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### briefs

## Left Beaver Santa Run scheduled

Left Beaver Fire and Rescue will hold its annual Santa Claus Run on Sunday, Dec. 18.

The schedule for the run is as follows:

- 12 p.m. — Drift ballpark
- 12:15 p.m. — Minnie ballpark
- 12:35 p.m. — Minnie townhouses
- 12:50 p.m. — McDowell ARH
- 1:35 p.m. — Left Beaver Station 2, McDowell
- 2 p.m. — Pilgrim Rest Church
- 2:15 p.m. — Scott's Barber Shop, Hi Hat
- 2:30 p.m. — Little Nancy Church
- 2:45 p.m. — Foot of South Floyd High School
- 3 p.m. — Bud Reynolds Store, Ligon.

# Hereford files for rematch against Fannin

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Former city councilman Thomas Hereford III filed papers Monday to run for Prestonsburg mayor, setting up a rematch of the hotly contested 2001 mayor's race.

If he is elected, Hereford says he'll promote a "full partnership"

between himself and the city council to work on ways to increase economic growth for the city. He wants new and existing businesses to expand and provide more jobs for area residents.

"I'm very business oriented," Hereford said, "and one of my main thrusts will be filling every storefront and vacant building in Prestonsburg ... You can look at

Paintsville and Pikeville and see that we're behind."

Hereford, who lost to Mayor Jerry Fannin during the last election, wants to work with the utilities commission to improve the city's sewer system. He also says he will implement a program that provides access to the mayor after traditional business hours.

Hereford, who announced that

he would seek the mayor's seat in June (after he alleged that Fannin violated state laws by damaging a cemetery where his ancestors are buried near Route 1428), will have his campaign platform finalized in 2006.

In other election news, district 1 magistrate Gerald DeRossett filed



Hereford

(See ELECTION, page eight)



photo by Tom Doty

The driver of this red Ford Expedition was able to crawl out of the driver's side window after going off the road on Route 1428, near the entrance to Emma, on Tuesday evening at approximately 5 p.m. Officers who responded to the scene reported an identical accident had occurred at the same spot at 3 p.m. when a female driver also went off the road, flipping her maroon Chevy S-10. She was injured in the crash and was taken to Highlands Regional Medical Center for treatment.

# P'burg looks to revitalize downtown area

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The city council held the first reading of an ordinance Monday to establish a historic preservation commission board.

The acceptance of the ordinance and the establishment of the board will help the city obtain money from the Governor's Office of Local Development (GOLD) for a historic Main Street program.

Chicago native Brent Graden, who was hired in as the city's director of economic development about eight weeks ago, said Prestonsburg can obtain anywhere from \$150,000 to \$350,000 from GOLD to rejuvenate the city's downtown area.

The city's allotment will be based on need and on the "rank" the city obtains from GOLD, which will evaluate

what proactive measures the city has already taken to improve its downtown area, Graden said.

Graden said he's "bringing the merchants to the table" for the Prestonsburg Renaissance on Main Street Association, an organization similar to those working to revitalize the economic structure of 192 Kentucky cities.

The association will focus its attention on the Renaissance on Main Street program's four-point Main Street approach: organization, design, promotion and economic reconstruction. Graden said it's a "refocused mission to promote economic development through job creation as well as historic preservation."

"We've got small- to mid-sized companies in Prestonsburg, like lawyers, ICC, or the Floyd County

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# Governor visits Pikeville, announces plans to get tough with arsonists

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — Standing up for three forestry workers who were trapped last month by an arson fire, Gov. Ernie Fletcher says, "It's time for action."

He traveled to Pikeville Saturday, where he announced plans to initiate a multi-agency enforcement effort to curb woodland arson fires. He has also asked the Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet to create a "task force" of local officials, forest industry representatives and economic development specialists who can provide additional suggestions about ways to protect the

state's forested areas.

Fletcher said that approximately 5,000 of 8,000 fires that destroyed land in the state since 2000 were caused by arson. It was "shocking," he said, to learn that more than half of the woodland fires across the state this year have been attributed to arson. The rise in arson, coupled with the rise of intentional "harmful attacks" against forestry workers, show that arsonists have "little respect" for the state's natural beauty and renewable resources, Fletcher said.

"These are people [the arsonists] who get nothing in personal



Fletcher

gain," he said. "It's the most senseless crime and it's a travesty."

Calling it "unacceptable," Fletcher said the state needs a "high visibility" enforcement incentive present.

He relayed the story of a Nov. 27 incident on Adams Branch in Elkhorn City, where three forestry workers were trapped on a hillside by a fire that was set by an arsonist.

Crew leader Lillard Allen Adkins said the fire that trapped

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# Couple charged with running meth lab

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Prestonsburg couple were arrested Saturday and charged with manufacturing methamphetamine in a barn behind their Cole Branch home.

Frederic and Monica Collins were arrested by

Deputy Will Holbrook, Deputy Jeremy Shepherd and Sgt. Gary Tackett following an anonymous tip to the department.

Sheriff John K. Blackburn said that the officers first secured a search warrant before investigating the Collinses' home on

(See METH, page eight)

# Judge denies motions to dismiss vote fraud case

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

A federal judge has denied motions for dismissal in cases against state Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, Loren Glenn Turner and Ross Harris.

Judge Karen K. Caldwell filed two orders Tuesday, denying two motions of dismissal presented by Sen. Turner and one motion of dismissal presented by Loren Turner.

All three men were indicted on charges of mail fraud and conspiracy to commit mail fraud and vote buying in connection with the Democratic primary election in 2000. Detectives with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Pikeville, who investigated the 2000 election, allege that the defendants illegally obtained money and the "salary and emoluments" of the

(See MOTIONS, page six)



While in the area for a concert, country singer and Magoffin County native Rebecca Lynn Howard joined David Lynch, Eric C. Conn and WSIP's "CJ the DJ" for the "Christmas in the Mountains 2005 Toy Drive" on Sunday. The event collected hundreds of toys for needy children in Floyd and surrounding counties. The toys will be distributed to area fire departments and other organizations.

### 3 DAY FORECAST

#### Today



High: 41 • Low: 33

#### Tomorrow



High: 42 • Low: 26

#### Friday



High: 37 • Low: 23

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(3) Country Gravy

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# Obituaries

## KayLeann RaeLynn Ambrose

KayLeann RaeLynn Ambrose, age 11 days, of Allen, the daughter of Shannon Ambrose and Crystal Gail McCown Ambrose, passed away Friday, December 9, 2005, in the University of Kentucky Children's Hospital, in Lexington.

She was born November 28, 2005, in Lexington.

Survivors, in addition to her parents, include two brothers: Curtis Leslie and Seth Lafferty, both of Allen; one sister, Lindsey Ambrose of Hazard; her paternal grandparents: Ann and Ted Ambrose of Hazard; step-grandfathers: Danny Rudder and Wayne Wright; and step-grandmother, Charlene Rudder.

Preceding her in death were her maternal grandparents: Curtis McCown and Barbara Ann McCown Wright.

Funeral services for KayLeann RaeLynn Ambrose were conducted Monday, December 12, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, with J.M. Sloace officiating.

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

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Bobby Marsillett, Kevin Marsillett, Dallas Marsillett, Jeremy Shepherd, Walley Johnson and Roger Marsillett. (Paid obituary)

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## Thomas J. Blackburn

Thomas J. Blackburn, 46, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, December 10, 2005, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center.

Born November 29, 1959, in Lexington, he was the son of the late Delmon Leon Blackburn and Winifred Lemaster Blackburn.

There will be a private service.

The family has entrusted arrangements to the Carter Funeral Home. (Paid obituary)

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## Ruby Gayheart

Ruby Gayheart, 84, of Prestonsburg, widow of Haig Gayheart, passed away Thursday, December 8, 2005, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

She was born May 29, 1921, in Gunlock, the daughter of the late Willie Shepherd and Martha Howard Shepherd.

