him it'd be a shame, because he'd probably be the best quarterback on the team. His answer will seem arrogant in print, but it was coming straight from the heart of my five-year-old friend. "I know," he said. "But I want to play running back."

About this time, his dad joined us. I told Bart that looking at the three teams he'd chosen to play for, Pikeville basketball,

which is in a funk right now, UK football, which is always in a funk, and the Reds ...

I didn't have to finish. Bart did. "Setting himself up for a lifetime of heartache," he said.

But all that will change as soon as Bryce hits the scene, I've been assured. He didn't say so, but I'm sure the plans are to win a national title at UK and then bring a World Series championship to the Queen City.

When told he wanted to play football instead of basketball in college, Bart assured me all would be well. "He goes back and forth," Dad said.

So there you go. For 18 years, you've been able to look to me for honesty. You may not always like what you've read; I know I sure haven't. But you've always been able to do so knowing it was my honest opinion.

Until now. From here on, I'll firmly be in Bryce Williams' corner.

Until, of course, I move into his luxury suites, right alongside Papaw Paul.

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Brown

where he coached the Mississippi Gulf Coast Bandits to a third-place finish with a 16-11 record.

"Coaching in college is something I wanted to do," he said. "I took these jobs to get some experience so I could get into the college level. I'm looking forward to it."

"Coach McCoy and I are going to get busy and bring some players to Pikeville."

Brown was the nation's leading scorer and the junior college player of the year at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College in 1991 and signed on to play for Rick Pitino and Kentucky.

He played JUCO basketball for Bob Weathers.

In two seasons at Kentucky, Brown made his mark as a defender as he was named the best defensive player by the deflection-minded Pitino both seasons as well as a scorer. He finished with 565 points in two seasons in Lexington.

And on March 28, 1992, Brown ripped the nets of Philadelphia's Spectrum for 18 points in Kentucky's 104-103 overtime loss to Duke in the East Region finals. That game ended the season of the team commonly known as the

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"Unforgettables," a group of undermanned players who rose above their collective abilities and into the annals of history at the University of Kentucky.

Brown joins Roland Wierwille on McCoy's coaching staff, filling one of the vacancies left when Raymond Justice Jr. and Jeremy Miles stepped down this spring.

Pikeville is coming off a 24-9 record and lost to fourth-ranked Lindsey Wilson College in the Mid-South Conference championship game. It was Pikeville's third finals appearance in five seasons in the league.

P'burg

inning being two more extra base hits from Seaton Hall and Shane Hall. Knott County tried to get something going with aggressive base running, but Prestonsburg catcher Trey Stapleton threw out two runners

trying to steal second and third respectively. An Aaron Griffith RBI then scored the final run of the night for Prestonsburg in the bottom of the fifth inning. Cody Chaffin closed the door on Knott County in the sixth as

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Prestonsburg improved to 2-0 in pool play. Prestonsburg will be back in action Saturday at noon, taking on Fleming Neon. Tate Goble and Adam Griffith each finished with one hit for the winning team.

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rally in the sixth inning. During the scoring flurry, the Martin County All-Stars got a solo homerun from Austin Stepp.

Cory Crum started the game for Martin County. Despite a rough start, Crum finished nicely, ultimately recording the victory. He recorded 12 strikeouts and allowed the eight runs on eight hits.

With the win, Martin County, playing out of Pool A, improved to 2-0.

Pitcher Casey Adkins took the loss for the HAP All-Stars. Adkins finished with eight strikeouts. He walked 10 batters and gave up seven hits. Offensively, Nathan Martin had a solo home run for the HAP team.

Erica Meade also provided offense for the HAP squad.

After loss, HAP 11-year-olds win via forfeit: The Harold-Allen-Prater 11-year-old All-Stars fell to Paintsville Saturday on the opening day of the District 7 Tournament. Paintsville, coached by Ben Hamilton, prevailed, winning 12-0. Pitcher Jordan Stewart recorded the win for the HAP 11-year-olds.

On Monday evening, HAP's 11-year-olds beat Magoffin County via forfeit.

Kinzer

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been necessary "I had a really good chance to pass Whitney at the end of the race," Kinzer said following the BoB feature race. "If I would of kept on it, I could of made contact with him and I

don't like to drive like that."

The Kinzer crew - driver and team - ventured to Cherokee Super Speedway (Gaffney, S.C.) yesterday for a Southern All-Stars event. Kinzer won his last feature event on the same

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Cherokee Speedway track. This weekend (Friday and Saturday), Brandon Kinzer, Motorsports will travel to North Georgia Speedway for unsanctioned events paying \$3,000- and \$5,000-to-win, respectively.

Churchill Downs to sell Hollywood Park; racing to continue for at least 3 years

by BETH HARRIS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES - Churchill Downs Inc. announced that it will sell historic Hollywood Park and surrounding acreage at the Inglewood racetrack to Bay Meadows Land Co. LLC for \$260 million in cash.

The deal, announced Wednesday, is expected to close in late September.

Bay Meadows Land Co. will buy the land and facilities at the 67-year-old track and assume management of racing operations for a minimum of three years. BMLC also owns Bay Meadows racetrack in Northern California.

Terrence Fancher, president of BMLC, said the company plans to apply for a license from the California Horse Racing Board to continue racing at Hollywood Park.

"We love the racing business," he said in a conference call. "We stepped up to purchase Hollywood Park in the hope we can prolong the life of this great asset."

At the same time, Fancher said BMLC "will seek alternative uses for the current racetrack site, in collaboration with the city of Inglewood, in the event that our best efforts are unable to improve the underlying economics of the horse racing industry and to stem the tide of horses leaving the state."

That could mean turning the track into a commercial and residential development after 2008 if California lawmakers don't make commitments to racing, Fancher warned.

"It would be tragic to see racing fall off the landscape in California," he said. "Governor, you can do something about it."

The track's 238-acre site near Los Angeles International Airport is believed to have significant real estate value.

BMLC is owned by Stockbridge Real Estate Fund LP, a

private partnership formed to invest in real estate. Stockbridge bought Bay Meadows in 1997 and announced plans to replace the track with a mix of residential and commercial development, but the track is still operating.

Fancher said money won't be taken away from Bay Meadows to operate Hollywood Park.

Hollywood Park's future had been in doubt since February, when Churchill Downs Inc. announced it was exploring options for the track.

CDI has been disappointed with the track's financial performance since buying the facility in 1999 for \$140 million from then-owner Hollywood Park Inc., which now does business as Pinnacle Entertainment Inc.

Pinnacle will continue to operate the Hollywood Park Casino under a long-term lease.

"The transaction will put Hollywood Park in the hands of an owner that is already active in California racing with a strong interest in finding solutions to the many competitive challenges in that jurisdiction," said Thomas Meeker, CDI's president and chief executive officer.

Meeker said CDI bowed out after three years in California because of soaring worker's compensation costs and state policy "that seems to have forsaken racing."

Attendance at Hollywood Park began declining in the 1990s, when competition from Indian casinos, lotteries and Internet and simulcast wagering started siphoning off live bettors.

Weekday racing attracts only a few thousand people to the track, while weekend attendance might reach 10,000.

"The racing industry in California needs help if it's going to survive," Fancher said. "We have gone from being the absolute leader in the racing

industry to a state that has fallen behind."

He pointed out that purses are bigger in other states, causing trainers, owners and breeders to flee California or scale back operations here.

Some U.S. tracks have bolstered purses by installing slot machines.

Fancher urged Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and the state Legislature to give racing the tools it needs to survive in California, including installing video lottery terminals at Hollywood Park.

"If that was done, everything would be different," Fancher said. "There are 60,000 people in this industry (in California) that would benefit, and it wouldn't harm anybody."

The deal calls for CDI to have an option to reinvest in Hollywood Park should significant alternative gaming or gaming subsidies occur.

If BMLC is granted a racing license and racing dates are approved, the company plans to invest \$5 million in repairing Hollywood Park's much-maligned turf course and other improvements.

Fancher said most of the current employees will have jobs for at least another three years. Track president Rick Baedeker will stay on, too.

CDI's flagship track is Churchill Downs in Louisville, Ky., home of the Kentucky Derby. It also owns tracks in Florida, Illinois, Indiana and Louisiana.

Hollywood Park opened in 1938, financed by such glitzy investors as studio chief Jack Warner, Al Jolson, Walt Disney, Bing Crosby and Samuel Goldwyn.

The track is located 11 miles southwest of downtown Los Angeles. It offers live thoroughbred racing during its spring-summer meet from April 22-July 17, and during its autumn meet from Nov. 9-Dec. 19.



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Wal-Mart FLW Outdoors' TV shows conclusion of BFL All-American on Ohio River

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MINNEAPOLIS - Tune in Sunday to "Wal-Mart FLW Outdoors" on FSN for the conclusion of the 22nd annual Wal-Mart Bass Fishing League All-American presented by Chevy on the Ohio River. Watch as co-hosts Charlie Evans and Keith Lebowitz take viewers through the final weigh-in and award the winning boater \$100,000.

The one-hour show is the second of a two-part series covering the sport's most prestigious championship for weekend anglers. On-the-water cameras give viewers an intimate look at the 10 boaters who

advanced to the final round of competition and competed for a career-changing top prize. The winner of the tournament was determined by the heaviest three-day weight.

The July 10 show presents several minifeatures with several of the boaters that made the cut after two days of competition. The features include Brent Crow of Hartselle, Ala.; Mark Richards of Houston, Texas; Ryan Deal of Haubstadt, Ind.; Adam Wagner of Cookeville, Tenn.; and Rick Byrnes of Tamaroa, Ill.

Additionally, former BFL and current Wal-Mart FLW Tour competitor Bobby Lane sits down for an in-depth inter-

view with boater Wade Ramsey. Ramsey led the 10 finalists by nearly a 5-pound margin heading into the final day of competition on the Ohio River.

FSN is the industry leader in providing the most up-to-date technology in television production. FSN puts viewers in the boats with the pros, shadowing them from sunrise until the final weigh-in using innovative camerawork that gives fishing fans the most intimate viewing experience available.

FSN broadcasts "Wal-Mart FLW Outdoors" Sundays from 11 a.m. to noon ET. Check local

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Poker championship makes millionaires and megastars

by STEVE WILSTEIN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LAS VEGAS — The World Series of Poker creates legends and changes lives, makes instant millionaires and megastars, pits world-class rounders against online amateurs, brings together Hollywood celebrities and red-eyed denizens of backroom games.

It's a sport without athletics, a marathon that doesn't move. It takes skill and luck, math and feel, and it's captured an audience of millions of players and TV viewers of all ages.

Once the province of a small cadre of pros, poker's most renowned affair has burgeoned into the world's richest spectacle — some \$100 million worth of games that go on for six weeks of day and night sessions.

The no-limit Texas Hold 'em main event starts Thursday with a record number of players paying the \$10,000 entry fee — between 5,000 and 6,000 are expected — and a record top prize that may approach \$7.5 million for the winner of the final table that begins July 15.

Clacking chips and low chatter send a constant cicada-like hum through the 60,000-square-foot convention center at Har-

rah's Rio, up to 200 oblong tables going at once, 10 players at each table, the stakes in terms of money and reputation almost unfathomable. There are 450 dealers, the best in the business recruited from around the country, working three shifts round the clock.

In Texas Hold 'em, each player is dealt two cards. Five cards are dealt on the table and whichever player can make the best hand from his two cards and the five on the table wins. No limit means precisely what it sounds like — a player can risk all the money they have at any point in the game.

The aptly named Chris Moneymaker, a young accountant, emerged from anonymity and a \$40 investment in a tournament on PokerStars.com two years ago to win \$2.5 million against a field of 829 players. Greg Raymer, a patent attorney with a penchant for fossils and goofy holographic sunglasses, walked away with \$5 million last year when 2,576 players entered the main event.

It's a good bet that similarly obscure players will sit at the final table this year and that one of them, rather than the many touring pros competing from around the world, will capture



the largest prize in the game's history.

Phil Ivey may be the favorite — sports books in Las Vegas list him at about 400-1 — but there are too many players and there's too much luck involved over a relatively short span to pick anyone with much confidence.

"I could pick 20 players and, mathematically, it's much more likely than not that none of them are at the final table," Raymer said.

That would include Ivey, Phil Hellmuth, Howard Lederer and sister Annie Duke, Poker Hall of Famers Doyle Brunson and Johnny Chan and other top players such as 2000 champ Chris Fergu-

son and the man he beat at the final table, T.J. Cloutier, along with young guns Daniel Negreanu and Antonio Esfandiari.

Those who have won the coveted championship bracelet are lucky and good, and for some the World Series has forever altered their lives. Moneymaker's life has changed dramatically since he won in 2003.

He quit his job nine months after winning the World Series, then went through a divorce. "My wife didn't marry a poker player," he said. He fell in love with another woman and remarried. He bought a new house in Nashville, Tenn., and started two companies, Moneymaker

Gaming, a chip company, and the Chan-Moneymaker Academy, a chain of poker schools with the former champion.

Now, at 29, Moneymaker says "there are days I wake up and I can't believe what's happened."

The burly, 41-year-old Raymer, too, has seen his life shift in good and bad ways. He also left his day job behind to follow the poker trail, making a career out of what had been a semiprofessional passion.

"All the travel is the biggest change I feel on a daily basis," he said. "I'm on the road 75 percent of the time, traveling from one major poker tournament to another, representing PokerStars.com, doing appearances at various charity and corporate events. I like everything except the time away from my family. I don't get to see my wife and 8-year-old daughter as much as I would prefer."

On the scarier side of fame and fortune, Raymer found himself the target of an attempted robbery at gunpoint at the Bellagio in Las Vegas last December.

"They grabbed me as I was entering my room and were trying to push me in," he said. "They had duct tape, so they were presumably going to tie

me up and rob me. The way it played out, I had no choice. I couldn't cooperate. My whole decision was what was most likely to keep me alive."

Like a true poker champion, he considered the odds of the bad hand he'd been dealt and decided to fight back until his assailants fled. Two suspects have since been arrested and are scheduled to go on trial in September.

That incident aside, the affable Raymer has enjoyed his sudden rock star-like status, signing autographs and chatting with fans wherever he goes.

The same could happen to any of the players, even those with no serious hopes of winning, such as Bill Barnett, the 64-year-old mayor of Naples, Fla. He also qualified on PokerStars.com, winning a \$160 double shootout against 80 other players. His prize was a seat at the World Series, worth \$10,000, plus \$1,000 in his online account and hotel expenses for nine nights.

"It's doubtful I'm going to make it through nine nights," he said. "It's just a thrill to be able to say, 'Hey, I was there and I got to play in it and I earned my seat.' My kids and grandkids all think it's hysterical."

