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briefs

Man faces judge for spitting

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A man who was accompanying a friend to court Wednesday wound up getting into hot water himself when he was spied spitting in a courthouse elevator on Wednesday.

The incident began when Deputy Brian Conn observed Douglas Montgomery, of Pikeville, spitting onto the elevator floor as its doors opened on the first floor. Conn escorted Montgomery in District Court Judge Eric Hall's courtroom to relate what he had observed.

Hall discovered that Montgomery was in the courthouse to support a friend who was scheduled to enter a guilty plea in circuit court. He decided to send the man to John Caudill's court to face the music.

Caudill called Montgomery before him and explained his options. He said that Montgomery could ask for a lawyer to be present and the court could refer the matter to County Attorney Keith Bartley, or he could have the matter settled right away by telling his side of the incident to the judge.

Montgomery opted to explain his behavior and said he had just had surgery on his throat, which caused his coughing fits. Caudill listened and replied that the matter could be settled quickly by imposing an order that he

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Judge says 'fracas' coming after inmate lost

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Circuit Judge John David Caudill had strong words Wednesday for the Department of Corrections and the Pike County jailer, saying, "[They] will appear before me and must convince me why I don't need to put them in jail."

Judge Caudill then made an order that both offices attend a hearing in his court on Jan. 13.

The order was handed down after Caudill called for the case of the Commonwealth vs. Joshua Burchett. The public advocate, Jane Harlan, came forward to enter the plea but there was no sign of Burchett. Harlan noted that she thought he had been moved to a

correctional facility in Bowling Green. Judge Caudill notified his office staff to track down Burchett, who had been lodged at the Pike County Detention Center when the plea agreement was reached.

Caudill's secretary later returned and informed the judge, "They have no idea where he is."

Caudill did not appear elated to hear the news and promptly called Harlan back before the bench, where he told her, "You're about to become involved in a fracas. Do you know what a fracas is?"

"Something I want to avoid," Harlan replied.

Caudill was referring to a previous

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Judge John D. Caudill let public advocate Jane Harlan know that she was going to have to be back in court in January alongside the Pike County jailer and a Department of Corrections commissioner, who would have to explain why her client was nowhere to be found after being moved from the Pike jail to Bowling Green when he was scheduled to appear in Floyd County Circuit Court on Wednesday.

photo by Tom Doty



Floyd County Board of Health Director Thursa Slone lectured area parents on the importance of hand washing in the constant battle against germs during the "Parent University" program that the Board of Education sponsored Thursday at the Holiday Inn.

photo by Tom Doty

Schools hold 'university' for parents

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Parents of Floyd County students attended the fourth annual "Parents University" on Thursday at the Prestonsburg Holiday Inn and were treated to lectures from representatives of a variety of fields, who made presentations and

answered questions about concerns parents have about their children's needs.

The Floyd County Board of Education sponsored the event, which was put together by parent involvement coordinator Nadine Hicks. Hicks observed that this year's agenda was put together following last year's meeting and the agenda reflected their con-

cerns. The event saw a wide variety of professionals on hand to talk about a broad range of topics. Trooper Scott Hopkins gave a presentation on the effect of methamphetamine on children. Representatives from the Board of Health gave a talk on the

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Bank account scam targeting elderly

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

ALLEN — Officials are investigating three reports of attempted telephone scams against elderly bank customers.

Mark Wiete, EVP/COO of Citizen's National Bank, whose

Allen branch has seen two unsolved robberies within the past six months, said three elderly CNB customers were targeted with bogus telephone fishing scams within the past two weeks. Two calls were made Wednesday, he said.

One day after the bank's

branch in Allen was robbed last week, a male called an elderly female bank customer and told her that the bank was closing and that he needed her account number in order to transfer her accounts to a different bank.

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Victim's mother drops vicious animal charge

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A charge against a Floyd County woman whose dog allegedly attacked a 2-year-old girl was dropped Wednesday in district court.

Betsy Layne resident Wendy Boyd filed an affidavit to drop the charges she brought against her cousin, Chrystal Lynn Howell, 26, of Slick Rock.

Howell faced one misdemeanor count of harboring a vicious animal, after Boyd alleged that her dog attacked

her 2-year-old daughter on Nov. 28.

Assistant County Attorney Jimmy "Blue" Marcum said the child had "tooth mark" abrasions and bite marks on her head that required four to five stitches.

Rabies testing performed on the dog, "Scooby," at the Floyd County Animal Shelter were negative.

Boyd signed the affidavit, asking that the county not pursue prosecution in the case. The document also contains an order that the dog remain "restrained, chained or caged at all times."

Hospital, nurses reach agreement avoid strike

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

Appalachian Regional Healthcare and the Kentucky and West Virginia Nursing associations announced Tuesday evening that a strike planned for Dec. 12 has been averted. Negotiators on both sides reached an agreement to place a decision to implement a modified scheduling contract in the hands of an arbitrator, officials said.

Hundreds of full-time registered nurses, including more than 50 at McDowell ARH hospital, planned to strike after ARH proposed a contract change for nurses working in nine ARH hospi-

tals in Kentucky and West Virginia. The nurses associations in both states issued notices of their intention to strike on Nov. 29, a little more than two weeks after ARH announced a schedule change for its full-time registered nurses, who had previously been paid for 40 hours weekly, when, in actuality, they were only working three 12 hours shifts with no overtime pay allotment for hours worked over the normal eight-hour work day. ARH proposed a change in this contract agreement, which was to take place this month, because they said they found

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Hancock seeks reelection; five others file

Times Staff Report

Property Valuation Administrator Connie Hancock is among the latest to file for reelection.

Hancock, who defeated opponent Glen David May during the last election, filed her intent to seek reelection on Nov. 30.

In other election news, Stuart

Robinson, of Langley, filed to campaign against Kenneth Roberts, of Garrett, for the District 2 magistrate seat.

In District 3, Donny Daniels, of Melvin, is campaigning against four other candidates.

In district 4, Cola Ray Akers, of Harold, filed his intent run for magistrate. He will run against seven other competi-

tors for the seat. Grethel residents Allred "Junebug" Newsome and Vernie Bradley, of Banner, will also run in the district 4 constable race against three other candidates.

There are now 34 candidates registered for various county elections. The candidates are:

■ District 1 magistrate: John A.

Goble, of Prestonsburg.

■ District 1 constable: Michael Hall, of East Point and Billy Jarvis, of Prestonsburg.

■ District 2 magistrate: Kenneth Roberts, of Garrett, and Stuart Robinson of Langley.

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2 DAY FORECAST

Today
Partly cloudy
High: 32 • Low: 19

Tomorrow
Mostly sunny
High: 43 • Low: 24

For up-to-the-minute forecasts, see floydcountytimes.com

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Those attending an official ribbon cutting ceremony for Rick's Embroidery & Trophies and Hi-Tech Signs & Graphix, included: (pictured left to right) Fred James, Mayor Jerry Fannin, Trish Cieslak, Bryan Allen, Robert Allen II, Rick Hughes, Judy Meade, Jason Hughes, Brian Elam, and Floyd County Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Mandy Stumbo.

photo by Kathy J. Prater

Store holds ribbon-cutting

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — Co-owners Rick Hughes and Robert Allen II celebrated their new partnership with a ribbon cutting ceremony held Tuesday morning at Rick's Embroidery & Trophies/Hi-Tech Graphix, located at 318 South Lake Drive, in Prestonsburg.

"I've been in business as Rick's Embroidery for some time," Hughes said, "and now, Robert and I have joined forces in purchasing Hi-Tech. We plan on changing the name of the business in the near future, but for now, we're going to continue

to operate under the original names of the businesses."

Several members of the local community showed up to celebrate the grand opening with the new owners, among them, Brett Davis, assistant county judge executive, Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin, former Prestonsburg Community College president, Robert Allen and wife, Sarah ("Sally"), Executive Director, Floyd County Chamber of Commerce, Mandy Stumbo, and several other community members and friends of the pair.

A deli-style luncheon was served and guests were invited to roam the parameters of the

business, meet employees and ask questions about the variety of services offered.

In addition to trophies, plaques, sportswear and custom engraved and embroidered items, buyers may also purchase a variety of signs, stickers and graphics for a wide assortment of uses.

Both owners invite the public to stop in and visit their new shops anytime during regular business hours. For more information about services offered to private individuals, schools, businesses and other organizations, call 886-1194.

Obituaries

Peggy Jo Bates

Peggy Jo Bates, 67, of Melvin, died Tuesday, December 6, 2005, at King's Daughters Hospital in Ashland.

Born April 22, 1938, in Martin, she was the daughter of the late Levi and Clara Waddles Johnson. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Jacks Creek First Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Clyde Bates.

Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law: Janet Clara and Terry Tufts, and Tammy and Jim Mullins, all of Melvin; two brothers: Jack C. Johnson of Dema, and Levi Johnson Jr., of Weeksbury; two sisters: Bobbie June Hoover of Dema, and Judy Rose Parham of White, Georgia; and three grandchildren: Amy Lee Tufts Jervis (Michael), Ethan Mullins, and Allyson Tufts.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by four brothers: Hobert Johnson, Clyde Johnson, Claude Johnson and Roy Gene Johnson; and two sisters: Gladys Johnson and Charles Fern Akers.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, December 10, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Louis Ferrari and Bobby Isaac officiating.

Burial will be in the Buckingham Cemetery, in Bevinville, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Don Dillion

Don Dillion, 62, of Ypsilanti, Michigan, died Wednesday, December 7, 2005, at home.

He was born April 19, 1943, in Ivel, the son of Brown and Mary Alice (Osborne) Dillion.

Don worked at Ford Motor Company, Ypsilanti plant, U.A.W. Local #849 for 44 years, and was a member of the Vietnam Veterans.

Survivors include three daughters: Stella (Chris) Justice, Yvette Dillion, and Alicia (Ed) Dillion, all of Ypsilanti; 12 grandchildren; his mother, Mary Alice Dillion of Ypsilanti; three sisters: Juanita Hunter,

Deloris (Arthur) Smith, and Betty Almo, all of Ypsilanti; six brothers: Joe (Linda) Dillon of Ypsilanti, John (Lea) Dillon of Ypsilanti, Ronnie (Andy) Dillion of Ypsilanti, Kelly (Sue) Dillion of Belleville, Frank Dillion of Ypsilanti, and Tony Dillion of Ypsilanti; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father.

The funeral service will be at 2:00 p.m., Monday, December 12, at Stark Funeral Service Moore Memorial Chapel, with Rev. Walker Harris, of Belleville Free Will Baptist Church, officiating.

Cremation will follow.

The family will greet friends at the funeral home, 6-9 p.m., Saturday, and 1-4 and 6-9 p.m., Sunday.

Please sign his guest book at www.starkfuneral.com.

(Paid obituary)

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Melvin Shepherd

Melvin Shepherd, 47, of David, died Monday, December 5, 2005, at his residence.

Born June 29, 1958, in Prestonsburg, he was the son of the late Dewey and Margaret Patrick Shepherd. He was a disabled general laborer.

Survivors include seven brothers: Martin Shepherd, Earlie Shepherd, and Bill Thomas Shepherd, all of David, O.C. Shepherd of Martin, and Jim P. Shepherd and Carlie Shepherd, both of Warsaw, Indiana, and Eugene Shepherd of West Virginia; four sisters: Ethel Howard of Hippo, Linda Pitts of Reno, Nevada, Thelma Joseph of David, and Gail Musgrave Powell of Lexington.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers: Kenneth Shepherd and Bert Shepherd; and three sisters: Edith Shepherd, Marie Shepherd, and one infant sister.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, December 8, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Hershel Baldrige officiating.

Burial was in the Dewey Shepherd Cemetery, in David, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Lost

bout with the Department of Corrections that came about when they failed to provide transportation of inmates to his court. Caudill's argument was that state inmates who are lodged in county jails should have their transportation to court appearances provided for by Corrections. The department petitioned the court for a declaratory judgment in the matter stating that the rules are not the same if the inmate is facing a class D felony and should only be observed in cases where the defendant is facing more than

five years in jail.

The case went before Perry County Judge Bill Engle, who ruled that Corrections had to transport the prisoners, which was a win for sheriff's departments throughout the region, which are not staffed enough in most counties to easily afford losing an officer for the day who has to transport inmates to court from state run jails which are, for the most part, located in the western portion of the state.

Upon issuing his decision Engle wrote, "It does not appear to this court that the legislature

intended to make Class D felons state prisoners, place them in the custody of Corrections and allow Corrections to place them in another county's jail, especially a jail many hours away, and require the sheriff of the county where the court proceeding is to be held to transport the prisoner."

Burchett was set to plea guilty in a case that saw him indicted in August for setting fire to an all-terrain vehicle. Burchett had agreed to a suspended sentence in the case as long as he made restitution to the vehicle's owner and submit-

ted to probation for two years. The sentence was not to begin until he had served a year in jail for a previous case.

Judge Caudill announced, "The court will take two deep breaths. It's supposed to relieve stress," before continuing to hear pleas of guilty entered by the four remaining defendants.

The Department of Corrections notified Caudill's office that they had located Burchett at 10:30 Thursday morning and that he was, in fact, in Bowling Green. He is also expected in court on Jan. 13.

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Scam

The woman, who did not give out the account number, contacted bank officials, who then reported the incident to the Kentucky State Police.

"I thought it was connected to Allen," Wiete said Wednesday, "but a few minutes ago, we were contacted about

two elderly customers in Paintsville who were told that the bank was closing. They were asked if they could give their bank account number to transfer the account. Fortunately, one of our customers didn't believe it and they checked with us. Unfortunately, one of the elderly ladies that was contacted gave out her account number and then called called us."

Wiete said bank officials, who found no evidence that funds were withdrawn or transferred, closed out the woman's account.

He believes that the scammer, identified by all customers as a male, is "obviously" targeting elderly customers, but he doesn't know how the caller knows that he is reaching elderly customers.

Security officer Pam Butcher said that the bank has forwarded information about the latest scam attempts to Kentucky State Police and the Better Business Bureau.

Investigations are still ongoing in two robberies that occurred at the bank's Allen branch within the past six

months. One perpetrator wore a canvas bag over his head while robbing the bank in June, and he has since eluded authorities. The bank is offering a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of the individual(s) involved in last week's robbery.

"We want to make sure everyone knows that Citizens National is a safe bank to bank with," Butcher said. "Our accounts aren't closing."

KSP officials said there were no reported bank scam attempts against customers of other area banks.

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Spitting

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had learned from his parents. The judge proceeded to tell Montgomery that he could avoid any issue being made of the incident if he "cleaned up his mess." Montgomery said that he would be willing to oblige the court and was escorted to a maintenance closet, where Conn issued him some paper towels and cleanser.

Montgomery appeared back in court a few minutes later and reported that he had done a satisfactory job on the mess and was told that he was free to leave. Caudill did note that Montgomery could avoid similar problems throughout his recovery if he made it a point to carry a handkerchief with him.

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Folks of Floyd County

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I saw Brent Turner on 11-7-05, asking for charges against Judge Allen and John Blackburn. Turner advised an attorney, Larry Webster of Pikeville. The same day a telephone call—Webster said he went to law school with Judge Allen and that I could not beat the sheriff, so ended the call. I would like to go before a Floyd Court Grand Jury and see what they have to say.

Hang in there folks of Floyd County, I would like to hear your stories of wrong doings by the system. Call me at 358-4033 or write me a note, it is time for a damn change.

Here is a copy of my letter, hand carried to the Sheriff's office on September 6, 2005.

I will get my guns back, or go to hell trying.

To John K. Blackburn
From: Dalton Conley

This is my final request for my property, my guns and ammo, slings and holster and scopes. Total value of about 6,250.00, Marsha does not count, it was 10 year old stuff. All I know is what she said, however, ... If she was working undercover for your office, I wonder what pay if any, cause she was receiving a check from the state, something about her hearing, I think. I guess that could be checked out.

The 11-8-2000, nite, Roop, Johnson and Thornsberry searched my home, mostly for my deputy card, made the arrest on an E.P.O. sent by you, was a violation of my constitutional rights. The Bill of Rights, Article VI & VII, Amendment No. II. Also No. IV and No. VI. I will see you in Federal court, soon.

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Marriage Licenses

Kayla Brienne Lunch, 18, to Steve Kyle Conn, 18, both of Pikeville.
 Lacy Renee Hughes, 22, of Charleston, S.C., to Caleb Robert Walker Gulick, of Orange County, Calif.
 Anita Gayle Burke, 42, of Martin, to Robert Leroy Curry, 39, of Portsmouth, Virginia.
 Lori Lee Ann Lewis, 29, of Chicago, Ill., to William Joe Lewis, 30, of Prestonsburg.
 Kimberly Dawn Slone, 25, to Ollie David Campbell, 30, both of Prestonsburg.
 Brenda Gail Burke, 46, to Willie Gene Hamilton, 45, both of McDowell.
 Stephanie Lee Osborne, 28, of Pikeville, to Carl Ray Martin Jr., 34, of Kendaville, Ind.

Civil Suits Filed

Tina Mullins vs. Gary Lowe; auto accident complaint.
 Serena Burkett vs. Scotty Dyer; auto accident complaint.
 Robin Shepherd vs. Anthony Castle; petition for child support and health care insurance.
 Rhoda Paige vs. Valerie King; petition for health care insurance.
 Sharon Burchfield vs. Robert Burchfield; petition for child support and health care insurance.
 Natoshea Little vs. Paul Little; petition for child support and health care insurance.
 Stephanie McKune vs. Tyron McKune; petition for child support and health care insurance.
 Alisia Robinson vs. Paul Robinson; petition for health care insurance.
 Drusella Shepherd vs. Roger Sammons; petition for child support and health care insurance.
 Ethel Salisbury vs. Roger Salisbury; petition for child support and health care insurance.
 Jennifer Mowrey vs. Brandon Wicker; petition for child support and health care insurance.
 James Maynard vs. Rebecca Maynard; petition for health care insurance.
 Rita Martin vs. Gregory Martin; petition for child support and health care insurance.
 Teresa Allen vs. Kelly Allen;

petition for child support and health care insurance.

Tom Adkins vs. Leah Adkins; petition for health care insurance.

Discover Card vs. James L. Allen; debt complaint.

Mortgage Electronic Registration System vs. Ollie Layne; debt complaint.

LVNV Funding LLC vs. Adreanna Issacc; debt complaint.

Kimberly Jones vs. Timmy Jones; divorce.

William Reed vs. Veronica Reed; divorce transferred from Pike County.

Huntington National Bank vs. Sirena Akers; debt complaint.

Small Claims Filings

Sharon Norris vs. U.S. Bank; complaint with allegation that U.S. Bank "withheld funds for no reason."
 Big Sandy Physical Therapy vs. Alvin Craft; debt complaint.
 Big Sandy Physical Therapy vs. Susan Goble; debt complaint.

Charges Filed

Winchester Francis, 79, Hueysville; criminal mischief.
 Charles Clark, no age listed, Garrett; felony theft by deception.
 Franklin Collins, 20, Topmost; public intoxication, fleeing or evading police, disorderly conduct.
 Christopher Hamilton, 28, Dana; driving on a DUI-suspended license, fleeing or evading police, possession of an open alcoholic beverage in a moving vehicle.
 Cecil Hunter, 24, Auxier; trafficking marijuana under 8 ounces.
 Donald Smith, 47, Weeksby; trafficking marijuana under 8 ounces.
 Mary Newsome, 53, Teaberry; harassment.
 Edith Flanery, 56, Hi Hat; criminal trespassing.
 Bobby Joe Flanery, 63, Hi Hat; criminal trespassing.
 Angela Wilson, 32, Lackey; misdemeanor theft by deception.
 Patricia Hall, 31, Martin; terroristic threatening.

Andrew Sazabo, 18, Hippo; illegal pursuit or taking of a deer, elk, or turkey, criminal trespassing, interfering with an officer.

Matthew Hackworth, 25, Minnie; illegal pursuit or taking of a deer, elk or turkey.

Anna Williams, 18, Williamsport; minor entering premises to purchase alcohol, possession of alcohol by a minor.

Burl Richardson, 24, Williamsport; assisting a minor in purchasing alcohol.

Crystal Crace, 30, Prestonsburg; use or possession of drug paraphernalia.

Walker Ratliff, 23, Prestonsburg; possession of marijuana, use or possession of drug paraphernalia.

Dena Collett, 30, Weeksby; misdemeanor theft by deception.

Holly Hoover, 24, Salyersville; criminal possession of a forged instrument.

Debbie Bryant, 47, Betsy Layne; misdemeanor theft by deception.

Larry Goble, 51, Prestonsburg; possession of a controlled substance, controlled substance not in original container.

Hope Williams Hall, 25, Salyersville; harassing communications.

Charles Poston, 31, Langley; menacing.

Maranda Holthouse, 21, Langley; harassing communications.

Tanzil Martin, 48, Drift; terroristic threatening, misdemeanor theft by unlawful taking.

Joseph Mullins, no age listed, Allen; criminal trespass.
 Leda Heavrin, no age listed, Martin; assault, criminal mischief, terroristic threatening.

Jimmy Iricks, 40, Betsy Layne; criminal trespassing, interference of an officer, license to be in possession.

Anthony Iricks, 18, Betsy Layne; criminal trespassing, interference of an officer.

Stephen Case, 25, Harold; criminal trespassing, illegal pursuit or taking of a wild deer, elk or turkey.

Adam Boyd, 25, Banner;

criminal trespassing.

Daniel Sazabo, 22, Hueysville; illegal pursuit or taking of a wild deer, elk, or turkey, criminal trespassing, interference of an officer.

Crystal Howell, 26, Prestonsburg; harboring a vicious animal.

James Herman Isaacs Jr., 26, Prestonsburg; disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, harassment, public intoxication.

Steven Collins, 18, Topmost; public intoxication.

Sherri Mullins, 47, Prestonsburg; misdemeanor theft by deception.

Tommy Meade, 51, Wayland; criminal trespassing.

Bobby Hinkle, 38, Dwale; menacing.

Eric Shepherd, 33, Hueysville; failure to produce insurance card, no or expired registration plates, driving on a DUI-suspended license, violation of an emergency protective order.

Joseph Mullins, 38, Louisville; violation of an emergency protective order.

Tonya West, 26, Williamsburg; possession of marijuana, use or possession of drug paraphernalia.

Nikki Blackburn, 22, Prestonsburg; public intoxication.

Jodi L. Stapleton, 20, Banner; public intoxication of a controlled substance.

Michael Murphy, 20, Langley; public intoxication.

Edward Ratliff, 29, Pikeville; felony theft by unlawful taking.

Shane Boudle, 28, Erlanger; non support.