She was a homemaker, and a member of the Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son, Herb Gayheart of Scottsville; a daughter, Amilee Auxier of Prestonsburg; two sisters: Marie Conley and Sallie Salisbury, both of Gunlock; three grandchildren: James P. Auxier of Prestonsburg, Herbert Lee Gayheart of Seattle, Washington, and Kimberly Gayheart of Salina, California.

Preceding her in death were her husband, her parents; and a son, Homer Ray Gayheart; and three brothers: John Shepherd, Ellis Shepherd, and Silas Shepherd; and two sisters: Minnie Johnson and Effie Crager.

Funeral services for Ruby Gayheart were conducted Saturday, December 10, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with the Rev. Bethel Bolen officiating.

Burial was in the Shepherd Cemetery, in Gunlock, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Friends may sign the register at www.hallfuneralservice.com. (Paid obituary)

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## William Gibson Jr.

William Gibson Jr., age 67, of McDowell, passed from this life

on Monday, December 12, 2005, in Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg.

He was born January 11, 1938, in Wheelwright, the son of the late William Gibson Sr. and Eirdie Waddles Gibson.

He was employed by McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. He was a member of the Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church.

Surviving are his sisters: Eula Mae Frazier of Dublin, Georgia, Irene Moore of McDowell, Corene Turner of Vienna, Virginia, and Lorene Gibson of Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, December 14, at 11 a.m., in the Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church, at McDowell, with burial in the Frazier Cemetery, at Price, under the professional care of Hall Funeral Home, of Martin.

Friends can call at the church after 4 p.m., Monday. (Paid obituary)

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## Goldie Hall

Goldie Hall, age 92, of Grethel, wife of the late Curt Hall, passed away Saturday, December 10, 2005, in McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

She was born December 14, 1912, in Grethel, the daughter of the late Ben Tackett and Martha Hamilton Tackett. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Zion Regular Baptist Church, in Grethel.

Survivors include one son, Drexel Hall of Ivel; one daughter, Lois Gayle Newsome of Grethel; one brother, Edgar "Ted" Tackett of Prestonsburg; 20 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren, nine great-great-grandchildren; two step-grandchildren, and seven step-great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her husband; her parents; seven sons: Comus (Tony), Hershel, Ronald Gene, Carlos (Cotton), Don Edward (Donnie), Carmel, and Winford Hall; and one daughter, Barbara Hall.

Funeral services for Goldie Hall were conducted Tuesday, December 13, at 11 a.m., at the Zion Regular Baptist Church, in Grethel, with Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

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

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: C. J. Newsome, Cody McKay, Neil Newsome, Benjy McKay, Charles Allen, Johnny Hall, Shane Mulkey, Ed Akers, Ronnie Hall, Gary Hall, Jimmy Hall, Teddy Ray Tackett and Josh Hall. (Paid obituary)

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## Frank M. Heinze

Frank M. Heinze, age 81, of Prestonsburg, passed away Saturday, December 10, 2005,

in the Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

He was born January 29, 1924, in Prestonsburg, the son of the late Frederick Luther Heinze and Ethel Gravelly Heinze. He was a graduate of West Virginia University, Morgantown, West Virginia, where he received a degree in Mine Engineering in 1950. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, in Prestonsburg. He worked for many years for Turner-Elkhorn Coal Co.

Prior to college, he entered the Army/Air Force and was stationed on the island of Guam in the South Pacific. He was very active in the community and county, he believed in hard work and fair play, and was committed to honesty.

Survivors include a nephew, John G. Heinze Jr., of Prestonsburg; two nieces: Gretchen Moyer of Muncy, Pennsylvania, and Lisa Cantrell of Ezel.

Funeral services for Frank M. Heinze were conducted Tuesday, December 13, at 11 a.m., at the First Presbyterian Church, in Prestonsburg, with Clergyman Michael Chamberlain officiating.

Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

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## Gobel P. Martin

Gobel P. Martin, 72, of Minnie, husband of Wilma Martin, died Monday, December 12, 2005, at his home.

He was the son of Edith and the late Charlie Martin of Minnie. He was the father of Lance (Beth) Martin of Whitehouse, Ohio, Wade (Jami) Martin of Minnie, and Freddi (Terry) Tuttle of McDowell.

He is survived by two sisters: Matifern (Henry) Wright and Priscilla (Kenneth) Henry, both of Minnie; one brother, Demoris (Teresa) Martin of Monticello; seven grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

Gobel was a loving husband, father, and family man. He was a local businessman, as well as an integral part of the community, and the Left Beaver Fire and Rescue Squad.

Funeral services for Gobel P. Martin will be conducted Thursday, December 15, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Clergymen Jimmy Hall, Ted Shannon, and Harry Hargis officiating.

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

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

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## Rosie Campbell Ousley

Rosie Campbell Ousley, age 93, of Martin, widow of Oscar Ousley, passed away Wednesday, December 7, 2005, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

She was born March 6, 1912, in Hippo, the daughter of the late James Campbell and Jennie Prater Campbell. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Cold Springs Regular Baptist Church, in Martin.

Survivors include four sons: Miley Ousley of Claypool, Indiana, and Beecher Ousley, Delano Ousley and Dormal Ousley all of Martin; three daughters: Mavis Spriggs Hicks of Eastern, Alma Jean Kost of Cleveland, Ohio, and Bonnie Condra of Winchester; one sister, Rebecca Templin of Newport, Tennessee; 20 grandchildren, several great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her husband and parents; one son, Cornelius Ousley; and four brothers: Hargis Campbell, Herald Campbell, Earl Campbell, and Curtis Campbell.

Funeral services for Rosie Campbell Ousley were conducted Sunday, December 11, at 11 a.m., at the Cold Springs Regular Baptist Church, in Martin, with Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Oscar Ousley Cemetery, in Martin, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation, at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Chris Ousley, Jerry Ousley, Rodney Ousley, Donnie Ousley, Clyde Shepherd, Jeff Conrad, Randy Ousley, and Daniel Hunt. (Paid obituary)

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## Myrtle "Granny" Pennington

Myrtle "Granny" Pennington, age 85, of Marion, Ohio, went to be with the Lord at 2:05 p.m., Saturday, December 10, 2005.

She was born on April 3, 1920, in Estill, the daughter of the late Sally Conley Gibson Martin and Tony Gibson.

On January 7, 1935, she married Kenneth Pennington, who preceded her in death.

She was also preceded in death by four brothers: Clarence (Mabel) Gibson of Marion, Ohio, Sam "CB" Gibson and Joe Martin, both of Estill, and Donald Gibson of Columbus, Ohio; and one sister, Toni Jean Gibson of Dayton, Ohio.

She is survived by one sister, Kathryn (Gene) Currens of Louisville; and two brothers: Junior "Red" (Mildred) Martin of Estill, and Charlie Martin of Salyersville. She is also survived by two special nieces: Willa (Darrel) Terry and Linda Bourque; one special nephew, James (Sandy) Terry, all of Marion, and numerous other nieces, nephews, great nieces, and great-nephews.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, December

14, at 1:30 p.m., at the First Freewill Baptist Church, on Crissinger Road, with Rev. Grover Caudill and Rev. Roger Fletcher officiating.

Burial will be in the Grand Prairie Cemetery, under the direction of Boyd Funeral Home, Marion, Ohio.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Freewill Baptist Church. (Paid obituary)

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## French Preston Spencer

French Preston Spencer, age 80, of Vermilion, Ohio, passed away, Thursday, December 8, 2005, in New Life Hospice Center of St. Joseph, in Lorain, Ohio.

He was born November 24, 1925, in Eastern, the son of the late Alex and Katie Turner Spencer.

He had lived in Vermilion, Ohio, for 41 years. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy. As a Seaman First Class, he served from 1944-1946. He spent a year in Norfolk, Virginia, transporting troops to various parts of Europe, and then the Panama Canal, at the Fleet Airwing Base. He received the American Theater Ribbon and Victory Medal.

He was employed in maintenance at General Motors in Brookpark, retiring in 1980, after 30 years service. He was a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church. Most people knew him as the inventor. He had a passion for gardening, and enjoyed current events.