From high above to far below, London cheers its Olympic win

by EMILY ROTBERG
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LONDON — Jets roared over Big Ben and cheers broke out on the Underground. From Trafalgar Square to far away, Londoners celebrated Wednesday after hearing their city had upset Paris to win the 2012 Olympics.

Screams, hugs and a blizzard of confetti greeted the announcement by the International Olympic Committee, with crowds in London hollering and waving flags.

Prince William joined the party from New Zealand.

"I'm looking forward to what I'm sure will be a fantastic Olympic Games," he said.

The decision in Singapore was shown on a giant screen in Trafalgar Square in central London, and in the east London area where the Olympic village will be built.

"It's absolutely buzzing here!" said Kizzy Welling, 15, part of a school group in the square.

Nine Royal Air Force Hawk aircraft flew over the city in a "Big Battle" V-shape formation, leaving behind trails of red, white and blue smoke to celebrate the Olympic victory.

Riders on the Underground system, on platforms and on trains, were told the news over the public address system and many clapped.

"This is a truly fantastic day for east and southeast London," said Robin Wales, mayor of the east London borough of Newham, where much of the

games will be held. "It is a massive opportunity and also a big responsibility."

London's bid enjoyed a late surge, ending up as one of the final two against Paris after Moscow, New York and Madrid were eliminated in voting by the IOC.

"It's not every day in this job that you punch the air and do a little jig and embrace the person standing next to you," Prime Minister Tony Blair said in Scotland, where he was welcoming other world leaders for the G-8 summit.

London's proposal called for creating an Olympic Stadium and village on undeveloped land in Stratford, on the eastern edge of the city.

Other venues would include London landmarks such as Wimbledon, Wembley Stadium and Regent's Park.

In a report issued on June 6, the IOC evaluation commission praised the "very high quality" and "high level of planning" of London's bid.

The only significant opposition came from about 100 small, private businesses within the planned stadium site who say relocation proposals offered by London 2012 officials aren't good enough.

London has hosted the Olympics twice — in 1908 and 1948. Britain mounted three recent unsuccessful bids, Birmingham (1992) and Manchester (1996 and 2000), but London was considered the only real potential winner.

London got off to a slow start but made big strides under

Sebastian Coe, a two-time Olympic 1,500-meter gold medalist who replaced American businessman Barbara Cassani as head of the bid in May 2004.

"I've been waiting for this for over 45 years," said Frederick Doley, who paraded around with about 20 small flags and tooting on one of the several horns dangling around his neck.

"I'm lucky we won," he said. "I can't swim to France, but I can walk through the marshes to the London Olympics."

Voting results for the 2012 Olympics

SINGAPORE — How the voting went Wednesday in the International Olympic Committee's selection of the host city for the 2012 Summer Games (bid with fewest votes in each round is eliminated; x-denotes winner):

| Round | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|----------|----|----|----|----|
| x-London | 22 | 27 | 39 | 54 |
| Paris | 21 | 25 | 33 | 50 |
| Madrid | 20 | 32 | 31 | — |
| New York | 19 | 16 | — | — |
| Moscow | 15 | — | — | — |

NOTE: Of the IOC's 116 members, 112 were eligible to vote. The 13 members from bid cities were ineligible while their candidate was still in contention: United States (3), Russia (3), Britain (3), France (2) and Spain (2). Once a city was eliminated, members from that country were allowed to vote in subsequent rounds.

Despite star-studded presentation, New York eliminated in second round of Olympic voting

by DAVID CRARY
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SINGAPORE — New York's hopes for a comeback victory — and its first ever Olympics — were dashed Wednesday when the International Olympic Committee eliminated the Big Apple in the second round of voting for the host city of the 2012 Summer Games.

"I'm terribly disappointed," said Mayor Michael Bloomberg, who viewed the bid campaign as a part of New York's resilient recovery from the terror attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

He and fellow delegates, clearly dejected at a post-election news conference, said it was too soon to say whether the city would try again for the 2016 Olympics, which could well be awarded to the United States for the first time since the Atlanta Games in 1996.

"We had everything going for us," Bloomberg said. "It was a unique opportunity for New York. ... I don't know what's going to happen down the road."

During his remarks to the IOC before the vote, Bloomberg had pointedly noted that crucial deals for public funding and land — including the proposed Olympic Village site in Queens — were valid only for this bid.

"We had a unique set of circumstances. I think this was our moment," said Dan Doctoroff, New York's deputy mayor and founder of the bid campaign back in 1994.

Peter Ueberroth, president of the U.S. Olympic Committee, said New York — despite its energetic campaign — would not gain any special status if it entered the race to be the U.S. candidate for 2016.

"We will have a new process for the next four years," he said.

"We'll open it up."

Just a month ago, New York's bid seemed in disarray when its main stadium plan collapsed. But officials quickly came up with a new idea and were elated earlier Wednesday by the warm reception to its presentation, which stressed New York's long tradition of welcoming the world and its response after Sept. 11.

"If they gave the award based on presentation, we would have won," Bloomberg said.

Only Moscow was ousted sooner than New York. Madrid soon followed, and London then defeated Paris to win the Games.

"I wish London well," Bloomberg said — but then expressed hope that U.S. athletes would win every single medal at the 2012 Games.

He and other delegates said they were not sure why New York fared so poorly — whether it was a mix of factors or some specific doubt such as the stadium controversy or a perception of lukewarm local support.

"It's very difficult to analyze," said Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, one of the speakers during the presentation. "I'm not going to be looking into the minds of anyone who cast a vote."

In New York's Rockefeller Center, a planned victory celebration turned into an outdoor wake.

"Everybody seems disappointed," said Nick Patrickas, a painter from Huntington, on Long Island, who came into Manhattan for the occasion. "Economically, we'd have a brand new stadium and a lot of people will come to visit."

In questions after the Singapore presentation, one IOC member noted that New York fared worst among the five bidding cities in terms of public

support for the games in an IOC-conducted survey.

Bloomberg responded that the poll was taken while the city was still debating the controversial plan for a new Olympic stadium in Manhattan. He contended that support for the games had risen since the Manhattan plan was rejected by state lawmakers and replaced by plans for a new stadium in Queens.

"Our city needs these games in 2012," Bloomberg had told the IOC. He then evoked the Sept. 11 attacks, which happened shortly before he was elected.

"In our city's darkest hour, we asked ourselves, 'Can we recover?'" he said. "New Yorkers stood up then and said, 'Yes, we can recover, we will rebuild and we must continue to welcome everyone.' That spirit will be given to your games."

New York's presentation began with a video featuring an array of residents praising the city in a variety of accents. Later, foreign athletes and coaches, as well as American Olympians, extolled the joys of competing in the city, and the video ended with an athlete running through New York's streets, bearing an Olympic torch that finally merged with the Statue of Liberty's torch.

President George W. Bush, who unlike rival government leaders did not travel to Singapore, appeared on video to call New York "an amazing city" and pledge full federal support for security and visa logistics.

Among the dozens of present and former Olympians on hand to support New York's bid, the best known by far was Muhammad Ali. Suffering from Parkinson's disease, the 1960 boxing gold medalist stumbled slightly before rising to acknowledge applause when he was introduced.

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The Prestonsburg 11-12-year-olds began District 7 Tournament play Saturday with an impressive win over East Ridge.

Earnhardt seeks momentum swing

by MARK LONG
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Dale Earnhardt Jr. expected to run well at Daytona — even with a fairly new crew chief, a poor qualifying effort and a 24-hour virus.

He's not so certain about the rest of the season, though.

"They say you kind of carry momentum," Earnhardt said after finishing third in the Pepsi 400 on Saturday night. "I don't know if that's really a possibility or not."

Earnhardt might have turned his dismal year around at Daytona International Speedway. Then again, running well at a restrictor-plate race — in which Earnhardt typically has success — may change little or nothing

for NASCAR's most popular driver.

And everyone at Dale Earnhardt Inc. knows it.

"The trick is not to get too pleased with yourself when you take Dale Jr. to Daytona and run in the top three," crew chief Steve Hmiel said. "We needed this one, but we can't get too excited about it."

Earnhardt improved from 18th to 16th in the Nextel Cup standings. But he still needs to make up 106 points or move up six spots in the next nine races to earn a berth in NASCAR's Chase for the Championship.

His pursuit continues this weekend in Chicago, where he has one top-10 finish in four Cup starts.

"Running strong at Daytona was a given, but it's important to

go to Chicago and do better than people expect us to do," Hmiel said. "I'm very nervous about it, but I think we're going to be OK."

Not everyone would agree.

Earnhardt hasn't won a race this season, has led just five laps and been plagued by infighting at DEI. Throw out Daytona and Talladega — home of NASCAR's four restrictor-plate races — and he has just four top 10s in 14 starts.

DEI's director of competition, Tony Eury Sr., acknowledged last week that the team made a costly mistake by swapping crews and cars between Earnhardt and teammate Michael Waltrip during the off-season.

Eury said the move was detrimental for both race cars, becoming the first team member to publicly call the changes an error.

Earnhardt's crew, including car chief Tony Eury Jr., took all of his cars and moved to Waltrip's shop, while Pete Rondeau, who finished 2004 as Waltrip's crew chief, took his crew and cars and went to Earnhardt's garage.

The idea was to raise everyone's game. Instead, it backfired.

Rondeau was dismissed in May and replaced on an interim basis by Hmiel, the longtime technical director at DEI.

"I wasn't happy with the cars when I got there, but these guys have worked their tails off," Hmiel said. "We built several new cars and updated several more. Our guys have started early and left late, and it's been tough."

"So we needed something good to happen."

It did at Daytona, but will it

continue?

"I understand that this is Daytona and there aren't any more Daytonas or Talladegas before the Chase," Earnhardt said. "We have to work really hard to try to gain ground on these other tracks that we haven't had success at all year."

Hmiel and Earnhardt say they have corrected some flaws in their cars, and recent results might prove them right.

Earnhardt ran well two weeks ago in Sonoma, Calif., and seemed poised for a top-10 finish. He practiced and qualified well, but then his transmission broke on the opening lap. The problem caused his No. 8 Chevrolet to finish 42nd.

Things certainly improved at Daytona, but then again, Earnhardt has seven victories in var-

ious series on the superspeedway and knew he would run well even after he qualified 39th and spent several days battling flu-like symptoms.

He moved into the top 10 midway through the Pepsi 400 and stayed there for good.

"When you're in a slump of any kind, just to have a top-five run is a big motivator, not only for the driver but for the entire race team," said race winner Tony Stewart, one of Earnhardt's closest friends. "Those guys will be excited when they leave here, and that's something they haven't been for the whole season really."

"He showed the old form that hasn't been gone for long, but it's been gone long enough that everybody makes it seem like it's been an eternity."

Slow but steady is the plan for driver Erin Crocker

by MIKE HARRIS
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Don't expect to see Erin Crocker driving a NASCAR Nextel Cup car real soon.

With all the fuss over the Indy Racing League's Danica Patrick during the past month, there had been speculation that Crocker's climb to NASCAR's pinnacle would be hurried along to take advantage of the sudden media frenzy about women drivers.

We've got the car set up pretty conservative because we don't want her spinning out."

Everham's Cup team also was running at Michigan, so he acted as her spotter in that race.

"She's a racer and we've just got to get her racing some more," said Everham, who plans to run Crocker in at least three more ARCA races, as well as five NASCAR Busch Series races, this season.

"She's doing a good job, doing what we ask of her," he said. "I think, some days, she'd like me to let the reins out on her a little bit faster. We hold her back quite a bit. But we're going to bring her up slow and make sure that when she gets the opportunity that she is ready."

That's OK with Crocker, who still races regularly in the World of Outlaws as well as running an open-wheel car for friend and fellow Everham driver Kasey Kahne's team in the U.S. Auto Club's Silver Crown series.

"I would like to go faster, because I am a race car driver," she said. "I want things to go faster and happen tomorrow. But, in talking with Ray, the idea is to take it slow and do it right."

"You can't go out there before you are ready, because it would be a huge mistake. Let's just say Danica went out there and had a terrible day in Indy. Her reputation probably would have been hurt forever. We only have one chance, especially since everyone will be watching us. You can't blow it, so you can't rush it."

Speaking of Patrick — who on May 29 became the first woman to lead the Indianapolis 500 and finished fourth, the best result by a woman — Crocker is reaping some benefits from those feats.

"I've probably done more interviews in the past few weeks than I've done all year," she said. "I like all the media attention."

Crocker, whose next stock car start is the ARCA race at Kentucky Speedway on Friday, is going to get a lot more if she keeps improving the way she has.

"It's great that ladies are getting some attention, but Erin is going to get attention because she's good, not just because she's a lady," Everham said. "She's probably the most talented lady driver that I've seen, not that I've worked with that many."

"But, when I get to watch her drive that sprint car, she amazes me — and I've seen some good sprint car drivers."

Everham, who as a crew chief mentored Jeff Gordon to three of his four Cup titles and 47 of his 72 race wins and has helped develop Kahne, 2004's top rookie, into a star, doesn't expect Crocker to be the lone woman to make it in stock car racing.

"There's no reason they can't (be stars in Cup)," he said. "As this program gets more and more diverse, you're going to see not just women, but more and more minorities. The sport's growing and you will see girls getting an opportunity."

Hamilton enjoys state-of-the-art race shop close to home

by TERESA M. WALKER
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MT. JULIET, Tenn. — The white concrete-block building doesn't look like much from the street.

Set on an industrial side street, the 56,000-square-foot building is a mechanic's dream, featuring a fabrication shop, two paint rooms, a tire area and racks filled with enough bolts and sheet metal to allow workers to build a truck from scratch to race ready within 11 days.

The owner wanders around barefoot most of the time.

"It's a very, very laid-back atmosphere," Bobby Hamilton says.

In an era when most NASCAR teams call North Carolina home to take advantage of the deep pool of talent there, Hamilton's comfortable approach has worked — even though he never has put down roots farther from his native Nashville than this suburb 20 miles east, right off Interstate 40.

Racing is both his hobby and his job, which explains why he put so much work into designing his fourth, and likely last, race shop in May 2004 just two blocks from his home.

"My job is to run a race team. My hobby is to go back in that race shop and mess around in the fab shop. My quiet time is driving. When I put that window net up, and I start the motor, all I hear is noise, but it's quiet because I don't have people pulling at me through the week," he said.

"It's absolutely my most relaxing time of my whole life other than holding my grandbaby."

His success since moving into the new shop couldn't be more dramatic.

He won the 2004 NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series championship — becoming the first owner-driver to win a NASCAR series title since the late Alan Kulwicki won in Winston Cup with his own team in 1992. He currently is second to Dennis Setzer in the 2005 season standings, and has two victories this year.

Despite that success, Hamilton has scraped through this season without a full-time sponsor and raced without any sponsorship at Milwaukee and Kansas City the past two weekends. He says many companies want to be sponsors in Nextel Cup only.