Inspections

Big J Meat Processing, Hueysville, regular inspection. Violations noted: Wiping cloth use unrestricted, no towels at hand wash sink. Score: 97.
 Family Dollar, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Some snack items observed stored on floor. Score: 98.
 Owens Mobile Home Park, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Home lots not properly numbered, parking not in compliance, lot sizes not in compliance, several

lots have an accumulation of debris, garbage containers not provided for individual lots. Score: 90.

Property Transfers

Eva and Leonard Adams to Johnnie W. Justice, property located at Middle Creek.
 Charlie and Tammy Amburgey to Johnnie Nelson, property located at Middle Creek.
 Curt Blackburn to Quality Natural Gas, property located at Little Paint.
 Carla Burchett to Kenneth and Teresa Damron, property located at Old Allen.
 Donald and Laura Crawford to Gary Martin, property located at Beaver.
 Christine and Donald Crisp to David and Kimberly Crisp, property located at Joel Crisp Branch.
 Debbie and Kent Dingus to Paul Reffett, property located at Abbott.
 Mary Elkins to Frank and Amy Charles, property located at Big Mud.
 Teddy Elliott to Ethel and Milford Gayheart, property location undisclosed.
 Gregory and Greta Gibson to Ed Miller, property located at Prater Creek.
 Anna and Daniel Greene to the David School, property located at David.
 Bulavene and Leonard Hall to Daniel Hayden, property located at Little Mud.
 Dorothy Harris to Gary and Terrie Woods, property located at Middle Creek.
 Jesse Kinzer to Tara Redford, property located at Otter Creek.
 Gertrude Lawson to Joann and Russell Hamilton, property located at Left Beaver.

Lick Fork Processing to Kennis and Melanie Burchett, property located at Rough and Tough.

Clara and Merle May to Jeffrey and Debra Head, property located at Merle May Subdivision.

Retha Montgomery to Donna and Roger Akers, property located at Lick Fork.

Albert and Diane Music, Chattie, Donnie, Emina, Judy, Karen, Lillie, Mike, Randy, Rick, Ronnie, Sandy, and Sherry Nelson to Johnnie Nelson, property located at Middle Creek.

Charles and vickie Poe to Johnnie Nelson, property located at Middle Creek.

Barbara and Gary Preece to Amy and Frank Charles, property located at Big Mud.

Jimmy and Von Rose to Shawn Combs, Kevin and Leshia Prater, and Parsons Branch Development, property located at Big Mud.

Fayette Samons to Gary and Rhonda Samons, property located at Left Beaver.

Bonnie and Glennis Warrens to Donny and Melissa Hale, property located at Wayland.

Geneva Whittaker to Johnnie Nelson, property located at Middle Creek.

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Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

"Before God we are all equally wise — and equally foolish."

— Albert Einstein

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Guest View

Editorial roundup

Chicago Tribune, on an investment in literacy:

From the White House to the schoolhouse, there has been a concerted effort in recent years to improve the reading skills of children. President Bush launched a five-year, \$5 billion Reading First program in 2001, with the goal that every disadvantaged child would be reading by the 3rd grade.

Yet the latest standardized tests in ... the nation show almost no progress in average reading scores in the last four years.

What's going on? Teaching a child to read can be difficult, particularly when you're teaching a classroom full of kids who learn at different speeds. It requires careful training of teachers. ...

There is, though, evidence of what kind of instruction—of teachers and of students—does lead to improved reading skills. Coaching teachers in their classrooms, so they can get immediate feedback on their techniques, works well. Children succeed with an emphasis on phonics, building vocabulary and comprehension. Also effective: setting aside a certain amount of time each day to immerse a child in reading. ...

Beyond that, it will help if leaders from the governor to the mayors to the school superintendents talk loudly and enthusiastically about the importance of improving reading skills. ...

There's one more part of the equation: parents. They need to encourage their children to read early and often. Find a book, find a newspaper, find a magazine for the kids. Can't find them? Take a look behind the PlayStation.

Saint Paul (Minn.) Pioneer Press, on education reform:

Changes to the No Child Left Behind act can't happen fast enough. U.S. Education Secretary Margaret Spellings has announced that a small number of states will experiment with "growth models" to show whether schools were making adequate yearly progress based on individual student achievement.

At long last, NCLB appears to be heading in a thoughtful, fair direction. We have long supported NCLB in concept, but have expressed deep concerns about how it measures student achievement and progress.

For four years since the law was enacted, public schools have been judged on what could be called a "status model." It means that the test scores of a particular group of students are expected to meet the state's standards for proficiency. Kids are judged in bulk, rather than individually.

For urban schools, however, the "status model" doesn't always give a fair picture of the students or their achievements. For example, a large percentage of third-graders in one particular year might be English language learners who do not test well because of language difficulty. ...

According to NCLB, the test scores of a child new to the country do not count the first year. However, if the child attends any U.S. school for two years, his or her test scores do count, no matter how well he or she understands English. The assumption is that children become proficient in English in two years.

Maybe some become fluent English speakers in two years. Maybe not.

That's why the "growth model" makes more sense because it follows individual academic achievement from year to year. The most effective model will blend the best parts of a status measure with a growth measure, showing how groups of children are achieving, as well as individuals. ...

The Indianapolis Star, on retirement savings:

If this nation wants to maintain strides toward reducing poverty among the elderly, more steps need to be taken to boost retirement savings and shore up pension plans.

Only one in five American workers now works for a company with a traditional pension plan. The number of companies with pension deficits that would exceed \$50 million if they were terminated has more than doubled in the past five years. Meanwhile, the deficit of the federal Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp. has soared to more than \$23 billion since it took over the pensions of bankrupt U.S. Airways and United Airlines.

Much of the slack for retirement savings has been taken over by 401(k) plans and individual retirement accounts, whose use has mushroomed since they were introduced in the workplace. Unfortunately, nearly a quarter of employees eligible to participate in a 401(k) don't contribute.

Congress, companies, unions and employees need to ensure that pension plans are viable and fulfill their promises. They also need to modernize 401(k) plans to encourage greater participation, active investment decisions and changes in asset allocation.



"There's naughty, nice and a new category: Kids whose parents had to spend all their money on gas and heating fuel."

Guest Column

The social benefits of making money

by SHELDON RICHMAN

The critics of the free market ought to listen to themselves once in a while. They might learn something.

A standard charge against market-oriented societies is that they are corrupted by profit. Businessmen only want to make money. Profits come before people. At the same time, the market's critics blame business for wasting resources and neglecting people's needs.

These claims are inconsistent. If businessmen really want to make money, they will neither waste resources nor neglect people's needs, because economizing and catering to customers is how you make money in the marketplace.

Profit is what is left over after an entrepreneur pays all his expenses, including his own implicit wages for his toil. It is the reward for assembling land, labor, machines, and raw materials, and using them to make things people value. Obviously, an entrepreneur wants to minimize expenses by using no more resources than necessary to produce what people want to buy. At a given market price for a product, the lower the costs, the higher the profit. Why use two barrels of oil to make something, if you

can make it using just one?

Why don't the people who worry about depletion of resources give the market credit for this virtue? (By the way, we aren't running out of resources.)

The answer is that ideological environmentalists don't understand economics, and, further, they despise the marketplace because it embodies the freedom to pursue self-interest and make money. They find that morally repugnant. But there is nothing repugnant about pursuing self-interest, and what could be wrong with making money by producing things that people value? When will the critics learn that one gets wealthy in the market only by raising people's living standards?

But businessmen are greedy, aren't they? "Greedy" is one of those words that is applied to others but never to oneself. What does it mean? It's hard to tell because it is used to describe a range of conduct, ethical and unethical. Luckily, we don't have to sort this out. All we need to know is that the desire to make high profits long-term induces business people to use resources wisely and to deal with others honestly. Squandering resources and cheating customers are business strategies that are sooner or later punished by the marketplace.

Before anyone dismisses this as "just theory," I will point out that history provides abundant examples of these principles. John D. Rockefeller squeezed every bit of value he could out of a bar-

rel of oil not because he was ecologically concerned about future generations, but because he was cheap and hated waste. Beginning in the 19th century, factory owners routinely sold their waste byproducts to other businessmen who found valuable uses for what otherwise would have been refuse. Why did they do it? To make money. Nothing sparks imagination like the possibility of profit. As an unintended consequence, we all prosper.

Even air pollution presents profit opportunities. That's potential wealth going up the smokestack. Whoever can find a way to capture that lost energy or unused material stands to reap large profits. Of course, if someone can pollute and not bear the expense, he might do it. So the law must protect property rights from polluters. When it does, those who damage person or property must pay compensation. That principle of justice provides an incentive to minimize pollution by capturing what today is sent into the atmosphere as waste.

The incentives built in to the market raise living standards, minimize waste, and produce a clean environment — just by letting people make money. Not bad for a system that has been condemned throughout history.

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Guest Column

Airlines doing less, charging more

by JIM HIGHTOWER

Isn't it just pure pleasure to fly the friendly skies these days? I'm sure there are mule trains that of more joy per mile.

I know that airlines have been hard-hit financially, but what management genius came up with the idea that — Hey, I know, let's cut back on the employees that serve the public, eliminate everything from meals to movies, charge customers for services that should come with the price of a ticket, jam people onto the planes like chickens in a cage, even take away those little pillows that offered a modicum of comfort ... and then run TV ads that show

delighted customers and happy-go-lucky workers skipping along together and singing "Zip-A-Dee-Doo-Dah."

Yet, we might soon remember the unpleasantness of today's travel reality as the good ol' days, for the industry's bosses are scheming on new ways to do less for customers ... while charging more. For example, why should you get a seat that reclines and has padded armrests for nothing, you bum? Airlines are thinking they could charge extra for such frills. Also, while the companies already are charging passengers for boxed lunches, they're now looking at the revenue possibilities of adding a fee for you to use a tray table. Luxury isn't free, bucko.

Then there are your bags. Why should airlines check, load and unload them for nada? Since adding a charge for this is expected to tick off a whole lot

of travelers, the savvy executives are contemplating a phase-in strategy, beginning by assessing a fee for priority baggage service. For ten bucks or so per bag, you could get yours unloaded ahead of all the deadbeats standing around the baggage carousel scowling at you.

The nickel-and-diming is practically unlimited. Who says your orange juice should be free? An aisle or window seat could come at a premium. That flight attendant call button and the little air vents could be equipped with coin slots.

The customer may always be right ... but there could soon be a fee for that in the friendly skies.

Jim Hightower is the best-selling author of *Thieves In High Places: They've Stolen Our Country And It's Time To Take It Back*, on sale now from Viking Press.

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Entertainment Extra

At the Movies: 'Chronicles of Narnia'

by DAVID GERMAIN
AP MOVIE WRITER

Like its cousin, J.R.R. Tolkien's "The Lord of the Rings," C.S. Lewis' "The Chronicles of Narnia" was left to ferment for decades while movie technology caught up with the fantastic imaginations of the two British authors.

That's a good thing. Twenty years ago, or even 10, "The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" probably would have been filled with silly Muppet-like creatures rather than the dazzling computer-generated animals in Disney's epic adaptation.

As it is, despite their photo-realism, the digitally created talking animals sometimes do look silly. By the time all the leopards, rhinoceroses and rodents under the sun join the climactic battle sequences, you may be tired enough of these varmints to wonder whether Noah really needed to put two of EVERY species on his Ark.

Still, the visual overload is truly impressive — not quite on the order of Peter Jackson's "Lord of the Rings" trilogy, but close. And dramatically, director Andrew Adamson (one of the directors on the first two "Shrek" movies) spins Lewis' fantasy classic with a well-defined, recognizable underpin-



"The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe," a Disney release, is rated PG for battle sequences and frightening moments. Running time: 140 minutes.

Three stars out of four.

ning of sibling rivalry that could have easily taken place in the real world.

Add in Tilda Swinton, who is positively insane as the vile White Witch of mythical Narnia, along with winsome performances from four young unknown stars, and the film amounts to a rollicking work of pure escapism definitely worth your time and money.

Adapted from the first installment of Lewis' seven-part chronicle, "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" opens during the London Blitz. The mother of the four Pevensie children is so worried about the Luftwaffe bombings that she farms the kids out to the country home of an eccentric professor (Jim Broadbent, in a tiny but colorful role).

There, the children tumble through the looking glass — or rather, a piece of furniture filled with dusty old coats — into

Narnia, an exotic domain where animals speak, unicorns and centaurs cavort and the witch Jadis (Swinton) has declared herself queen, casting the land into perpetual winter.

The Pevensies — eldest boy Peter (William Moseley), oldest sister Susan (Anna Popplewell), second brother Edmund (Skandar Keynes) and young Lucy (Georgie Henley) — are viewed by the inhabitants of this not-so-peaceable kingdom as the prophesied saviors of Narnia.

As such, the kids are targeted for elimination by Jadis and her gang of snarling wolves, while the forces of good that follow the Lion (voiced by Liam Neeson) revere the Pevensies as demigods. Among the cast highlights is James McAvoy as the faun Tumnus, a hooved forest dweller who befriends Lucy.

Beyond a cryptic moment or two with the professor, no

explanation is offered as to the magic involved (that will be left to whatever sequels Disney signs on for, depending on the success of this film).

Lewis' Lion has been interpreted as a representation of Christ, and the story certainly can be read as a New Testament fable. Yet it does not go beyond symbolism, and the film never turns remotely preachy.

Hearing Neeson's resonant but familiar voice come out of a lion's mouth is occasionally jarring. Other key vocal talents are more unobtrusive for their relative unfamiliarity, among them Ray Winstone and Dawn French as kindly Mr. and Mrs. Beaver, Rupert Everett as the wily Mr. Fox and Sim Evan-Jones as Wolf, Jadis' foul lieutenant.

Swinton steals every moment, deftly blending seductress and crone in a single package. Her sincerity overcomes outrageous attire that has her looking like a vengeful Valkyrie in one scene, a woman with a giant icicle on her head in another.

Her intensity — along with battle scenes and episodes of peril generated by Wolf and his pack — push the bounds of the movie's PG rating. Parents with small children should note that the film is potentially at least as

(See NARNIA, page eight)

Rental Central

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

Several popular recent films and one classic television series competed for customer dollars this week.

"The Fantastic Four" — After a troubled production history, this film version of the popular Marvel Comics series finally hit theaters last summer. At one point Roger Corman shot a low-budget version of the film (just as his rights to the series were set to elapse) and made a mint off of it by shelving the results for a payoff from the big-wigs at Fox studios. That version is relatively easy to find on the bootleg market, though it's a paltry effort totally upstaged by this version.

The special effects are top of the line here, but so is the cast which includes Ioan Gruffudd as Mr. Fantastic, Jessica Alba as the Invisible Woman, Chris Evans as the Human Torch and Michael Chiklis as the Thing. The story focuses on how the four get their super powers and charts their team building period, which culminates in only one battle against their arch nemesis, Doctor Doom. This one delivers, though it may be slow going for the young ones until the climactic battle which sees the four pool their efforts and learn just how effective they can be when they aren't squabbling. Extras include commentaries by the cast, documentaries on making the film and three deleted scenes.

"Dukes of Hazzard" — Fans of the television series will enjoy this lighthearted romp through the back roads as two brothers match wits with Boss Hogg. It's all lighter than air but the action sequences are well choreographed and the performers (Johnny Knoxville, Sean William Scott and Burt Reynolds) manage to say their lines into the camera without bumping into the furniture.

"Cinderella Man" — Russell Crowe reteams with director Ron Howard to bring this Depression-era story to life. The film follows the true exploits of Jim Braddock, who went into boxing in order to feed his family and wound up having a historic match up with heavy-weight champion Max Baer. The film didn't fare well at the box office, though it was a big hit with the critics. Most likely it was a victim of bad timing since Crowe chose to attack a hotel worker while promoting the film. That incident has since blown over with Crowe publicly apologizing for throwing a phone at the startled clerk and making a hefty cash settlement.

The film is worthy of your attention and is expected to be an Oscar darling.

"All the King's Men" — Robert Penn Warren's classic novel about political ambition makes for a solid film here, and with the remake hitting cinemas, the film is ripe for rediscovery. Broderick Crawford won an Oscar for his role here

and receives ably support from Mercedes McCambridge as his suffering wife (she also won a statue for her work here).

"The rockford files" — James Garner's offbeat series about a private detective finally hit DVD this week and is thoroughly entertaining. Garner is wonderful as a low-rent private eye who often gets beat up and

seldom gets the girl. His sardonic narration is also a hoot as are the guest appearances by future stars such as James Woods, Lindsay Waggoner and Paul-Michael Glaser.

Next week look for the sci-fi clone opus "The Island" and Billy Bob Thornton in a remake of "The Bad News Bears."

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23	TBS	(3:20) *** "The Bodyguard" (1992) [Stereo]	News	NBC Nightly News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	*** "Legally Blonde" (2001, Comedy) Reese Witherspoon, Luke Wilson.	*** "It's a Wonderful Life" (1946, Fantasy) James Stewart, Donna Reed. (In Stereo) [Stereo]	News	*** "Mr. Deeds" (2002, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Winona Ryder.	*** "Blast From the Past" (1999) Brendan Fraser.						
3	NBC	(4:00) Ice 2005 (N) (In Stereo)	News	NBC Nightly News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	*** "Legally Blonde" (2001, Comedy) Reese Witherspoon, Luke Wilson.	*** "It's a Wonderful Life" (1946, Fantasy) James Stewart, Donna Reed. (In Stereo) [Stereo]	News	*** "Mr. Deeds" (2002, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Winona Ryder.	*** "Blast From the Past" (1999) Brendan Fraser.						
4	PBS	Inside Ky. Schl. Bookclub at KET	The Lawrence Walk Show "Hooray for Hollywood"	Roadshow FYI	The Red Green Show	Kentucky Afield	Kentucky Life	Nature "Can Animals Predict Disaster?" (In Stereo)	Austin City Limits (In Stereo)	Independent Lens "Maid in America" (In Stereo)							
5	ABC	(3:00) PGA Golf: Target World Challenge - Third Round	News	ABC World News Tonight	Paid Program	The Insider (Live)	Funnest Home Videos	*** "Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas" (2000, Fantasy) Jim Carrey, Jeffrey Tambor. (In Stereo)	News	24 "10:00 AM - 11:00 AM" (In Stereo)	Da Vinci's Inquest						
15	WGN	(3:00) College Basketball	College Basketball: John R. Wooden Classic - Nevada vs. UCLA. (Live)	Farscape "The Blood Runs Clear" (In Stereo)	Ice Wars Battle of the Sexes (N) (In Stereo)	Cops "Coast to Coast" (In Stereo)	Cops "Coast to Coast" (In Stereo)	America's Most Wanted: America Fights Back (N) [Stereo]	Special Report: Tsunamis on American Shores	Sex and the City	Becker "City Lights" (1996)	Home Improvement	Stargate SG-1 "New Order" (Part 2 of 2) (In Stereo)	News	Mad TV (N) (In Stereo)	Alias "The Box" (Part 1 of 2)	
16	CBS	(3:45) College Basketball: Indiana vs. Kentucky. (Live)	News	CBS Evening News	The King of Queens	Kentucky Auto Report	Cops "Coast to Coast" (In Stereo)	Cops "Coast to Coast" (In Stereo)	America's Most Wanted: America Fights Back (N) [Stereo]	Special Report: Tsunamis on American Shores	Sex and the City	Becker "City Lights" (1996)	Home Improvement	Stargate SG-1 "New Order" (Part 2 of 2) (In Stereo)	News	Mad TV (N) (In Stereo)	Alias "The Box" (Part 1 of 2)
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14	ESPN	College Football: NCAA Div. II Champ. - Teams TBA	SportsCenter (Live)	Heisman Trophy	Noah's Ark: The True Story	CodeBreakers (2005, Docudrama) Scott Glenn.	SportsCenter (Live)	Heisman Trophy	Noah's Ark: The True Story	CodeBreakers (2005, Docudrama) Scott Glenn.	SportsCenter (Live)	Heisman Trophy	Noah's Ark: The True Story	CodeBreakers (2005, Docudrama) Scott Glenn.	SportsCenter (Live)	Heisman Trophy	Noah's Ark: The True Story
10	TNT	Back-Future II **** "The Wizard of Oz" (1939, Fantasy) Judy Garland, Frank Morgan. (In Stereo)	Investigative Reports	City Confidential (N)	Cold Case Files	Amer. Justice: Palm Beach	Investigative Reports	City Confidential (N)	Cold Case Files	Amer. Justice: Palm Beach	Investigative Reports	City Confidential (N)	Cold Case Files	Amer. Justice: Palm Beach	Investigative Reports	City Confidential (N)	Cold Case Files
8	A&E	MovieReal "Synana"	Investigative Reports	City Confidential (N)	Cold Case Files	Amer. Justice: Palm Beach	Investigative Reports	City Confidential (N)	Cold Case Files	Amer. Justice: Palm Beach	Investigative Reports	City Confidential (N)	Cold Case Files	Amer. Justice: Palm Beach	Investigative Reports	City Confidential (N)	Cold Case Files
9	NIN	UFC Unleashed (In Stereo)	Ultimate Knockouts 3	Ultimate Knockouts 2 (N)	Ultimate Knockouts	Spike TV's Video Game Awards 2005 (N) (In Stereo)	After Bash	Spike TV's Video Game Awards 2005	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince
12	NICK	Nicktoons TV (Nicktoons TV)	Nicktoons TV (Nicktoons TV)	Opponents	SpongeBob	Ned's School "Drake & Josh"	All That	Amanda	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince
17	USA	The Dead Zone "A Very Dead Zone Christmas"	Monk "Mr. Monk and the Secret Santa"	*** "Bruce Almighty" (2003, Comedy) Jim Carrey, Morgan Freeman.	*** "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" (2001, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint.	*** "Steel Magnolias" (1989, Comedy-Drama) Sally Field, Dolly Parton.	Rodeo: Wrangler National Finals - Ninth Round. (Live)	Rodeo: Wrangler National Finals - Ninth Round. (Live)	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.
20	FAM	(4:30) *** "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" (2001, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint.	*** "Steel Magnolias" (1989, Comedy-Drama) Sally Field, Dolly Parton.	Rodeo: Wrangler National Finals - Ninth Round. (Live)	Rodeo: Wrangler National Finals - Ninth Round. (Live)	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.
24	LIFE	"Secret Lives" (2005, Suspense) Daphne Zuniga.	*** "Eight Legged Freaks" (2002, Science Fiction) David Arquette, Karl Lumbly. (In Stereo) PG-13	Curb-Enthusm "King Kong"	Six Feet Under (In Stereo)	Entourage	Entourage	Inside the NFL (In Stereo)	*** "FearDotCom" (2002) R. Kelly.	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell
27	ESPN2	College Basketball: Alabama at Temple. (Live)	College Basketball: Michigan State vs. Wichita State. (Live)	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.	College Soccer: NCAA Cup Semifinal - Teams TBA.
7	AMC	(4:00) *** "G.I. Blues" (1960, Comedy) Elvis Presley, Julie Prowse.	*** "Blue Hawaii" (1962, Musical) Elvis Presley, Barbara Belfrage.	Double Take	Small Space	First Place	reDesign	Design-Dime	Design-Dime	City Gardener	Trading Up	Double Take	Small Space	Double Take	Small Space	Double Take	Small Space
18	HGTV	White House Christmas 2005	Debbie Travis' Facelift	Get Color	House	Double Take	Small Space	First Place	reDesign	Design-Dime	Design-Dime	City Gardener	Trading Up	Double Take	Small Space	Double Take	Small Space
19	SCIFI	*** "Snakehead Terror" (2004, Horror) Bruce Campbell, Robert Rodriguez.	*** "Resident Evil" (2002, Horror) Milla Jovovich.	Save Our History (N)	Save Our History (N)	Trail adv	Rifleman	Circle	Outdoor	Newave Motorsports	Season	Turkey	Turkey	Turkey	Turkey	Turkey	Turkey
41	HIST	Boys' Toys	Black Pharaohs, Golden War	Modern Marvels	Save Our History (N)	Trail adv	Rifleman	Circle	Outdoor	Newave Motorsports	Season	Turkey	Turkey	Turkey	Turkey	Turkey	Turkey
33	TOC	Ride to Adv. "Sling Sense"	Fitz Outdoors	Birdhunter	Outdoor	Hunting 201	Final App	NW Hunter	Trail adv	Rifleman	Circle	Outdoor	Newave Motorsports	Season	Turkey	Turkey	Turkey
14	HBO	(4:30) *** "Murder at 1600" (1997, Suspense) Wesley Snipes, Diane Lane. (In Stereo) PG	*** "Terms of Endearment" (1983, Drama) Shirley MacLaine, Debra Winger. (In Stereo) PG	Curb-Enthusm "King Kong"	Six Feet Under (In Stereo)	Entourage	Entourage	Inside the NFL (In Stereo)	*** "FearDotCom" (2002) R. Kelly.	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell
15	HBO2	*** "Yesterday" (2004, Drama) Laila Khamala, NR	Costas NOW (In Stereo)	Curb-Enthusm "King Kong"	Six Feet Under (In Stereo)	Entourage	Entourage	Inside the NFL (In Stereo)	*** "FearDotCom" (2002) R. Kelly.	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell
16	HBO3	*** "Murder at 1600" (1997, Suspense) Wesley Snipes, Diane Lane. (In Stereo) PG	*** "Terms of Endearment" (1983, Drama) Shirley MacLaine, Debra Winger. (In Stereo) PG	Curb-Enthusm "King Kong"	Six Feet Under (In Stereo)	Entourage	Entourage	Inside the NFL (In Stereo)	*** "FearDotCom" (2002) R. Kelly.	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell	Sexual Intell
17	MAX	(4:05) *** "Welcome to Moscaport" (2004) PG-13	*** "Slips" (1993, Drama) Tom Berenger, Laurie LaFurie. (In Stereo) R	*** "The Matrix Revolutions" (2003, Science Fiction) Keanu Reeves, Laurence Fishburne. (In Stereo) R	*** "The Ultimate Christmas Present" (2000, Comedy) Halle Berry, Brenda Song. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG
28	DISN	Even Stevens	Lizzie McGuire	Sister, Sister	Phil of the Future	Suite Life of Zack & Cody	That's So Raven	*** "The Ultimate Christmas Present" (2000, Comedy) Halle Berry, Brenda Song. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Simpsons Present" (2000, Comedy) Matt Groening, Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG
22	SHOW	(4:15) *** "My Giant" (1998, Comedy-Drama) Billy Crystal.	*** "Timeline" (2003, Fantasy) Paul Walker, Francois Perrier. (In Stereo) PG	*** "The Stickup" (2001, Crime Drama) James Spader, Leslie Stefanson. (In Stereo)	*** "The Hole" (2001, Suspense) Thora Birch, Desmond Harrington. (In Stereo)	*** "The Hole" (2001, Suspense) Thora Birch, Desmond Harrington. (In Stereo)	*** "The Hole" (2001, Suspense) Thora Birch, Desmond Harrington. (In Stereo)	*** "The Hole" (2001, Suspense) Thora Birch, Desmond Harrington. (In Stereo)									