He is survived by his wife of

26 years, Dorothy Riddle Spencer; three sons: Rick Spencer of Rockwood, Michigan, Michael Spencer of Vermilion, Ohio, and Randy Spencer of Avon, Ohio; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; five step-children: David Riddle of Amherst, Ohio, Debbie DeLeonardis of Austin, Texas, Rose Jones of Lorain, Ohio, Rick Riddle of Morehead, and Terry Riddle of Lorain, Ohio; six step-grandchildren, seven step-great-grandchildren; two sisters: Agnes Dilling of Southgate, and Nancy Bailey of Langley; one brother, Alex Spencer of Van Lear; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Jeff Spencer in 1957; a sister, Marie Spencer; and two brothers: Ralph Spencer and Hewen Spencer.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, December 13, at 11 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel in Martin, with Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Spencer Cemetery, in Eastern, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Memorial and Honor program at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Online condolences may be made at:

www.hallfuneralservice.com

Pallbearers: Ryan Spencer, Andrew Spencer, Shane Spencer and Shawn Spencer. (Paid obituary)

## Card of Thanks

The family of Kenneth Ray "BoBo" Crum would like to thank the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, the Floyd County Sheriff's Department, Potter Medical Clinic and their employees, Roy Robinson and the Church of Christ of Arkansas Creek, and many family members and friends who showed their love during our time of grief.

The Family of  
Kenneth Ray "BoBo" Crum

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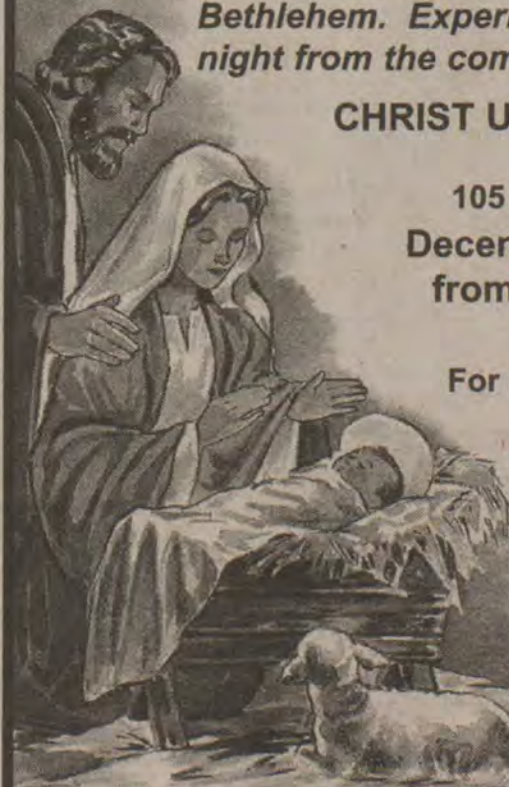
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Christmas Eve  
Candlelight Service**

## Stacia Paige Collins

### "Paigee Pooh"

December 16, 1999 - December 12, 2002

*Paige was a very special angel  
God loaned us only for a  
while  
When times began to get  
tough  
We would always look for  
Paige's bright smile  
A loving nature everyone  
knew so well  
She would become an angel,  
her secret she could never tell  
Paige is gone now to our great  
sorrow  
God lets you know there may be  
no hope of tomorrow  
Paige touched so many of our lives  
So many far and near  
She brought so much joy and happiness  
In the short time she was here.  
We'll miss "Paigee Pooh" forever and a day  
We never knew from the beginning  
That she couldn't stay  
We only have the memories our little Angel has sown  
Our precious gift from God, our angel on loan...*



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# Community Calendar

## Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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

**Maytown Center**  
 •Monday nights - Volleyball, 7 p.m., co-ed activity, \$1. 7th grade thru adult. Followed by drinks, snacks, pool and ping pong until 9 p.m. Also, basketball from 6-7 p.m. FREE. Must be accompanied by an adult.  
 •Tuesday and Thursday - Basketball, 5-6 p.m., FREE if under 15. Must be accompanied by an adult. 8-10 p.m., ages 15 to adult, \$2.

**May House Tours**  
 The historic Samuel May House will be open to the public each Saturday, from 2 to 5 p.m. The house, built in 1817, is the oldest house in the Big Sandy Valley. Tours are \$3/person; donations appreciated. The house is located on North Lake Drive (Prestonsburg), across from Pizza Hut and Wendy's.

**Floyd County Community Council on Domestic Violence**  
 Meets the third Thursday of each month, in the Floyd County Family and Court Conference room, in the Justice Center, at 3 p.m. Learn how to prevent domestic violence. The information you gain may save a life...the life of someone you know! All interested persons encouraged to attend. For more info., call 886-4323.

**Prestonsburg Rotary Club**  
 Invites interested professionals and businesses to join them for lunch each Thursday, at 12 p.m., in the Student Grille Conference Room, on the BSCTC campus. Each weekly program is devoted to community service and its application to the Rotary Motto: "Service Above Self."  
 •Lunch is served at noon and programs begin promptly at 12:40. Contact Mike Vance at 226-2075 for more info.

### Hillbilly Travel Club

Currently planning a 2-night trip to New York City that will take place on Memorial Day weekend, 2006. Plans are for the club to depart from Floyd County on Friday, May 26, at 6 p.m. Will spend Sat. and Sunday nights in NYC, departing at 7 a.m. on the 29th. Cost ranging in price from \$185-260/per person. Call Ed or Linda at 452-4149 for more information.

### UNITE

Beginning January 9, the UNITE coalition of Floyd County will meet the second Monday of each month, at 5 p.m., at the Allen Baptist Church. All interested persons welcome to join UNITE's fight against drugs.

•"Living Free" - A support group sponsored by the Floyd County UNITE Coalition. Group will meet weekly at the old Allen Baptist Church, on US 23 N., between Allen and Banner, on Tuesdays, at 1:15 p.m. The first meeting will be held on Nov. 29.

Living Free is a faith-based 12-step support group open to all who are searching for recovery. There is no fee to attend. For more info., contact Shirley Combs at 874-3388 or 434-8400.

### Neighborhood Watch

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

### Free Body Recall classes

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

### 'Earn While You Learn'

The Big Sandy Area C.A.P. office is taking applications for its "Senior Training Program." You must be 55 or older to apply. In Floyd, call 886-2929; Johnson, call 789-6515; Magoffin, call 349-2217; Pike, call 432-2775; and in Lawrence, call 638-4067.

### Interested in new job training?

Are you a senior citizen on a fixed income struggling with soaring medical bills and living expenses? Could you use some

extra spending money but don't know how to get back into the workforce?

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

### External Diploma Program

Kentucky residents age 25 and older can earn a high school diploma by demonstrating skills learned on the job or in raising a family. Flexible scheduling is provided and confidentiality maintained. Classes are held at the Carl D. Perkins Rehabilitation Center, in Thelma, Mon. thru Fri., with evening classes on Thursday. EDP classes are also held at the Mullins Learning Center, in Pikeville, on Tuesdays, from 4:30-8:30 p.m. Contact Andy Jones at 606-788-7080, or 800-443-2187, ext. 186, or Linda Bell, at ext. 160 to make an appointment.

GED classes are also available.

### Floyd County Extension Homemaker Club Meetings

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### Looking for a Support Group?

**Floyd County Alzheimer's Support Group**

•Floyd County Alzheimer's Support Group now meets at Riverview Manor.

•Overeater's Anonymous - Meetings held each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., at the old Allen Baptist Church, located in Allen, just past red light. Call 889-9620 for more info.

•US TOO! Prostate Cancer Survivors Support Group - For all men with prostate cancer and their families. Group meets

the 3rd Thursday of each month, at 6 p.m., at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville.

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

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•PARENTS! - Contact the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Inc. to find out about child care services in your area, the STARS for KIDS NOW licensing standards program.

and how you can earn an income by staying home with your own children while caring for the children of others. Find out more by calling Cheryl Endicott at 886-1280, or 888-872-7227 (toll free).