"It's very, very confusing at times and somewhat disappointing. I understand the sport, but it's just different. I've never experienced anything like we're experiencing right now," he said.

But if sponsors judged him by his race shop, he'd have a top deal.

The air-conditioned building, a perk of winning the 2004 title, has enough room for 50 employees and three teams, including drivers Chase Montgomery and Timothy Peters. Hamilton oversaw the blasting of rock for the foundation, and focuses on details such as including a wash

bay where truck haulers park after each race.

The lobby features the blue No. 43 he drove in winning his first of four Winston Cup races for Petty Enterprises in October 1996, and the truck Joe Ruttman used in winning in Phoenix in 2000 for Bobby Hamilton Racing's first truck victory.

The shop saves him money, as well.

He used to buy his equipment in Charlotte, N.C., with an employee sent for each trip. Now he builds his own, and a chassis that used to cost \$14,000 is made for \$2,200. He said he also saves \$400,000 a year by building his own transmissions.

"And in return, you get the quality you wanted. It's a win-win," Hamilton said. "Now they know every time we go out on that race track nobody has what we have. It's their own doing."

Hamilton once turned down a sponsor who wanted him to move to Charlotte. And he won't hire anyone from North Carolina, because he's seen too many workers blab secrets over lunch with buddies from other teams.

"I have people call here now like Dodge and say, 'We'd like you to send so and so to Ray Everham. They want to test.' I say, 'I'm not doing it.' It took me all my money in two years to learn how to do this," Hamilton said.

Everham, who bought Bill Elliott's old shop in Statesville, N.C., also is out of the Charlotte area — but not out of North Carolina. He sees more teams moving north toward Statesville, but still close enough to the Charlotte hub and the talent pool.

"Obviously, economically, it's better for us up there because it's much cheaper. People in Statesville treat us well and when we get guys that do drive up there, it's a lot easier to keep them because they're not in all the hustle and bustle," Everham said. "Right now, I'd say it's a wash."

Hamilton says the race team and Mt. Juliet shop will be his son's someday if Bobby Jr., currently racing in the Nextel Series, wants it. But for now, the 47-year-old Hamilton is too busy trying to win a race each week to worry about retirement.

"If I'm still winning races like I'm doing now, I'm going to keep driving. I'm a selling point here. Forget Bobby Hamilton. I'm just a guy steering the ship and winning races. When I get Chase and Timothy in that category, that's when I feel like I can step back and breathe," he said. "I can't let up until I have someone as equal as I am."

Even then, though, he'll probably never leave his shop.

2005 NASCAR Nextel Cup Schedule and Standings

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

Driver Standings

1. Jimmie Johnson, 2,578
2. Greg Biffle, 2,305
3. Tony Stewart, 2,242
4. Elliott Sadler, 2,178
5. Rusty Wallace, 2,173
6. Ryan Newman, 2,115
7. Jamie McMurray, 2,093
8. Mark Martin, 2,068
9. Kurt Busch, 2,030
- (tie) Dale Jarrett, 2,030
11. Jeremy Mayfield, 2,029
12. Carl Edwards, 2,027
13. Jeff Gordon, 1,982
14. Kevin Harvick, 1,946
15. Jeff Burton, 1,891
16. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 1,872
17. Michael Waltrip, 1,870
18. Joe Nemechek, 1,840
19. Matt Kenseth, 1,790
20. Kyle Busch, 1,765

Hometown favorite O'Quinn uses outside groove to nab UARA win at LPR

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

COEBURN, Va. — There were drivers from seven different states competing in Saturday's UARA-Stars Food City 150 at Lonesome Pine Raceway, but it was a hometown boy who took home the trophy.

Coeburn racer Danny O'Quinn Jr. demonstrated Saturday night why Jack Roush Racing gave him a development deal this season to compete in the ARCA series. He recovered from a lap seven spin that put him at the tail of the 30-car field, steadily passing cars using the outside groove where other drivers had said all day they couldn't drive.

O'Quinn passed pole sitter Jamie Yelton to the outside on lap 89 to take second place and set his sights on UARA-Stars points leader Matt McCall in the lead. By that time, however, McCall had gotten wind of O'Quinn's high groove heroics, and moved up to take the high ground in the corners as well.

That change appeared to be working for McCall in the closing laps as he would stretch his lead to several car lengths in clean air, only to lose that ground in traffic. Still, O'Quinn couldn't find a way around McCall who had taken away O'Quinn's fastest lane and appeared on his way to his third win of the season.

Then, with eight laps to go and the checkered flag almost in sight, McCall's motor expired on the straight-away, giving the lead and the win to O'Quinn.

"I don't know if I was going

to be able to do anything with him (McCall)," O'Quinn said. "I hate it for him that he had a problem, but it gave us the win. I guess we'll take them any way we can get them."

McCall's dominating performance Saturday was only good enough to garner him a 19th place finish. That was good news for Jamie Caudill who sits second in the UARA championship standings behind McCall and earned a fifth place finish Saturday.

Yelton finished second ahead of Tony Grady who hung around the top-five the entire race, Mark King in fourth and Caudill who started at the rear of the field due to working on his car after qualifying finished fifth.

Aside from O'Quinn there were several local drivers in the race including Grundy Va. driver Keith Stiltner who qualified sixth and finished sixth.

Clintwood Va. driver Brian Blevins who currently leads the LPR Late Model standings qualified 22nd fastest but avoided being swept up in the "yellow fever" which plagued the race with nine cautions. By the halfway point of the race Blevins was in 10th, and although he began to fade in the final laps and lost a few positions, late race attrition helped him garner an eighth place finish.

The next highest finishing local driver was Abingdon, Va.'s Kirby Gobble who struggled in qualifying, turning the 28th fastest time, but stayed clean throughout the race to finish 14th.

Some other local drivers

weren't that lucky.

LPR regular Craig Stallard had kept himself on the lead lap until a lap 62 spin in turn two which also forced LPR regular David Hopkins to spin to avoid a collision. Hopkins finished 20th and Stallard finished 23rd.

Zeke Shell from Johnson City had been running in the top-15 but he retired from the race late in the going to finish 25th.

Kingsport's Royce Peters appeared on his way to a top-10 finish before spinning on lap 50 in an accident that also collected the cars of Mike Geisson and Scooter Hillis. Peters finished 28th.

The LPR regular who appeared to have the most promise for a good finish Saturday was two-time Late Model winner this season Wayne Hale of Bluff City who qualified 11th. Hale's night ended abruptly after he suffered damage in a lap two accident involving Ashley Huffman.

Hale's crew tried to make repairs, but he parked the car around lap 10 and finished 30th.

Another notable driver who had a disappointing evening was Kyle Grissom, the 15-year-old son of 1993 NASCAR Busch series champion and former Cup regular Steve Grissom. Kyle Grissom qualified 10th fastest but pitted early and often throughout the race as crew members worked to fix an apparent rear gear problem.

Grissom finished the race but lost several laps in the pits, winding up 21st.

The UARA-Stars series returns to LPR on Aug. 20.

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WINNING AT HOME: Giants 7, Reds 2

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN FRANCISCO — After earning his first major league win in nearly two years, Kevin Correia will spend the All-Star break in the minors.

His stay will only be temporary. "He earned the promotion and he earned the right to come back," San Francisco manager Felipe Alou said after Correia and the Giants beat the Cincinnati Reds 7-2 Wednesday night. "We've always been excited about his arm and he looks like he's arrived now."

Correia will spend the next 10 days with Class-A San Jose because the Giants figure to retool their rotation following the break.

Pinch-hitter Lance Niekro's two-run triple broke a tie in the fifth and the Giants ended their four-game losing streak. They won at home for just the fourth time in 17 games.

"I don't know when the last time I got a hit against a right-hander," said Niekro, who platoons at first base with J.T. Snow. "It felt good to get in that situation and drive in a couple of runs."

Adam Dunn drove in both runs for the Reds, who lost for the eighth time in 11 games. Dunn has driven in 11 runs in his last 14 games.

Correia (1-0), recalled last Friday, last won in the majors on Sept. 21, 2003, beating the Los Angeles Dodgers. Making his

10th career start, Correia gave up two runs and five hits in five innings.

"I like the position I'm in," he said. "I'm getting more experience and I think I've just progressed in my knowledge of pitching. I'm trying to make them hit the ball instead of trying to strike everybody out."

Relievers LaTroy Hawkins, Scott Eyre, Scott Munter and Tyler Walker each pitched a scoreless inning.

Correia began the season as a closer at Triple-A Fresno. He made three starts with the Grizzlies before the Giants brought him up to start against San Diego last Friday. He allowed two runs in six innings against the Padres.

"With those starts, when my arm was ready I was back up," Correia said. "It seems like there are always some spots for you if you pitch well."

Correia was 3-1 in 10 games, including seven starts, with the Giants in 2003, but made just one appearance in 2004, spending most of the season with Fresno.

"I knew when I came up as a rookie it wasn't going to be that easy," Correia said. "I had some work to do."

Luke Hudson (1-4) failed to get out of the fifth inning for the third straight start and lost his fourth straight decision, a career worst. He allowed four runs and six hits.

"Just when things were turn-

ing around it bites me," Hudson said. "I felt like I was getting on a roll there and a couple of pitches get away and it all blew up."

Correia set down the first eight batters before Hudson's third career hit, a sharp single to left, sparked a two-out rally in the third. Felipe Lopez walked and both runners moved up on a passed ball ahead of Dunn's two-run, broken-bat single to center.

Hudson set down 10 of his first 11 hitters, then allowed five of the next six batters to reach base as the Giants took a 4-2 lead.

Deivi Cruz and Jason Ellison both singled to drive in a run, and Niekro's triple chased Hudson.

Mike Matheny added a run-scoring double in the sixth, and

Alex Sanchez drove in two runs with an eighth-inning double.

Notes: Giants 2B Ray Durham was a late scratch after straining his left wrist in batting practice. ... Giants OF Moises Alou was given the night off. ... Reds INF Anderson Machado was activated from the DL, replacing INF Edwin Encarnacion, who was optioned to Triple-A Louisville. ... RHP Jason Standridge became the 16th player to make his Reds debut this season. ... Reds OF Wily Mo Pena went 0-for-2 (three strikeouts and a double-play grounder), ending his 11-game hitting streak. ... INF Brian Dillmore was recalled from Triple-A Fresno to take Correia's roster spot.

Lots of good All-Star stories, but Rogers isn't one of them

by TIM DAHLBERG
ASSOCIATED PRESS

There's plenty of good stories just waiting to be told at next week's All-Star game.

Scrappy Brian Roberts of the Orioles and triple crown threat Derrek Lee of the Cubs will start for the first time. Roger Clemens and Pedro Martinez reunite to pitch for the National League, and a new generation of outfielders takes over spots once held by the likes of Barry Bonds and Sammy Sosa.

There could be one real bad story, too, assuming Kenny Rogers shows up.

If that happens, baseball and Rogers will owe the real All-Stars an explanation.

Sure, Rogers pitched himself onto the team with a first-half performance that certainly merited his selection. But he just as surely kicked himself off when he attacked two television cameramen simply because they had the audacity to be near him on the field.

Real All-Stars respect the game and those around it.

Real All-Stars understand that without the media and the fans, they're playing sandlot ball for free between shifts at the local factory.

Real All-Stars stand up and say they're sorry when they've done something wrong.

Real All-Stars don't act like Kenny Rogers.

Of course, Rogers could always do the right thing and stay home. That would seem out of character, though, for a playground bully who tends to behave like a 4-year-old who just had his favorite toy snatched from him.

Or Bud Selig could show some real backbone, ban Rogers from the game and take his chances with the player's union in court. But that would seem

out of character for a commissioner who, until recently, was afraid to even suggest to players that they might have to take more drug tests.

That could leave the midseason classic with one big shadow hanging over it even before it begins. And that's too bad for guys like Roberts and Lee, who deserve their chance to be celebrated without Rogers getting in the way.

The same media Rogers hates so much will be in Detroit because, try as he might, Rogers can't order them not to be there. They have to make a living, too, though there's a good chance none is making \$3 million a year.

Only in the coddled world of major league baseball could something like this happen: You attack someone at work, joke about it with your teammates, get a slap on the wrist, and a few days later take the mound for your regularly scheduled start.

Then, you're rewarded with an invitation to the All-Star game.

Selig puffs out his chest and says a 20-game suspension and a \$50,000 fine is stiff punishment. But it's really not, and Rogers' chief apologist on the Rangers, manager Buck Showalter, already said he wants to see the suspension reduced.

It sounds like a lot of games, but in reality it's only a four-game suspension because Rogers is a starting pitcher who only works every fifth day. At the age of 40, that's a good mid-season rest for someone who will still get paychecks worth about \$400,000 during the time he's away from the team.

The fine? In the real world, that would be equivalent to fining someone making \$50,000 a year a grand total of \$833.33.

Besides, Rogers could pay that off with the \$50,000 bonus he gets for making the All-Star team.

Take away the tax deductions, and he actually comes out ahead.

The silly thing is that all this might have been avoided had Showalter or Rangers' management understood the warning signals. Rogers has been sullen all season, apparently angered that his demands for a new two-year contract were written about.

A day before he lost control, Rogers issued an absurd order that cameras be turned off around him in the clubhouse. Next, perhaps, he was going to order all fans in Texas Stadium to stand up and turn around while he pitched.

It would be hard to figure out what was going through this guy's head even if he were talking. Luckily he's not, because there's really not much to learn from a spoiled, self-centered 40-year-old millionaire who has probably never held a real job in his life.

Rogers' attack took the spotlight off of fellow Texas pitcher, Frank Francisco, who pleaded no contest last week to misdemeanor assault for tossing a chair at an Oakland Athletics fan last season.

Francisco got a real sentence, 30 days in a work detail and required attendance at weekly anger management classes for six months.

That came from a real judge, though, not a baseball commissioner whose biggest priority seems to be getting cities to cough up huge amounts of money for new stadiums and forcing fans to take bank loans to see a game in them.

Selig needs to act as tough as Rogers thinks he is. Then, there would be no All-Star debate.

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Legends end skid with 7-4 win

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — The Lexington Legends rallied for three runs to post a 7-4 win against West Virginia on Wednesday night in Charleston. The win snaps a season high five game losing streak and helped the Legends avoid being swept by the Power.

Andrew Alvarado (2-0) picked up the win in relief of Jimmy Barthmaier. Alvarado worked 1.2 innings giving up a run on four hits. Ryan Thompson got his first save of the year with 2.1 scoreless innings.

Barthmaier began the game with five plus innings allowing three runs on seven hits.

Several Legends had strong offensive games. J.R. Towles had two hits including a triple and scored a run. Drew Sutton extended his hit streak to eight straight games with two singles.