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ASSEMBLY OF GOD

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

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

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

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

BAPTIST

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Endicott Freewill Baptist, Buffalo; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Hobert Meek, Pastor.

Faith Bible Church, an independent Baptist Church, located on

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Lackey Freewill Baptist, Lackey; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Merle Little, Minister.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Huesville; Worship Service, 2nd & 4th Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Pastor, Allen Chaffins, phone 946-2123.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

CHURCH OF GOD

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

EPISCOPAL

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

LUTHERAN

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

METHODIST

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

PRESBYTERIAN

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

First Presbyterian, North Lake Drive; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. Rev. Mike Chamberlin, interim pastor.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

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

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

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

OTHER

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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The Kentucky Nurses Association argued that the change would hurt patient care because a 12-hour shift schedule provides patients with 12 hours of care from two nurses, whereas an eight hour schedule shift schedule provides patients with 8 hours of care from three nurses.

The nurses associations suggested in November that ARH agree to an expedited arbitration process, but ARH would not accept the offer.

Now, both sides have agreed to allow an arbitrator to determine if ARH should honor the previous 36-hour-per-week contract (which was initially signed in 2001 and reaffirmed in 2004) for its nurses.

The terms of arbitrator's decision will be confidential, officials said.

Man faces numerous charges after alleged weekend rampage

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

WEEKSBURY — A Weeksbury man was arrested Wednesday after the sheriff's department served three warrants against him for violent behavior that included allegations that he threatened neighbors, attacked their vehicles and, in one instance, tried to set fire to his grandmother's house.

Matthew Lee Johnson, 19, was arraigned on charges stemming from three separate complaints on Thursday and ordered to be held on a \$30,000 or 10 percent bond.

The first case involved Johnson allegedly breaking the lights and windshield on a vehicle belonging to a Wheelwright man on Dec. 2. Johnson was charged with two counts of criminal mischief in the matter, which also finds him accused of

destroying two doors and four windows of the affiant's home on the following day.

The second case also entailed damage allegedly done on Dec. 2 and 3. In that case he is accused of threatening to kill a Weeksbury resident and throwing objects at his car. On Dec. 3, Johnson allegedly tried to hit the same victim with a baseball bat and has received charges of terroristic threatening, criminal mischief and menacing in that case.

The third set of charges pertain to yet another Dec. 3 incident which found Johnson charged with assault and criminal mischief for allegedly hitting his grandmother with a stick and then breaking several windows of her Weeksbury home before trying to set fire to her residence.

Johnson has been ordered to have no contact with any of the alleged victims.

Chamber, Tourism hold open house

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce and the Prestonsburg Convention & Visitors Bureau joined forces Tuesday evening to co-host a holiday open house at their offices Tuesday evening. Fred James, director of tourism, and Mandy Stumbo, Chamber executive director, were both on hand to greet guests and welcome area artists, craftsmen and authors to the after-hours social affair.

Trish Cieslak, owner, The Perfect Setting, provided catering for the affair and set opulent tables filled with appetizers, desserts and holiday drinks. "I just love having the opportunity to cater these types of events," Cieslak said. "I like having a part in making people happy."

Among the artists present to offer their wares for sale were "woodwhacker" Jim Hall, of Hardy, who hand carves and paints whimsical characters from Kentucky and West Virginia basswood. Among the characters on display Tuesday were Daniel Boone, Mark Twain, Santa Claus and a variety of politicians, soldiers, coal miners, and career professionals. Hall's figures may be purchased at David Appalachian Crafts, in David.

Sister Ruth Ann Iwanski was on hand as a representative of the David crafts center, displaying, in addition to Hall's wood-carved figures, beautifully hand-designed and crafted vintage jewelry pieces by "Pattiwacks" artist Patti Rogers, of Pikeville.



Robert Rennick, left, retired college professor, spoke with Tourism Director Fred James about an historical research project he is currently working on. Rennick is researching the roots of local place names.

photo by
Kathy J. Prater

"We were just thrilled to discover Patti's work," Iwanski said. "Everything she does is just so original. We love having her work in our store."

Artwork by local artist Lewis Newman was also on display. Among the pieces several hand-painted gourds, Christmas ornaments and pen-and-ink drawings.

Sister Judy Yunker also manned a nearby booth displaying some of her hand crafted wooden jewelry pieces, along with a few light-hearted holiday figures. The work of Newman, Yunker and Rogers may all also be purchased through David Appalachian Crafts.

Dean Hill, of Paintsville,

author of photographic essay "The Spirit of Appalachian Kentucky," was present to chat with visitors about growing up as a young "explorer" of Eastern Kentucky's ridgeways and hollows, as well as his recent travels to Southeast Asia. Hill's book has been nominated for the 2004 South East Booksellers Association's nonfiction award. His work is currently on display, throughout the month of December, in the Mountain Arts Center art gallery.

Another local author, Billy R. Maynard, of Harold, attended the event and talked with visitors about his book of poetry and short stories, "Take the Road to Somewhere" and his

upcoming new release "Interview With an Angel: Dameon's Revelation." "You'll find that most of my writing has an underlying theme of good versus evil," Maynard said. "I like to highlight the importance of making the right choices in life. So much depends on the choices we make," he said.

The works of these artists, along with those of several other area artists and craftsmen, may be purchased at the Prestonsburg Convention & Visitors Bureau, located at 119 South Central Avenue, in Prestonsburg. You may also call Misha Curnutte at 886-1341 (or toll-free at 1-800-844-4704) for more information.

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■ District 2 constable: Mike D. Goodman.

■ District 3 magistrate Clinis Hall, of Drift, Russell Warren Jarrell, of Printer, Marietta Adams, of Drift, Jason Moore, of McDowell, and Donny Daniels, of Melvin.

■ District 3 constable: Paul Younce, of Melvin.

■ District 4 magistrate: Nicholas J. Martin and Paul David Tackett, both of Teaberry, Arnold Bob McKinney and Ronnie Akers, both of Harold,

B.J. Newsome, of Betsy Layne, Charolette Frasure, of Grethel, Tim Hamilton, of Stanville, and Cola Ray Akers, of Harold

■ District 4 constable: John Kidd, of Harold, Mona Case, of Betsy Layne, Logan Tucker, of Beaver, Vernie Bradley, of Banner, and Allred "Junebug" Newsome, of Grethel.

■ County judge-executive: R.D. "Doc" Marshall, of Allen, and former Judge-Executive Ben Hale, of Blue River.

■ Prestonsburg mayor:

Mayor Jerry Fannin, of Prestonsburg.

■ Floyd County sheriff: Dalton Conley, of Garrett, Sheriff John K. Blackburn, deputy jailer Damon Newsome, and former Prestonsburg city council member Eunice Shepherd, of Prestonsburg.

■ Floyd County circuit court clerk: Circuit Clerk Douglas Ray Hall.

■ Floyd County property valuation administrator: Connie Hancock.

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importance of hand washing in fighting germs. They provided a blacklight machine with which parents could study their hands, with the aid of a gel, before and after they washed, which helped parents see how pervasive germs are. Lynn Hall and Kay Ross of Big Sandy Community and Technical College were on hand to talk about the various opportunities in the area for getting a GED.

Psychologist Ken Epperson

was on hand to explore how parents can best manage their child's behavior and screened a video highlighting techniques used to reward good behavior while exploring how one can accidentally reward bad behavior. Teresa Scott, a Floyd County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Science, was also scheduled to speak about the Extension sanctioned programs and highlighted the Homemakers program which

gets together monthly to hear from experts on such diverse topics as Home Safety, planning for funerals, and eating healthier foods.

Hicks observed that there are many challenges out there for parents and seminars like these offer area parents an opportunity to gain vital skills and perceptions in order to feel more prepared for the challenges which are incumbent upon parents.

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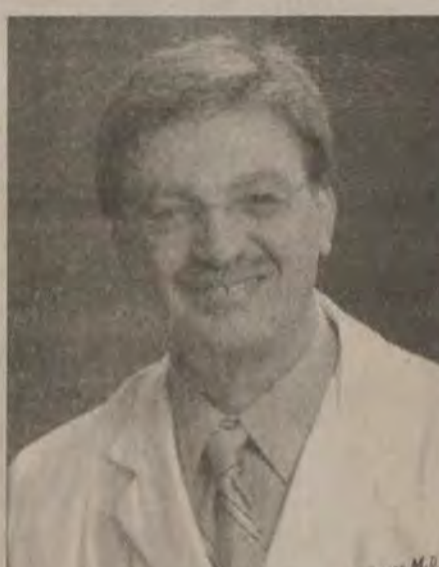

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Appalachia has less, pays more for water, sewer systems

by JENNIFER BUNDY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — Appalachian residents have less access to public water and sewer systems and spend more for it than other Americans, according to an Appalachian Regional Commission report presented to a West Virginia infrastructure council on Wednesday.

Straight-piping — where sewage goes directly into a stream — is still a problem in remote areas, and some towns that have treatment systems can't afford to operate them up to standards, said researcher Jeff Hughes.

Because headwaters of the Eastern United States' major rivers are all in Appalachia, "whatever happens to Appalachian waters has major consequences for the nation as a whole," said the report by the University of North Carolina Environmental Science Center. The ARC hired the center to study infrastructure in its 13-state region.

The region's hard rock topography makes it more difficult and expensive to lay and repair water and sewer pipes or install septic systems. Steep slopes require more and larger pumps, said Hughes, director of the center and author of the report.

Because of the expense, Appalachian residents spend a higher portion of their incomes on water and sewer bills, Hughes said.

West Virginia's system of distributing government money for water and sewer projects could be a model for other states, Hughes said.

"The level of service a lot of communities are getting through investments from the infrastructure council is quite high and it's impressive," Hughes said in a telephone interview Tuesday, a day before he presented his report to the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council.

The West Virginia

Legislature created the council in 1994 to oversee \$300 million in bonds issued to fund and coordinate infrastructure projects. The council has leveraged that and about another \$300 million from other sources to spend more than \$2.5 billion on 575 water and sewer and 100 economic development projects, said council executive director Katy Mallory.

Because of the council, "In West Virginia the model has been 'We'll come and provide a 25 percent or 15 percent state grant or a low interest loan and you have to pay it back,' and the project has gotten done," Hughes said.

In other states, communities want a 100 percent grant "and the projects are not getting done," Hughes said.

West Virginia residents also benefit from West Virginia-American Water, Hughes said. Few other Appalachian areas have such a large, private water company.

The company has a network of eight large, cost-efficient water treatment plants that serve more than 50 communities. Its rates are regulated by the West Virginia Public Service Commission, which allows it to collect a rate of return on capital investment.

While regionalization works in West Virginia and Kentucky,

it might not work in other states because they don't have the government structure or geography to support it, Hughes said.

The report found that of the 23 million people living in Appalachia:

■ About 74 percent are served by community water systems, compared to the 85 percent of the nation. Wells remain the primary source of water in some regions, especially mountainous areas.

■ About 33 percent are served by small and medium-sized water systems, compared to 20 percent of the nation. Smaller systems are more expensive to operate.

■ About 18 percent of their community water systems rely on surface water sources, compared to 11 percent of the nation. Those systems have higher capital and operating costs than systems that treat groundwater.

■ About 52 percent are served by public sewer systems, compared to 75 percent of U.S. households in 1990, the most recent census data on that topic.

Hughes' written report was completed in July and previously was presented in Washington, D.C., to a joint meeting of the Appalachian Regional Commission, the Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Narnia

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unnerving as "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire," which received a PG-13 rating.

The movie ends on a thoughtful note of whimsy, although the filmmakers toss in two stylistically inappropriate songs by Alanis Morissette and Tim Finn over the closing cred-

its, along with an unnecessary, unsatisfying epilogue after the initial cast credits that should have been relegated to the deleted scenes on the DVD.

Of course, the epilogue hints of more to come in the land of Narnia, so fans are not likely to complain.

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Paintsville leads Class A, 4-8 team

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE – Hard work paid off for the Paintsville High School football team throughout the 2005 season. Paintsville won Class A, Region 4, District 8 and when it came time to name an All-District team, Paintsville had a strong presence.

The Tigers had seven players named All-District and 10 others honorable mention.

Paintsville's Daniel Pugh, Wes Ward, Hans Doderor, T.J. Freno, Johnny Porter, Andrew Brown and Jeff Collett were each

named to the All-District team.

Honorable mention selections from Paintsville were Matt Hicks, Kevin Williams, Matt Blevins, Matt Crisp, Adam Smyth, Adam Cummings, Stuart Lipps, Blake Lemaster, Shane Cantrell and Kyle Sublett.

The Tigers (10-3) finished just one game short of a region title, falling to Somerset in the regional championship game.

Hazard quarterback Durrell Olinger, one of the state's top prep signal-callers, was named District MVP. Justin Wallace (Hazard) and Weston Robinson (Pikeville) shared the District Specialist of the Year award.

District runner-up Pikeville had five All-District honorees. The All-District squad also included four Hazard players, three Phelps players and two each from Jenkins, South Floyd and Allen Central.

A breakdown of the other Class A, Region 4, District 8 honorees follows.

ALL-DISTRICT: PIKEVILLE – Will Lockhart; Tim Champlin; Weston Robinson; John Michael Mayo; Ryan Maynard. HAZARD – Chucky Osteen; Matt Turner; Preston Smith; Jimmy Miller. PHELPS –

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file photo by Steve LeMaster
Senior quarterback/defensive back Ryan Johnson was one of two South Floyd players named All-District.

Basketball season: Show your true colors

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

We've reached the second weekend of high school basketball season, and

from the conversations I've had with you through the years, that should bring a smile to a lot of faces.

I talk sports with a lot of you in stores, in parking lots, on the radio and

here in this newspaper. I always enjoy it. I'm a very blessed young man.

I was at a high school football game a few weeks ago when a gentleman approached me, stuck out his hand and said, "Rick, do you mind if I disagree with something you wrote not too long ago?"

Honest to goodness, I was thrilled. For one, it meant he read my column. Now, he didn't agree with it, but that's ok too. I don't ask you to drink the Kool-Aid. I just want you to read.

It also meant he had put some thought into it. When I came back to column writing about eight years ago, I said I felt like my goal should be to provoke some sort of emotion in you. If you invest your time each week seeing what I have to say, I should reward you for it. When he asked me that question, part of me felt like I'd done my job.

Finally, I was pleased because I've been on the receiving end of many one-sided telephone calls through the years. These calls come from people who don't like something I've said, so they called to yell at me. They didn't want to give me their name, just a piece of their mind.

If you want to discuss something with someone, I've always felt as if you should do it the way Mr. Bob Shurtleff did that night. We had a pleasant conversation where he made some good points. In the end, we shook hands and

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photo by Steve LeMaster
Ryan Collins led Allen Central with a team-best 22 points in its loss to Pike County Central. Collins also hit three three-point field goals in the game against the Hawks.

Rebels fall late to Pike Central

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN – After trailing for much of the game, Allen Central played some of its best basketball late Tuesday evening against Pike Central. But the Hawks wouldn't be denied. Pike Central scored with just a couple of seconds remaining and escaped J.E. Campbell Arena with an 80-79 win.

Brad Lowe led Pike Central with a game-high 34 points. David Hess followed with 22 points for the Hawks. Brad Ratliff was a third player in double figures for Pike Central, finishing with 11 points.

Pike Central led 40-36 at half-time and and out in front by four points at the start of the fourth peri-

od. The Hawks took a 21-18 lead out of the first quarter.

Allen Central, which had dropped its opener on the road at Knott County Central one week earlier, trailed by double digits in the second half before mounting the comeback. The Rebels, despite the hard-fought effort, fell to 0-2.

"Our boys play hard – and they play together," said Allen Central head coach Johnny Martin. "This is a good group that just needs to learn how to win."

Ryan Collins led Allen Central with 22 points. Four different Rebels scored 11 or more points in the setback. Justin Jacobs tossed in 13 points while Nick Music and Josh Prater each had 11.

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Lady Dores slam Allen Central

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HAZARD – Host Perry County Central went ahead early on Monday evening and never looked back. The Lady Commodores, playing host to Allen Central, led at the end of every quarter en route to a commanding 83-52 win over the Lady Rebels.

Junior forward Kristen Madden led Perry Central with a game-high 38 points. Madden was one of three Perry County Central players to reach double figures. Heather Sturdivant, a sophomore guard, added 16 points for the Lady Commodores while senior Lindsey King chipped in 11.

Perry Central nearly doubled up Allen Central in the opening period. The Lady Commodores led 21-11 at the end of the first quarter. Perry Central took a 39-26 lead into halftime and outscored the Lady Rebels in both the third and fourth periods.

Sara Johnson and Amanda Thacker each had 11 points for the Lady Rebels, giving Allen Central two players in dou-

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Seven Blackcats named All-District

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BELFRY – The Class 2A, Region 4, District 8 All-District Football Team was announced earlier this week. This year's All-District football team includes seven Prestonsburg Blackcats. Prestonsburg players named all-district were seniors Brandon Peters, Brenton Hamilton, Zach Ousley and Darrick Williams and juniors Lincoln Stone, Wes Woods and Tyler Lane.

The Belfry High School football team capped a third straight regional championship season by claiming coach of the year and player of the year honors. Legendary Belfry High head mentor Philip Haywood was named Coach of the Year. Belfry senior Matt Maynard, also one of the 15th Region's top basketball players, took the Player of the Year award.

Belfry All-District honorees included Aaron Chapman, Justin Gooslin, Chad Steele, Richard Harris, Dustin May, Tommy Church, Cory Chapman, Derek McCoy and Bobby Burton.

A breakdown of other first-team honorees and a complete listing of honorable

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Bobcats hosting Rebels in district/conference opener

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE – The 58th District/Floyd County Conference basketball scene will liven back up tonight when Betsy Layne hosts Allen Central in a doubleheader that'll feature the boys' and girls' basketball teams from both schools.

Two teams while walk away with their first victories of the 2005-06 season as four teams will hit the hardwood tonight winless.

Betsy Layne, the pick of some to win the 58th District boys' championship, lost its third straight game Tuesday evening, failing on the road at Johnson Central. Magoffin County handed the Bobcats a loss in their season-opener back on Nov. 29. Before traveling to Johnson Central, Betsy Layne played Letcher County Central in

the Shelby Valley Tip-Off Classic. The Cougars were able to hold off Betsy Layne and win 58-56.