•East Kentucky S.T.A.R.S. Homeschoolers - Will hold monthly meetings at the Paintsville Recreation Center. For more information, call Trudy at 889-9333, or 297-5147. Everyone welcome.

•Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Each Wednesday, from 7-8 p.m., in the Atrium Conference Room, 2nd floor, May Tower, Pikeville Methodist Hospital. For more info., contact Chris Cook at 606-433-1119 or christophercook@hotmail.com.

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For those of you who sent flowers, cards, and the food, we are grateful—special thanks to the Class of 1959 for preparing and serving dinner. We would also like to extend a special thanks to Rev. Roy Harlow for helping us through this most difficult time, by being with us, providing words of encouragement and using the Fellowship Hall at Graceway United Methodist Church.










We appreciate those who provided music—Jeanie Hicks and Betty Frasure; Denise Porter; Stillwater; Ted Shannon Group; Fayla Allen, Christina Blair, and Jessica Nelson; and Tom and Josh Martin.

Finally, we would like to thank the professional staff at Hall Funeral Home for providing us with the best of service and utmost care, as well as the Maytown Volunteer Fire Department and the Floyd County Sheriff's Department.

There are not enough words to express/describe our gratitude at this point, but we hope we have not forgotten anyone. We were truly blessed to have had such a wonderful lady in our lives, and are thankful that she had the opportunity to touch everyone she came in contact with in a positive way.


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# Viewpoint

Amendment 1

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people to peaceably assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

Worth Repeating ...

"Speak out in acts; the time for words has passed, and only deeds will suffice."

— John Greenleaf Whittier

## Guest View Merry Christmas (don't worry, it's OK)

After a decade of politically correct yuletides, the pendulum is swinging back. Conservative groups are urging a boycott of Walgreen's, Sears and Home Depot for selling "holiday" trees and greeting customers with "Happy holidays" instead of "Merry Christmas."

Fox News host Bill O'Reilly sees this as a sinister effort "to get Christianity and spirituality and Judaism out of the public square." Not really. It's more a mish-mash marketing ploy to draw as many diverse customers as possible — celebrants of Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, winter solstice and whatever other festivity falls on or around Dec. 25.

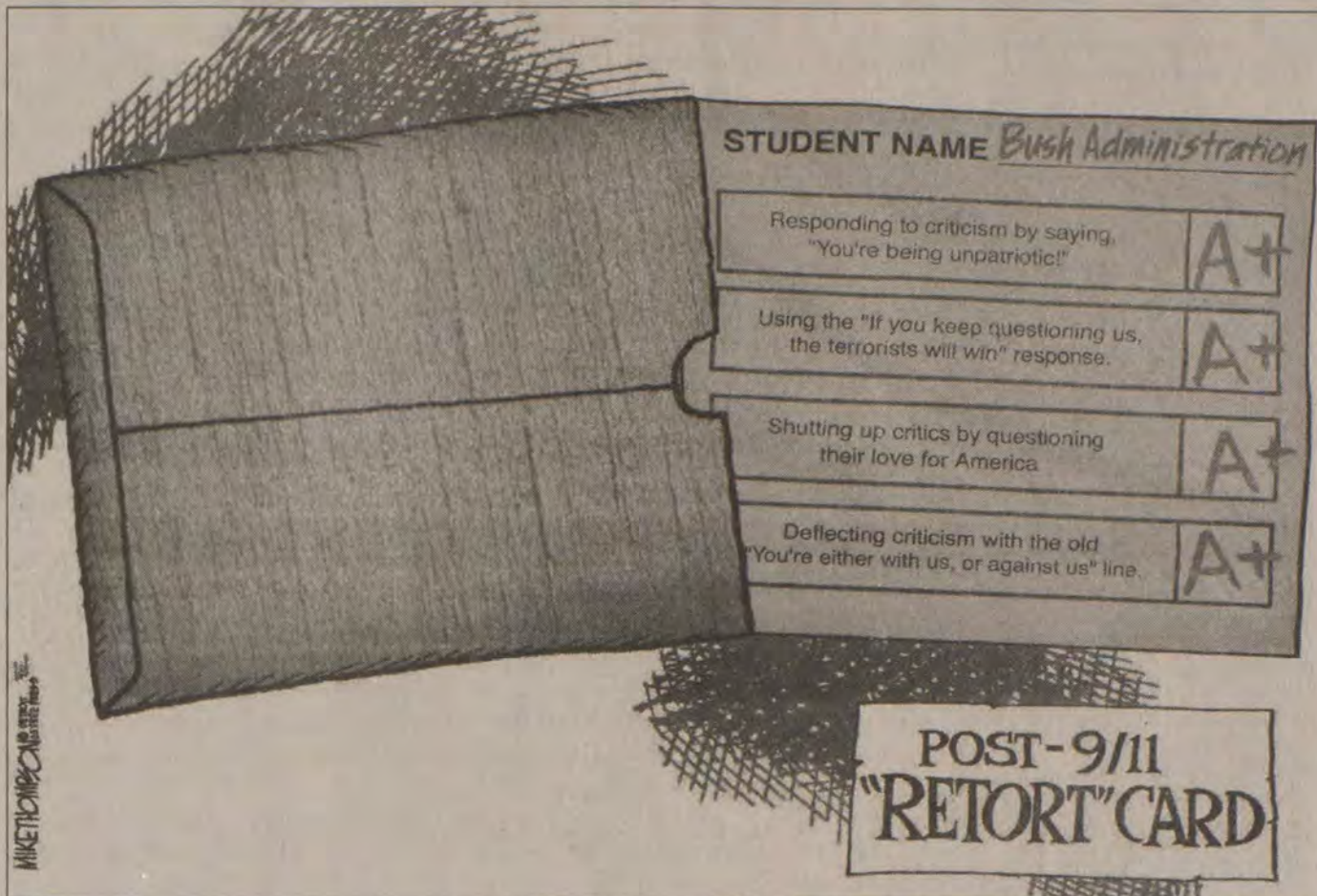
So it's ironic that merchants' desire to not offend is, indeed, offending people. While some of the outrage may be excessive, the whole P.C. thing has admittedly gotten out of hand. Walgreen's calling a Christmas tree a holiday tree is just silly, as customers who buy said tree almost certainly observe Christmas. It's like calling a menorah a holiday candleabra. What's next? Will Easter eggs be springtime ova?

Time was, "happy holidays" meant a dual wish for Christmas and New Year's. But it has morphed into a catchall to avoid fa-la-la-la-la faux pas. Its cheery tentacles even extend to the government. In Washington, D.C., U.S. House Speaker Dennis Hastert got the Capitol's holiday spruce rechristened a Christmas tree. Meanwhile, Illinois lit a state-named "holiday" tree in Springfield. Some recipients of President Bush's 2005 greeting card are miffed at its religion-neutral tone.

Frankly, this "holiday" overuse is nutty enough to roast on an open fire. We can all call a Christmas tree what it is. Likewise, folks should be able to wish "Merry Christmas" without fear of rebuke. The alternative? Wireless retailer Virgin Mobile has coined this greeting: "Happy Christmahanukwanzakah." That's sure to make you choke on your candy cane.

As a side note, let's remember that the Christmas evergreen itself is an amalgam of religious custom, from Roman Saturnalia to Druid nature worship. Puritan-ruled Massachusetts in 1659 banned such trees due to their heathen origins. If they didn't swing, guess they wouldn't be pendulums, but it sure would be nice if they didn't get so far off center.

— The Peoria (Ill.) Journal Star



## Capitol Ideas

# Kentucky Democrats turned out for Clinton fundraiser

by JOE BIESK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — U.S. Sen. Hillary Clinton stood on stage, raised her right hand above her eyes and appeared to look above the cheering crowd toward the back of the room.

"This is an extraordinary crowd of Kentucky Democrats," Clinton commented as the audience's applause simmered.

Turns out some of Kentucky's top Democratic faithful weren't so scared to associate themselves publicly with the former first lady after all. At least, the 2,000 people who packed the International Convention Center in downtown Louisville earlier this month didn't seem so.