Beau Torbert had a single and a double and Ole Sheldon belted his second homer of the year high off of the scoreboard in left centerfield.

Brian Montalbo (1-5) suffered the loss for the Power after coughing up two runs in 3.1 innings.

Indians 8, Bats 3

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Craig Wilson and Chris Duffy each had two RBIs to lead the Indianapolis Indians to an 8-3 win over the Louisville Bats in the International League Wednesday night.

Indianapolis scored in the first inning after Cesar Crespo scored on a RBI single from Wilson.

The Bats tied the game in the bottom of the fourth when

starting pitcher Brian Rose singled to score Pedro Swann.

The Indians scored four runs in the sixth inning, and Wilson got his second RBI on a single that brought home Ty Wiggington.

Indians reliever Jeff Miller (2-5) earned the win, allowing no runs on four hits in 2 1/3 innings of work.

Louisville starter Brian Rose (4-5) took the loss, giving up six runs on eight hits in 5 1/3 innings of work.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

GAMES ON TAP

NATIONAL LEAGUE

TODAY'S GAMES

N.Y. Mets (VZambrano 4-7) at Pittsburgh (Fogg 4-4), 7:05 p.m.
Washington (Drese 2-1) at Philadelphia (Tejeda 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (D.Davis 9-7) at Atlanta (Sosa 4-1), 7:35 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (C.Zambrano 5-4) at Florida (Willis 13-3), 7:35 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Houlton 4-2) at Houston (Clemens 7-3), 8:05 p.m.
San Diego (Stauffer 2-4) at Colorado (Jam.Wright 5-8), 9:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Ra.Ortiz 4-6) at Arizona (Halsey 5-7), 9:40 p.m.
St. Louis (Mulder 9-5) at San Francisco (Schmidt 6-4), 10:15 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

TODAY'S GAMES

Cleveland (Lee 9-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Wang 5-3), 7:05 p.m.
Detroit (Robertson 3-7) at Tampa Bay (Kazmir 3-6), 7:15 p.m.
Boston (Arroyo 6-5) at Baltimore (Ponson 7-6), 7:35 p.m.
Toronto (Halladay 12-4) at Texas (Wadlin 0-0), 8:05 p.m.
Oakland (Saarloos 4-5) at Chicago White Sox (Garland 13-3), 8:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Radke 5-8) at Kansas City (Greinke 1-10), 8:10 p.m.
Seattle (Moyer 7-3) at L.A. Angels (Washburn 5-3), 10:05 p.m.

Carpenter wins No. 13; Pettitte's elbow ailing again

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Chris Carpenter is tied for the most wins in the major leagues — and his next start could come in the All-Star game. Andy Pettitte just hopes his troublesome elbow doesn't prevent him from pitching when the break is over.

After missing the 2003 season following right shoulder surgery, Carpenter is establishing himself as one of the top starters in baseball. He threw eight stellar innings for his 13th victory Tuesday night, and the St. Louis Cardinals won 2-1 in Arizona on David Eckstein's suicide squeeze in the ninth.

Carpenter isn't slated to pitch again before next Tuesday night's All-Star game, but he brushed aside any talk of him starting, a decision that will be made by his manager, Tony La Russa.

"It doesn't matter. There's a lot of guys deserving to start," Carpenter said. "That's up to Tony, not up to me."

Pettitte (6-7) also earned a win, but lasted just five innings because of tightness in the left elbow that forced him to have season-ending surgery last August. He allowed one run and three hits in Houston's 5-4 victory over the visiting San Diego Padres, and is day to day.

"We just didn't want to take any more chances," Astros manager Phil Garner said. "He said he felt something after the fifth. I don't think it's anything serious. We fully expect him to take his next start."

To Pettitte's advantage, that won't be for eight days because of the All-Star break. He went nine innings two starts ago against Texas and six innings against Cincinnati last Saturday, and said he felt stronger than he had all season.

"Right when I start running my mouth off about how good my arm feels, something like this happens," Pettitte said.

In other NL games, it was:

Schilling headed for Red Sox bullpen, Foulke to DL

by STEPHEN HAWKINS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ARLINGTON, Texas — Ace starter Curt Schilling is going into Boston's bullpen, and closer Keith Foulke is headed for the disabled list.

In a move that will accelerate Schilling's return to the major leagues, and provide needed help in their bullpen, the Red Sox plan to use the 38-year-old right-hander as a reliever instead of a starter as he continues to work back from an ankle injury.

Manager Terry Francona said Schilling isn't ready to give the Red Sox the innings they need from a starter, but can help for a couple of innings at a time.

"It's kind of a work in progress, trying to repeat your delivery 100 times, and being at his level is not easy," Francona said. "I think he can impact our club and repeat his delivery for an inning or two. ... We're trying to figure out a way to make that have an impact on our ballclub."

Foulke, the struggling closer, was scheduled to have arthroscopic surgery on his left knee Thursday. He was put on the 15-

day disabled list Wednesday before the Red Sox won the finale of their series in Texas 7-4.

Francona said there had been discussions about using Schilling as a reliever even before Foulke returned to Boston this week to have both of his knees examined.

Foulke, who closed out all four games of Boston's World Series sweep of the St. Louis Cardinals last October, has a 5-5 record with a 6.23 ERA and 15 saves in 37 appearances.

In Foulke's last game, Texas scored twice in the ninth inning for a 6-5 victory Monday night. It was his second blown save in a week, and fourth of the season.

The Red Sox rebounded against the Rangers with a pair of 7-4 victories. Mike Timlin needed just six pitches — all strikes — to get the last three outs Tuesday night, and Alan Embree struck out the only batter he faced to save Wednesday's victory.

After a brief workout Wednesday in Texas, Schilling left to rejoin Triple-A Pawtucket to throw an inning in relief Thursday night.

Francona wasn't sure when

the pitcher would get back with the Red Sox, or how long he'll stay in the bullpen when he does. But the manager said he hadn't expected Schilling to start during the four-game series against the Yankees after the All-Star break.

"I don't think anybody, and probably Schill himself, thinks he's ready to come back as a starter and be that impact pitcher," Francona said.

With Foulke on the disabled list, Schilling will combine with Embree and Timlin to make up for the closer's absence without the need for a trade.

"This helps us avoid doing something desperate and short-sighted," general manager Theo Epstein said, calling the move "short-term."

Francona and Epstein said going to the bullpen won't delay Schilling's eventual return to the rotation.

Epstein said the team concluded that Schilling was "a long way" from being the ace who went 21-6 with a 3.26 ERA in the regular season before using an unprecedented medical technique to help pitch the Red Sox to their first World Series

title since 1918.

Teammates will just be glad to see Schilling back in the clubhouse.

"I'll just be excited to have him back," catcher Jason Varitek said. "I'd like to have him as a starter and as a closer, I'd like to pitch him every inning. But it will be a good little boost for us."

Schilling injured a tendon in his ankle near the end of the 2004 regular season and struggled in Game 1 of the AL championship series against New York. After testing an unprecedented procedure on a cadaver, the team doctor made a wall of stitches in Schilling's ankle to keep the tendon in place.

With blood seeping through his sock, Schilling beat the Yankees in Game 6, catapulting the Red Sox to an improbable comeback. The procedure was repeated before Game 2 of the World Series.

Schilling had surgery during the offseason and started the season on the disabled list. He went 1-2 with an 8.15 ERA before bruising his right ankle on April 23 and going back on the DL.



Alleged rape victim files complaint

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — The woman who alleges she was drugged and raped by a Kentucky basketball player in Wildcat Lodge has filed a criminal complaint.

The 29-year-old woman spoke with Lexington police on Wednesday before filing the complaint in the Fayette County attorney's office.

Prosecutors say the office may decide within a week whether to pursue the case further.

The woman claims the incident occurred in April, but police cleared the case by exception in early May. At the time, police said the woman had stopped cooperating and that drug tests did not corroborate what police said the woman had told them.

The tests showed she did not have the "date rape" drug Rohypnol in her system as hospital officials had suggested.

But test results that the woman gave last week to the Lexington Herald-Leader — and that police also had but didn't publicly release — show that she had a significant amount of marijuana and two other sedatives in her bloodstream. The woman said she thinks she unknowingly took them in a brownie and milkshake she says the player gave her at the lodge.

First Assistant Fayette County Attorney Jack Miller said that if the county attorney's office decides to prosecute, the county attorney will send a recommendation to a Fayette district judge.

The judge would then determine whether there is probable cause to proceed. If there is, a summons or arrest warrant will be issued for the suspect.

The woman's attorney, Matthew Boyd, said the woman provided police on Wednesday

with documents, photos, cell phone text messages and other information that she says back up her allegations. Boyd said detectives told him they will test DNA, review drug screens, speak to all witnesses and subpoena the woman's telephone records as well as investigating other avenues.

The player had refused to be interviewed at the time of the alleged rape but he was interviewed by police on Tuesday.

Police have not publicly identified the suspect. However, the agent for former UK basketball star Chuck Hayes has acknowledged that Hayes was notified of the investigation. The agent has said publicly that the charges were false and that Hayes and the woman had consensual sex.

Hayes' attorney, James Lowry, has said that he and Hayes will not comment.



The Harold-Allen Allen Prater 11-year-old team (above) and the HAP 11-12-year-old squad (below) each got off to a 1-1 start in the District 7 Tournament.



EKU FOOTBALL: Jones named First Team All-American

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

RICHMOND — Senior line-backer Jerome Jones kicked off the 2005 football season in style with his First Team selection on The Sports Network Preseason All-America squad.

Jones, a native of Decatur, Ga., was the lone player from the OVC to be honored among the first or second teams. Three players from the league were tabbed honorable mention.

He led the Colonels in tackles a year ago with 113, a figure that ranked him third in the Ohio Valley Conference. Jones also posted 15 tackles-for-loss, which led both the team and the league. He recorded 2.5 sacks, forced a fumble,

blocked a kick, and broke up five passes during the 2004 campaign.

"Jerome had an outstanding year in 2004, and he's very deserving of this preseason recognition," said head coach Danny Hope. "He has been a great player for us during his three years as a Colonel, and we're expecting even better things this season."

Jones was a First Team All-OVC pick a year ago, and was an honorable mention selection in 2003. He will bring 241 career stops into his senior campaign, along with 35 TFLs and 10.5 sacks.

Jones and the Colonels will open the season at home against Appalachian State on Sept. 3.

Kings sign first-round pick Garcia

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Former Louisville star Francisco Garcia agreed to a contract Wednesday with the Sacramento Kings, who chose him with the 23rd overall pick in last month's draft.

Garcia, a 6-foot-7 guard, averaged 15.7 points per game last season while leading Louisville to the Final Four. He scored in double figures in 73 games during his three seasons with the Cardinals, leading the school in scoring during each of his final two seasons.

Garcia, a native of the Dominican Republic who attended high school in New York, will play for the Kings' summer league team in Las Vegas this weekend.

Edwards fastest, Spencer crashes during Indy testing

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

SPEEDWAY, Ind. — Rookie Carl Edwards topped the speed chart Tuesday on the first day of Nextel Cup private testing at Indianapolis Motor Speedway, posting a lap of 179.165 mph in the No. 99 Ford.

Edwards was joined by a short list of testing participants: his Roush Racing teammate Kurt Busch, 1997 winner Ricky Rudd and Jimmy Spencer, who won the pole for the race in 2001.

Reigning series champion Busch, driving the No. 97 Ford, was second fastest at 179.151, Rudd was third in the No. 21 Ford at 178.937 and Spencer was fourth at 178.839 in the No. 50 Ford.

The track record at Indianapolis, set in qualifying in 2004 by Casey Mears, is 186.293.

All of the drivers tested to prepare for the 12th Allstate 400 at the Brickyard on Aug. 7.

The day was one of contrasts for Edwards, from

Columbia, Mo. He was fastest even though he was taking his first laps at the famous 2.5-mile oval. And before his first day of testing for one of NASCAR's elite teams, his only memory of IMS came from performing the tasks of an entry-level crew member.

"The first time and the only time I've been down here in this garage was for a test session with the Hendrick Motorsports team when I was 16 or 17, when Kenny Schrader was testing," Edwards said. "I sat right over there and polished the wheels on the hauler and just dreamed of this, so it's really cool to get to run here."

"The name of the game here (today) is getting me laps. I can run a lap that is really fast and one that's not good, and the only thing that changed is my driving, so I just need to get laps."

Wednesday's participant list will shorten by two, as Edwards is not scheduled to test and Spencer crashed in the Speedway's Turn 1.

Spencer spun in Turn 1 and

backed into the SAFER barrier, causing heavy rear-end damage to the car. Spencer was unhurt, but the team brought only one car and ended their test.

Busch and Rudd agreed that, due to the prestige of the race and the new track surface, a two-day test was essential.

"It's high on our list," Busch said of winning the Allstate 400 at the Brickyard. "I believe it's the only accomplishment my crew chief, Jimmy Fennig, hasn't accomplished. That's why we're here doing a two-day test. It pays the same in points, but it's definitely very prestigious when you get to take home that trophy."

The combination of new asphalt and diamond grinding bode well for an exciting race, Rudd said.

"The track, when they grind it, it just gives us grip, and they ground it from the bottom to the top, so it makes multiple grooves for us," Rudd said. "So I think you'll see side-by-side racing as good if not better than you've seen in the past."



The Betsy Layne High School girls' basketball program recently hosted its annual camp. Campers — including award-winners — are pictured. Pro Division — Free Throw Winner: Taylor Watkins; Obstacle Course Winner: Andie Meade; Agility Shooting Winner: Andie Meade; One on One Tourney Winner: Andie Meade; Three on Three Winners: Taylor Watkins, Amby Tackett, Megan Hamilton; Camper of the Week: Andie Meade. College Division — Free Throw Winner: Savannah Meade; Obstacle Course Winner: Savannah Meade; Agility Shooting Winner: Kelli Akers; One on One Tourney Winner: T.J. Tackett; Three-on-Three Tourney Winners: T.J. Tackett, Alli Meade, Kelli Akers, and Victoria Bryant; Camper of the Week: Savannah Meade.



The U12 Highlanders soccer team recently had a team camp conducted by coaches associated with the Championship Soccer School, Inc. The team's coaches were Marcel Simo, a native of Cameroon, who played for the Cameroon National Team in 2000, an Olympic Gold Medal season, and Claudio Rico, a native of Brazil. Both coaches attend and play soccer at Lincoln Memorial University in Harrogate, Tenn.

Above: Coach Marcel Simo gave instructions to players from the U12 Highlanders team. Below, the U 12 Highlanders — Back row: Coach Marcel Simo, Paula Jo Roberts, Allison Conley, Alexis DeRossett, Kaitlyn Minix, Madyson Nunnery, Coach Claudio Rico. Front row: Sarah Lucas, Meghan Banks, Kathleen Smith, Clara Osborne, Jerralyn Kelsey, Alyson Salyer.