The Allen Central boys (0-2) fell by a single shot Tuesday, losing to visiting Pike County Central. The Rebels dropped their first game of the season on the road at Knott County Central Nov. 29.

In last year's series between the Betsy Layne and Allen Central boys' basketball teams, the Bobcats took both regular-season meetings.

The Allen Central girls are 0-4 while the Betsy Layne Ladycats (0-3) also continue to search for their first win of the season.

Paintsville defeated Betsy Layne 54-54 Tuesday evening. The Ladycats, defending 15th Region champs, suffered a couple of losses last week in the Queen of the Mountains Tournament at Perry County Central High School.

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"Legendary athlete, coach, and fan."

photo by Steve LeMaster
The scorer's table at Allen Central High School has been named in honor of Roy S. Martin, who passed away earlier this year. On Saturday, ACHS will host the first annual Roy S. Martin Classic.

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walked away. I had a lot of respect for him that night, and I hope he felt the same for me.

The same thing came up in Wednesday's edition of the Appalachian News-Express when some of my friends read a letter to the editor where someone took umbrage with my column on trying to make my way through Wal-Mart. I was asked a couple of times if it upset me, made me mad or whatever.

I told them all no, it didn't bother me one bit. I'd expressed my opinion, and so had the writer. She's entitled, to her opinion, same as I am. Again, I moved her to the point that she wanted to respond. I'm proud of her for doing so.

This happens to me countless times a day in my own office. Bill Watson came to me on Wednesday afternoon and said he'd gotten an email from Jason Dannelly, the person who runs the Web sites covering NAA sports exclusively. He said he needed some columnists to help with basketball.

It happened that I'd gotten

the same email and checked it out. Later in the day, I told Bill I'd read it. "He doesn't want me though," I said. "He said he was looking for basketball fans."

I've mentioned here more than once that while I don't hate basketball - one of Coach Watson's favorite in-game sayings - it's not the greatest love of my life. Personally, I love baseball, and I love football.

But many of you - most, beyond the shadow of a doubt - do. You tell me all the time. Basketball, now there's your sport. Indeed, it's the favorite sport of our region. If Kentucky is a basketball state - and truly, it is - the heart that gives it life lies in the mountains of Eastern Kentucky.

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So now, I'm asking you to prove it. Gymnasiums are open across our region where our young

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men and women are putting their skills on display. Junior high schools, high schools and your local college have games going on all the time. I'm sure you can probably find a schedule somewhere in this very same publication.

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Paintsville

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Russell Johnson; Cody Salyer; Robert Gannon. JENKINS - Jake Johnson; Chris Puckett. SOUTH FLOYD - Justin Slone; Ryan Johnson. ALLEN CENTRAL - Robbie Vanderpool; Gordon Lafferty.

HONORABLE MENTION: PIKEVILLE - Chase Huff-

man; Daniel Harmon; Matt Sexton; Tyler Carter; Ted Honaker; Ryan Shurtleff; Casey Rowe; Tim Honaker; Jacob Sword; Max Pafunda. HAZARD - Will Gayhart; Jerome Blanton; Justin Wallace; Aaron Hall. PHELPS - Justin McCoy; Charlie Hunt; Drew Hester.

JENKINS - Matt Fleming; Jonathan Taylor; Aaron Adams; Wesley Bryant; Mark White; Craig Potter. SOUTH FLOYD - Ryan Little; T.J. Hall; Kyle Hall; Anthony Barker; Ethan Johnson. ALLEN CENTRAL - Roy Pryor; Ramon Spurlock; Matt Crabtree; Justin Brown.

Dores

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ble figures. Alanna Cline scored eight points for Allen Central while Amanda Mills flipped in seven and Mara Bilitier six.

Each team featured eight different scorers. Perry Central finished on a strong note, outscoring Allen Central 26-15 in the fourth quarter.

Perry Central improved to 4-0 while Allen Central dropped to 0-4.

ALLEN CENTRAL (0-4) - M. Bilitier 6, Mills 7, Johnson 11, Cline 8, Dingus 5, Thacker 11, K. Bilitier 2, Brown 2.

PERRY CO. CENTRAL (4-0) - Holland 3, King 11, Feltner 9, Sturdivant 16, Madden 38, Smith 2, Strong 2, Kilburn 2.

Allen Central.....11 15 11 15-52
Perry Co. Central.....21 18 18 26-83

Blackcats

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mention selections follows.

ALL-DISTRICT: SHELTON CLARK - Jon Wells; Jon Allen; Josh Schmidt; Danny Hinkle; James Maynard; Adam Dials; Daniel Harless; B.J. Slone. SHELBY VALLEY - John Johnson; John McPeck; Adam J. Ratliff; Josh Damron; Adam L. Ratliff; Zack Mullins. PIKE CENTRAL - Gordon Varney; Chadd Blackburn; Quirvon Merchant; Daniel

Coleman; Corey Mullins. EAST RIDGE - Steven Thacker; David Ratliff; Michael Slone; Brandon Vanover. MAGOFFIN COUNTY: Brandon Shepherd; Bradley Wireman.

HONORABLE MENTION: BELFRY - Jordan Phillips; Ronnie Edwards; Matt Dotson; Will Sutherland; Devon Kohari. SHELDON CLARK - Damen Hensley; Sam Schmidt; Ryan

Kelly; Shawn Johnson; Donald Moore. PRESTONSBURG - David Shaffer; Tyler Hamilton; Sam Chaffin; Seth Moore; Cody Crider. SHELBY VALLEY - Larry May, Tyler Cable. PIKE CENTRAL - Justin Campbell; Tyler Hamilton; Joe Nichols; Joey Buckley; Ryan Palazzolo. EAST RIDGE - Travis Bartley; Brad Branham; Larry Bennett; Caleb Epling. MAGOFFIN COUNTY - Michael Wright.

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Tip-off for the girls' basketball game is set for 6 p.m. The boys' game is slated for a 7:30 start time.

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Boys' Allen Cent. at Betsy Layne, 7:30 p.m.



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Collins and Music each connected on three three-point field goals for host Allen Central. Three of the seven three-pointers came in the fourth quarter.

As a team, the Rebels knocked down seven three-pointers. Allen Central was 12-of-23 from the free throw line.

Pike Central dialed up a successful long distance connection on five three-pointers with Lowe making four from beyond the arc. The Hawks were 20-of-32 from the free throw line.

In a balanced scoring effort for Allen Central, Tyler Slone

scored seven points, Josh Martin six, Farley Joseph five and Josh Bailey four.

Allen Central will start 58th District play tonight at Betsy Layne. Phelps will also be in action, hosting Phelps in a 60th District matchup. Tip-off for both games is set for 7:30 p.m.

Betsy Layne boys, girls fall

TIMES STAFF REPORT added 12 points for the Bobcats. every quarter except the third.

At Paintsville Tuesday, visiting Betsy Layne rallied, but couldn't overcome an early deficit and defeat Johnson Central. The host Golden Eagles, which led 36-28 at the half, got 23 points from Kyle Rice and pulled out the win, 64-52.

Johnson Central outscored Betsy Layne in three of the game's four quarters.

Ryan Fannin flipped in 12 points and pulled down 11 rebounds for the Golden Eagles while Jamie McCarty added 11.

Senior forward Brandon Kidd led Betsy Layne with 29 points and 12 rebounds - both game-high totals. Brandon Thacker

Paintsville 54, Betsy Layne 44

The Betsy Layne girls, playing at home, came up short against visiting Paintsville. The Lady Tigers maintained a lead at the end of every period and beat host Betsy Layne 54-44.

Chelsea Jarrell led the Paintsville attack with a game-high 15 points. Laura Carroll added 12 points and Kendra Carroll 12 for the Lady Tigers.

Betsy Layne (0-3) outscored Paintsville 11-4 in the opening quarter and led 26-17 when the first half ended. The Lady Tigers outscored Betsy Layne in

Megan Hamilton led Betsy Layne with 12 points. Kaitlin Lawson tossed in 11 points for Betsy Layne while Candice Meade and Whitney Tackett had nine apiece.

Nicole Spurlock rounded out the Ladycat scoring with three points.

In all, seven different Lady Tigers (3-0) contributed points. Logan VanHoose scored six points while Candy Blair had four. Jesikah Russell and Katie Adams scored two apiece for the Lady Tigers.

Paintsville was a perfect eight-of-eight from the free throw line. The Ladycats hit seven-of-12 attempts from the charity stripe.



photo by Jamie Howell

Senior Nick McGuire led Prestonsburg in scoring in its win over Magoffin County. McGuire finished with a team-best 16 points.

Blackcats take opener over Magoffin

TIMES STAFF REPORT

SALYERSVILLE - The Prestonsburg High School boys' basketball team got its season started on a winning note Tuesday night, beating host Magoffin County 57-51.

Prestonsburg's third quarter performance decided the game. Magoffin County doubled up Prestonsburg in the first quarter, leading 12-6 at the end of the opening period. The game went into halftime deadlocked at 22-22.

The Blackcats came out and played better in the second half, outscoring Magoffin County

23-15 in the third quarter.

Nick McGuire led Prestonsburg with 16 points, Sean Leslie followed with 16 points for the Blackcats.

Michael Stephens scored eight points and Lewis Barnett added six for the Blackcats.

Jordan Hall came in off of the Blackcat bench and added five points for Prestonsburg (0-1).

Tyler Mullins flipped in four points for Prestonsburg while Brooks Herrick and Lincoln Slone scored two each.

Eric Arnett led Magoffin County with a game-high 17 points. Arnett was the only

Magoffin County player to reach double figures in the scoring category. Wes Helton had nine points and Devin Rice seven for the Hornets.

In other Magoffin County scoring, Clay Fletcher had four points while Brandon Shepherd, Tyler Hunley, Nathan Arnett and Phillip Francis tossed in three each. Shane Prater added two markers for the Hornets.

Prestonsburg ended the game 18-of-35 from the free throw line.

Magoffin County hit 17-of-25 free tosses. Each team had 37 rebounds.

State board committee punts separation debate back to KHSAA

by MURRAY EVANS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — The debate about a proposed separation of public and private high schools for postseason competition needs to be resolved by the Kentucky High School Athletic Association, members of a state Board of Education committee said during a meeting Wednesday.

The board's management committee told KHSAA Commissioner Brigid DeVries to bring parties together from both sides "to work toward a solution with which both sides can live" and to use a mediator, if necessary, to do so.

If those measures don't work, committee members said, the KHSAA could bring the issue back before the state Board of Education, but they expressed a strong preference that that not happen.

"We can make the decision," committee member David Tachau said, "but you all are closer to this."

"Our focus is much more on mature educational issues. We have a disagreeable habit of focusing on what is important for kids. I have a real problem with the way these proposals do not appear to be all that concerned with the kids."

The committee presented DeVries with a letter that details its requests of the KHSAA. The committee will ask the full board Thursday to approve sending the letter.

The letter said the board "expects the KHSAA to have resolved this issue" prior to the board's next meeting on Feb. 1-2.

"I think it's incumbent upon the leaders in this area, and it's incumbent upon the association and its staff, to compel the members of your association to attend and participate in any type of efforts to resolve this thing, and the sooner the better," committee member Jeffrey Mando told DeVries. "Everyone is certainly up to date on the issues. There apparently was some momentum (toward a compromise). I encourage you not to lose that."

DeVries said after the meeting that the committee's message about association members reaching a compromise "was loud and clear."

Asked if the timetable presented by the committee was realistic, DeVries said, "We'll just have to get into it and see. We're just going to make every effort to get some language together."

She said that KHSAA staff members already had thought about using mediation to help

reach a solution to the issue.

"We've used mediators before. I like that process," she said.

On Oct. 20, KHSAA member schools voted 195-78 in favor of splitting postseason play. But the next day, the KHSAA's Board of Control voted 9-7 against giving a positive recommendation to what has become known as Proposal 20.

Under the proposal, the Sweet 16 basketball tournaments would no longer be for all comers. Kentucky is one of only three states to still offer one-class state basketball tournaments. Hawaii and Delaware are the others.

If the state school board approves the proposal in the future, it still would require legislative approval. And at any point, the proposal could face a court challenge.

Proponents say the proposal will address competitive inequities caused by the fact that private schools can bring in students without consideration of geographic boundaries. Opponents argue that private schools are being unfairly targeted because of misinformation and unproven rumors of recruiting.

Of the 282 KHSAA member schools, 48 are private or non-public. Of the 31 state championships offered during

the 2004-05 school year by the KHSAA, 17 were won by private schools.

This school year, three of the four football titles and the volleyball title have been won by private schools.

The state's five largest private schools — Trinity, St. Xavier, Assumption and Sacred Heart of Louisville and Lexington Catholic — have offered to establish enrollment boundaries and make other concessions.

But those schools also want to continue to be able to draw students from traditional feeder schools located beyond a proposed 20-mile radius from their

schools.

Complicating the issue is another proposal, approved by the delegate assembly and endorsed by the Board of Control, that would ban out-of-state students from competing for a Kentucky school. Opponents of what is known as Proposal 3 say it could potentially wreck athletic programs of smaller private schools, and perhaps even some public schools, located near Kentucky's borders with other states.

But there's still room for compromise, said Leisa Speer, the superintendent of schools for the Archdiocese of Louisville, who attended the

meeting Wednesday.

"I really do think that these are areas that we need to have discussions about," Speer said. "They're complicated, they're complex, but I think a compromise can be reached. I'm very pleased the state board has recognized that and is giving the association the time to continue these discussions."

DeVries echoed that optimism.

"There's a lot of discussion around the state about it," she said. "It's a complex issue, but I think we have a distinct opportunity and obligation to try to work it out."

Garrett finishes runner-up in Northside tourney

TIMES STAFF REPORT

GARRETT — The Garrett Christian Academy Warriors participated in the 18th annual Northside Invitational Tournament in Louisville Dec. 1-2. Others teams in the tournament included Boeke Road Baptist Academy (Evansville, Ind.); Faith Baptist Academy (Magnolia); Genesee Christian Academy (Radcliff); Heartland Christian School (Elizabethtown); Indiana Wesleyan (Booneville, Ind.); King's Way Baptist School (Douglasville, Ga.); Nelson County Christian School (Bardstown); North Hardin Christian School (Louisville); Suburban Christian School (Indianapolis); Western Kentucky (Auburn) and Zion's Hill (Linton, Ind.).

Garrett ultimately posted a 3-1 record in the tournament, falling to King's Way in the championship game. A breakdown of Garrett's tournament games follows.

Garrett 90, Faith Baptist 57: Garrett got balanced scoring with six players in double figures and posted the easy win over Faith Baptist. Jordan Gar-

nett paced Garrett with a team-best 19 points. Peter Youmans followed with 18 points while Brian Vanderpool and Robbie Vanderpool finished with 17 and 16, respectively.

Kyle Green tossed in 14 points while Matthew Potter added 13.

Garrett 98, Western Kentucky 73: In its second tournament game, Garrett went into halftime trailing, but pulled things together in the second half. Western Kentucky led 43-41 at halftime before falling in the second half. Garrett battled back to win, 98-73.

Kyle Green and Jordan Garnett led Garrett with 26 points apiece. Peter Youmans added 14 points for the Warriors while Robbie Vanderpool and Brian Vanderpool finished with 12 and 10 points respectively.

In another balanced scoring effort, Matthew Potter pushed in eight points and Ethan Brace added two. Potter scored his eight points before exiting the contest with a dislocated finger.

Garrett 69, Indiana Wesleyan 60: For a second straight game, Garrett trailed at half-

time before battling back for a win. Indiana Wesleyan led 24-23 at halftime before Garrett pulled away and won 69-60.

The two teams excited the third quarter tied, 40-40.

Garrett hit a perfect 12-of-12 from the free throw line in the fourth period.

Matthew Potter paced Garrett with a team-best 17 points. Brian Vanderpool followed with 16 points for the Warriors. Jordan Garnett scored 12 points while Kyle Green and Robbie Vanderpool each had 10 points.

King's Way 75, Garrett 59: After taking a 32-31 lead into halftime, King's Way pulled away in the championship game.

Kyle Green led Garrett Christian with 18 points. Jordan Garnett added 13 points for Garrett and Matthew Potter had the team's only double-double with 12 points and 13 rebounds.

In other scoring, Brian Vanderpool scored eight points, Robbie Vanderpool five and Peter Youmans three.

Green and Garnett were each named to the all-tournament team.

CNB awards 59 MVP awards for '05 football season

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PAINTSVILLE — Another great season of Big Sandy regional high school football recently concluded. Citizens National Bank management and employees ask local sports fans to join them in congratulating the 59 outstanding players in four counties who have been selected as CNB Most Valuable Players (MVPs) for the 2005 high school football season.

During the season, a total of 59 MVP awards were announced. At the end of the regular schedule, based on their performances throughout the season, four All County MVPs and one All Big Sandy MVP were selected. CNB and its radio station partners WSIP, WQHY, WKLV and WRLV announce the following players who were named CNB All County MVPs:

Floyd County — Brandon Peters (Prestonsburg High School)

Johnson County — Ron Blume (Johnson Central High School)

Magoffin County — Brandon Shepherd (Magoffin County High School)

Pike County — John McPeck (Shelby Valley High School)

Blume is the 2005 All Big Sandy Football MVP for a second straight year.

In the name of all 2005 football MVPs, Citizens National Bank donated more than \$4,300 to the general education scholarship fund at high schools in each county where CNB has branches. This is the fourth football season CNB has sponsored this football and education rewards program. Founded by CNB in 2002, it recognizes local football and basketball high school athletes by donating money to general education scholarship funds for outstanding athletic performances.

"Citizens National Bank is proud of the 37 athletes who

have performed well on the field. We are more pleased to be able to donate funds in the name of these athletes to students who are excelling in the classroom," said CNB President and CEO Dennis T. Dorton. "Every aspect of a child's education is a valuable learning tool for preparing him or her for the future. We want to do what we are able to make these educational opportunities available to Big Sandy students."

The 2005-06 high school basketball season is underway and Citizens National Bank is looking forward to another season of action-packed basketball.



photo by Jamie Howell

During Tuesday's high school basketball game at Magoffin County, Citizens National Bank honored players who had won MVP game honors during the season. Prestonsburg honorees pictured are Team MVP Brandon Peters, Zach Ousley, Cody Crider, David Shaffer, Lincoln Slone, Tyler Hamilton, Brenton Hamilton, Tyler Layne and Bobby Hughes.



photos by Steve LeMaster

Above: Allen Central High head coach Johnny Martin looked on during the second half of Tuesday's home game against Pike County Central.

Below: The Rebel defense had the challenge of defending high-scoring Pike Central forward Brad Lowe (not pictured).



HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL SCOREBOARD

(Tuesday's scores)

BOYS' BASKETBALL

Barbourville 76, Williamsburg 25
Boyle Co. 60, Rockcastle Co. 45
Bracken Co. 62, Fleming Co. 49
Cawood 68, Corbin 65, OT
Clay Co. 74, Oneida Baptist 58
Cordia 72, Breathitt Co. 52
Harlan 51, Cumberland 49, OT
Harrison Co. 86, Nicholas Co. 31
Hazard 52, Shelby Valley 42
Jackson City 77, Powell Co. 64
Knott Co. Central 98, Wolfe Co. 58
Lee Co. 57, Estill Co. 54
Mason Co. 66, Bourbon Co. 63
McCreary Central 59, Garrard Co. 39
Montgomery Co. 58, Menifee Co. 50
Monticello 64, Wayne Co. 44
North Laurel 64, Madison Southern 57
Perry Co. Central 73, Owsley Co. 62
Phelps 76, Hurley, Va. 52
Pike Co. Central 80, Allen Central 79
Pineville 60, Everts 51
Prestonsburg 57, Magoffin Co. 51
Pulaski Co. 60, Casey Co. 57
South Laurel 101, Whitley Co. 39

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Casey Co. 58, Pulaski Co. 56
East Ridge 44, Phelps 43
Knox Central 67, Jackson Co. 54
Owsley Co. 51, Jackson City 29
Paintsville 54, Betsy Layne 44
Pineville 37, Everts 33
Whitley Co. 54, South Laurel 45
EKC Tournament
East Carter 55, Rowan Co. 26
West Carter 71, Lewis Co. 27

Lady Blackcats handle Pikeville

Four P'burg girls reach double figures in 67-48 win

by JAMIE HOWELL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Give Prestonsburg High head coach Jack Pack one or two seasons in order to mold his team into a region contender and one is sure to see results. After opening the season with losses to Paintsville and Leslie County, Pack and his Lady Blackcats traveled to Pikeville Monday to tangle with the Lady Panthers and coach Cindy Halbert. Prestonsburg had failed to attack the basket in the opening week of the season but on Monday that changed in a big way. Prestonsburg returns three starters from last season in Meaghan Slone, Darcey Hicks and Amber Whitaker and the trio would come up big on Monday in a 67-48 win over host Pikeville.

Hicks led the Lady Blackcats in scoring with 19 points followed by Slone with 18.

Prestonsburg jumped out to an early 11-2 lead and was never

threatened. Not only did Prestonsburg shoot well from the field, but the Lady Blackcat defense forced Pikeville into 17 turnovers in the first half alone.

Slone, a junior guard, followed up Saturday's six three-point field goal effort with 18 points on the night. Prestonsburg led 19-12 after one quarter and extended the lead to 40-22 at the half. Last season, Prestonsburg failed to protect second half lead in several different games but on Monday the Lady Blackcats not only held on to the lead but managed to extend the lead in the second half. Prestonsburg would outscore Pikeville 22-4 in the third quarter to take a 62-26 lead into the final stanza.

Amber Whitaker continued to play well, finishing with 13 points and seven rebounds while Brittany Collins came off the Prestonsburg bench to contribute 10 points. Pam Slone added four points for the winning team.

Nikki Bradley entered the game late and picked up two points. Freshman guard Linsey Fields rounded out the scoring for Prestonsburg with one point.

Prestonsburg's next opponent will be the Allen Central Lady Rebels Dec. 13.

The Lady Blackcats will travel to Berea Dec. 17 for the Berea Invitational Tournament. Prestonsburg could be considered the favorite in the 58th District this season with both Betsy Layne and Allen Central suffering the loss of several key players to graduation.



photo by Jamie Howell

Pam Slone headed back up the floor for the Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats.

Palmer, Bengals at their best in no-huddle

by JOE KAY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — The pass is caught, the receiver is tackled, the ball is spotted by the official.