Clinton's Dec. 2 appearance took in about \$600,000 for the Kentucky Democratic Party, organizers said. However, some in attendance thought perhaps it did a lot more than that.

In recent years, the state GOP has seen a resurgence taking power in the Kentucky Senate, gaining seats in the House and recapturing the Governor's Mansion for the first time in more than 30 years. The GOP also controls Kentucky's Washington delegation, holding both U.S. Senate seats and all but one slot in Congress.

But state Rep. Brent Yonts, D-Greenville, said Clinton's visit to

Louisville may have jump-started the party and its followers.

"I think she revitalized the Kentucky Democratic Party, the Kentucky Democrats and certainly gave a lot of hope to Democrats in the Kentucky House and the Kentucky Senate," Yonts said following her speech.

Leading into the fundraiser, Republicans across the state were eagerly anticipating Clinton's appearance. The state Republican Party dispatched a missive that seemed to dare Kentucky Democrats to show up.

"It will be interesting to see which of the 'conservative members' of the Democrat House and Senate caucuses show up to embrace her liberal agenda," GOP chairman Darrell Brock said in the statement.

Other Republicans portrayed the New York senator, and possible 2008 presidential candidate, as a "New York liberal" too far to the left of the political spectrum for Kentuckians to comfortably digest.

State Democratic Party chairman Jerry Lundergan told the audience such comparisons would be short-lived.

"Tonight is the beginning of a very, very long stretch of successful wins for the Democratic Party," Lundergan said. "The day is over when they're going to label people. They tried to label our guest speaker and our United States senator from New York for the last two weeks."

Numerous Kentucky legislators from

both urban and rural areas came out to see Clinton.

Some of the current officeholders in attendance included: Attorney General Greg Stumbo, House Speaker Jody Richards, House Majority Floor Leader Rocky Adkins, state Rep. Jim Wayne, state Sen. Daniel Mongiardo and Sen. Gerald Neal.

State Sen. David Boswell, D-Owensboro, said he agreed with Clinton's message. Boswell said Clinton's appearance could possibly serve as a boost to the party statewide.

"The message that she delivered her tonight and the message that will be transmitted through all the 2,000 plus people that are here tonight back into the communities across the state," Boswell said. "I think it will pay dividends with regard to the public sentiment about maybe Democrats in general — especially at the national level."

Former Gov. Martha Layne Collins, who was one of the former Democratic governors in attendance, predicted Clinton's appearance would be the start of a resurgence for her party.

"We have so much to be hopeful about tonight, nationally and in Kentucky," Collins said. "The Democratic Party in Kentucky is very much alive and well."

Joe Biesk is a statehouse reporter for The Associated Press.

## Letters

# Thanks for successful year

As we celebrate Christmas this season, Appalachia Service Project would like to thank all of our community partners for helping to deliver another successful summer of emergency home repair services in Floyd County. Thanks to the generous assistance of organizations like Appalachian Regional Hospital, Christian Appalachian Project, First Baptist Church of McDowell, God's Appalachian Partnership, LINKS, Mountain Comprehensive Care and New Salem Association of Old Regular Baptists, this ministry was able to serve the many people that we served this past year.

During the summer of 2004, four ASP staff members and 528 volunteers from across the country completed repairs on

12 homes in Floyd County and provided an estimated economic investment of \$362,933.96 within the county.

None of the repairs that ASP completed would have been possible without the generous support of Supt. Dr. Paul Fanning, the members of the Floyd County school board and the administration and staff of South Floyd High School, all of whom graciously agreed to host our staff and volunteers in the South Floyd facility. Because ASP relies on facilities within the communities we serve, this support is the backbone of ASP's ministry.

Our heartfelt gratitude goes out to everyone who made our summer home repair ministry possible this past summer. We are truly blessed to have experi-

enced the level of community support that we have received over the years in Floyd County.

Fran Lanzer  
Field Coordinator  
Appalachia Service Project

## Justice not served

A Floyd County grand jury chose not to indict Doug Moore for the death of my husband, Harold Smith. Me and my children do not feel like justice was served in their decision.

Kathleen Smith  
Manchester

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**P'burg**

School district employees," Graden said. "We need to mesh those with the correct retail mix for downtown. We also need to differentiate ourselves from the retail that's out there today ... We need the right retail mix. We don't have a bakery, men's clothing store or bookstore downtown. Let's go out and

actively recruit those." Eventually, Graden says the city will improve parking and "street-scaping" (street lighting, benches and other aesthetic additions) to help "revitalize" downtown. He is also looking into the possibility of creating a river walk, which would include either an artist cooperative or a

museum. "Central businesses" that are beneficial to the city will be recognized and awarded by the board, Graden said. The council agreed to amend the ordinance, at the request of council member Gorman Collins, so that the mayor would not have the authority to remove

any member from the commission for misconduct or other reasons. Commission board members will be removed by the full council, they decided. In other news, the council appointed Ralph Compton and they reappointed Jenny Wiley manager Scott Ringham to the Tourism Commission Board.

Both appointees came by recommendation from the Tourism Commission. Mayor Jerry Fannin commended the "great job" done with Christmas decorations at

Archer Park. Council member Donna Wells suggested that the council send a letter to Lowe's, thanking them for donating employees and materials to improve the playground area.

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**Governor**

him and emergency personnel Jason Hartsock and Wendell Mullins, was one of the worst fires he has seen in his five-year employment with the Division of Forestry.

The men, blinded and strangled by smoke, were saved because the fire couldn't "jump" over an old logging road. Adkins said he sent Hartsock and Mullins to a safer area as he stayed behind to fight the original fire, which started after a boy set fire to an old wooden building on Adams Branch. Adkins said he was terrified — and prepared — when the arson fire came closer to him. Crew members fought to suppress the blaze for 20 minutes.

Pikeville Forestry Commander Harold Rowe, who was recognized by Fletcher along with Forest Ranger Ronnie Stiltner, saw a man on an ATV set a fire on the hill below before his crews that day.

Approximately 345 acres burned.

Rowe said arsonists don't understand the possible dangers imposed on fire fighters when they are extinguishing woodland fires.

He was enthusiastic about the

governor's initiative, and he hopes that it will reinstate the forestry department's ability to carry weapons.

Several years ago, Senator Bickford, working under then-gov. Paul Patton, promoted legislation that removed the forestry department's ability to carry firearms. The forestry department can issue summons, write citations, and complete investigations, but they have no way to protect themselves, Rowe said.

"We have no protection," Rowe said. "If I caught that man on the four-wheeler, I would have had to find a way to subdue him. Arson has steadily gotten worse since we lost our firearms."

The governor's initiative calls for more police involvement, and even assistance from the National Guard, if needed, but Rowe doesn't see how increased enforcement will help because he says officers will not be able to drive rough terrain and makeshift roads on hillsides.

Rowe also wants the task force to provide more full time crews for the forestry department. On Nov. 27, the department had two crews working with only seven members bat-

ting a fire that destroyed 345 acres of woodland. Rowe says it's hard to employ forestry workers because the position is a seasonal, part time job that only pays minimum wage.

Mark York, Executive Director of the Environmental Public Protection Cabinet said that the governor requested cooperation and suggestions from forestry workers during a private meeting held prior to the press conference.

The governor's multi-agency approach, targeted to protect not only the 11.9 million acres of forest land in the state, but also the 30,000 jobs created by various forest industries in Kentucky, will initiate a collaborative effort between the Kentucky Department of Forestry, the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, the KSP, and the Kentucky National Guard.

These agencies will provide "high visibility enforcement" in areas prone to arson fires. The KSP, working with the forestry department, will spearhead the initiative, with the National Guard working under their direction to "supplement the effort if necessary to protect firefight-

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ers," a press release said. Fish and Wildlife officers will assist in arson investigations and "keep a lookout" for suspicious activities.

KSP Commissioner Mark Miller reported that many of KSP's newly trained officers, who will complete training on Dec. 20, will be assigned to Eastern Kentucky to assist in the anti-arson effort. Many of the repeated arson "hot spots" are in the eastern and southeastern parts of the state, officials said.