Recovered ARCA driver to race again after breaking neck

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CONCORD, N.C. — ARCA driver Billy Venturini, who broke his neck in February during a race at Daytona International Speedway, announced Wednesday that he plans to race this weekend for the first time since his accident.

Venturini was injured in a 13-car wreck two laps from the finish of the Advance Discount Auto Parts 200 on Feb. 12. He had surgery to fix a fractured

vertebrae and damaged ligaments.

Earlier this month, a medical team in North Carolina cleared Venturini to race again, Venturini Motorsports said in a statement. Venturini tested his car last weekend at Toledo and Kentucky speedways.

Jason Jarrett, who has been filling in for Venturini, will continue to drive for Venturini Motorsports, the team said. Venturini will drive a limited schedule in a second car.

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THROUGH MY EYES

A true beauty

Wow, I've had one of those emotionally trying weeks that we all like to do our best to avoid, but somehow just can't.

Things began last week with the death of someone I have known all my life - Peggy Blackburn Bailey.

Peggy was one of my older sister's very best friends. Peggy and Sandy became

friends in the second grade, according to my sister, so that means Peggy was in my sister's life even before I was.

Growing up, I remember that I thought Peggy was the most beautiful woman I knew. Tan, with a long-legged athletic build, she was more than just beautiful on the outside, she was beautiful on the inside, as well.

I was just a little kid, and I know that I was a great aggravation to my older sibling, but

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POSTSCRIPT

Losing our history

Last week was not a good one for our history.

We lost three important historians, one at the national level, one at the state level and one locally.

I first knew of Shelby Foote when

I saw the PBS series, The Civil War. He was a primary source for Ken Burns' masterpiece.

I almost fell in love with his handsome, bearded face and his soft Mississippi voice, as he provided commentary for the series. I could just envision sitting on a long, manor-house porch listening to Foote tell stories of the ordinary people who shape history.

His work informed us of our tragic history and how we're not likely ever to escape its reverberations.

Dr. Thomas Clark, also a native Mississippian, helped us Kentuck-

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Two area residents earn Transylvania degrees

James Ryan Turner, the son of Arnold and Elizabeth Turner, of Allen, received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from Transylvania University this past spring as the university celebrated its 225th anniversary.

Another Prestonsburg resident,

Mark Roberts Burchett, the son of Randall and Sandra Burchett, of Lexington, received a Bachelor of Arts degree in business administration.

Founded in 1780 as the nation's 16th college and the first college west of the

Alleghany Mountains, Transylvania has a long list of distinguished alumni including two U.S. vice presidents, a U.S. Supreme Court justice, 50 U.S. senators, 101 U.S. representatives, 36 governors and 34 ambassadors.



JAMES RYAN TURNER



Culinary arts students from the Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center recently traveled to Philadelphia to participate in an arts expo. Shown here are some photographic memories they brought back with them. Clockwise, from top left, are: Instructor Tona Rhea, Antwan O'Neal, Johnathan Lester, Brandon Chapman, LaToya Irving, and chaperone Susie Grossl taking a moment out of a busy day to pose for the camera; a student is tested on knife skills; a mouth-watering dish of grilled rosemary chicken prepared by the students for the competition; a market worker weighs the fresh trout purchased by the Perkins team for their trout almondine dish; a shot of the outside of Reading Terminal Market, in Philadelphia, where the students did their shopping; and students preparing their menu items prior to judging. Inset: Some really big shrimp found at the fish market!

Perkins Job Corps students participate in Philadelphia Culinary Arts Expo

By Kathy Prater
FEATURES EDITOR

Carl D. Perkins Culinary Arts Students, under the direction of Instructor Tona Rhea, were recently chosen, from numerous centers throughout the United States, to visit Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and to participate in the recently held Region II Culinary Arts Expo. The students competed against other Job Corps students throughout Region II. The Arts Expo was held June 19-23rd, at the Art Institute of Philadelphia.

Prior to leaving for the Expo, in preparation for the event, Carl D. Perkins Job Corps students, Jonathan Lester, LaToya Irving,

Brandon Chapman and Antwan O'Neal hosted a series of staff taste tests where those participating were asked to answer questions and give critiques about the meals, and dishes, presented.

While visiting the "City of Brotherly Love," the students, accompanied by their instructor, visited several Philadelphia landmarks such as Liberty Bell Center, where they viewed and took pictures of the nation's historic Liberty Bell; the National Liberty Museum; "City Tavern," an historical re-creation of the 18th century tavern in which then President George Washington hosted his first inaugural ball; a restaurant owned by Iron Chef Morimoto; "Dave and Buster's," a fun-

filled restaurant/combination game room and video arcade; and, several other fine restaurants and historical sites.

"We had a great time," Rhea said upon their return, "the students were given a written exam on our first morning there, and afterwards, we spent the afternoon grocery shopping at Reading Terminal Market - a beautiful, big market full of fresh foods - and preparing for the next day's cooking and skills testing."

The students were instructed to prepare a variety of entrees, starch items, vegetables, salads, breads and desserts. They were also tested on knife skills.

Dishes prepared by the Perkins team included: grilled rosemary

chicken, mashed sweet potatoes, fresh asparagus, a spinach Caesar salad, a trout almondine dish with hot honey mustard dressing, and a bread pudding with bourbon sauce.

Following, the Perkins culinary students garnered awards in eight categories, winning a medal in each. They had the fifth highest score among the competing teams and brought home five gold medals, three silver and one bronze.

"We didn't bring home a trophy, but we did really well and I'm proud of our students and the fine showing they presented," Rhea said.

To learn more about the culinary arts program at the Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center, or any of the other training programs offered at the center, call 886-1037.

THINGS TO PONDER

The price of beauty

"Mirror, Mirror on the wall. Who is the fairest of us all? Can you see that we are pretty on the inside as well as on the out?" In those early years of childhood, it was so nice and pleasant to fantasize about what kind of princess I might be. It was fun to think about how I would grow up, go off in the golden coach at midnight, and live happily ever after with the handsome, charming prince. However, over the years, I have become aware, sometimes abruptly, that a difference is made between and among people based on "looks". But no one has been able to define exactly what that certain special appearance is that most of us are attempting to achieve. If we cannot hide and/or cover up a major body flaw

with a secret formula from Elizabeth Arden or an 18 Hour Control device, then there is the BIG business of correcting Mother Nature's mistakes via surgical means.

As in most hospitals decades ago and now in doctors' flashy offices, there is the striving enterprise of carving unwanted body segments away via cutting and sucking procedures. I first became aware in the early 1960's that individuals would go to great lengths to make permanent changes in one's appearance. While working in OR that first year out of nursing school, I was amazed that anyone would add to one's chest with curved foreign objects, that felt similar to "leather-like Jell-O". It seemed to me all that time and pain to go from an A to a B was just not necessary nor worthwhile. That same year, a fellow scrub nurse assisted the #1 plastic surgeon of the

Palm Beaches, a female that made fine stitches, do a complete face life. It took about seven hours in all. Then, lo and behold, my friend was on call that night and had to go back in the wee small hours of the morning for that same case. The female patient had begun bleeding and almost the whole procedure had to be undone and re-sutured. Later, in the mid-1970's and while working the night shift, a little old lady, about 74, barely mouthed that, if she had known how it would hurt afterwards, she would not make the choice to have plastic surgery. Her husband had given her an "around the mouth" job so that a lifetime of wrinkles could be pulled away. Furthermore, it had been money out of their pocket because insurance does not pay for elective cosmetic surgery - not medically necessary. A friend of my sis-

ter's had part of her face done, eyes and mouth, and I thought that it looked so unnatural. Sure didn't make a \$4000 difference in her looks, in my opinion! Of course, not all plastic surgeries go sour or don't look right. Many marvelous things can be done now to help rehab a disfiguring injury so the person can be more functional throughout life.

No matter what we do and we rub on, time, genetics, environment, and gravity join together to be beauty's #1 enemy, sooner or later. "The bones stay upright until you go permanently horizontal ... As the soft tissue begins to sag off the bones, the rosy cheeks of childhood become the sallow jowls of the elderly ... a jaw line becomes a wattle. (Doesn't Mother Nature play a cruel joke,



Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

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Postscript

ians learn more about ourselves.

I had the privilege of seeing him in person several years ago at a ceremony at the old C.B. Caudill Store at Blackey. He was already well into his 90s, but he talked for upwards of an hour about coal, coal camps, rural life and country stores.

He was certainly knowledgeable, but he was also witty and very much like you'd want your grandfather to be.

Dr. Clark adopted Kentucky as his own and told us who we are. We owe it to him to learn as much as we can about our own heritage and to make our present better because of what we've learned/

And, locally, we lost a tremendous treasure in Charles C. Wells - Hardware Charlie to thousands of us who grew up in the area.

He made our history much more accessible by transcribing tedious court documents for us and, in doing so, giving us a glimpse of our ancestry - the good, the bad and the funny.

His research left us with three important books: Annals of Floyd County, Kentucky 1800-1826; Vital Statistics of Johnson County, Kentucky, 1843-1904, and Records from Johnson County, 1850.

I interviewed him for a story for this paper several years back,

and I spent a lovely afternoon listening to his fascinating stories.

Although it is simply a transcription of court records, I found myself reading his Annals of Floyd County all night and into the wee hours of the morning. I relished reading about the trials of certain families, contested wills, thievery, and political contests among people who are quite likely forbears of you and me.

Charles Wells was a businessman by vocation, one with a solid reputation, but it is his avocation as a historian that has affected our lives most profoundly.

We are lesser for the passing of these three.

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Eyes

Peggy always, somehow, took the time to notice me. She talked to me, made me laugh and was always the one to say, over top my sister's protests, "Yeah, you can go with us. Come on!"

I recall lazy summer evenings, walking from my parent's home to the Dairy Queen, listening to the "big girls" and their animated conversations. Once, I recall that I badly embarrassed my sister as we were standing in line waiting for our ice cream cones by jumping and hopping around on one leg and whining out loud, "I have to pee!"

My sister was ready to beat me with a wet noodle, but Peggy just laughed and laughed and, finally, got my sister to doing the same.

Another memory that comes to mind is that of the summer I

learned to swim at Archer Park. Of course, it was my sister, and Peggy, that jointly decided that this should happen. I will never forget how scared I was to get into that big, deep pool (even though we were actually right near the entry steps in the shallow end). My sister hung on, reassuring me the entire time that all would be fine. I remember that the water was so cold, that it literally took my breath away. But, a few lessons later, and I was an old pro at the swimmin' hole.

To celebrate, my mother bought me a cute little two-piece bathing suit with bright pink polka dots. My sister bought me a bottle of suntan lotion, with that cute little naked bottomed Coppertone girl on the front. And Peggy, well, Peggy bought me a pair of hot pink wrap-

around sunglasses and a colorful ring-shaped floatie!

Looking back, I now realize that the odds of anyone in my family buying me a pair of hot pink wrap-around sunglasses would have, undoubtedly, been pretty slim. But to all of you who knew Peggy, isn't that just the very thing that she would do?

It's sad when someone with such a love and zest for life passes on. Those of us who knew Peggy can best honor her by living the rest of our lives trying to emulate that same passion for life that she spent her own days exhibiting.

As for me, I'll do my best to do just that, and, for ever and always, I will remember Peggy as the beautiful, tanned bathing beauty that shared a tiny portion of her busy teenage summers with a pesky little kid.

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School Happenings

*****"Back to School Health Fair will be held July 27, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Allen Central High School. FREE for all Floyd County students. School physicals, drawings for free haircut, child I.D.'s, school supplies, and more.****

****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

■ Aug. 2 - Volunteer Training/Criminal Background check for those interested in becoming an AMS school volunteer, 5 p.m.

■ Aug. 2 - Back to School Orientation, 6 p.m. All new students and parents are encouraged to attend. Learn about the school, meet faculty and staff and tour building.

■ If you have updated immunizations/physicals for your child, you may bring them in to the Youth Services Center during the summer between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

■ For more information on any of the listed activities or center services, call 886-1297. The center is now located in the 7th grade wing of the school.

■ 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.

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. A listing follows:

■ 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

■ July 11, 12, 13, and 14 - Character Development Camp for females, grades 5-9, 8-11 a.m. Parents/guardians must register child on day of camp. Camp will be held on the South Floyd campus.

■ July 18 - Parent Volunteer Training, 4:30-5 p.m. Other training dates will also be scheduled throughout the year, watch for dates to be announced.

■ School will be participating in the Food City "Apples for Students" program, please save your receipts.

■ 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 visitors, stop by the Center, located on the South Floyd campus, Room 232, and see Mable Hall. Open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mon. thru Fri.

■ 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.

Resource Center.

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

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

■ July 14 - 4-H Day Camp. Grades K-6, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., W.D. Osborne gym. Held in collaboration with the UK Extension Office. Refreshments will be served.

■ July 27 - Free clothing give-away (clothing for all ages, toys, household items, etc.). 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Graceway Methodist Church Fellowship Hall (located between Allen Central High School and Save-a-Lot, on Route 80. Event takes place on same day as Back to School Health Fair at ACHS.)

■ Lost & Found: Throughout the school year, the center receives items that are left on school buses, in the gym, classrooms, etc. We encourage parents to visit the center if their child has lost a coat, bookbag, or any such item. Lost items are checked for identification, however, if unable to locate owner, and items are not claimed within 2 weeks, they then become the property of the Family Resource Center.

■ The Family Resource Center is open weekdays, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or later by appointment. The center provides services for all families within the community, regardless of income. If you would like more information about programs/services the center offers, please call 452-4553; ask for Cissy or Karen. The center is located inside the main building at W.D. Osborne Elementary. Parents and community members are welcome to visit.

■ For more information about camps/programs/events the Resource Center will be sponsoring or hosting during the summer, keep watch on the School Happenings calendar.

Wesley Christian School

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

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



Family Medicine

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College of Osteopathic Medicine

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Question: I've suffered from mild depression on and off for a number of years. I recently read that eating too much sugar and carbs could make you depressed. Is this true? Are there any dietary guidelines you could give me that might help me avoid depression in the future? Thanks.

Answer: Depression is a very common illness in our society. About 19 million adults suffer from one form or another of this disorder. For reasons that are not fully understood, it affects about twice as

many women as men. If you think you are depressed, the first thing you should do is to talk to your family physician. There are effective medications and other therapies available for this disorder.

Your question, though, is a good one. There is increasing research evidence that certain foods we eat can affect our moods. This is apparently because these foods contain vitamins, minerals, and other substances that interact with special chemicals in your brain called neurotransmitters. The change in activity level of these neurotransmitters caused by these food substances can, in

Changing diet may help depression, but doctor's guidance needed

turn, influence your mood — either positively or negatively.