A moment later, the rest of the offense arrives, jogging to the line to set up before the defense can make a substitution or catch its breath.

The quarterback settles behind the center and studies the defense for clues to what is coming next. Then he backs away from the center, walks from lineman to lineman calling a play, makes a few arm gestures to the receivers, then settles in to take the snap.

Peyton Manning? Not in this case. The more he plays, the more Carson Palmer looks like a striped version of Manning. A dozen games into his second season as Cincinnati's starter, Palmer's statistics are almost identical to those of the Indianapolis Colts' record-setting passer.

And Palmer is calling more plays at the line of scrimmage — much like Manning — in the

Bengals' evolving no-huddle offense, one that has a familiar feel to it.

"They are similar to Indy," said Browns coach Romeo Crennel, who has faced both of them this season.

The one in Cincinnati is only now reaching its potential behind a quarterback who is on the verge of setting an assortment of records.

Palmer leads the league in accuracy (completing 68.7 percent) and touchdown passes (26), and is second to Manning with a passer rating of 106.6. He's had a passer rating over 100 in 11 games this season, tying Manning, Steve Young and Kurt Warner for the NFL record. There's more.

His 26 touchdown passes are three shy of Ken Anderson's club record. He's on pace to become the first quarterback in Bengals history to throw for 4,000 yards — no, Boomer Esiason never did it.

"He's gotten good," receiver Chad Johnson said Wednesday. "He's gotten real good, man. I'm

sure he's in his own comfort zone as far as the play-calling and making the throws he needs to make.

"The sky's the limit for him and for our offense because the better he gets, the better we get as a group."

Last year, Johnson and Palmer drove to Indianapolis to watch Manning and the Colts work their no-huddle offense and pick up some pointers. In the last three games, the Bengals decided to turn Palmer loose and let him do something similar.

The result: 117 points, eight touchdown passes and a passer rating of 107.6 against three respected defenses — Indianapolis, Baltimore and Pittsburgh. Those defenses couldn't substitute or get in a comfort zone.

"I love it," Palmer said Wednesday. "It's just playing football. You go up to the line of scrimmage and play backyard football."

Their no-huddle isn't as advanced as what the Colts run — this is, after all, Palmer's first time doing it — but it's getting similar results. And the Bengals are starting to get comfortable

using it the bulk of the time.

"Years ago, I think all of the offensive linemen hated it," right tackle Willie Anderson said. "It made us speed up our normal thinking process. We all love it now."

"It keeps the (defensive) linemen in the game, and no defensive lineman is equipped to play every snap. If you get a guy playing 20 more snaps than he's used to playing, it's going to wear him out."

The concern was whether Palmer could handle a break-neck offense in only his second season as a starter. His teammates are amazed at how quickly he picks things up.

"Coming into the season, I really thought we might have a learning curve with Carson," Anderson said. "But you come out and he's thrown 12 touchdowns in the first four weeks of the season and I'm like, 'Can he keep that up?' He's keeping that up."

It's not all Palmer, of course. He's got a top-shelf array of receivers, a 1,000-yard rusher and an experienced offensive line that has stayed intact. But when the pace gets frenetic and the huddle gets abandoned, it's all on Palmer.

"He knows where everybody should be," coach Marvin Lewis said. "He's in command of that. He has a good understanding of that."

"As I keep saying, those guys on offense don't want to disappoint him because they know what a high level he's playing at."

Notes: Lewis confirmed that former Browns quarterback Tim Couch worked out for the Bengals on Tuesday, but declined to say anything more about it. Backup QB Jon Kitna is a free agent after this season. Couch, the top pick in the 1999 draft, had shoulder surgery in February and is out of football. ... Rookie kickoff returner Tab Perry was chosen AFC Special

Teams Player of the Week. He had returns of 94 and 46 yards in a 38-31 win over Pittsburgh.

This Week's NFL Schedule

Sunday's Games
Oakland at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.
Houston at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
Chicago at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
New England at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
St. Louis at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Carolina, 1 p.m.
San Francisco at Seattle, 4:05 p.m.
Washington at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Philadelphia, 4:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Dallas, 4:15 p.m.
Miami at San Diego, 4:15 p.m.
Baltimore at Denver, 4:15 p.m.
Detroit at Green Bay, 8:30 p.m.
Monday's Game
New Orleans at Atlanta, 9 p.m.

Reds agree to deal Casey to Pittsburgh for Williams

by ALAN ROBINSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PITTSBURGH — The Cincinnati Reds reached a preliminary agreement Tuesday night to trade first baseman Sean Casey to the Pittsburgh Pirates for left-hander Dave Williams, a deal that addresses each team's biggest need.

The deal is subject to players passing physicals, an official on a team involved in the trade said, speaking on condition of anonymity because the swap had not been finalized.

Casey, a three-time All-Star and career .305 hitter who is among the most popular players on the Reds, batted .312 last year with nine homers and 58 RBIs. A year earlier, he matched his career high of 99 RBIs and hit 24 homers, one shy of his best.

The 31-year-old Casey was acquired by Cincinnati from Cleveland in March 1998. He is owed \$8.5 million next season and the Reds may pick up part of the contract, the official said.

Having grown up in suburban Pittsburgh, Casey hit the first home run at PNC Park, an 8-2 Cincinnati win in April 2001. He went 4-for-4 with a two-run homer, two-run double and five RBIs in that game. He has 10 homers and 52 RBIs in 99 career games against Pittsburgh.

Coincidentally, Casey's 2005 season ended because of a concussion that occurred in a Sept. 16 game in PNC Park. As third baseman Edwin Encarnacion's throw pulled Casey off the bag at first, Humberto Cota's left elbow accidentally struck Casey in the face. Casey lay motionless for about 10

minutes before being taken off the field on a stretcher.

First base was a problem area as the Pirates lost 95 games and general manager Dave Littlefield called it his chief priority before the winter meetings began. Daryle Ward (.260, 12 homers, 63 RBIs) faded after a promising start, prompting the recall of 270-pound prospect Brad Eldred, who had 12 homers in 190 at-bats but struck out 77 times. He is expected to start the 2006 season in the minors.

Williams was 10-11 with a 4.41 ERA in 25 starts this year after not being assured of a spot in the rotation until the final week of spring training. He was drafted by the Pirates in 1998 and has a 17-26 record and 4.41 ERA in four major league seasons, missing more than half the 2002 season for shoulder surgery before spending the entire 2003 season in the minors.

Cardinals manager Tony La Russa is especially high on Williams, calling him one of the NL's best left-handed starters last season even though the 26-year-old has only 17 career victories.

Cincinnati is jammed in the outfield, with Ken Griffey Jr., Austin Kearns, Adam Dunn and Willy Mo Pena. By trading Casey, the Reds could move Dunn to first base.

Cincinnati also desperately needs pitching — the Reds were 15th among the 16 NL teams last season with a 5.19 ERA, ahead of only the Colorado Rockies (5.54).

Williams was considered expendable by the Pirates because of their surplus of left-handers. They expect to start

next season with four left-handed starters: 2005 rookies Zach Duke (8-2, 1.81 ERA) and Paul Maholm (3-1, 2.18 ERA), plus 2005 opening day starter Oliver Perez (7-5, 5.85 ERA) and veteran Mark Redman (5-15, 4.90). Also, left-hander Sean Burnett, a former first-round draft pick who won five in a row shortly after being called up in 2004, figures to return from elbow surgery early next season.

Casey, known as "The Mayor" in Cincinnati because of his outgoing personality and work in the community, had his jersey number retired by Upper St. Clair High School in suburban Pittsburgh several years ago. Williams' number was retired by the Pirates' Class A Williamsport farm club.

AP Baseball Writer Ronald Blum in Dallas contributed to this report.

Cruz stays with Reds

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DALLAS — Outfielder Jacob Cruz and the Cincinnati Reds agreed Wednesday to a minor league contract.

Cruz, who was invited to spring training, would get a \$625,000, one-year contract if he is added to the 40-man roster.

He batted .236 last season with four homers and 18 RBIs in 127 at-bats last season, his second with the Reds.

In another move, Cincinnati released left-hander Randy Keisler, who went 2-1 with a 6.27 ERA in four starts and 20 relief appearances.

Also, the Reds offered salary arbitration to second baseman Rich Aurilia. He has until Dec. 19 to accept and may re-sign through Jan. 8.

Kentucky Horse Park to host 2010 World Equestrian Games

by MURRAY EVANS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Even on the other side of the world, Kentucky's reputation as a center for horse culture and appreciation is well-known, Kentucky Horse Park executive director John Nicholson said.

That reputation apparently was key in the decision Tuesday by the International Equestrian Federation to award the 2010 World Equestrian Games to Lexington — the self-proclaimed "Horse Capital of the World" — and the Horse Park.

The federation awarded the games to the Kentucky Horse Park during a meeting in Manama, Bahrain. Lexington and Normandy, France, were the two finalists in the bidding. Freddy Serpieri, vice president of the Switzerland-based federation, announced that Lexington had won but said federation rules did not allow disclosure of how the nine-member board had voted.

It will be the first time the event will be held outside Europe.

"What we as Kentuckians know is so special now will be shared with the entire world," Nicholson said by phone during a news conference at the Horse Park.

"I think the feeling was that having the first non-European World Equestrian Games at a place like the Kentucky Horse Park would ensure the success of (those games). The reputation that the Kentucky Horse Park has, and also the reputation that Kentucky has, in terms of history, heritage, culture and our horse economy, as well as the very total support of the commonwealth and the governor of the commonwealth, I think all those factors blended together to ensure our success."

The World Equestrian Games, first held in 1990 in Stockholm, will be the largest sporting event ever to be held in Kentucky — larger even than the annual Kentucky Derby or the 1985 NCAA Final Four, which was played at Rupp Arena in Lexington.

Horse Park officials have projected attendance at more than 300,000 during a two-week period, with more than 800 athletes from more than 50 countries competing. Gov. Ernie Fletcher said the games would generate at least \$100 million in economic impact.

"This is going to have a bigger impact than I think we all know," said David O'Connor, president of the U.S. Equestrian Federation. "It's not just an impact on the state of Kentucky but on the industry of the horse world in the United States. That's a \$112 billion industry."

The operating budget for the games will be about \$33 million, Nicholson said. Fletcher said former state Commerce Secretary Jim Host will be the chairman of an organizing committee for the games.

Among the amenities planned for the Kentucky Horse Park in coming years are a 6,000-seat, 200,000-square-foot indoor covered arena and a 250- to 350-room hotel, Nicholson said. Fletcher pledged Tuesday to include \$35 million for construction of the covered arena in the 2006 state budget he'll propose to the General Assembly.

State Sen. Damon Thayer, R-Georgetown, said he thought that proposal would enjoy bipartisan support among legislators. A small portion of the 1,200-acre Horse Park extends into Scott County and thus is part of Thayer's district.

"The horse industry in Kentucky is not just about thoroughbreds," said Thayer, who's also an executive for the National Thoroughbred Racing Association. "It's about all of the breeds and all of the disciplines. We try to talk about the overall impact of all breeds in Kentucky, and this will help bring that into focus."

The World Equestrian Games include championships in seven disciplines — show jumping, dressage, eventing, driving, endurance, vaulting and reining.

"It's equivalent to bringing together the World Series, the NBA championship, Wimbledon, the Stanley Cup, Super

Bowl, the World Cup soccer tournament and the Daytona 500," Fletcher said.

Lexington was the runner-up in the bidding for the 2006 games, which will be held in Aachen, Germany, from Aug. 22 to Sept. 3. Nicholson said a delegation from Lexington will attend the games in Germany.

One attraction of holding the games at the Horse Park is that events in all seven disciplines can be conducted on the park's grounds, Nicholson said. The endurance event, which covers 100 miles, will need to use surrounding areas, but a good portion of it will be held at the park, he said.

"I have competed all over the world, and there is no park like the Kentucky Horse Park anywhere else," O'Connor said. "That really does bring a central theme, having all of the horse sports all within one place. This is going to be not just a celebration of what we can do here in Kentucky, but it's going to be a celebration of the horse."

"This is the best place to be able to have that. We've been saying that for years. It's just that the rest of the world has finally caught on."

Many equine organizations, including the U.S. Equestrian Federation, have their U.S. headquarters at the Kentucky Horse Park. The park annually hosts the Rolex Kentucky Three-Day Event, a major stop on the eventing circuit, and more than 60 other equine competitions.

Tuesday's announcement "demonstrated that there is a very real benefit to having organizations like the USEF headquartered at the Horse Park," Keeneland President Nick Nicholson said.

Kentucky's delegation to Bahrain included John Nicholson; Derrick Ramsey, deputy secretary of the state Commerce Cabinet; Rob Hinkle, the Kentucky Horse Park's director of operations; Tandy Patrick, chairwoman of the Kentucky Horse Park Foundation; and John Long, chief executive officer of the U.S. Equestrian Federation.

NASCAR agrees to eight-year television package with five networks

by JENNA FRYER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — When no one else wanted NASCAR on its networks, ESPN was thrilled to air everything it could as an eager partner in the grassroots effort to build stock car racing into a major sport.

But the sport outgrew ESPN, shutting the network out in 2001 after decades of coverage when NASCAR inked its first major television deal.

Six years later, the two will be reunited under a \$4.48 billion contract announced Wednesday that will divide NASCAR's 36-race schedule over five networks — including ESPN.

"To NASCAR, its drivers and fans we say, 'Welcome home,'" said George Bodenheimer, president of ABC/ESPN.

NASCAR agreed to eight-

awarded the annual all-star race to the Speed Channel in a complex deal that spreads the sport all over the television dial.

Although the actual races will have scheduling continuity, the remainder of the weekend programming — qualifying, practices and the Busch Series — will be on various channels in deals that run through the 2014 season.

"This is a major accomplishment for the NASCAR drivers, teams and track operators that have made this sport what it is today," chairman Brian France said. "The new broadcast partnership is also good for the fans, because they will have so much more NASCAR content from a variety of media and new media sources."

Marc Ganis, a sports marketer who heads Chicago's SportsCorp Ltd., dismissed a suggestion that the multitude of

"NASCAR is sufficiently attractive to audiences that they will look for where the races are from week to week," he said.

Under the new deal, Fox gets the Daytona 500 and the 12 races that follow, TNT gets a six-event stretch over the summer, and ABC/ESPN closes out the schedule with 17 races — including all 10 Chase for the championship events.

The deal marks a return to the sport for ABC/ESPN and the furthering of a long-term relationship for TNT.

ABC/ESPN had been shut out of the last TV contract, a six-year, \$2.8 billion deal that began in 2001 and split the schedule among Fox, NBC and the network's sister stations. When NBC declined to extend its contract with NASCAR, it opened the door for the networks, owned by The Walt Disney Co., to negotiate.

ing in the 1960s, and ESPN introduced flag-to-flag race telecasts in the 1980s. The network was NASCAR's leading carrier through the 1990s, but has not aired a race since 2000, when it lost the rights to NBC and Fox.

Disney worked hard to be included this time around, agreeing to pay about \$270 million a year to split the final 17 races on the schedule between ESPN and ABC.

"ABC Sports first exposed sports fans to the racing excitement of NASCAR in the 1960s, and ESPN and the sport grew up together in the 1980s and '90s," Bodenheimer said. "Our tradition is rich, and our future is bright."

ESPN's networks also will be home to the lower-tier Busch Series. While most of the Busch races will be on ESPN2, the deal calls for no less than three events to air on ABC.

Wednesday that Jerry Punch will be part of the broadcast team. Punch began covering motorsports on "ABC's Wide World of Sports" in 1987 and has been involved in the Indianapolis 500 coverage since 1989.

TNT, meanwhile, fought to continue a 22-year relationship with NASCAR. The network, in conjunction with NBC's part of the 2001 deal, has aired seven to eight races a season and wanted to remain involved despite NBC's withdrawal.

So TNT came up with about \$80 million a year for a stretch of six races in June and July. TNT was adamant that it wanted continuity in scheduling and a marquee event.

"We got both and we're thrilled," David Levy, president of Turner Sports, said of the network deal that includes the July 4 weekend Pepsi 400 at Daytona

schedule.

Fox, meanwhile, continues its run of scheduling the first portion of the season. The network extended its deal to pay about \$205 million per year for 13 races and the exhibition Budweiser Shootout.

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UK leads nation with three players on Academic All-America Team

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — The University of Kentucky leads the nation with three players — kicker Taylor Begley, offensive tackle Hayden Lane, and cornerback Antoine Huffman — elected to the Academic All-America Team sponsored by ESPN The Magazine and voted

on by the College Sports Information Directors of America.

Begley and Lane earned first-team honors while Huffman was a second-team selection. Three Academic All-America players in one year is a school record for Kentucky.

Begley has graduated already with a 3.82 grade-point average and a degree in electrical engi-

neering. He is working on his master's degree in electrical engineering and has a 4.0 GPA in graduate school. On the field, he ranks third in school history in total points (226), second in extra points made (118), and fourth in field goals made (36). He also set the school record for consecutive extra points made with 92.

Lane notched a 3.95 GPA

while completing his bachelor's degree, a double major in anthropology and classics (study of Latin and ancient history). He has begun master's work in history. He has started the last 23 consecutive games at offensive right tackle, the longest active streak on the team.

Huffman completed his bachelor's degree in telecommunications with a 3.45 grade-point average. He is working on his master's degree in mass communications. He set the Kentucky career record for pass breakups with 27 PBU during his years as a Wildcat.

To qualify for nomination for Academic All-America, a player must be a sophomore or higher in academic and athletic standing, be a starter or key reserve, and have a career grade-point average of 3.2 or higher.

Former Kentucky football coach dies

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WACO, Texas — John Goodner, who spent 21 seasons as an assistant coach at Baylor, Texas Tech and Kentucky, has died of a brain tumor. He was 61.

Goodner, of Frederick, Okla., died at a Waco hospital Monday, said Georgia Jackson of Jackson Funeral Home in Frederick.

Former Baylor coach Grant Teaff hired Goodner as linebackers coach in 1982, a position he held until the close of the 1992 season. He also served as Baylor's defensive coordinator in 1992.

Goodner then coached inside linebackers at Texas Tech from 1993 to 1999 under coach Spike

Dykes and was defensive coordinator for his final five seasons. Goodner also served as defensive coordinator at Kentucky for the 2001 and 2002 seasons.

He returned to Baylor as defensive coordinator and linebackers coach under coach Guy Morriss for the 2003 season, before retiring.

A native of Frederick, Goodner played college football at Southwestern Oklahoma State and then spent 14 years as a high school coach in Oklahoma and Texas, Baylor said in a statement.

His funeral is scheduled for 11 a.m. today at Jackson Funeral Home in Frederick.

He is survived by his wife, Karen, of Frederick, and a daughter, Kathi, of Hewitt, Texas.

Dumervil awarded Bronko Nagurski Trophy

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — University of Louisville senior defensive end Elvis Dumervil was named the 2005 Bronko Nagurski Trophy winner by The Football Writers Association of America and the Charlotte Touchdown Club tonight in a ceremony at the Westin Hotel in Charlotte, N.C. The



Elvis Dumervil

award is presented annually to college football's national defensive player of the year.

"Individual awards are nice, but I think a lot of credit goes to everybody on our defense, Coach Petrino and our defensive coaches, Montavious Stanley and Amobi Okoye and our other guys up front getting great pressure up the middle," Dumervil said after receiving the award in Charlotte.

This is the first national player of the year award and top individual defensive honor ever earned by a Louisville player. Past winners of the Bronko Nagurski Trophy include Derrick Johnson of Texas (2004), Derrick Strait of Oklahoma (2003), Terrell Suggs of Arizona State (2002), Roy Williams of Oklahoma (2001), Dan Morgan of Miami (2000), Corey Moore of Virginia Tech (1999), Champ Bailey of Georgia (1998), Charles Woodson of Michigan (1997),

Pat Fitzgerald of Northwestern (1995 and 1996), Warren Sapp of Miami (1994) and Rob Waldorf of Arizona (1993). Dumervil, a 6-0, 256-pound native of Miami, Fla., leads the nation in sacks (20) and tackles for loss (23) and set a new NCAA record for forced fumbles in a single season with 10. Dumervil opened the season in a record-setting

fashion as well setting a NCAA record for sacks in consecutive games with nine. Dumervil set an NCAA record for sacks in a single game with six against Kentucky on Sept. 4, and picked up half as many the following week against Oregon State to give him nine in two games. Pat Swilling of Georgia Tech held the old mark of eight in 1995.

The Cardinal defensive standout was selected over a talented group of finalists including Penn State senior end Tamba Hali (Teaneck, N.J.), Oregon junior tackle Haloti Ngata (Salt Lake City, Utah), Alabama senior linebacker DeMeco Ryans (Bessemer, Ala.) and Virginia Tech senior cornerback Jimmy Williams (Hampton, Va.).

Nagurski, in his day, was a massive 6-2, 225-pound physical specimen who dominated college football at Minnesota as a bruising fullback and tackle

from 1927-29. He could have been an All-American at any position playing 60 minutes at the best player wherever he lined up. In 1929, he was the first player to be selected as a consensus All-American in the same year at two different positions. Some even named him an All-American end.

Dumervil and the 15th-ranked Cards (9-2) return to the field on Jan. 2 in the Toyota Gator Bowl at Alltel Stadium in Jacksonville, Fla., against No. 12 Virginia Tech (10-2). Kickoff is set for 12:30 p.m. on NBC.

Wood earns Freshman All-America Accolades

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE — University of Louisville red-shirt freshman Eric Wood (Cincinnati, Ohio) was named a Rivals.com and collegefootballnews.com first team Freshman All-American and was also tabbed second team by the Sporting News. Wood has stepped in and started all 11 games at center.

Cornerback Rod Council (Charlotte, N.C.) and wide receiver Mario Urrutia (Fern Creek, Ky.) were named Honorable Mention honorees also by the Sporting News. Council has 45 tackles and one interception, while Urrutia has been one of big play receivers for the Cardinals, catching 31 passes for 702 yards and six touchdowns.

Williams, Feldman named All-America by The Sports Network

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Morehead State University senior defensive back Kwesi Williams (Louisville, Ky.) and freshman return specialist Nick Feldman (Oconto, Wis.) have been named First Team 2005 I-AA Mid-Major All-Americans by The Sports Network.

Williams was credited with

66 total tackles and had four interceptions.

Feldman averaged 19 yards per punt return and currently ranks first in NCAA Division I-AA in that statistical category with the I-AA playoffs still going on. He also averaged 25.2 yards per kickoff return.

A total of 13 players from the Pioneer Football League

were among the 27 student-athletes named to The Sports Network squad.

MSU finished the 2005 season with an 8-4 record and won its fourth consecutive PFL South Division Championship.