Officers will also look for a relationship between arson and drug abuse or other criminal activities, Fletcher said.

The task force, which will also promote increased educational programs provided through the Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet, should be assembled next year.

The Kentucky State Arson Task Force, founded in 1988 as a nonprofit corporation, offers rewards of up to \$1,000 for tips that lead to indictments against suspected arsonists. Since its inception, the organization has received 576 tips and has paid or authorized rewards totaling \$22,300 in 31 arson related cases. To report arson, call 1-800-27-ARSON.

**Motions**

senate seat by "material false and fraudulent pretenses and representations."

They allege that the defendants misrepresented campaign contributions to make them appear to be from Sen. Turner, "when they knew" that the contributions came from Harris or another party. Harris, a Pikeville lawyer and coal operator, became an active supporter and participant in the senate race, officials allege.

The mail fraud charge against the men is related to an "amended" post-election report that was sent to the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance after the primary election.

Sen. Turner, accused of using funds provided by Harris to pay for votes, beat incumbent Sen. Benny Ray Bailey in the primary. The indictment alleges that Loren Turner, the senator's cousin and campaign finance head in 2000, gave money from Harris to various "straw contributors" to reimburse them for checks that they were asked to write for Sen. Turner's campaign. It also alleges that checks, denoted for "vote hauling" or "campaign worker," written by Loren Turner, were used to influence voters to vote for Sen. Turner. In 2000, Turner spent nearly \$34,000 to pay more than 650 people to haul voters to the polls or to perform other campaign work, and Bailey spent \$16,700 to pay more than 330 people to take voters to the polls.

In his motion for dismissal, Loren Turner argues that the state's vote-buying statute is too vague because it doesn't contain any standard for determining "when vote hauling constitutes vote buying." The vote buying and mail fraud statutes in Kentucky are "over-broad" for the purposes of the First Amendment because they "prohibit constitutionally protected political speech, i.e., vote hauling," he claims.

Sen. Turner also sought dismissal for this reason, arguing that "the line between illegal vote buying and legal vote hauling is vague and impossible to discern without clearer guidelines."

The court ruled that no party disputes the fact that the federal vote-buying statute provides adequate notice that buying votes is illegal.

"These words have clear meaning so that a person of rea-

sonable intelligence would know that he or she must not offer money to someone for voting," Caldwell wrote in the order. "The statute need not state precise guidelines for determining when an individual will be deemed to have knowingly or willfully paid another individual for voting as opposed to some other legal activity ... It will be up to the jury to decide, from all the facts and circumstances, whether that explanation [vote hauling] is reasonable or whether, beyond a reasonable doubt, the payments were actually for voting."

The order of denial for these motions was filed alongside another order of denial Tuesday.

Caldwell also denied a motion submitted by Sen. Turner, whose attorney argued for dismissal on the grounds that the indictment exceeded statute of limitations time restraints. The indictment was not filed until May 2005, more than four years after the alleged mailing to the the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance and about five years after the alleged payments to voters.

In the order, Caldwell pointed out that the statute used in Sen. Turner's motion for dismissal governs the "disclosure of federal campaign funds," not charges of mail fraud or conspiracy, which both hold a statute of limitations of five years.

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"Accordingly, the charges in the indictment are not time barred," she wrote.

Neither Harris or Loren Turner, who were both found guilty of similar crimes last year, have been imprisoned.

Harris was found guilty of one count of conspiracy to commit mail fraud, one count of conspiracy to buy votes, three counts of mail fraud and one count of structuring withdrawals from a bank account to avoid financial reporting requirements. Loren Turner was convicted of conspiracy to commit mail fraud and two counts of mail fraud.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Ken Taylor said that Harris, who has cancer, was given a six-month sentence of home incarceration in that case. Loren Turner was given an "active" sentence of 48 months, Taylor said, but he moved to suspend his sentencing this past summer until the trial with Sen. Turner is "behind him."

A pretrial conference is scheduled to be held in the case on Dec. 19, but Taylor said that he has a scheduling conflict. If the conference gets postponed, Taylor said that the trial against these men, currently scheduled for Jan. 10, may also be postponed. The trial was previously scheduled to be held in July and it was rescheduled, once again, from an October docket.

**Card of Thanks**

The family of Brenda Gail Stanley would like to thank family and friends for their support, kind words, all the beautiful flowers, and being there in our time of need.

Thanks for all the food, and all the prayers that were said, silently and aloud. Brenda was a wonderful wife to her husband, and mother to her two boys. She will be missed very, very much.

Thanks to everyone.

Milton, Clayton, Derek

**Card of Thanks**

The family of Donnie Meade would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to all those friends, neighbors, and loved ones, who helped to comfort us during our time of sorrow. Thanks to all those who sent flowers, or spoke kind words. A special thanks to Clergyman Roy Harlow for his comforting words, and the Hall Funeral Home for their caring and professional service. All your thoughts and prayers will never be forgotten.

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# Kentucky agriculture to make \$4 billion in gross receipts in 2005

by BRUCE SCHREINER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Kentucky agriculture will likely yield a near-record \$4 billion in cash receipts this year amid mixed results — the livestock sector flourished, grain farmers struggled with low prices and tobacco's influence waned, economists said last week.

The state's signature equine industry will exceed \$1 billion in gross receipts in 2005, and the growing poultry industry is close behind at around \$900 million, said Craig Infanger, a University of Kentucky agriculture economist. Beef cattle receipts also were up.

The livestock sector's strong showing offset declining cash

receipts for row crops and tobacco, he said. High land values, strong export markets and an infusion of government payments helped nurture the agriculture industry in 2005 and leaves it in strong position for next year, he said.

"This is a strong agricultural sector right now," Infanger said.

This year's farm cash receipts should come close to last year's level, he said.

Despite lower crop prices amid another U.S. bumper harvest of corn and soybean, net farm income in Kentucky should exceed \$1 billion this year when factoring in government payments, he said. Infanger also predicted that farm cash receipts could reach a record \$4.14 billion next year if

exports remain strong and farmers have normal weather conditions.

However, farmers will face production challenges from rising interest rates and higher energy costs that will squeeze farm income next year, he said.

UK agriculture economists wrapped up the year in agriculture and offered forecasts for next year at a news conference that's become a staple of the annual Kentucky Farm Bureau convention.

Tobacco cash receipts will likely drop to \$250 million to \$275 million this year as burley production plunged by 35 percent after the tobacco buyout, said UK tobacco economist Will Snell.

Snell said he heard that bur-

ley growers are getting \$1.55 to \$1.60 per pound for leaf grown under contract for tobacco companies, slightly higher than expected but still a sharp decline since the buyout did away with the federal tobacco program and its price supports.

With high production costs, Snell estimated that farmers needed to yield at least 2,100 pounds per acre to make money off the crop this year. The statewide yield, however, was only about 1,800 pounds an acre because of difficult growing and curing seasons.

"As a result, a lot of the farmers with these low yields lost money," he said.

Bolstering income for Kentucky's tobacco farmers will be "mailbox payments"

expected to total around \$1 billion between last January and next month, Snell said. Those payments include buyout checks — including lump sums taken by some growers — as well as so-called Phase II money as part of a multibillion-dollar anti-smoking settlement and payments from grower lawsuits.

Snell predicted that more farmers will quit growing tobacco next year. Opportunities still exist for those remaining, if tobacco companies offer high enough prices, he said.

Tobacco once accounted for a quarter of Kentucky farm cash receipts but now totals about 10 percent, Infanger said. Kentucky is the nation's top burley tobacco producer.

"Because of the demand outlook, we feel there will be opportunities to have a viable tobacco sector here in Kentucky," he said.

Lee Meyer, a UK extension livestock marketing specialist, predicted a continuation of strong feeder cattle and slaughter cattle prices. He predicted that Kentucky's poultry industry will continue to grow.

Steve Riggins, a UK grain-marketing economist, said that large stockpiles of corn and soybeans from bumper harvests will hamper prices. He predicted that growing demand for corn as an energy source could help corn prices in the future.