Let's take a look at a few of the foods known to affect moods. It's no secret that people who are depressed tend to eat more carbohydrates. That's because carbohydrates release insulin, which produces a rise in the amino acid tryptophan. This causes the levels of the neurotransmitter serotonin to rise as well. Increased serotonin levels enhance the feeling of calmness and help alleviate the blues.

Research has shown that two-thirds of carbohydrate cravers who experienced anxiety, fatigue, and depression before eating carbs felt better afterward. Ironically, though, eating carbs to relieve these negative feelings is only a short-term fix.

If you're looking to boost your mood on a long-term basis, it's actually better to reduce carb consumption — particularly refined carbs like sugar. Instead choose whole grains, fruits, and vegetables.

For most people, caffeine is a "pick-

me-up" that increases alertness. However, research now shows that for others it can have an opposite effect. For these people, caffeine can make depression worse. If you're one of these caffeine-sensitive people, cutting all caffeine out of your diet will greatly improve your mood and energy. However, it may take up to two weeks before you notice any improvement, and your symptoms may get worse for several days before they get better.

The role of omega-3 fatty acids in depression is unclear. While some studies have shown improvements in depression with omega-3s, other have not. The situation is similar with B vitamins. While a number of studies have found that those who are depressed have lower levels of certain B vitamins in their blood, it's not clear if this is a cause of depression or a result of it. Research on vitamin D, shows that it may help relieve depression in some people, especially those suffering from

seasonal affective disorder, or SAD.

Unfortunately, I can't give you a diet that will prevent you from becoming depressed in the future. That's because diet isn't a cure for depression. Dietary changes may, however, help as a supplement to your doctor's recommended treatment plan.

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Ponder

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after so many years of hard work!) Basically, the "down-fall" reflects the collagen and elastin, in the second layer of our skin, that begins to fragment, skin loses its elasticity, then gravity steps in and all become baggy. Then the ads about plastic surgery, liposuction, and rub on cremes are noticed even more, "making yourself beautiful in one short step" is often too hard to turn down. Whether it is unnatural or right or wrong, it's the world we live in. What is the price we will pay to be one of the "bright and beautiful" or in hopes of any change will make us "be happy".

Of course, lots of people will do anything to get what they think they want. "According to the American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, almost 3,000,000 cosmetic procedures were performed in the United States in 1998. Baby boomers (35 to 50 years old) accounted for 42 percent. (National Geographic, January, 2000)." A world-famous, Brazilian plastic surgeon wrote that in the 1970's men were 8 percent of his patients, while they were recently 25 percent. Another "trim-and-fix" surgeon wrote, "Plastic surgery is exciting. We're lifting, tightening, firming. We change people's lives (with a different type of laser for each procedure)." In addition, these magic procedures are sought all over the world. Some folks in London and Sydney travel to Russia for their cut-price plastic surgery. An Australian magazine supposedly listed the six most popular cosmetic surgeries: penile enlargements with men, nose jobs, eyelid lifts, liposuction, face-lifts,

and ear corrections. Plastic surgery is a booming business in China, such as Dreaming Girl's Fantasy. In Brazil, women often prefer small breasts and big derrieres; "women get liposuction at 18 and breast reduction at between 16 and 22." In contrast, Americans chose big "chesties". Get this — reportedly breast augmentations are given as graduation gifts in a Texan town. A New Jersey "shaping" surgeon said that most of his patients worked and were in a competitive world. Liposuction was the most popular request for him with the face — eyes and double chins being next. What about Michael Jackson, who had the money, time, and desire, to create his own body image; a close associate responded, "It's no different from choosing your jewelry, your clothing, or your hairstyle." What do you think?

Thought these quotes were interesting: "Old age is not for sissies", one of Bette Davis' favorite lines; and the response was, "No, no. Old age is not for narcissists. If you are wrapped up in yourself, you have nothing but the potential for loss." The story goes that Martha Graham, a powerful woman and possibly a great force in modern dance, grew bitter, as she grew old. She would call one of her dancers in the middle of the night, saying, "Die while you're young and still beautiful," and hang up. Do you think about what you wish you could do to change the impact of a lifetime on your appearance? What's it worth to you? Would you have plastic surgery done, if you thought no one would be suspicious?

Births/Birthdays



New Arrival

Jimmy and Cindy Artrip, of Martin, were recently blessed with the arrival of their second son, Adam Samuel Artrip, born May 15, 2005, at Pikeville Medical Center. He weighed 8 lbs., 1 oz. and measured 20 and 3/4 inches in length. Adam has one big brother, Joshua. He is the maternal grandson of Leonard A. and Lotressa Stephens, of Prestonsburg. His paternal grandparents are Gary Artrip and Clara Akers, both of Martin. He is the great-grandson of Carlos and Virginia Artrip, of Martin, Floyd and Irene Hughes, also of Martin, Cora Meadows, of Prestonsburg, and Howard H. Hyden, of Wabash, Indiana. Adam is a welcome and precious addition to both families.



New Arrival

Jonathan Dwayne Burchett was born June 3, 2005, at 8:58 p.m., at Highlands Regional Hospital, to proud parents Tiffany and Brandon Burchett, of David. He weighed 7 lbs., 1 oz., and was 18 and one-half inches long. He is the grandson of Judy and John Hall, and Gracie and Bradis Burchett, all also of David.

Weddings



deLaFosse-Albright solemnize vows

Malissa Thompson deLaFosse and Robertson Callaway Albright II were married on June 18, 2005, at the University Presbyterian Church, in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Malissa (Molly) is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John deLaFosse, of Bluffton, South Carolina, and the late Malissa Francis deLaFosse, formerly of Prestonsburg. She is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Fred Francis, of Prestonsburg. Rob is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Alan Albright, Sr., of Gastonia, North Carolina. Serving as Maid of Honor was Lindsey deLaFosse, sister of the bride. Serving as bridesmaids were Carrie Francis Cabot, cousin of the bride; Jenni Albright, sister-in-law of the groom; Marion Mitchell; and Courtney Perkins. Callie Brodeur, cousin of the groom, served as flower girl, and Muriel Peguret, from France, presented a scripture reading in French. Sharing the position of Best Man were Stuart Alan Albright, Sr., and Stuart Alan Albright, Jr., father and brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Brett Wetzell, cousin of the groom; Vince Hindman; David Sloan; and Evan Sitton. Molly graduated cum laude from Meredith College with a BA in French, taught at L'Universite Catholique de l'ouest in Angers, France, and is currently employed as a French teacher in the Durham, North Carolina, public schools. Rob graduated summa cum laude with a BA in Mass Communications from the University of North Carolina, where he was senior class vice-president, and is employed by the Council for Entrepreneurial Development, in Durham, North Carolina. Following a wedding trip to St. Martin, the bride and groom are living in Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

New Arrivals



June 15, 2005
- A daughter, Eden Jeanae Melton, to Rebecca and Eddie Melton
- A daughter, Kennedy LaShay Dunkle, to Sarah and Thomas Dunkle
- A daughter, Ava Emilee Smith, to Stephanie and James Smith

June 16, 2005
- A daughter, Reece Kathryn Patton, to Karen and Roy Patton

June 17, 2005
- A son, Randy Elie Campbell, to Tracy Campbell

June 18, 2005
- A daughter, Isabella Marie Miles, to Kristina and Jeremy Miles
- A son, Parker Dale Williams, to Cynthia and Alan Williams
- A daughter, Antha Nichole Paige Gilman, to Sue Ellen Jennings

June 19, 2005
- A son, Triston Ray Kimbler, to Patricia Ann Kimbler

June 20, 2005
- A daughter, Haley Dawn Endicott, to Jennifer Lynn Harrison
- A son, Ethan Cole Stamper, to Wendy Cheryl Mullins

June 22, 2005
- A son, Jacob Green Marsh, to Danielle Nicole Marsh

June 23, 2005
- A son, Austin Connor Thornsby, to Lindsay Shea Johnson

June 24, 2005
- A daughter, Harley Madison Little, to Crystal Charla and George Little Jr.

June 25, 2005
- A son, Landon Isaiah Duran Hamilton, to Amanda Danielle Travis
- A son, Camron Blake Gillispie, to Julia and Joshua Gillispie

June 27, 2005
- A son, Joe David Crace, to Lana Jewel and Joe David Crace
- A son, Christopher Ethan Michael Hall, to Stephanie and Donald Hall



Happy Birthday, Josh!

Joshua Artrip, of Martin, recently celebrated his fourth birthday on June 21, 2005. He celebrated with a "Knight's Adventure" birthday party picnic. Josh is the son of Jimmy and Cindy Artrip and a proud new "big brother" to Adam Samuel Artrip. His family all wish him a very happy birthday!

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AUTOMOTIVE

120 - Boats

BOAT FOR SALE: 1990 Bayliner Boat. 22 ft long with cutter cab. 6 cyl. mercury engine. Boat trailer included. want \$7,000. 886-1958.

BOAT FOR SALE: 1987 Glass Port. Asking \$2,500 or best offer. Call 422-5123 for details.

BOAT FOR SALE: 2002 Odyssey 17 ft aluminum bass boat with 50 HP 2002 Johnson motor and 2002 trailer. Call 886-8299 or 889-9381

130-Cars

Hicks Auto Sales
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 Call 886-2842 or 886-3451

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FOR SALE: 1994 Camry. 175,000 miles, \$2,000. 874-5731.

FOR SALE: 1996 Toyota Corolla. New engine, has 60,000 miles. Runs great. \$2700 Call 886-3562.

For Sale 1993 Ford Crown Victoria. 138,000 miles. \$1,200. call 606-874-0467

FOR SALE: 1988 Pontiac Bonneville, no title, good for parts. \$600 obo. Call 874-4094.

160-Motorcycles

For Sale 1998 YAMAHA YZ80 New tires, pro-circuit pipe. \$1600. Call 606-452-9599 for more info.

2000 HONDA XR 70- Good condition, \$650. Call 886-4260

170- Parts

FOR SALE: Toyota parts. Four 30 - 9.50 tires on aluminum rims, full set black fender flares, & camper top. All off of '87 truck. \$500 for all. 886-1758 after 7:00 pm.

180-Trucks

Wanted used full size pick-ups -1998 thru 2003, will pay cash call 800-789-5301

2000 Toyota Tundra x-tended cab, very nice. Call 226-1330 or after 5 call 886-2944.

1981 FORD TRUCK FOR SALE: Want \$4000 but will consider less. Also, Steam Genie for sale. Needs put together. 886-1958.

FOR SALE: 1975 Ford dump truck, tilt front end, 12' bed. For more info call 606-478-9150.

EMPLOYMENT

When responding to Employment ads that have reference numbers, please indicate that entire reference number on the outside of your envelope. Reference numbers are used to help us direct your letter to the correct individual.

205- Bus. Opp.

WELDING POSITIONS AVAILABLE: Call 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Monday - Friday. 285 - 9358.

210-Job Listing

POSITION AVAILABLE: Mountain Christian Academy, Martin, KY, has a position open for a Middle School (4-8) Language Arts Teacher. Applications may be picked up at the school 9-5 Mon-Thurs. For more information contact Dr. Parker Tiller, Dean at 606-285-5141.

TRUCK DRIVER

Logan Corporation is seeking a Truck Driver for its Prestonsburg KY Branch. Class B CDL license is required. Besides driving, this job will entail loading and unloading your truck. Substantial overtime. Minimum two years experience. Salary range is \$11.00 - \$12.00 per hour, depending on experience. Benefits package includes health insurance, life insurance, paid vacation, paid personal/sick leave, 401K plan, profit sharing, etc. Please send resume to Human Resources, PO BOX 58, Huntington, WV 25706 or fax to (304)526-4746. EOE.

WANTED:

Looking for certified electricians for commercial & residential security installations. All inquiries please call 886-9003 or 888-251-7233.

SEARCHING FOR A RESPONSIBLE PERSON

to do maintenance. The position will include minor repair, painting, and clean-up. 30 hours per week. Will also be on call on weekends in case of emergency. Call 452-4777 for more info. We are an EOE.

IMMEDIATE OPENING

for part time general office

assistant. Must have reliable transportation and be willing to travel to satellite office locations. Send resumes to: Nova Complex, 1330 South Mayo Trail, STE 302, Pikeville, KY 41501.

WANTED: Full/Part time housekeepers needed. Apply in person. Pikeville Super 8.

220-Help Wanted

AVON REPS NEEDED: \$10 to sign-up. CASSIE - 886-8737 or cassiejustice@wmconnect.com, THERESA - 886-3690 or tnanatee5@wmconnect.com, WANDA - 285-9486 or wfconn@bellsouth.net, or Terri -- 946-2355.

HELP WANTED:

Established engineering firm is currently looking for a general office/clerical assistant. Duties include filing, answering phones and light data entry. Responsibilities will include greeting clients, general office duties, and offer support to project managers. Experience with basic word and excel computer skills, multi-line phone needed for this position. Position offers hourly wage based on experience, and great benefits. Please submit resumes to Summit Engineering, INC, 131 Summit Drive, Pikeville, KY 41501 or email to lbelaamy@summit-engr.com.

FINANCIAL

330- For Sale

FOR SALE BY OWNER: Three adjacent cemetery plots in the New Davidson section of Davidson Memorial Gardens, Ivel, KY. Call 886-8452.

350-Miscellaneous

WEDDING DRESS FOR SALE: Size 12, pearl and sequins intricate design on bodice and train. Must see to appreciate beauty. For more information, call 886-8506 ask for Tonya or after 5:00 call 886-0048 and leave message.

HELP WANTED:

Small timber company needing timber cutters and dozer

operators. Call after 5:00 pm @ 606-285-2654.

ANTIQUE'S FOR SALE:

1. Large camel back trunk \$125.00
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EXERCISE MACHINE: Excellent condition, larger than a Bowflex. Original price close to \$2000. Only asking \$400. For more information, call 886-8506 ask for Tonya or after 5:00 call 886-0048.

480-Miscellaneous

FOR SALE: 1991 GMC Jimmy 4WD, good tires, new panel, needs motor. ALSO: Courttime Basketball Goal.

FOR LEASE

2 Commercial Buildings Former location of Steve's Tire Sales & Farm & Home Supply Located just off Rt. 80 on Hwy. 3188, Martin, Ky. Contact: 886-6906 after 6 p.m.