Of local interest: Prestonsburg High School graduate John Gilliam is the MSU defensive coordinator.

Deweese named head strength and conditioning coach at MSU

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — The Morehead State University athletic department has announced that Kevin Deweese has been selected as the new head strength and conditioning coach. He will be in charge of all aspects of the strength training and conditioning programs for MSU's 18-sport athletic department.

"We are excited that Kevin will be leading our strength and conditioning program. His experience working at the highest level of college athletics will be a valuable commodity as we strive to take our athletic teams to the next level. Having a solid strength program is a vital key to success, and I believe Kevin is the perfect choice for this position. He understands each sport's specific needs and will challenge each team to reach their ultimate potential both mentally and physically," said MSU Director of Athletics Brian Hutchinson.

"I am extremely pleased to join the Morehead State athletic family. I am looking forward to working with the coaches, trainers and administration, and I feel like working together, we can achieve our goals of winning conference championships," said Deweese. "I will work hard to give each sport and each athlete the time and effort needed to build a championship program. Being well-conditioned is a very important aspect of being a healthy and successful athlete, and I will see that every team at Morehead State is adequately prepared for competition."

Deweese formerly served as an assistant strength and conditioning coach at the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga. With the Mocs' athletic program, he has been in charge of several aspects of the overall program for all sports. He also has been instrumental in nutrition counseling for UTC's athletic teams.

Prior to UTC, Deweese served as an assistant in the

University of Kentucky strength and conditioning program for football from 2003-2005. He was in charge of several facets of the football strength program, including weight training, injury rehabilitation, pre-game preparation and nutrition counseling. In addition, he served as a strength and conditioning intern at UK from 2001-2003, where he directed all aspects of the baseball strength program.

Deweese began his professional training as an intern with the Houston Astros Professional Baseball Organization in 2001. He was directly in charge of the strength program for the Astros' minor league affiliates and designed an implemented in-season program. He also directed the in-season an off-season running programs.

A member of the National Strength and Conditioning Association, Deweese graduated from the University of Kentucky in 2004 with a bachelor's degree in kinesiology/exercise science.

ALC teams sweep Appalachian Bible

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIPPA PASSES — The Alice Lloyd College men's and women's basketball teams continued their winning ways Monday. Both squads won at home against their visiting counterparts from Appalachian Bible College.

In the women's game, Alice Lloyd got out to an early lead and never looked back. The Lady Eagles led 43-10 at halftime and cruised to a 95-20 win.

Kaylan Richardson led Alice Lloyd Lloyd with a game-high 16 points. Belicia Mullins added 10 points for the Lady Eagles, giving Alice Lloyd two players in double figures.

All 15 Lady Eagles scored. Taran Cody scored eight points while Betsy Layne High School graduate Whitney Lykens and

Johnson Central High School graduate Rhonda Adams added seven points apiece.

Cody also had a game-high 12 rebounds for the Lady Eagles.

Cassie Whitaker and Elisha Hall each had six points apiece for the Lady Eagles while Jamie Bonza scored five and Kristal Daniels, Chastity Fox and Kayla Bentley all had four each.

Amy Jackson, Keisha Johnson and Prestonsburg High School grad Abby Shaffer rounded out the Lady Eagle scoring with two points apiece.

The Lady Eagles won the rebounding battle, 51-33.

Tasha Marsceau led Appalachian Bible in scoring with eight points. Shaunette Howard pulled down a game-high 13 rebounds for the ABC women's team.

MEN'S BASKETBALL: ALC 92, ABC 68: After leading

51-31 at halftime, Alice Lloyd closed the deal with a quality second half.

Clay County product Rodney Mitchell came in off of the Eagle bench and led Alice Lloyd in scoring with a team-high 16 points. Shawn Newsome and Tim Parks both added 13 points for Alice Lloyd.

Jeremy Jackson pushed in eight points for Alice Lloyd (6-4) while Jeremy Daniels and Brent Prichard scored six apiece.

Alice Lloyd outrebounded Appalachian Bible 61-25.

Seven-footer Tyler Eisenman led Alice Lloyd in rebounding with 10 boards.

Four different Appalachian Bible players reached double figures in the scoring category. Jonathan Smith led Appalachian Bible with 18 points. Justin Arvon followed for the visiting team, scoring 17 points.



LOOKING AHEAD: Betsy Layne's Trail Witt got a pass off in Tuesday's road game against Johnson Central. The Bobcats will return to action tonight versus 58th District/Floyd County Conference rival Allen Central. Both Betsy Layne and Allen Central continue to search for their first win of the 2005-06 season.



DRIVEN TO WIN: Prestonsburg senior Michael Stephens went to the basket with an acrobatic move in the win over Magoffin County.

photo by Jamie Howell

No. 15 Kentucky 73, Georgia State 46

by CHARLES ODUM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA – After watching his team get the ball inside the paint only 12 times in a loss to North Carolina last weekend, Kentucky coach Tubby Smith promised that wouldn't happen again.



Shagari Alleyne

The No. 15 Wildcats delivered on Smith's pledge as backup center Shagari Alleyne scored a career-high 16 points as the Wildcats beat Georgia State 73-46 on Tuesday night despite playing without leading scorer Rajon Rondo.

"We finally threw the ball inside," Smith said. "We were bigger than the Panthers inside. We made a commitment to

throw the ball inside."

Rondo, a sophomore guard and the team leader in the major offensive categories, was held out with strep throat. He's expected to return for Kentucky's game at Indiana Saturday.

Kentucky still leaned on its guards for most of its scoring against the Panthers, but Alleyne scored 16 points and 10 rebounds, Smith was encouraged to see the breakout game from Alleyne.

"We were very pleased he was able to play the way he did tonight," Smith said. "He can be a real force inside because he is so long."

Without Rondo, who averages 14.7 points and 10 rebounds,

Smith abandoned his normal three-guard lineup and instead found success with Alleyne. The 7-foot-3 junior, whose previous career high was three points, was averaging only 8.2 minutes per game and had scored only seven points all season before taking advantage of the opportunity against the Panthers.

"I just let the game flow a little bit," Alleyne said. "Coach just said he wanted us to get as many easy baskets as we can, to get as close to the basket as we can."

Alleyne did not start the game, but started the second half. "I have the potential to play like that all the time," Alleyne said.

"We thought we would see a smaller team, a faster team," Georgia State coach Michael Perry said. "The game plan probably changed for both teams when (Smith) saw the production that he had."

Joe Crawford, who returned after missing three games with a hip pointer and a bone bruise on his knee, had 14 points. Ramel Bradley added 12 for Kentucky (6-2), which led by only six at halftime before pulling away with a 22-6 run to open the second half.

Patrick Sparks added 10 points – all in the second half – for Kentucky.

Freshman Rashad Chase led Georgia State (2-3) with a career-high 19 points.

Kentucky had two 11-0 runs in the first half after Georgia State scored the first 11 points. Smith subbed for Alleyne, who had three baskets and a blocked shot as the Wildcats answered with their own run.

After Georgia State took a 14-11 lead, a 3-pointer by Bobby Perry sparked another 11-0 run by Kentucky for a 22-14 lead. The Wildcats led 30-24 at half-

time and pushed the lead to 22 points at 52-30 on a 3-pointer by Ramel Bradley with 10:27 left.

Notes: C Lukasz Obrzut made his third start of the season for Kentucky – his first since the third game. ... Kentucky was the first of three Southeastern Conference opponents on Georgia State's December schedule. The Panthers will play Georgia Saturday at the Gwinnett Center in Duluth and will play at Alabama on Dec. 17. ... Kentucky beat Georgia State 77-59 last season in Lexington.

No. 15 KENTUCKY 73, GEORGIA ST. 46

KENTUCKY (6-2): Perry 2-4 0-0 5, Thomas 2-4 5-5 9, Obrzut 1-3 0-0 2, Moss 0-2 1-2 1, Sparks 4-7 0-0 10, Stockton 1-2 0-0 2, Bradley 5-9 0-0 12, LeMaster 0-0 0-0 0, Alleyne 6-8

4-4 16, Williams 0-0 0-0 0, Crawford 5-9 2-3 14, Sims 1-3 0-0 2, Carter 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 27-52 12-14 73.

GEORGIA ST. (2-3): Chase 8-13 2-4 19, Perique 2-5 2-6 6, Manier 3-8 0-0 6, Copeland 1-6 1-2 4, McGrew 0-3 0-0 0, Billingslea 3-6 0-1 6, Robinson 0-2 0-0 0, Dickerson 1-3 0-0 2, Favors 1-7 0-0 3. Totals 19-53 5-13 46.

Halftime—Kentucky 30-24. 3-Point Goals—Kentucky 7-16 (Bradley 2-2, Crawford 2-4, Sparks 2-5, Perry 1-2, Stockton 0-1, Moss 0-2), Georgia St. 3-17 (Copeland 1-3, Chase 1-3, Favors 1-4, Perique 0-1, McGrew 0-2, Manier 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Kentucky 45 (Bradley, Crawford, Thomas 7), Georgia St. 23 (Chase 5). Assists—Kentucky 15 (Bradley 5), Georgia St. 9 (McGrew 3). Total Fouls—Kentucky 17, Georgia St. 15. A-8,154.

No. 5 Louisville 53, Richmond 45

by WILL GRAVES
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE – Louisville coach Rick Pitino knows he'll have to get some help for senior guard Taquan Dean if the fifth-ranked Cardinals are to survive the schedule ahead.

Until then, it appears Dean is willing to carry the Cardinals as far as his will – and a steady dose of well-timed 3-pointers – can take them.

Dean's season-high 30 points allowed the Cardinals to escape the Colonial Classic with a 53-45 victory over Richmond on Monday night despite Louisville's third less-than stellar performance in as many nights.

"Last year, we had five or six guys in double figures. We don't have that right now," Pitino said. "We have so much room for improvement, it's scary."

The Cardinals (4-0) are thankful to have Dean, who scored 20 points in the second half to prevent the Spiders (4-3) from grabbing their 15th win over a Top 25 team in school history.

"I've been through the wars, I know what adversity is like,"

Dean said. "I don't yell at the guys, I just try to lead by example."

Against Richmond, he led by continually picking himself up off the Freedom Hall floor even as his miscues – seven turnovers, 14 missed shots – allowed the Spiders to take a 32-22 lead with 15 minutes to go.

"I knew we had to fight through it, I knew I had to make something happen, a great defensive stop or something on offense," Dean said.

He had to because his teammates couldn't. The eight other Louisville players who saw action against Richmond combined for 23 points on 8-of-22 shooting.

Sophomore center David Padgett, who played well during his first two games with the Cardinals, slogged through 30 mostly ineffective minutes, finishing with two points and three rebounds. Sophomore forward Juan Palacios managed six points and four rebounds in 24 minutes. Guard Brandon Jenkins shot just 1-of-6 and played poorly on defense.

To be fair, Padgett missed three weeks of practice with an injured left knee while Palacios

is still feeling the effects from a dislocated ankle. Palacios wasn't even supposed to be back until January, and Pitino has been careful not to play him too much.

"Once David and (Palacios) get going, it will be a lot easier for me," Dean said.

Replacing 60 percent of your scoring and almost 100 percent of your leadership – like the Cardinals are trying to do after the departure of stars Francisco Garcia, Ellis Myles and Larry O'Bannon – takes time.

Pitino isn't concerned right now with how his team wins, just as long as it wins. The Cardinals didn't overwhelm Prairie View, Arkansas State or Richmond during the Classic, but they didn't lose either.

"The thing I told them is, we have three victories, but (we can get better)," Pitino said. "(Padgett and Palacios) are nowhere near 100 percent. Brian Johnson is nowhere near 100 percent. They'll start practicing now, and we're only going to get better."

And there were little things in the second half against Richmond that leaves Pitino optimistic.

Freshman forward Terrence

No. 14 Michigan St. 77, No. 6 Boston College 70

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Spartans shot 77.3 percent (17-for-22) from the field in the second half and went 8-for-8 from the free-throw line during the final 1:07 after Boston College closed within 69-67 in the Jimmy V Classic at Madison Square Garden.

Maurice Ager had 17 of his 22 points in the second half, and Davis scored 14 of his 18 in the final 20 minutes as Michigan State (6-2) improved to 2-1 this season against teams ranked in the Top Ten.

Jared Dudley had 23 points for the Eagles (6-1) and Craig Smith scored 18,

only one in the final 12 1/2 minutes.

No. 10 Florida 87, Providence 77: Taurean Green scored 18 points and Florida (8-0) continued its best start since opening 10-0 in 1951-52. The game was a homecoming of sorts for Gators coach Billy Donovan, who starred on Rick Pitino's Providence team that reached the Final Four in 1987. Donovan was honored in a pregame ceremony, and drew a standing ovation.

Sharaud Curry scored all of his 20 points in the second half for Providence (3-3), which trailed by 19 early in the second half.

Williams had three steals, and freshman forward Chad Millard's putback gave the Cardinals the lead for good at 43-41. Guard Andre McGee fed Padgett for a layup to make it 49-45 in the final minute.

"It was a great victory against a team that outplayed us 80 or 90 percent of the game," Pitino said. "I thought we showed tremendous guts and heart down the stretch, making big plays."

Western Kentucky 84, Evansville 77

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOWLING GREEN – Anthony Winchester scored 29 points to lead Western Kentucky to an 84-77 victory over a stubborn Evansville team Tuesday night.

The Hilltoppers (5-1) led by as many as 12 points with 8:13 to play, but allowed the Purple Aces (2-3) to rally and take a brief 66-65 lead at the 5:24 mark, before coming back with a 19-6 run to close the game.

Evansville stayed in reach with help from Western Kentucky's struggling free-throw shooting. The Hilltoppers were just 23-of-41 (56 percent) from the line, including 15-of-31 (48 percent) in the second half.

Winchester became the 17th player in Western history to score 1,300 points in his career. He also passed Wayne Chapman for 17th place on the Hilltoppers' all-time scoring list with 1,303 points.

Courtney Lee, who finished 8-of-10 at the free-throw line, finished with 16 points for the Hilltoppers.

Kyle Anslinger led Evansville with 18 points, while Eric Ottens added 14, Bradley Strickland 13 and Jason Holsinger 12.

Kentucky women win big over NC A&T

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – Kentucky tied the NCAA record and set a new school record for blocks in a game with 19 as the Wildcats remained undefeated with a 71-40 victory over North Carolina A&T Tuesday in Memorial Coliseum. The Cats were led in blocks by sophomore center Sarah Elliott (McKee), who tied the school record with six to complement eight



Sarah Elliott

rebounds. Four other players also recorded multiple blocks, including Jennifer Humphrey (Memphis) and LaQwasha "Moe" Gamble (Winter Haven, Fla.) with three and Chante' Bowman (Detroit) and Jenn'e Jackson (Radcliff,) with two apiece.

Kentucky's 6-0 record is its best start since the Wildcats began 6-0 during the 1984-85 season. The Cats' 19 blocks set a new school record and tied the NCAA mark with New Orleans (vs. Western Kentucky on Feb. 13, 1999) and Texas Christian (vs. UAB on Jan. 16, 2005). The previous UK record was 11 vs. Winthrop (Jan. 3, 2000) and Kentucky State (Nov. 24, 1989). The Cats had already tied the school record for blocks with 11 by halftime.

The Wildcats used a tena-

ington) game-high 14 points on 4-of-9 shooting from the floor and a perfect 6-of-6 from the free-throw line.

Jackson and sophomore guard Samantha Mahoney (Detroit) each chipped in 10 points. Humphrey logged a game-high 10 rebounds and Bowman added nine boards. Freshman point guard Carly Ormerod (Louisville) dished out a career-high seven assists. UK held the Aggies to 23.3 percent shooting from the floor (17-of-73). It was the second time this season the Cats have held an opponent to under .300 percent. UK held Stetson to 18.0 percent shooting.

The Aggies hung around within five (24-19) with less than five minutes remaining in the half before junior Afton Perry (Fort Walton Beach, Fla.) came off the bench to spark the Cats with a rebound, a field goal and a block in less than a minute.

The Wildcats closed the first-half on a 12-2 run that included back-to-back baskets by Bow-

man and Mahoney. The Cats went into the locker room with a 36-21 advantage.

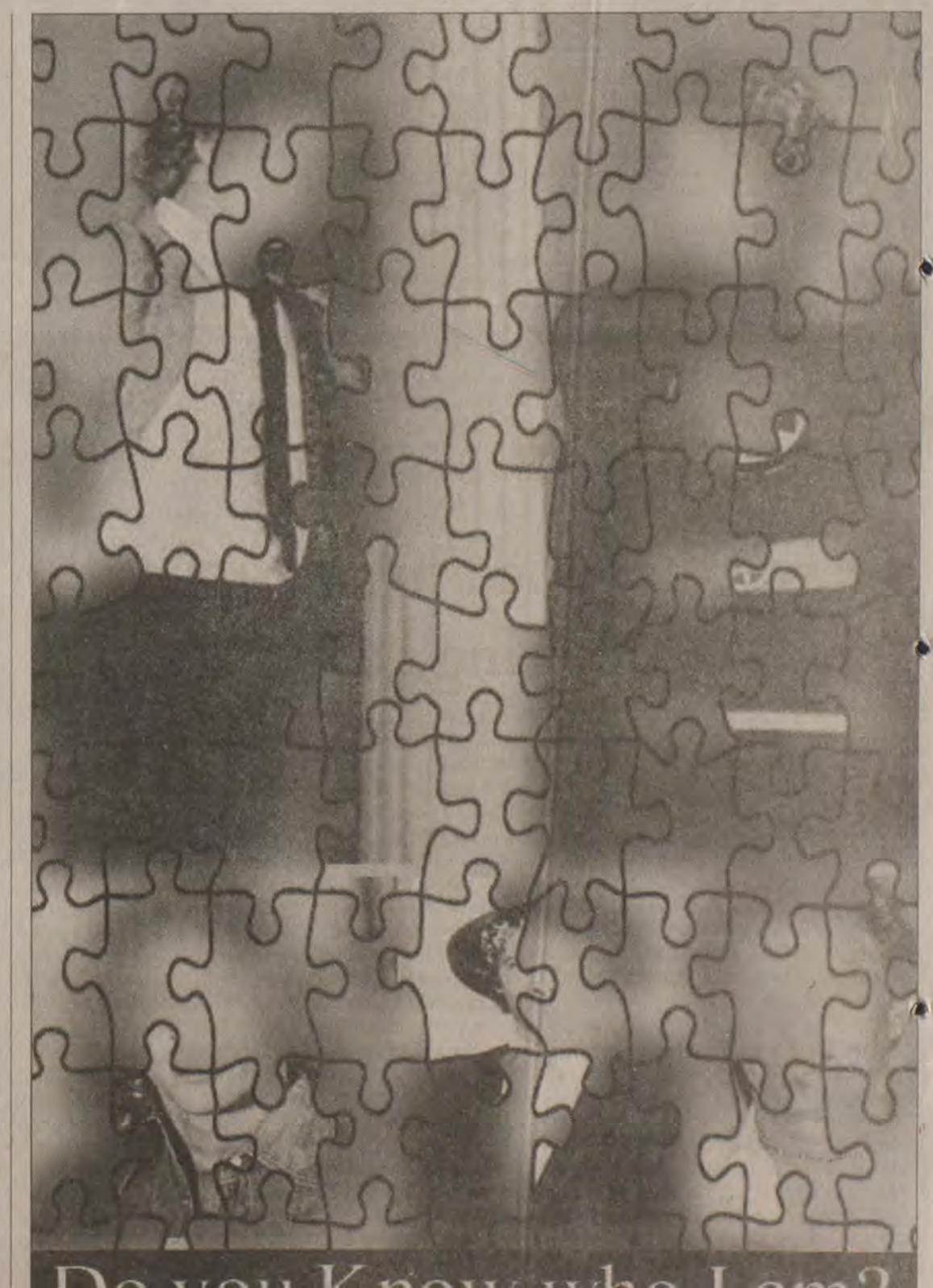
The Aggies (0-6) scored six consecutive points out of the break before the Cats again looked to their bench for an answer. Leading by seven, 36-29, UK went on a 13-0 run, capped off by a pair of baskets by Bowman to extend UK's lead to 49-29 with 11:12 remaining in the game. With a 61-40 lead, UK used a late 10-0 run to close the game with back-to-back layups by Alcuis.

Bianca Johnson led N.C. A&T with 12 points. Ahmad Williams and Shareka Glover followed with 11 and 10 points, respectively.

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THROUGH MY EYES

Cold hands, warm heart

by Kathy J. Prater
FEATURES EDITOR

Man, has it been cold lately or what? These deep freeze mornings make it pretty hard to get up and go, eh? Personally, I have always preferred cold weather. My allergies subside (some, anyway) and I can breathe better - at least when I'm outside. Once in, however, and dealing with second-hand smoke, perfumes and colognes, dust and the dreaded household products aisles at the grocery stores and Wal-Mart, I'm back to wheezing, sneezing and coughing all over again.

Oh, well, what's an allergy sufferer to do?

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◆ Hope you readers have been enjoying the Christmas features we've been placing in Lifestyles of late. Our Mr. Goble has been asking about the Christmas at Pippa Passes piece for the past two years - each year, I've forgot-

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POSTSCRIPT

A twisted Christmas

I was planning to write about smoking bans and Vietnam and patriotism and such, but a friend sent me this email and I couldn't resist. I don't know about you, but I needed the chuckle.

IMPORTANT NEWS FROM SANTA CLAUS

◆ I regret to inform you that, effective immediately, I will no longer serve the states of Georgia, Florida, North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Mississippi, Missouri, Texas, and Arkansas

Christmas Eve.

Due to the overwhelming current population of the earth, my contract was renegotiated by North American Fairies and Elves Local 209. As part of the new and better contract, I also get longer

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Christmas Holidays

by Dr. Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

Holidays! Ready or not, they are coming! It is well known that, thinking the holidays come around in less time each year, is a part of getting older. In reality, the holidays come whether or not all things are finished. Sometimes, there are the feelings of excitement and anticipation seen in the wide-eyed amazement of young

children. In contrast, there are the feelings of dread adults feel being responsible for "making" the holidays happen, with such things as shopping, cooking, and spending money; the goal is to not leave out anything that "must be done" to make everyone happy. Then, in the mist of it all, there are parents concerned about the values they are sustaining in their family. Where do you fit in these exhausting extremes? Do you enjoy yourself at the "jolliest time of the year" or has it turned into a "seasonal nightmare?"