"So it's hard to be bullish ... about corn or soybean prices in the short run," he said.

## Student beats dyslexia with help from Eastern Kentucky program

SOMERSET — "Lazy," "unmotivated" and "slow." These are labels that Jeffrey Cress worried about as an elementary school student struggling to read and write. Now a sophomore at Boyce Bible College in Louisville, Cress wants others to know they can overcome their learning differences.

"I was trying my hardest and

was still accused of being lazy. So, I decided I'll just be lazy," Cress recalls.

Cress' experience is not unique. Children with language-based learning differences, such as dyslexia, are often of average or above-average intelligence. However, many fail to realize their educational and social potential, because most schools and parents are not equipped to

help them.

Cress' mom, Karen Cress, would work at home to help him learn his weekly spelling list. However, come test time, the teacher would mix up the order of the words and Cress would fail the test. "He had memorized where the letters were," Karen said.

Help arrived when Karen learned of a local After-School Program sponsored by the Hindman Settlement School. Cress says the program "helped me realize what I was dealing with and how to function in school with a learning disability."

"It helped me focus and helped me see that I was not in the minority; not in an isolated group. I went from thinking I can't, to knowing I can."

Cress still does not read as quickly as other students in his classes at Boyce, but he has learned ways to make up for it. He uses books on tape and professors offer him extended time on written tests. These accommodations help to make up for the different way in which he processes information.

When asked what advice he has for parents, Cress suggested, "Acknowledge that your child learns differently and that they need help."

"Learning differently is not a bad thing," says the 21-year old, "but it becomes a disability when you don't understand or deal with it." Cress feels that parents who do not get help for children with learning differences are doing the children an injustice. "You'll limit how far they can go," he says.



Jeffrey Cress

## Business workshop scheduled

PIKEVILLE — Do you want to own and operate your own business, but you don't know how to get started?

Morehead State University's East Kentucky Small Business Development Center and the Pike County Chamber of Commerce Small Business Support Committee are offering a workshop to help potential entrepreneurs do just that.

A "Pre-Business Orientation Workshop" will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 20, at the Big Sandy Community and Technical College, 120 S. Riverfill Drive in Pikeville, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Topics to be covered at this workshop will include structure, financing, marketing, taxes and licenses.

The workshop will be pre-

sented by Michael Morley, director of the East Kentucky Small Business Development Center. There is no charge, but advance registration is necessary due to limited seating.

Training programs, sponsored or co-sponsored by SBDC, are available to all indi-

viduals without regard to race, color, sex, creed or national origin. Special arrangements will be made for those with disabilities if requested in advance.

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## BSCTC holds fall graduation

PAINTSVILLE — Friends and family members gathered in the Big Sandy Community and Technical College Mayo Campus Auditorium on Dec. 9 to witness the Fall 2005 Commencement.

BSCTC awarded 114 degrees, 101 diplomas and 244 certificates to the Fall 2005 graduating class. Some graduates will continue their education in pursuit of advanced degrees at four-year colleges or universities of their choice. Others will immediately enter the workforce with skills and certifications acquired at BSCTC. Whatever the choice, the Fall 2005 graduates will be prepared for the next step in their career plan.

The featured speaker for the graduation ceremonies was Charles "Rusty" Justice, owner and operator of J&H Enterprises in Pikeville. A former student of the College, Justice spoke to the graduates about the qualities of success and the need for preparation. Justice advised the graduates to plan for the future, work hard, take responsibility for their actions and learn from their mistakes.

Dr. George D. Edwards, president of BSCTC, encour-

aged the graduates to recognize the sacrifices of family and friends who stood by them during their college preparation. "You have worked hard to be the success you are today. However you did not come this far alone. Look around you and show your appreciation to those

who have helped you get this far."

Music for the ceremonies was provided by The Big Sandy Singers director, Laura Ford Hall, who sang "You Raise Me Up," and Susan Scott, who delivered a stirring rendition of "Wind Beneath My Wings."

### Fatherhood Initiative Grants

The Families First / Community Collaboration for Children is accepting grant applications to address Fatherhood issues in this area through either activities, events, parenting classes for fathers, training sessions to agency staff, that raises the awareness of the importance of fathers or public awareness campaigns.

Fatherhood programming is for any male caregiver, such as father, grandfather, uncle, foster father, or significant male caregiver of a child, agency staff to raise the awareness of fatherhood issues. It is to enhance the importance of the role of fathers in the lives of their children. It is also to train professionals to recognize the importance of the role of fathers in their children's lives.

Grants in the amount of \$1,000.00 will be awarded to one entity in each of the five counties in the Big Sandy region (Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, Martin and Pike counties). Any non-profit agency in the Big Sandy region is eligible to apply for these funds. All proposals must be submitted by January 25, 2006.

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# Motions heard in murder case

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

**PRESTONSBURG** — Several motions were heard Friday in the case of James Hunt, who is scheduled to be tried Jan. 9 for a November 2004 incident that finds him accused of murdering his wife, Bettina, at her Bucks Branch home.

The prosecution is seeking the death penalty in the case, which has led to intense scrutiny on all motions filed, which is part and parcel for trying a capital case.

Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner was heard on two motions with the first having to do with an accident which occurred the night of the killing. Turner is seeking medical

records made of Hunt's visit to the emergency room on the evening that his wife was killed.

That night, officers responding to a 911 call from Bettina Hunt found James Hunt in his car, which had overturned into a creek. Hunt was taken from the scene for medical treatment and Turner argued that his motion "does not invade Mr. Hunt's privacy" and observed that Hunt was arrested at the hospital for driving under the influence.

Judge John D. Caudill granted the motion and also ruled for Turner on his second request.

The commonwealth will be able to view records of calls made from Hunt's cell phone and said that such records should corroborate witness accounts that Bettina Hunt received several calls from

James Hunt preceding her murder.

The defense team for Hunt also submitted a motion to test more evidence found at the murder scene. They argued that separate tests were not performed on a plastic soda bottle found on the floor of Bettina Hunt's home. The bottle appeared to have been fashioned into a crude silencer. Defense attorney Harolyn Howard observed that such testing could take some time and that Hunt's trial date may have to be moved further along in order for the defense to examine the lab's findings.

On Monday Judge Caudill issued an order continuing the trial in light of the evidence testing that was reported at Friday's hearing. A new trial date has not been set at this time.



photo by Christy Howell

Kenny Rogers enjoyed a hearty laugh as members of the audience were invited onstage to help sing "The Twelve Days of Christmas" at the Pikeville Exposition Center Sunday evening. Rogers, along with Eastern Kentucky native Rebecca Lynn Howard and country music sensation Billy Dean, headlined the holiday show.

## Meth

Saturday and that the search turned up a meth lab in the barn behind the couple's home. Blackburn also noted that the department received help in dismantling the lab safely from two deputies from Johnson County who had been trained in dealing with the volatile chemicals used to manufacture the drug.

Blackburn decided to play it safely and had his men checked out at Highlands Regional Medical Center following the execution of the warrant. They all were released after being

examined by the hospital's staff for exposure to toxic chemicals.

Blackburn had nothing but praise for his officers and Johnson County Sheriff Bill Witten, who has cooperated with Blackburn on several drug-related cases which have crossed the county line.

Deputy Holbrook noted that the search went smoothly with the Collinses offering cooperation and that things only got hairy when the team lifted a bucket that contained Sudafed. Under the five-gallon bucket

they discovered a second bucket containing cat litter which emitted a powerful chemical smell when exposed to the air. Holbrook explained that cat litter is used to filter the drug as it captures and holds the strong smell associated with cooking methamphetamine due to the toxic chemicals involved, which include ammonia, lye and lighter fluid.

Holbrook also said that the investigation is still open and that there may still be more arrests made in the case.

Frederic and Monica Collins were arraigned Monday and granted a preliminary hearing on Dec. 19. Monica Collins was ordered to be held on a \$50,000 cash bond, while a \$100,000 cash bond was set for her husband. Frederic Collins was serving a two-year probated sentence for possession of cocaine and marijuana which was discovered in his vehicle after he was cited for driving under the influence. If convicted of the meth charges, Collins will face having his probation revoked and will have to serve an additional two years before serving any sentence incurred for the manufacturing charge.