RECEPTIONIST

for Medical Office in Pikeville. Must be efficient w/ a friendly smile and proficient with computers. Traveling required. Experience necessary and some college background preferred, but not necessary. **Good Pay & Benefits** Must have three good work references complete with phone numbers. Send résumé to: Medical Offices P.O. Box 3128 Pikeville, KY 41502

Broadband Technician I

Location: Prestonsburg, KY
JOB SUMMARY
 Under limited supervision, perform cable television installations, disconnects and service changes for residential and business customers. This is an entry-level position for this job family. The expectation is to move into the next level within the required time frame. Benefits include paid vacations, floating holidays, medical/dental/vision insurance available, and 401k plan. **Apply On-line at:** www.charter.com/aboutus/careers/careers EEO/AA Employer

Portable & adjustable. \$60.00. Call 886-1273.

FOR SALE: Steel buildings. Ideal for garage, boats, RVs, workshops, and more. Repos, cancelled orders, damaged, factory seconds. All must go! Call today to take advantage. 1-800-22-6335 ext 1558.

HOUSE FOR SALE:

3 BR house at Stamper's Branch located at Wayland. 358-9483.

HOUSE FOR SALE: PRICE REDUCED!

3 BR, LR, kitchen, 1.3 BA, carport, full basement, storage building. Located at 4323 RT 550 Hueysville. Contact 358-4065 or 358-4369.

HOUSE FOR SALE:

3 BR, 1.5 BA, 1476 sq ft. Detached 2 car garage (30 x 30), hardwood & vinyl floors. Vinyl siding, new windows and doors, deck. Large fenced yard beside Allen Central High School. 358-3080 (Leave Message) \$90,000.

A FORECLOSURE:

3 BR home only \$14,900. For listings call 800-429-7008 ext. B183

HOUSE FOR SALE:

House on dead end street in city limits. 3 BR, LR, family room, eat-in kitchen, plus more. 886-9018.

550 - Land/Lots

606-874-2775 or 734-997-7110.

FOR SALE: 150 acres, selling in one lot or 10, 20, or 50 acre lots. Will finance. Call after 8:00 leave message if not there. Includes pasture and ponds. Close to Natural Bridge. Good hunting.. (606) 662-4110.

750- Mobile Homes

TRAILER FOR SALE: 2002 Oakwood 16 x 80. Excellent condition. Must be moved. \$25,000 or best offer. 874-5548.

MH FOR SALE:

14 x 70 MH 2 BR 1 BA, fireplace, CH/A, large deck, appliances on large private rented lot. \$9,500 or best offer. 606-246-0767.

Final clearance

2004 lot models and 2005 models now available! If you are serious about purchasing a new home you need to be with experienced staff to get the right home at a great price. The Home Show-South William-son, Inc. US 119, Belfry, Ky. 41514 606-353-6444 or toll free 877-353-6444

All Drywall, Dutch

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RENTALS

610-Apartments

FOR RENT: 1 BR apt. Utilities paid. W/D provided. No pets. \$395.00 month. \$150 deposit. Call 226-0999, Winchester Apts.

FOR RENT: 1 Room

Furnished Efficiency. Utilities paid. Free cable. W/D provided. No pets. \$325 month. \$150 deposit. Call 226-0999, Winchester Apts.

FOR RENT: 1 BR Apt & 1 BR trailer for rent.

A/C, near Prestonsburg, Jenny Wiley Lake. Really clean & private. Suitable for 1 working man. Ready to move into. 886-3941.

FOR RENT: 2 BR

APT, CH/A, W/D. Newer Pike/Floyd line. Call 478-8711.

2 BR APT FOR RENT:

Contact J & A Rentals. 358-3469.

1 BR APT FOR RENT:

Utilities included. \$365 month, \$150 deposit. Near college. No pets Upstairs Apt. 886-0008.

Duplex For Rent:

2 BR Central Heat & Air, Total Electric, Excellent Condition. On US 23 North, 1 Mile From Prestonsburg, No Pets. Call 889-9747 or 886-9007

PREMIER ELKHORN COAL COMPANY
 Myra, KY

IS NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITION:

UG Mine Planning Engineer with minimum of 5 yrs. in underground mining. BS degree in Mining Engineering or equivalent experience required. Must ensure UG mine planning to meet company safety, cost and coal quality objectives in accordance with Company and legal standards.

Applications will be accepted at:
 Kentucky Department for Employment Services
 138 College Street
 Pikeville, KY 41501
 Premier Elkhorn Coal Company is an Equal opportunity Employer.

CITY OF PIKEVILLE PATROL OFFICER

POSITION AVAILABLE

Candidate duty summary: Patrols area within assigned territory to prevent, deter, or discover any criminal activity.

Education: High school or GED equivalent accepted. Associate's degree (A.A.) or equivalent from two-year college or technical school; or six months to one year related experience and/or training; or equivalent combination of education and experience.

Certifications: Valid Kentucky Operator's License. Candidate must pass a written exam and pass Physical Agility Test. Criminal background check. Complete police academy training. Physical and drug testing required. Résumés will NOT be accepted.

Submit Applications by: 07/29/2005
 Applications available at:
 City of Pikeville
 Pikeville City Hall Building
 Attn: Human Resource Dept.
 118 College Street
 Pikeville, KY 41501
 www.cityofpikeville.com

PARK PLACE APARTMENTS: "BEAT THE HEAT" Move-in special. First month's rent FREE with paid security deposit. Through July 31. 1 BR/\$309, 2 BR/\$304 - \$345. Prestonsburg. 886-0039.

PINEWOOD TOWNHOMES: 3 BR/\$471. Rental Assistance available. 349-7000.

1 BR Furnished Apartment, including Utilities. 2 BR Unfurnished, and large 3 BR 2 BA, unfurnished on RT 114. Call 886-8366

2 BR 1 1/2 bath Townhouse also 1 bed room furnished or unfurnished located in Prestonsburg. NO PETS call 606-886 8991

Furnished 1 bed room Apt. Central heat & air. Rent starting at \$375. month, + \$300. deposit water included. Located near HRMC. 606-889-9717.

630-Storage/Office

FOR RENT: 3 Room office suite. \$600 month. Call 886-1020 ask for C.V.

For Rent: Office Suite, New Construction. 900 sq. ft. Ample Parking, Can be Convenient Location, New Office Behind Sav-A-Lot in Prestonsburg. Call 886-1515 for info.

OFFICE OR RETAIL SPACE FOR LEASE: 1,200 sq ft in Prestonsburg.. 886-8366

FOR LEASE: New 30x60 Metal building 12 ft ceilings on RT 80 close to Martin 886-8366. \$500.00 month.

FOR RENT: 900 sq. ft. office/commercial space. Located next to Reflection's Beauty Salon 3/4 mile south or Martin on RT 122. Across from Garth Tech. School. Call 285-9112.

630-Houses

HOUSE FOR RENT: 622 N Arnold Ave, Prestonsburg. 3 BR, 2 full BA, LR, DR, & K. W/D hook-up. CH/A. Rent: \$575 month plus utilities. Deposit and Lease required. No Pets. 886-6460.

HOUSE FOR RENT: 3 BR, equipped kitchen. Downtown Prestonsburg. Must have references. During day call 886-0825. After 5:00 call 886-2944.

HOUSE FOR RENT: 1 BR, 1 BA, hardwood floors, fire place, 2 car garage, & large laundry room in Prestonsburg \$500 a month \$500 deposit. Call 704-824-2034.

HOUSE FOR RENT: 3 BR 2 BA. Refrigerator & stove

furnished. Couple preferred. No pets. \$400 per month. Deposit required. 886-1175

2 BR HOME FOR RENT: Call 874-9132. CH/A

640-Land/Lots

COMMERCIAL VACANT LOT FOR LEASE: 150 ft road frontage on Lake Road in Prestonsburg. \$300 month. Call Mike or Sue at 704-824-2034.

TRAILER LOTS FOR RENT: 3 minutes from Highlands Regional. 5 minute from Porter School. Contact 614-876-4516 or 606-886-3959.

Trailer lot for rent on old U.S. 23 between Prestonsburg and Paintsville call 606-886-9007 or 889 9747

Trailer Lot For Rent, Large Yard. Call 886-8366

For Rent : newly constructed Mobile Home Lots in new Allen, reference required call 606-874-2212

650- Mobile Homes

MH FOR RENT: 2 BR 1 BA All appliances W/D included. \$400 month. \$100 deposit. 886-1958

3 BR DOUBLEWIDE FOR RENT: \$450 month plus utilities & \$300 deposit. References checked. No pets. 789-2469 or 791-5761. Leave message.

FOR RENT: 2 BR, CH/A partially furnished. No pets. If interested, call 886-3628.

FOR RENT: Excellent condition. 2 MHs, 3 BR, 2 BA. CH/A, water, sewage, garbage included. Located near Prestonsburg college. 874-2162.

3 BR 1 BA MH excellent condition. \$425 month plus utilities & security deposit. Two references required. Call 606-874-2802.

660- Miscellaneous

FOR RENT: * 2 BR House * MH slp * Barn access 3 stalls 606-434-7507 8/10 mile Cow Creek

SERVICES

770-Repair/Services

CARPENTRY WORK all types. New construction or remodeling. Garages, decks, etc. Concrete work & siding. Free estimates. Call 886-8896.

Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of

LEGALS

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE APPLICATION NO. 836-5410 AMENDMENT #2

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Sly Branch Energy, Inc., 6166 Kentucky Route 114, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface and underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located approximately 0.45 mile northwest of the community of Emma, in Floyd County. The amendment will add 8.20 acres of surface disturbance, making a total area of 1238.04 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 1.85 mile northeast of Ky. Route 1428's junction with 23, and located 0.03 mile due west of the Right Fork of Beaver Creek. The latitude is 37d 38m 27s. The longitude is 82d 43m 50s.

The proposed amendment is located on the Lancer U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by T.J. Leslie Heirs. The operation will use the underground method of mining.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2, Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Ky. 40601.

Copies of the plans and specifications may be obtained from Richardson Associates Architects, 107 Main Street, Whitesburg, KY 41858 (606-633-2263) for a charge of \$50.00. Plans and specifications may be examined at the Office of the Architect, and the Office of the Owner.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that William Harris has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet, proposing to raise a residential structure above the 100 year Floodplain. The proposed site is located on Clark Drive, left off of Ky. route 114, approximately 2.2 miles west of the intersection of Ky. Route 114 and U.S. 23, on the south side of Middle Creek, at latitude 37°39'17.6" N, and longitude 82°49'25.7" W.

Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of

Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, Ky. 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

The Floyd County Board of Education will receive sealed bids for Phase I-Site Preparation, Demolition & Drainage for the Prestonsburg Area Elementary School. Bids will be received until 2 p.m., local time, Tuesday, July 12, 2005. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at that time.

Bids must be mailed or delivered to Greg Adams, Director of Facilities, 23 Martin Street, Allen, KY 41601, so as to arrive prior to the time established for their opening. All risks involved with the proper and timely delivery of any Proposal shall be assumed by the Bidder. Any bid which is not received on a timely basis or in the proper form shall be rejected. Facsimile transmissions ("Faxes") will not be accepted.

There will be a Pre-Bid Conference at the Project Site (Clark Elementary, KY Route 114, Prestonsburg) on Friday, June 24, at 2 p.m. All interested Contractors are urged to attend.

Copies of the plans and specifications may be obtained from Richardson Associates Architects, 107 Main Street, Whitesburg, KY 41858 (606-633-2263) for a charge of \$50.00. Plans and specifications may be examined at the Office of the Architect, and the Office of the Owner.

Each Proposal shall be accompanied by a BID BOND, executed by the Bidder and Surety Company, IN THE SUM OF NOT LESS THAN FIVE PERCENT (5%) OF THE AMOUNT OF THE BASE PROPOSAL. The bid security is required as a guarantee that if the proposal is accepted a Contract will be immediately entered into, and the performance of it properly secured.

ATTENTION:

EXPERIENCED COAL MINERS

- Would you like to work for a company that has 40 plus years of reserves?
- Would you like to work for a company with new equipment?
- Would you like to work for a company that has excellent wages and benefits?
- Would you like to work for one of the leading coal companies in Eastern Kentucky?

Well, now's your chance—Premier Elkhorn Coal Company—a subsidiary of TECO Coal Corporation is now accepting applications for all underground mining positions—Continuous miner, roof bolter, ram car, and scoop operators, electricians, repairmen, beltmen, belt examiners, and general inside laborers. MET, EMT, and foreman certifications are a plus.

Premier Elkhorn Coal Company offers excellent wages, excellent medical, dental and vision coverage, sick days, paid vacation, 9 holidays, life insurance, long term care insurance, short and long term disability benefits, company paid retirement, 401K savings plan with a company match, and an Employee Assistance Program.

Applications are being accepted at: Kentucky Department for Employment Services 138 College Street Pikeville, KY 41501

Premier Elkhorn Coal Company subscribes to a drug free work environment, and is an Equal Opportunity employer.

bid submitted for a period of sixty (60) days after the date set for the opening of bids.

In the event the bidder to whom the contract is awarded fails to execute a satisfactory contract and bond, he/she shall be eliminated and shall forfeit their certified check, cash or Bid Bond, and shall be liable for the loss occasioned by the Owner by such failures.

Any bid which is not received on a timely basis, or in the proper form, shall be returned unopened.

FLOYD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 898-5938 RENEWAL

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Premier Elkhorn Coal Company, P.O. Box 130, Myra, Kentucky 41549, has applied for a renewal of a permit for an existing surface coal mining and underground coal mining operation. The operation affects a surface disturbance of 8.3 acres and underlies an additional 487.0 acres, for a total of 495.3 acres, located approximately 0.9 mile northeast of Ligon, in Pike and Floyd counties.

The proposed operation is approximately .03 mile north from the Robinson Creek Road's junction with Tackett Fork Road, and located 0.3 mile north of Robinson Creek. The latitude is 37°23'46" and the longitude is 82°38'47".

The proposed operation is located on the McDowell and Wheelwright U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map.

The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Enterprise Coal Company. The operation will underlie property owned by Jack Akers, Lizzie J. and Oley Hall, Donald and Alpha Jean Hamilton, Liza Tackett, Henry and Josephine Hall, Fredrick and Lackie Johnson, Bill and Donna Marie Tackett, Homer and Wanda Hamilton, Clara and George Bartley, Jasper and Maxie Blankenship, Robert and Laveta Scott, Thomas Ray and Irene Hamilton,

Darvin and Fannie Newsome, Wilma J. and William Hamilton, Calvin Newsome, Turner Elkhorn Coal Sales, Inc., Anthony and Betty Wright, Jettie and Charlie Bentley heirs, Enterprise Coal Company, Scott and Todd Hamilton, Morris Newsome, Andy J. and Nancy D. Bentley, Conley Newsom, Mose and Ethel Bentley, Andy Kiser Jr. Estate, Sarah Hamilton, Walker R. and Ella Ruth Hall, Morrow and Verdie Bentley, G.C. and Daisy Mitchell, Andy and Stella Hamilton, William and Lindy Hamilton, Geneva Martin, Rebecca and Willie Tackett, Robert and Erma Hamilton, Barbara Caudill, Carlos and Ethel Hamilton, Fannie Tackett, Ralph Bryant, Gladly Bentley, Samuel and Ethel Hollifield, Cline and Febie Blankenship, Fannie and Paul Story, Clyde Hansell, and Tolbie and Annie Hamilton.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Pikeville Regional Office, 121 Mays Branch Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501-9331. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids will be received by the Department of Highways, in the Division of Contract Procurement, on the 3rd floor, and/or the Auditorium, located on the 1st floor of the Transportation Cabinet Office Building, Frankfort, Kentucky, until 10:00 a.m. DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME, on the 22nd DAY OF JULY, 2005, at which time bids will be publicly opened and read for the improvement of:

FLOYD COUNTY FD05 036 040 003-009: David-Prestonsburg Road (KY 404) from KY 850 near Goodloe (MP-3.123) extending north to Middle Creek Bridge at KY 114 (MP 8.072), a distance of 4.95 miles. Asphalt Resurfacing.