Since adults and children alike are expected to experience various types of holiday stress and turmoil, there are also all types of techniques and approaches for coping with the many scenarios. Recently, I ran across one that seemed direct and made "good" sense. After all, spending a

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The basic idea was to be aware of what is going on about you, admit that you may likely experience these stressors and know how you will react to them. Of course, they typically are not the same for everyone. Another emphasis was on this being a complex time for many people. An example might be, instead of the idealistic picture of family members being together, eating, laughing, talking, and buying the exact gift that each other wanted, it is not unusual for it to be a group of related people, with some being seen once or twice a year, trying to "give off the glow of relax-

ation and pleasure."

An additional issue that often complicates the situation is grief. The losses can pertain to the death of a loved one since the last holiday. Sometimes there is a divorce in the family, so that the children are "having to take turns with the other family" and are absent from the traditional family circle for the first time. The breadwinner in the family might be experiencing grief and pain from having lost a job and feels overwhelmed with not seeing a way through it all. It is even more distressful, when family members expect the grieving person to "tighten the belt," add a "smiley face," and catch up with the beat of the holiday songs. The negative influence of our materialistic society adds more stress to the family

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The Swinging Sensations delighted all in attendance last weekend as they performed in the "Puttin' on the Giltz" talent and fashion show at the Maytown Lifetime Learning Center.



Ruby Halbert, 77, left, and Mary Jo Halbert, 80, are proof positive that "you're only as old as you feel." Both women are members of the Maytown community "Swinging Sensations" dance group.



The older ladies didn't grab the entire spotlight, as the young ladies pictured showed everyone how to "rock around the Christmas tree."

Spirited Sensations swing at Maytown Center

Article submitted
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"They never imagined they would be out in the public dancing at their age," dance instructor Charlotte Soder, 59, said.

They are called the "Swinging Sensations" and the "baby," Anne Conn, is 48.

Eight of the original 13-member dance team performed at the Maytown Community Center this past Saturday night during the center's second annual fashion show, kicking up their heels to "Five-Foot Two, Eyes of Blue,"

and strutting to a complicated number choreographed to "New York, New York," in front of over 130 dinner guests.

Starting in February, 2003, the women have since danced at Pikeville's Hillbilly Days Festival, Martin's Red, White, and Blue Festival, the Breaks Interstate Park, and numerous homecomings and nursing homes, Soder, who leads the group, said.

A native of Maytown, Soder had been away from the county living and traveling in Hawaii, California, Maryland, and Ohio for 40 years before returning in 1999 to care for her

sick father.

Heavily involved in fitness and community theater, Soder opened the "Progressive Fitness Center" in the old Maytown school, and started offering line-dance and aerobics classes. This is where she met the group of ladies who would later become the "Swinging Sensations."

Besides Soder and her assistant Conn, the original members of the group included Arvela Martin, 59, who retired to Florida but still

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THINGS TO PONDER

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Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

Ponder

member that is working harder and maybe longer to buy what everyone wants.

In the midst of the "joyous, holiday season," communication among family members that might not have been so great during the "normal" time of the years, are tested even further and may even be more difficult. Often, the unreasonable level of wanting to keep everyone happy stimulates many people to keep angry and hurt feelings inside, so that resentment really builds up in a hurry. Therefore, it is not unusual for explosions to occur that would not typically be a problem.

The family's routine is often complicated during the holidays by school being out, kids being home alone with much free time on their hands, and inadequate supervision and/or expectations of them to "do the right thing" by parents. It is also not unusual for older children and teenagers to be more aware of the hassles the holidays might produce, so that adults need to watch for signs of withdrawal and depression, and really work to keep lines of communication open. Parents need to know where they can call for help as soon as they think things are beyond their ability to handle. They might not be crazy about

the idea, but teens often need assistance to organize themselves and their free time with such things as volunteering, getting a seasonal job, and learning a new hobby or craft. For younger children, the adults might swap taking a group out for different activities, such as going on a scavenger hunt, exploring a different park out of the neighborhood. All the while, be sure that the youngsters have a chance for regular full-body exercise to work out stress.

Typically, even though there are numerous stories in the media about how to "cope with the holidays," an impression is that there is still a need for suggestions to be repeated. It is hard to accept that the holiday season is the time of year when students may be most likely to experience serious crises and to commit or attempt suicide. The report indicated that the last day or two before the actual Christmas and winter holiday break is the most crucial time. The high rate of substance abuse is a big problem all year round, but it seems to rear its ugly head even more during a time that family members are "supposed to be happy."

Remember, one person can make a difference and that one person can be you. Thus, the

benefits of BE NATURAL can work for you. BE NATURAL is a simple acronym that you can use to remind you that especially at this time of year you need to take care of yourself, if you are going to take care of others. B - Breathe deeply, since it will help increase your energy levels. E - Exercise for 20 minutes, 3 times a week. Now, it's not fair to consider your running from one thing and errand to the next. N - Nutrition refers to eating three well-balanced meals each day. A - Attitude has to keep in mind that negative attitudes and thoughts are contagious and destructive. This is one of those times that it is best to see the glass half-full, rather than half-empty. T - Time management is the need to set priorities and limit what you take on and can handle. U - Uniqueness requires that you recognize and treasure what is unique about you, meaning your saying "no" when necessary. R - Relaxation stands for private time to read or listen to music, while avoiding thinking about the next task on your list. L - Laughter is still the best medicine. Overall, when feeling stressed out, remember that it is up to you if you can look back the middle of January and think that you had a great holiday season.

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Sensations

dances when she is in town, and Thelma Turner, who died in August at the age of 80.

Dedicating the "Puttin' on the Glitz" show to Turner on Saturday, the eight who danced - Soder, Conn, Debbie Hagans, 57; Willie Petry, 73; Kathy Halbert, 59; Sandy Halbert, 62; Ruby Halbert, 77; and Mary Jo Halbert, 80 - honored the three who couldn't perform.

Mosalette Patton, 80, had to give up dancing following a stroke, but she joined those strutting their stuff in the fashion show, as did Violet Allen, who practiced with the group until two days prior to the show, at which time an injury kept her from continuing. The 86-year-old hurt her back while attempting to open a garage door.

A knee replacement kept Georgia Meade, who says she is "39ish," but an old annual suggests she is closer to being in her 80s, from dancing with the Sensations.

However, she and husband Jim Meade entertained the crowd with a 30-second waltz while Conn crooned, "I'm dreamin, of a white Christmas."

Knee replacements and strokes haven't been the only difficulties with which this lively bunch has dealt, as Allen, Petry, and Kathy and Mary Jo Halbert have all survived cancer.

With the members of the Swinging Sensations mourning the loss of their friend Thelma



Frosty, the "Snowlady" put the "G" in glamorous during talent show festivities as Kathy Conn portrayed the chilly icon.

Turner, whose family was in the audience, and Soder mourning the loss of her father, who passed in November, the night was an expression of healing with an outpouring of an appreciation of life. Cheryl Combs' version of "What Child is This," set the pace for the celebration of the meaning behind Christmas and Soder's emotion-packed "Night Divine" elicited a standing ovation from

the packed cafeteria center, where the weekend celebration was held.

Volunteering for Job Corps, soundman Jeff Tackett said he had lost his own mom five years prior and has since been depressed during the holidays. "Being in the musical and family environment rejuvenated me and put me into the Christmas spirit," Tackett said. "It was a true blessing."

Eyes

ten about it until it was too late to get it in. This year, however, I remembered. I think it's a really sweet story.

Also pretty interesting is today's Swinging Sensations article. I'm not quite what anyone would consider "over the hill" yet and I still have mornings I can barely swing my legs over the side of the bed, let alone get any kickin' and struttin' done. These ladies put me to shame! Way to go, girls!

And, coming up next week, we're going to read about Christmastime at Granny's house when favored local author Imogene Caldwell revisits our pages with another little story about life growing up on Cow Creek when times were simpler and Christmas was a little less stressful.

And speaking of that word - stressful - I'm glad to know that I'm not the only one that finds the season more than a little worrisome. Getting my teeth cleaned earlier this week in Dr.

Anita Hale's office, the hygienist that was alternately scraping and scolding happened to remark on that very subject. "Kids don't stop to think about how the gifts are going to get there," she said, "they just assume that they will. It's so stressful, you know?"

Yes, I do! With my cart filled with the responsibilities of single parenting, three teenagers, and a mother in the nursing home, "stressed" has become my middle name.

But, you know what? Along the way, I've somehow managed to learn that Christmas isn't about how much you can get under that tree, or even if you have a tree - it's about harboring a special feeling inside that sparkles more than tinsel and can't be bought even at the fanciest department store.

It's knowing that no matter what rocky road we face ahead, there is One that will always, unflinchingly, walk it with us.

Now, that's cause to celebrate.

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Holds voice recital at MAC

Rechelle Brooke Johnson recently held a voice recital, under the tutelage of Ms. Candace Nall, at the Mountain Arts Center. In addition to studying voice, Rechelle also studies piano, is an "All A" student, a member of her school's Beta Club and Gifted and Talented program, studies gymnastics and is a cheerleader at Paintsville Independent School. She is the daughter of Lloyd and Penny Johnson, of Prestonsburg.



School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

■ Dec. 12 - Our Lady of the Way Community Education Dept. will present a program on AIDS/HIV to 8th grade students.

■ Dec. 14 - Free clothing give-away at Graceway Church, on Rt. 80, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

■ Dec. 14 - Advisory Council meeting, 4 p.m.

■ Dec. 14 - "Connect with Kids" special on WYMT, "When Nobody's Looking," 7 p.m.

**Anyone interested in sponsoring a needy student for Christmas, please contact the YSC at 886-1297.

■ 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. The center is now located in the 7th grade wing of the school. Center Coordinator - Michelle Keathley.

Allen Central Middle School

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

Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth Service Center

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

Betsy Layne Elementary

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

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

Clark Elementary

■ A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is in the center weekly and sees WIC patients, does well-child exams (birth-18 years), and gives immunizations.

■ The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Adams Middle School building.

Duff Elementary

**School is collecting Food City receipts! Receipts must be dated Sept. 11, 2005 to March 11, 2006. Top three school winners will receive a gift. In anyone in the community would like to donate their receipts, they may mail them to: Duff Elementary, P.O. Box 129, Eastern, KY 41622; may also drop receipts off in school front office.

■ Floyd County Health Dept. is on site three days per month. 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

■ 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

Mountain Christian Academy is a non-denominational Christian school.

■ 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

■ Dec. 22-30 - Christmas break. The center wishes each student a happy and safe holiday!

■ Floyd County Substance Abuse Counselor will be on the South Floyd campus each Tuesday. If you need to contact the counselor, please call the Youth Service Center.

■ Parent volunteer training will be conducted throughout the school year. Watch for dates to be announced. If you need training, call to set up an appointment.

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

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

■ Walking track open to public (track closed during special events).

■ 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.

■ Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

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

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

Character Words for the Month - Respect and Togetherness

■ Dec. 12 - FRC Advisory Council meeting, 6 p.m., in resource center.

■ Dec. 14 - SBDM Council election, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. and again from 5-6 p.m., at the school. For questions about the nomination process or about the upcoming election/requirements, call 452-2131.

■ Monday's, 6 p.m. - School and resource center will host a Family Literacy program. We will read and study about different cultures/themes and then work on a related craft/activity. Refreshments will be served. Call the resource center to sign up.

■ Wednesday's and Thursday's, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., GED classes, in the Weeksby Community Center. Classes are FREE.

■ Lost & Found: Located in the FRC. Items not claimed within two weeks become the property of the resource center.

■ If you would like more informa-

tion on the programs and services offered by the FRC, please call or come by for a visit. Center is located in the main building at W.D. Osborne Elementary. Center hours are: Mon. thru Fri., 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Telephone: 452-4553; ask to speak with Cindy Williams (coordinator) or Karen Williams (clerk). You may also leave a message and we will return your call.

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.

Adult Education & GED Schedule

■ Monday: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. - McDowell FRC, Martin Comm. Center, Auxier Learning Center, Employment Services - Testing, BSCTC; 1-4:30 p.m. - Allen Elem. FRC, Employment Services - Testing, BSCTC; 5:30-8:30 p.m. - Cliffside

■ Tuesday: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. - Allen FRC, Mud Creek Clinic, McDowell FRC, BSCTC, Employment Services - Testing; 1-4:30 p.m. - David Craft Center, BSCTC, Employment Services - Testing; 6-8 p.m. - Auxier Learning Center, BSCTC.

■ Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. - Betsy Layne YSC, Martin Comm. Center, Auxier Learning Center, South Floyd/Rainbow FRYSC (Weeksbury Comm. Center), BSCTC; 1-4:30 p.m. - Wayland Senior Citizen Center, Dixie Apts., BSCTC; 6-8 p.m. - St. James Episcopal Church; and, 2-5 p.m. at the Floyd County Detention Center.

■ Thursday: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. - Cliffside NNC, Mud Creek Clinic, South Floyd/Rainbow FRYSC, David Craft Center, BSCTC; 1-4:30 p.m. - Betsy Layne YSC, Auxier Learning Center, Employment Services - Testing, BSCTC; 6-8 p.m., Martin Comm. Center, BSCTC; and, 2-5 p.m. at the Floyd County Detention Center.



Family Medicine



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Oral drugs effective for nail infections, but must be monitored

Question: I have a fungal infection on one toenail. I saw the doctor, who gave me some cream to use, but it didn't work. Is there anything I can do to get rid of this? I put a band aid over the toenail in the summer when I wear sandals because it looks bad. What causes this problem?

AnsWER: A fungal infection of the toenail or fingernail is called onychomycosis (OM). It is a very common nail problem. For some reason it seems to be

getting more common in this country. Family physicians and other primary care specialists see OM infections in a significant number of

their patients who are over 60 years old. These infections, however, can occur at any age. When a doctor diagnoses OM in an older patient, he or she must look for other conditions that can make a person more prone to these infections. Two common examples are diabetes mellitus or poor circulation due to smoking.

Generally with OM, the nail or nails may become discolored, either white or yellow, and opaque. Usually only a portion of the nail changes initially,

Though a skilled physician can often diagnose OM by visual inspection of the nail and asking appropriate questions about the patient's

history, this is not always the case. There are many things other than an infection that can cause nails to become discolored and thickened. In fact, only about half of the time are these problems due to a fungal infection. When medication doesn't work, sometimes we need to recheck the diagnosis.

When a patient comes into the office with a suspected case of OM, there are three distinct patterns of infection that the physician will look for. Each of these patterns is associated with a different causative fungus.

The most common type of nail infection is called subungual OM, in which the tip of the nail and the sides are affected first. It is most often seen in people with athlete's foot.

Another type nail infection is called white superficial OM. It also is most

common in the toenails. White, opaque spots appear on the nail, and eventually these grow together.

The least common kind of OM is the proximal subungual type. It causes infection in both the fingernails and toenails. It starts at the base of the nail and invades outward toward the nail tip.

While there are tests to determine the exact nature of the nail problem, this diagnosis is usually straightforward, and tests are not always necessary.

As for treatment, most of the topical creams and lotions do not work well. A more successful approach is removing the nail and then applying topical therapy. This approach can be time-consuming, temporarily disabling and painful. The most effective treatment involves the use of oral medications. These anti-fungal drugs must be taken for long periods of time, usually three to six months, to completely eradicate the problem. These medication can also have some serious side effects and should be used

only under close medical supervision.

Wearing protective shoes in public showers, promptly treating athlete's foot, and keeping your feet dry are the primary means of prevention. Conscientious management of chronic medical conditions can also help to prevent this problem.

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Postscript

breaks for milk and cookies, so keep that in mind.

However, I'm certain that your children will be in good hands with your local replacement, who happens to be my third cousin, Bubba Claus. His side of the family is from the South Pole. He shares my goal of delivering toys to all the good boys and girls.

However, there are a few differences between us.

Differences such as:
1. There is no danger of the Grinch stealing your presents from Bubba Claus. He has a gun rack on his sleigh and a bumper sticker that reads: "These toys insured by Smith and Wesson."

2. Instead of milk and cookies, Bubba Claus prefers that children leave an RC cola and

pork rinds [or a moon pie] on the fireplace. And Bubba doesn't smoke a pipe. He dips a little snuff though, so please have an empty spit can handy.

3. Bubba Claus' sleigh is pulled by floppy-eared, flyin' coon dogs instead of reindeer. I made the mistake of lending him a couple of my reindeer one time, and Blitzen's head now overlooks Bubba's fireplace.

4. You won't hear "On Comet, on Cupid, on Donner and Blitzen," when Bubba Claus arrives. Instead, you'll hear, "On Earnhardt, on Andretti, on Elliott and Petty."

5. "Ho, Ho, Ho!" has been replaced by "Yee Haw!" And you also are likely to hear Bubba's elves respond, "I her'd dat!"

6. As required by southern highway laws, Bubba Claus'

sleigh does have a Yosemite Sam safety triangle on the back with the words "Back Off."

7. The usual Christmas movie classics such as "Miracle on 34th Street" and "It's a Wonderful Life" will not be shown in your negotiated viewing area. Instead, you'll see "Boss Hogg Saves Christmas" and "Smokey and the Bandit IV" featuring Burt Reynolds as Bubba Claus and dozens of state patrol cars crashing into each other.

And finally,
8. Bubba Claus doesn't wear a belt. If I were you, I'd make sure you, the wife, and the kids turn the other way when he bends over to put presents under the tree.

Sincerely Yours,
Santa Claus

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The Kentucky Ballet Theatre is sure to impress during its production of "The Nutcracker."

Nutcracker show is Friday, Dec. 9 at The Forum

A "Sugar Plum Fairy Tea Party" will be held prior to the Kentucky Ballet Theatre's performance of *The Nutcracker*, Friday, Dec. 9, at The Forum, Hal Rogers Center, as part of the Greater Hazard Area Performing Arts Series. The doors will open at 5:45 p.m. and kids with tickets to the show can come, at no extra charge, to meet a Sugar Plum Fairy, or other dancers, as well as enjoy refreshments. Moms and Dads are encouraged to bring their cameras to get their kids pictures with the stars of the show. The show will begin at 7 p.m.

Kentucky Ballet Theatre will be bringing its full-length production, complete with beautiful sets, glorious costumes, and a cast of more than 70 dancers.

Norbe Risco, the company's Artistic Director, has choreographed a charming and magical *Nutcracker*, complete with Rat King's battle with the *Nutcracker*, the Sugar Plum Fairy and her Cavalier, the beautiful Snow Queen, Mother Ginger and her Harlequins, and the many other characters that are a part of this traditional holiday ballet. The magic production is enhanced

by the talents of the company's lighting designer and Stage Manager, Tanya Harper.

Tickets are \$25 for prime orchestra center seats; all other seats are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students (ages 6 to 18); kids age five and under are admitted for free.

In addition to their performance of *The Nutcracker*, Kentucky Ballet Theatre will present two educational outreach programs in dance for area school students on Wednesday, Nov. 30.

Sponsors of *The Nutcracker* are Greg and Noreen Wells, Kentucky Power, and Peyton and Julia Mitchell.

Series Grand Benefactors or underwriters are City of Hazard and Mayor Bill Gorman, Hampton Inn and Suites, Hazard Clinic, Peoples Bank and Trust Company, and Perry Distributors Inc.

The Kentucky Arts Council, a state agency in the Commerce Cabinet, has provided funding for *The Nutcracker* with state tax dollars and federal funding from the National Endowment for the Arts.

For information about school



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programs or group rates for these performances, contact Tammy Duff, performing arts series director, at 487-3067 or 800-246-7521, ext. 73067.



'Safe Halloween' at Linda's Carousel Daycare

11-month old "pirate," Braden Moore, the son of Ben and Terra Moore, enjoyed Halloween Fun Day at Miss Linda's Carousel Daycare, in Martin. The daycare center sponsored a "Safe Halloween" event for area children. Exemplifying that there is a kid in all of us with their colorful costumes, from left, Megan Conley, Kelly Conley, and Recille Shepherd, teachers at the center, also enjoyed the special day of fun.



The 'Write Stuff' going on at OES

Elementary School students enjoyed learning about story elements from "Mr. McGre-



Students study weather

Sandy Mullins' Earth/Space Science classes are studying a unit on weather. The classes took their weather stations outside and did their own weather forecasting. Pictured from left to right are: Chelsie Cordial, Jon Hudspeth, Carla Lettacker, and Felicia Hensley.

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AUTOMOTIVE

110-Agriculture

FOR SALE: 474 New Holland Haybine Very good condition. \$2,800. Call after 6 pm. 874-0024.

130-Cars

Hicks Auto Sales
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FOR SALE 2000 YZF Yamaha 600 R motorcycle. 6000 actual miles. Black & silver with 2 helmets. \$3500 Would make great Christmas present. 606-886-6869 or 606-791-9550.

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180-Trucks

FOR SALE: 87 Ford F150. 300 6 cylinder. 4 speed transmis-

sion, good work truck. \$800. Call 606-478-5173.

FOR SALE: 1995 Dodge Ram pick-up truck, full size, excellent condition. Asking \$4000. Call after 11 am 606-587-2797.

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

190- Vans

FOR SALE: 1998 Ford Windstar Van. v6, Auto, all power, excellent shape. \$3500. 606-886-3082.

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.

210-Job Listing

MEDICAL/CLERICAL
Prestonsburg
Multiple openings! Great pay, start immediately! \$8 hr and up. Experience preferred but not required. Fax resume to 972-739-6067.

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DRIVER WANTED
C&S Vaults seeks driver for Inex warehouse. Applicant must have a Class B CDL license. Ability to perform physical labor. Must be dependable. Drivers load, unload, and deliver steel grave vaults throughout regions in Kentucky, Tennessee, and Ohio, Virginia, and West Virginia. Must be comfortable dealing with customers. Benefits available after 90 days. Full-time position. Please call 606-298-7792 for information and to set up an interview.

HEAVY EQUIPMENT

Steam Cleaning company needs employees. Must have valid driver's license and up to date surface mining papers. Call 606-886-1759 Mon-Fri 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

WANTED IMMEDIATELY

LPN/CNA Spine and Braine Neurological Center. 7160 North Mayo Trail Pikeville. Benefits, paid vacation, 401k, health insurance. Call 606-478-7000 or fax resume to 606-478-7001.

HAIR GALLERY

of Prestonsburg is now hiring for cosmetologist and nail technician. If interested, please apply in person at Hair Gallery or call 886-9074.

ABBOTT ENGINEERING INC

is currently accepting applications for an experienced mining permit technician. The applicant should have experience in preparing all phases of a DNR mining permit (surface & underground) An excellent benefit package is provided including health insurance, 6 paid holiday and vacation. Please send resume to 3073 KY RT 321, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 or email to thoward@abbott-engineering.com or fax to 606-886-6986.

ABBOTT ENGINEERING INC

is currently seeking to fill the position of

Oil Field Company

has openings for hard working responsible drivers. Must be of age 21 or older. Must have CDL with HAZ-MAT and tanker endorsements, good driving record and some mechanical aptitude. Please apply in person at: Universal Well Services, Inc., 5252 Rt. 1428, Allen, KY 41601 606-874-3487. Accepting applications Mon. thru Fri. between the hours of 8am and 4pm.

220-Help Wanted

HELP WANTED: Reno's Roadhouse Prestonsburg is now hiring for all positions. Day shift and night shift. Apply in person only.

BABYSITTER NEEDED

1 year old boy in my home. Tues-Fri 8 am-4pm please call after 4 pm. 606-889-0926.

LPN WANTED:

Busy pediatric clinic seeking energetic LPN, if interested send resume to: PO BOX 607, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

HELP WANTED:

Mountain Manor of

Paintsville is taking applications for a LPN (7pm-7am) position. Excellent wages and benefits. Apply in person at 1025 Euclid Avenue, Paintsville, KY from Mon-Fri between 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.

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Prestonsburg/Hager Hill area- The Lexington-Herald Leader has a morning newspaper route available. Routes take about 3-4 hours daily with an approximate profit potential of \$1000 monthly. Dependable transportation and ability to be bonded required. Call 1-800-274-7355 (ext 3368 or 1629)

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Snow Scenes and more.
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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Gearheart Communications, Inc. is seeking to employ a **Human Resource Manager**. Applicant must have a Bachelor's or equivalent degree, and past experience as an H.R. Manager. PHR/SPHR certification preferred. Employee benefits include medical, dental and 401k. Applications are available at Gearheart Communications located in Harold, KY. Interviews will be conducted at a later date.

Send resume to: Gearheart Communications P.O. Box 160/Harold, KY 41635, or email to jobs@mikrotec.com

480-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.

REAL ESTATE

510- Com. Prop

FOR SALE OR LEASE: Commercial Property, Ivel, KY on US 23. Office building, garage, paved lot, approximately 2 acres. 606-368-2347.

530-Homes

FOR SALE: Two story 4 BR home, HUD approved. Located at Stampers Branch, Wayland, KY. Last white house on the right. \$33,000. Please call 606-946-2271 or 606-785-5556. Ask for Sheila Wicker.

495-Want to Buy

WANTED: Presidential button, posters, etc. Also, KY Governor buttons or posters especially Bert T Combs items. Call 606-652-3184 or 9931 or email tigers3@foothills.net

570- Mobile Homes

FOR SALE: Trailer and lot on Stone Coal Road. Call 606-946-2612 or 859-327-8963.

FOR SALE with or

REPORTER

The Hazard Herald is looking for a Reporter, needs good writing and general English skills. Some experience in news preferred, not required. Ability to multi task. Competitive salaries, insurance, 401K

NO CALLS PLEASE

Send resume to:
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600-Apartments

APT FOR RENT

at Harold. 3 BR, living room, kitchen, BA, ample storage/closet space, W/D hook-up, stove, refrigerator furnished. Covered parking. Call 606-886-9158.

FOR RENT:

small efficiency apt. Clean, nice, suitable for one person. \$275 month. Deposit required. 886-6208.

FOR RENT 1 room

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"Holiday Special" First Month's Rent FREE with paid security deposit. Through December 31, 2005. 1 BR/\$280/\$309 2 BR/\$304/\$345 Prestonsburg 886-0039.

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3 Bedrooms and 2 Baths
Has carport and is newly remodeled. Good location, Oaklawn Estates behind Porter School.
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The Floyd County Times is currently accepting applications for a part-time general assignment reporter. The ideal candidate will possess strong writing skills, dedication to the principles of journalism, strong people skills and a go-getter attitude. Experience is preferred and the ability to work flexible hours is a must.

You may submit your resumé and writing samples to:

Managing Editor Ralph B. Davis,
The Floyd County Times
P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653

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Qualifications:

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• Ability to plan, organize, prioritize and complete work with minimum supervision;

• Ability to relate appropriately with residents, families, volunteers and others;

• Ability to read, write, speak and understand English;

• Meet all health requirements as required by law;

Salary commensurate with knowledge and experience, excellent benefits, including 401K

Applicants, please telephone Cathy Jacobs at 606-349-6181, apply via e-mail jbranham@extendicare.com, apply in person at Salyersville Health Care, 571 Parkway Drive, Salyersville, KY 41465-0819, or mail resumé.

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APT FOR RENT: Unfurnished 2 BR with walk-in closet. 2 BA, large living room and kitchen. Located at Stanville, off US 23. Call 478-8100.

FOR RENT: Taking applications for 2 BR apartments. Nice, quiet neighborhood. References and deposit required. 358-9123.

APT FOR RENT: 3 BR kitchen/small dining room with large storage area. CH/A wall to wall carpet. Excellent condition. \$400 plus utilities. 886-1714 or 285-9000.

FOR RENT: Branham Heights Apt of Wheelwright KY has 4 apts for rent. Rent is based on income. Apartments come equipped with CH/A, carpet, refrigerator, stove, and blinds. Garbage, maintenance, and sewer are included with the rent. Please contact Kathy at 452-4777. Equal housing opportunity. Handicap Accessible.

1-2 BR FURNISHED Apts. Clean. In Prestonsburg. 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

VACANCIES Branham Heights Apts Wheelwright KY is accepting application for 1 and 2 BR apts. And 1 BR handicapped accessible apartment. Rent based on income, water, sewage, and garbage are included in rent. Please contact Kathy at 606-452-4777. Office hours M-F 8:00-4:00.

Furnished 1 bed room Apt. Central heat & air. Rent starting at \$375. month, + \$300. deposit water included. Located near HRMC. 606-889-9717.

Storage/Office

OFFICE SPACE for lease in Prestonsburg. Approximately 1850 sq feet with parking only two blocks from courthouse. Call 874-1700, 285-0900 or 874-9976.

FOR RENT: 3 Room office suite. \$600 month. Call 886-1020 ask for C.V.

FOR LEASE: 30x80 building on MTN Parkway. Parking for large trucks. Will re-model.

FOR RENT: 900 sq. ft. office/commercial space. Located next to Reflection's Beauty Salon 3/4 mile south of Martin on RT 122. Across from Garth Tech. School. Call 285-9112.

630-Houses

FOR RENT 3 BR house in McDowell, 1 BA, carport, \$400 month with \$200 deposit. If interested, call 859-245-9321.

HOUSE FOR RENT: 257 Edgewood Lane (street behind HRMC) 3 BR, 2 BA brick with fireplace and appliances. 859-272-1511.

HOUSE FOR RENT: 1500 sq ft 2 BR 1 BA, kitchen, living room, dining room, utilities included, furnished. \$695 month plus deposit. Located at Ivel. Call 606-478-5173.

FOR RENT: 3 BR house with 2 full bath. Located 2 miles south of Martin on Old Hite Road, Left Beaver Creek. \$600 month plus utilities. All electric must fur-

nish references. Call 285-9112.

HOUSE FOR RENT: 2 BR \$550 per month plus utilities. If interested call 886-0124.

STOP RENTING: Buy a 5 BR 2 BA home only \$13000. For listings call 800-429-7008 ext B930

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LARGE TRAILER LOT for rent. Located at Left Fork Abbott. Call 886-9479 or 889-0560.

Trailer lot for rent on old U.S. 23 between Prestonsburg and Paintsville call 606-886-9007 or 889 9747

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For Rent : newly constructed Mobile Home Lots in new Allen, reference required call 606-874-2212

650- Mobile Homes

MH FOR RENT 3 BR 2 BA doublewide located at Wayland. For more information call 358-2320 or 285-1894.

TRAILER FOR RENT 2.5 miles from Mtn Arts Center on Spurlock Creek. Call 889-9825.

MHs FOR RENT: 2 & 3 BR mobile homes for rent. Total electric. Close to Prestonsburg. No pets. Call 886-9007 or 889-9747.

FOR RENT 2 BR furnished trailer just off Mtn Pkwy on old 114. 886-8724.

FOR RENT: 3 BR 2 BA doublewide located at Little Paint near Prestonsburg. \$450 month \$300 deposit. No pets. Call 886-0475 or 226-0730.

660- Miscellaneous

FOR RENT: Beauty shop equipped with 3 stations and tanning bed. Located on RT 122 1 mile south of Martin, across from Garth Technical School. Must furnish references. 285-9112.

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812- Free

HOUSE CAT free to good home. Yellow/white long hair. 4 years old. Neutered male, declawed front. Call 874-6312.

LEGALS

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids will be received by the Department of Highways, in the Division of Construction 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., Eastern Standard Time, on the 16th day of December, 2005, at which time bids will be publicly opened and read for the improvement of:

Johnson, Martin, Floyd Counties FE01 121 DW05 0000155: Various Routes in Floyd, Johnson, and Martin Counties in D-12, a distance of 365.21 miles. Right of Way Mowing.

Bid proposals for all projects will be available at the Division of Construction Procurement until 3:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, preceding the day of the letting of Friday, December 16, 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 Prequalified 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. 836-8050 RENEWAL

In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Mare Creek Sand Company, Incorporated, P.O. Box 598, Allen, Kentucky 41601, intends to file for renewal of permit number 836-8050. The operation disturbs 3.97 acres; no new acreage is affected by this renewal.

The operation is located on the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River, at Emma, in Floyd County. The operation is approximately 4.200 feet southwest of State Route 1428's junction with State Route 194, on the north bank of the Levisa Fork. The operation is located on the Lancer U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map, at latitude 37d 37m 58s North, and longitude 82d 42m 28s West.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

The proposed amendment is located on the McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by Richard and Ryan Hamilton, Arnold Turner, Levi Blankenship, Bobby Page, Eddie Blankenship, Freddie Blankenship, Daniel

Increment No. 2, of Permit Number 898-0011, which was last issued on August 6, 1996. The application covers an area of approximately 11.21 acres, located 2.0 miles south of Owsley, in Pike and Floyd Counties.

The permit is approximately 1.0 mile south from KY Route 1384's junction with Dog Fork, and located 0.5 mile southeast of Left Fork of Big Creek of Toler Creek. The latitude is 37°28'38": The longitude is 82°35'38".

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 2 is a certificate of deposit in the amount of nine thousand dollars (\$9,000.00), which is the remaining bond, in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed on the permit area includes backfilling, final grading, seeding, and mulching, completed in the spring of 1987. Results thus far include the establishment of the approved post-mining land use.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by January 23, 2006.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for January 24, 2006, at 10:00 a.m., at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Pikeville Regional Office, located at 121 Mays Branch Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by January 23, 2006.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 836-0303 AMENDMENT NO. 2

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 1051 Main Street, Suite 100, Milton, West Virginia 25541, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface and auger coal mining and reclamation operation, located near Craynor, of Floyd County. The amendment will add 125.06 acres of surface disturbance, and will underlie an additional 380.95 acres, of which 250.25 acres underlie surface and/or auger, in another seam, making a total area of 840.22 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.5 mile south from KY Route 979's junction with Dry Branch Road, and is located within Dry Branch of Mud Creek, Mink Branch of Mud Creek, and at the head of Gap Fork of Neds Fork of Frasure Creek.

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Newsome, Ruby Hamilton, Pervis Hamilton, Walker and Jeromia Tackett, Maggie Hamilton, Keathy Enterprises Inc., Roger Paige, Hershel Tackett, Anthony Tackett, and Carmel and Marie Clark. The amendment will underlie land owned by Richard and Ryan Hamilton, Arnold Turner, Levi Blankenship, Bobby Page, Eddie Blankenship, Freddie Blankenship, Daniel Newsome, Ruby Hamilton, Pervis Hamilton, Maggie Hamilton, Keathy Enterprises, Inc., Roger Paige, and Hershel Tackett.

The operation will use the area, contour, and extended depth auger method of surface mining.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 836-5481

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 750 Town Mountain Rd., Pikeville, KY 41501, has filed an application for a permit for an underground mining operation, located 3.0 miles south of Langley, in Floyd County. The operation disturbs 5.45 surface acres, and underlies 397.70 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary is 403.15 acres.

The facility is approximately .8 mile north of KY 777's junction with KY 680, and located adjacent to Turkey Creek. The

latitude is 37-29-19, and the longitude is 82-47-05.

The facility is located on the Martin and Wayland USGS 7.5 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area is owned by the Elk Horn Coal Corporation. The permit underlies land owned by the Elk Horn Coal Corporation, Appalachian Land Company, Carl Dudley, Randy Martin, James Akers, Marty Tackett, Gaylord Martin, Ronnie Newsome, Staley Francis, Dwayne Moore, Thomas Martin, Clarence Brown, Willie Duff, and Franklin Scott.

The operation will affect an area within 100 ft. of a public road, KY 777. The operation will not

involve relocation or closure of the public road.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127

South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections and/or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

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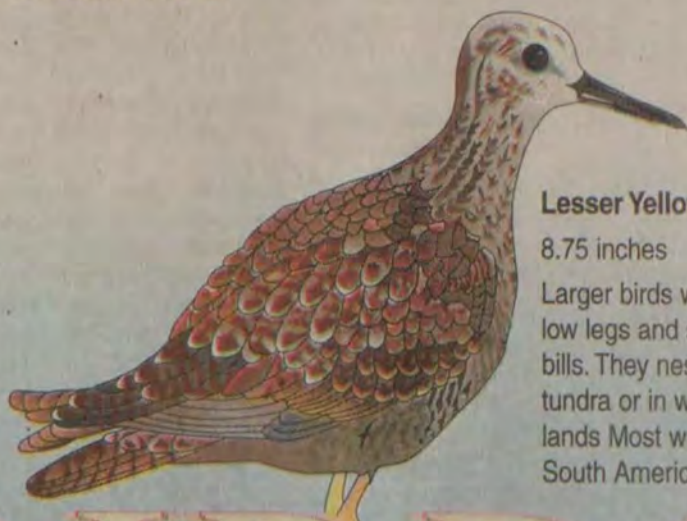
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What is a shorebird?

Shorebirds are a diverse group of birds that include avocets, oystercatchers, plovers, phalaropes, sandpipers, stilts, snipes, and turnstones. About 49 species of shorebirds are common visitors to North American wetlands and beaches.

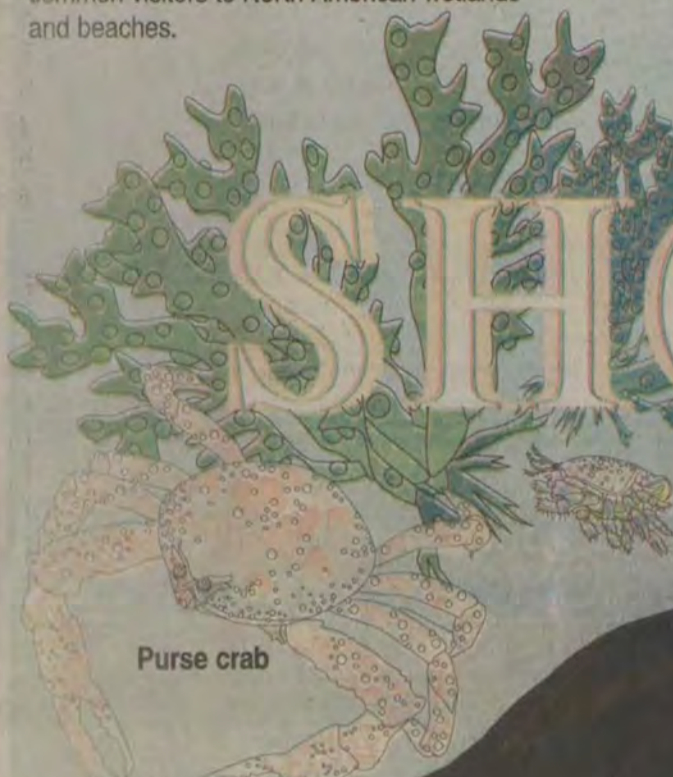


Piping Plover
5.5 inches
Uncommon and endangered, the delicate Plover nests on sandy beaches, dunes and lakeshores.



Lesser Yellowlegs
8.75 inches
Larger birds with yellow legs and straight bills. They nest on tundra or in woodlands. Most winter in South America.

SHOREBIRDS



Mole crab

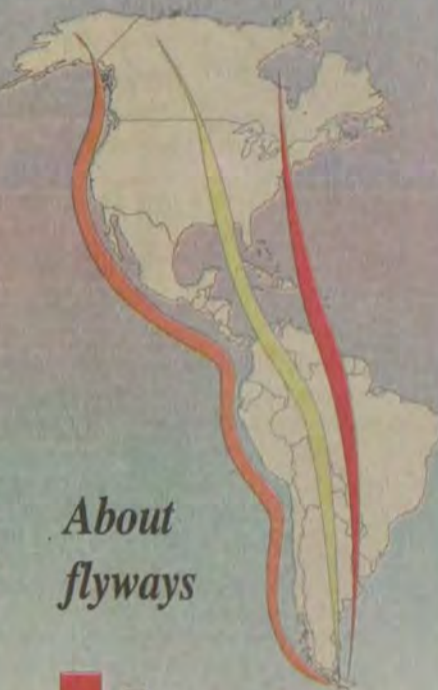
Purse crab



American Oystercatcher
16 inches
Distinctive orange bill. Feeds in small flocks on coastal beach areas and mudflats.

Red Knot
9 inches

Seasonal plumage is pale gray and white in winter, chestnut brown and black in summer. Feeds on sandy beaches and mudflats. Rare in interior wetlands.



About flyways

The Atlantic Flyway
Part of this route extends from offshore waters of the Atlantic Coast to the Allegheny Mountains.

The American Central Flyway may be called "the flyway of the Great Plains." Part of this route encompasses area lying between the valley of the Mississippi River and the Rocky Mountains.

The American Pacific Flyway follows the eastern Pacific coastline. It extends from the western Arctic and includes Alaska and the Aleutian Islands. From there, it travels down the Rocky Mountain and Pacific coastal regions of Canada, the United States and Mexico. It blends into other flyways in Central and South America.

Common characteristics

Shorebirds typically have small bodies, thin legs and webless feet. They range in size from a few ounces to a pound or more and have plumage in many colors.

Shorebird species are residents of wetlands but do not swim. Intertidal mudflats, salt marshes, and estuaries are their habitats. Many species are found on ocean beaches, but many use fresh water wetlands in the interior of North America along their migration paths and for breeding habitat.

Shorebirds exhibit a wide variety of bill shapes and sizes. These differences allow many species to forage on dry land or in shallow water.

All shorebirds migrate over vast distances. Migratory paths, called flyways, are used by shorebirds. The birds themselves, geography and the wind determine the direction taken during migration.

Ornithologists (scientists who study birds) believe that an internal compass orients migrating shorebirds. The birds' ability to navigate may depend on the sun, moon and stars. Light, the Earth's magnetic field, wind, daylength and smell, may also influence how a bird finds its way.

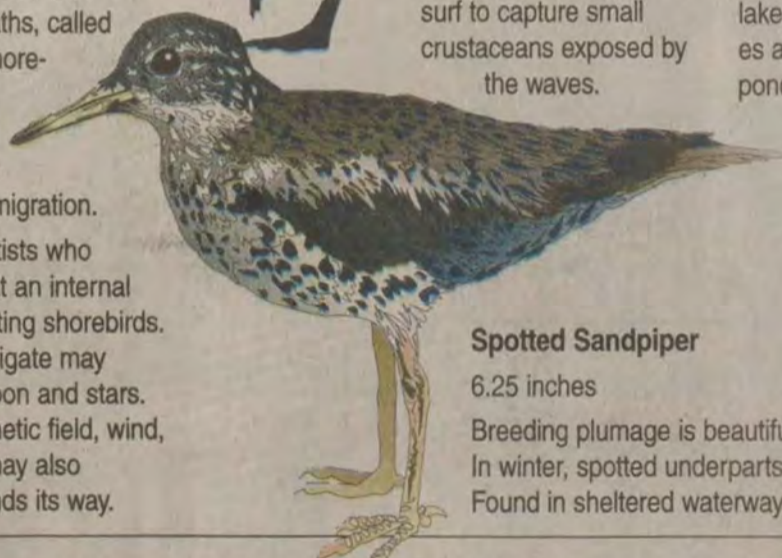


Sanderling
8 inches

Plumage is extremely pale in winter. Feeds on sandy beaches, running back and forth with the surf to capture small crustaceans exposed by the waves.



American Avocet
15 inches
Feeds by sweeping the bill from side to side through the water. Habitat is lakeshores, marshes and shallow ponds.



Spotted Sandpiper
6.25 inches

Breeding plumage is beautifully barred. In winter, spotted underparts are pure white. Found in sheltered waterways, marshes, ponds and lakes.

How to help conserve shorebirds

Support the Federal Duck Stamp Program Revenues from the sale of Duck stamps provide funds to purchase additional wetlands for the National Wildlife Refuge System.

The Shorebird Sister Schools Program is designed to educate students about shorebird migration from southern wintering grounds to nesting sites in the Arctic.

Be a wetlands advocate. Do what you can to help conserve and protect all wetlands for birds and other wetlands inhabitants.

Get informed about shorebird issues. Visit your nearest refuge or protected land to view shorebirds and learn about them.

FAST FACT: Shorebird populations

Though some of these numbers may seem high, studies indicate that the populations of many species of shorebirds are in serious decline.

Because shorebirds travel the globe during their lifetime, it is hard for scientists to measure shorebird populations. Estimates put the members of some species in the millions, with numbers of endangered species, like the Piping Plover, at only a few thousand. Efforts to census shorebirds are taken at specific staging areas during migration. Censuses in recent years report the following numbers in North America:

Delaware Bay: 600,000 shorebirds consisting mostly of Red Knots, Ruddy Turnstones, and Semipalmated Sandpipers

San Francisco Bay, California: 930,000 shorebirds, many species

Great Salt Lake, Utah: 600,000 Wilson's Phalaropes, 300,000 Red-necked Phalaropes

Bay of Fundy, Canada: 1,000,000 shorebirds; the majority being Semipalmated Sandpipers

South American bird counts show the following populations:

Mar Chiquita Cordoba, Argentina: 500,000 Wilson's Phalaropes and 20,000 Golden Plovers

Bigi Pan, Suriname: 1,000,000 Semipalmated Sandpipers

Wia Wia, Suriname: 2,000,000 Semipalmated Sandpipers and 50,000 Short-billed Dowitchers

Coppename Rivermouth, Suriname: 750,000 Semipalmated Sandpipers; 50,000 Lesser Yellowlegs

SOURCES: <http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/shrbird/shrbird.html>
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