Bid proposals for all projects will be available at the Division of Contract Procurement, until 3:00 p.m., Daylight Saving Time, preceding the day of the letting of Friday, July 22, 2005. Bid proposals for all projects will be available at a cost of \$10 each, and remittance, payable to the State Treasurer of Kentucky, must accompany request for proposals (NON-REFUNDABLE). BID PROPOSALS ARE ISSUED TO PRE-QUALIFIED CONTRACTORS.

Specimen proposals for all projects will be available to all interested parties at a cost of \$10 each (NON-REFUNDABLE).

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 836-5461, RENEWAL NUMBER 4

In accordance with the provision of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that CONSOL of Kentucky, Inc., P.O. Box 130, Mouse, Kentucky 41839-0130, has applied for renewal of a permit for a surface and underground mining operation, located approximately 0.50 mile northeast of Hippo, in Floyd County. The operation will disturb approximately 18.40 surface acres, and will underlie approximately 551.00 acres, for a total area within the permit boundary of approximately 569.40 acres.

The operation is located approximately 0.50 mile northeast from KY Route 850's junction with Brush Creek County Road, and located north of Hicks Fork of Brush Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the Martin U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Orville Adkins, Henry and Edith Morris, and Lona Duff. The operation will underlie

land owned by Donn Chickering, Tiny Hicks, Taylor Reffitt, Elmer Reffitt, Carson Reffitt, T.L. Reffitt Heirs, Maurice Allen, Willis Hicks, Lawrence Howard, Harrison Stephens, Carmel Conn, Chill Thornsby, Don Rice et al., James Shepherd, Floyd Davis, Glaysd Shepherd, Willis Howard, Clyde Allen Sr., Bill and Viola May, Bobby Shepherd, Raymond Hicks, Orville Adkins, Henry and Edith Morris and Lona Duff.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, 41653-1397. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601-4321.

BLASTING SCHEDULE

This is notice that Motts Branch Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 2765, 436 Daniels Creek Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502. (606) 874-9003, Permit #836-0308, will be blasting at Raccoon Branch and Plummer Fork of Salltick Creek, Latitude 37°30' 52", Longitude 82°53'34". Blasting will be done, Monday through Saturday. No blasting will be conducted before sunrise or after sunset. At least 10 minutes before the blast, access to the area will be controlled by Company personnel. Before each blast is detonated, the following type(s) of audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to the blast: a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast, a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal(s) after blast-

ing will be: One (1) prolonged blast of a siren, following the inspection of the blast area. Blasting will not be conducted at times different from those given above, except in emergency situations, where rain, lightning, other atmospheric conditions, or operator or public safety, requires unscheduled detonation. Prior to these detonations, the following audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to blast, a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal after the blast will be: The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be one (1) prolonged blast of a siren. Also prior to detonation, in emergency situations, the permittee using audible signals shall notify all persons within one-half (1/2) mile of the blasting site.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids will be accepted by the Floyd County Fiscal Court, until Friday July 22nd, 2005, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., for the following:

1. Diesel Fuel
2. Heating & Cooling

Detailed specifications can be picked up from Brandy Kidd at the Floyd County Judge/Executive Office, located at the Floyd County Courthouse, 149 S. Central Ave. Suite 9, Prestonsburg, Ky., Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. The bid will be awarded to the lowest and/or best bidder at the Regular/Special Fiscal Court meeting on Friday July 22nd, 2005, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. Floyd Fiscal Court has the right to accept and/or reject all bids


Paul Hunt
Floyd County Judge/Executive

PREMIER ELKHORN COAL COMPANY
Myra, KY

IS NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITION:

Electrician with 3 years plant electrical and repair experience. Must be able to cut and weld. PLC experience required. Requires State and Federal Electrical certifications. Also requires KY Surface Mine Certification.

Applications will be accepted at:
Kentucky Department for Employment Services
138 College Street, Pikeville, KY 41501
Premier Elkhorn Coal Company is an EOE.

Big Sandy 
Community & Technical College

Career Pathways
Program Facilitator (Temporary Contract)
Job Description: This individual will coordinate academic, student support and counseling services, cultivate good relationships with area health care providers, act as a liaison with Adult Basic Education providers and provide opportunities for students to participate in programs/classes, serve as a liaison to government agencies and other organizations to assist in the recruitment of appropriate students, maintain records so that efficacy of the program can be tracked, and work with area health businesses and related industries to maintain partnerships and increase student participation in the Career Pathway Program. **Minimum Requirements:** Master's degree, preferable in nursing, administration experience and experience in module development. **Minimum Monthly Salary:** \$2,904.00

Office Support Assistant (Temporary Contract)
Job Description: This individual will perform general clerical duties such as typing, filing, copying and completing forms, answer telephone and serve as receptionist, order departmental supplies, perform budget and bookkeeping duties such as preparing requisitions, travel vouchers, etc., and maintain departmental schedules. **Minimum Requirements:** High school diploma and two years of related experience or equivalent. **Minimum Monthly Salary:** \$1,710.00

Procedure: Formal applications are available at Big Sandy Community & Technical College, Office of Human Resources, Johnson Administration Building, Room 110, or via email request: jackie.cecil@kctcs.edu or by phone: (606) 886-3863, ext. 67370. Review of applications will begin July 19, 2005. Applications accepted until position is filled. Applicants must submit a completed application, current resume with list of references, and three current letters of recommendation to: Jackie B. Cecil, Director of Human Resources, Big Sandy Community & Technical College, One Bert T. Combs Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.


Big Sandy Community and Technical College is an equal access, equal opportunity/affirmative action institution, and is committed to providing equal opportunity through its employment practices. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.

CAREGIVERS NEEDED

Immediate Openings—Residential Support Providers. Provide daily living assistance to individuals with mental retardation and developmental disabilities. Shift work. \$7.00 hour. Work for established agency. High school diploma and valid driver's license required. On the job training provided.

Excellent Benefits:

- ten paid holidays
- three weeks paid vacation in first year.
- credit union, deferred compensation program available.
- after 6 months: dental, life and health insurance available, State Retirement.
- paid sick leave

Group Presentation and Interview:
Tuesday, July 12, 2005, at 10:00 a.m.
Thursday, July 14, 2005, at 2:00 p.m.

Location: Mountain Comprehensive Care Center, Inc.
287 West Court Street
Prestonsburg, KY 41653

Reserve your place today by calling 606-886-8572, ask for Linda Craft.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 836-5396 "RENEWAL"

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that McCoy Elkhorn Coal Corporation, 1148 Long Fork Road, Kimper, Kentucky 41539, intends to renew permit number 836-5396 underground operation. This operation disturbs 56.69 acres of surface and 3,698.42 acres of underground/ auger area(s) for a total permit area of 3,750.25 acres.

The mining operation is located 1.0 mile east of Betsy Layne, in Floyd & Pike Counties. The operation is approximately 0.25 mile west from CR-1509's junction with CR-1510, and located along Pike-Floyd Hollow. The operation is located on the Broad Bottom and Harold USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The latitude is 37°33'18". The longitude is 82°37'00".

The surface area disturbed is owned by East Kentucky Energy Corporation and Fairview Land et al. The area will underlie surface owned by East Kentucky Energy Corporation, Mary E. Parsons, Amon & Audrey Garrett, Raymond & Judy Stephens, Linda Stevens, Judy Robinette Hall, Harry Irich, Mildred Brooks, Betsy Layne Church of God, Peggy Clark, Stan & Lynn Justice, Mary Lee Stumbo, Jack Branham Jr., Robert Allen Branham, Dorothy Coleman, Sallie C. Conn, Buford Layne, Harold or Wanda M. Baer, Thomas J. Spears, Frank Pric (Estate), Gary R. & Zella Price, Albert P. King, Clarence Keathley Jr., Paul R. & Elaine Gearheart, Eddie Dean & Collady Ruth Lowe, Johnny Adkins, Albert P. King, Amanda Leich King, Larry & Teresa Smith, Tim & Mageline Hall, James & Darlene Slone, George & Alberta Bevins, John M. Stumbo (Estate), Elsworth and Marlene Stumbo, Gordon & Jeanna Williamson, Larry & Sheila Thompson, Phillip D. & Linda H. Bartley, Marvin R. & Sandra K. Leslie, Hall and Hylton Development, Inc., Sandy Valley Water District, William G. and Betsy Hennessee, Paul & Elaine Gearheart, Paul Gearheart, Johns & Susie Smoltz, Ky. Department of Transportation, Franklin H. Ransdell, Franklin Leedy, Adam Estep, John Elkins, Don & Terri Wallen, Alfred & Loretta Brooks, Paul F. Jones, Hugh B. & Patricia Hall, Glenn & Helen Whitt, Freddie & Tammy Mills, John & Patricia Elkins, Fairview Land, et al., Paul Epling, Oakie & Glenda Thompson, Curtis & Cathy Collins, Willie Lynch, Ronald McKinney, Ronald & Tanya McKinney, Tommy & Ernestine Smith, Thurman Lafferty, Tommy & Joyce Smith, Phillip & Sue Justice, Authal Dale, Grace M. Smith, Franklin Leedy, Connie Charles, Thomas Corum, Cecil & Kathryn Sanders, Oakie &

Eunice Lawson, Basil & Eula Hall, Sally Jean Simpson Crump, Linda Quale, et al., Stephen Anthony Scalf, Derek & Debbie Hicks, Freddie & Debbie Hunt, Charles E. Jr. & Deanna Conn, Andrew Ratliff, Bernard Adams (Estate), Joseph Maynard, Jeffrey Bentley, James & Aileen Maynard, Jimmy & Karen Crum, Ivy Crum, Ricky Keathley, Cecil & Johnny Sanders, James Gunnels, William Maynard, Bobby & Joyce Slone, Mike & Sandy Brooks, Leon & Jerelean Stratton, James & Myrtle Smith, Robert Hughes, Tom & Martha Keathley, Jane S. Clark, Estill Jr. & Trelvian Reed, William T. & Diana L. Patton, Leonard J. Sturgill, Carrie Stratton, Rhodes W. & Virgie Lynch, Adis & Emma Lou Clark, Novella Compton, Ella Jean Compton, Toba M. Owens, Charles R. Owens, Maudie Flack, Billy & Betsy Steward, Jimmy & Joyce Smith, Gary & Renne Keathley, Tom & Martha Keathley, Gary & Dottie Duncan, Jane I. Syck, John G. Ratliff, Gary & Linda Bevins, Bille Jean Osborne, James W. Allen, Beverly Blankenship (Estate), Charles Shepherd, Wanda Compton, Ransome Meade, Alex & Beverly Carroll, Vernia Newsome Miller, Hassel & Juanita Collins, Sylvia Hall, Hershell, Sam, Louise, Bob, & Albert Spradlin, Caycel & Linda Salyor, William Patricia Sarlent, Robert Stratton, Ernie & Traci Tackett, John & Wendy Stumbo, Steve Roberts, Mary Belle Lewis, Dock Jr., & Gertrude Hall, Glen & Kathryn Blackburn Estate, Neely Jane Lewis, Robin & Skip Wells, David & Sherry Spradlin, S.S.S. & P., Inc., E.H. & Marlene Stumbo, James & Sharon Clark, Lois Cline, Elvis & Melissa Keathley, Armilda Lee, Nathaniel & Carol Bevins, Don Angeleeta Fields, Floyd Co. Board of Education, Bobby & Juanita Smith, Noah & Nola Adkins, Paul & Linda Gearheart, Jeffrey & Patty S. Johnson Stratton, Ralph & Judy Murrhy, Glendle M. Adkins, Eddie Dean & Collady Ruth Lowe, Fran & Roy Reasor, Aaron King, Ralph & Melissa Coleman, Gary & Mallie Daniels, Ricky & Vertie Stratton, Rita King, James & Vanessa Hunter, Amy Joe Ratliff, Anthony Wayne Scalf, Lisa Lynn Howell, Gregory Lykins, William R. Scalf, Elmer Eplin, Benny Meade, Gregory & Bernice Clark, Mary Sue Stone Hall, Debra Click, Lisa Lynn Howell, Virgil Hamilton, Velva Stratton, Billie H. Hall, Adis & Emma Lou Clark, Lois Esham, George Hall Jr., Hiney Reed & Margaret Adkins, Thomas Duane & Debra Daniels, Rockford & Roberta Sturgill, Ronnie & Doris Leedy, Alan Curtis & Sharon Dunlam, Castle & Alice Collins, James & Sara Collum, Stacy Lawson, Charles E. Jr., & Deanna Conn, Stella Akers, Millie Bentley Vass, Billy Ray Ousley,

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The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation & Enforcement's Pikeville Regional Office, 121 May Branch Road, Pikeville, Ky. 41539. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Ky. 40601.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. 1 CASE NO. 04-CI-01296 CITICORP TRUST BANK, FSB PLAINTIFF FKA KENTUCKY FINANCE COMPANY VS. ANNIE WATTS, AKA ANNIE LAURA WATTS, RUTH Y WATTS, AKA YVONNE WATTS, ET AL DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Judgement and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 6th day of April 2005 in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, int he principal sum of \$7,473.19, together with interest, costs, and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 14th day of July, 2005, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

A tract or parcel of land lying and being in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Otter Creek of Left Beaver Creek in the Town of Wheelwright and being Lot Fifty (50), including the building and the appurtenances thereunto belonging located on said lot or parcel in File Number 348 record of Floyd County Clerk's Office.

Being the same property conveyed to Annie Laura Watts by R. Yvonne Watts, by deed dated September 23, 1987, filed November 4, 1987, recorded in

Deed Book 314, Page 405, County Clerk's Office, Floyd County, Kentucky.

TERMS OF SALE
(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgement.

(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2005, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

Any announcements made on date

of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.

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