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## Election

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his paperwork to seek reelection Tuesday. He is campaigning against Prestonsburg resident John A. Goble for the magistrate seat.

There are now 36 candidates registered for various county elections. No one has filed to run for county clerk, county attorney or county surveyor. Candidates who have filed to run for constable seats in District 2 and District 3, the circuit clerk seat, and the property valuation administrator seat are currently unopposed.

The candidates are:  
■ District 1 magistrate: John A. Goble, of Prestonsburg, and current magistrate Gerald DeRossett, of Prestonsburg.

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

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

■ District 2 constable: Mike D. Goodman, of Langleys.

■ District 3 magistrate:

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

■ District 3 constable: Paul Younce, of Melvin.

■ District 4 magistrate: Arnold Bob McKinney, of Harold, B.J. Newsome, of Betsy Layne, Ronnie Akers, of Harold, Charolette Frasure, of Grethel, Nicholas J. Martin, of Teaberry, Paul David Tackett, of Teaberry, 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, Allred "Junebug" Newsome, of Grethel, and Vernie Bradley, of Banner.

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

■ Prestonsburg Mayor: Mayor Jerry Ennam and former city council member Tom

Hereford.

■ Sheriff: Dalton Conley, of Garrett, Sheriff John K. Blackburn, Deputy Jailer Damon Newsome, and former Prestonsburg city council member Eunice Shepherd.

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# Odds & Ends

## Disputes may halt mine drug testing bill in legislative session

**MANILA, Philippines** — A two-meter python caused a commotion at a Manila police station Tuesday, when rattled policemen were forced to destroy an officer's desk after the snake slithered in to hide, officials said.

Policemen and village volunteer guards at the station in Manila's Quiapo district managed to subdue the animal. The desk had to be destroyed so the python could be removed from its drawer without being harmed, police said.

The incident started before dawn when a bystander saw the python near a fast-food restaurant in nearby Sta. Cruz district.

Village guards managed to capture the snake and bring it to the police station. But the python quickly slithered out of its captors' grasp and sneaked into a small opening on a policeman's table, causing a commotion.

The unharmed python was later turned over to Manila Zoo representatives.

**MILWAUKEE** — A police officer had part of a finger bitten off by a woman after he responded to a call about a dispute over a cat, authorities said.

Lt. Robert Menzel said the 40-year-old woman who called police Sunday afternoon had argued with a man about the animal and wanted him removed from her home.

The officer, a 10-year veteran, tried to restrain the woman, and she became belligerent and she bit off part of his right ring finger, Menzel said.

Surgeons at Froedtert Memorial Lutheran Hospital were not able to reattach the finger, the lieutenant said.

**TULSA, Okla.** — A Plymouth Belvedere that was buried in a concrete vault nearly 50 years ago as part of the state's golden anniversary celebration will be unearthed in 2007 as part of the Oklahoma

centennial festivities.

The 1957 Belvedere is underground next to the Tulsa County Courthouse. Also buried with it were five gallons of gas and a case of beer.

Old news reports indicate the gas was buried in case internal combustion engines became obsolete by 2007 and no fuel was available. Other buried items include the contents of a woman's purse: 14 bobby pins, a lipstick, a pack of gum, tissues, a pack of cigarettes and matches and \$2.43.

There was also an unpaid parking ticket, a bottle of tranquilizers and a spool of microfilm, which records the entries of a contest held to determine the winner of the car. The person to guess Tulsa's population in 2007 or the heirs of that person were to win the car and a \$100 savings account.

The account would be worth almost \$1,200 today, if it can be found.

The Tulsa Historical Society and the centennial committee have been getting inquiries from all over the world about the car, including one from a Scandinavian who claims to have an exact twin of the buried Belvedere.

**NORTH PLATTE, Neb.** — Fourteen senior citizens have decided to bare a little skin, all in the name of fundraising.

Inspired by the 2003 movie "Calendar Girls," members of the Brady Beauties Red Hat Society struck poses for a calendar. While they didn't bare all like the characters in the movie, given a little more time, organizers say they might have.

"I think if we had gone three more days, they would have taken off more clothes," said Bonnie Glo Aubushon, 78. "They were having so much fun."

Proceeds from calendar sales will help establish a library in Brady - estimated population 375 - and for the victims of Hurricane Katrina. The town has never had a library, group

members said.

The 18-month calendar costs \$30, and buyers can note on their checks whether their money should go to the library or to hurricane relief.

The movie "Calendar Girls" tells the true story of a British chapter of the Women's Institute that became an international sensation after members posed nude for a fundraising calendar.

**LAS VEGAS** — Looking for off-the-wall Christmas gift ideas? The Clark County coroner's office can help.

Tucked away in the office is a gift shop with items that walk a fine line between humor and morbidity. There's a coffee mug with the inscription "Playing for Keeps," a \$10 fake jawbone that holds business cards and a T-shirt that reads "Coroner ... Cashed Out in Las Vegas."

"That's about as risqué as we go," Assistant Coroner John Fudenberg told the Las Vegas Review-Journal. "We certainly don't want to make a mockery of death."

Styled after a gift shop at the Los Angeles County coroner's office, the year-old Nevada store primarily benefits a coroner's youth program.

"The Jaw" cardholder has proven its best seller so far. The shop's "Coroner's Collection" also offers a faux Nevada license plate, patches, pens and other knickknacks.

"We're always looking for slogans or phrases that have a little bit of a dual meaning, because I think that is part of the hook," Coroner Mark Murphy said.

Fudenberg says television shows such as "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation" have increased demand in such items.

**URBANA, Ill.** — Physics Nobel Prize winner Tony Leggett didn't hesitate when he was asked to pose as Mr. January in a pinup calendar.

Not your typical pinup, Leggett's buff brain fronts a 2006 calendar from the University of Illinois that features some of the school's famous and not-so-famous gray matter.

The calendar uses MRIs to show the brains of a dozen people who work or study at the school's Urbana-Champaign campus, including Chancellor Richard Herman, women's basketball coach Theresa Grentz and Kai Nielsen, a carpenter in the campus maintenance shop.

The idea behind the calendar was to help raise the profile of the school's Beckman Institute for Advanced Science and

Technology, known for its cutting-edge studies of intelligence, computers and nanotechnology.

"It's certainly not the usual way of us promoting our work," said Beckman director Pierre Wiltzius, whose own brain scan is part of the calendar.

The 2006 Big Brains on Campus calendar highlights a different brain function or ability each month. Leggett's brain, for example, depicts ingenuity and genius; Herman's shows arteries of the brain that provide it with energy.

**LINCOLN, Neb.** — A man who tried to rob a grocery store might have gotten away with it had it not been for those meddling employees and customers.

The 40-year-old suspect left Russ' Market after stealing a cash drawer Saturday. But several customers and three managers followed him out the door and surrounded his pickup.

The man never brandished a weapon, Lincoln police Capt. Brian Jackson said.

"They were telling him, 'Put the cash drawer down. We've got your license number. You're not going anywhere,'" Jackson said.

The suspect got out of the vehicle and fled to a bank parking lot, where he tried unsuccessfully to steal a car.

The suspect fled again, but Russ' employees continued to follow him from a few yards behind. The man tried to hide behind a house, but employees told police his whereabouts when they arrived.

The man was arrested on suspicion of robbery.

**LOS ANGELES** — Stop, like, trying to copy us, dude.

The City Council is trying to find ways to protect the name "Los Angeles" so other cities and organizations won't cash in on it.

Councilman Bernard Parks drafted a motion last year amid concerns the Anaheim Angels baseball team would benefit by changing its name to the Los Angeles Angels and thus erode the Los Angeles Dodgers' commercial appeal.

The Angels did indeed change the team's name to Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim. The city of Anaheim sued, but so far court rulings have gone in the team's favor.

The council's budget and finance committee heard briefly from staff last week on ways the city might protect the city's name.

"After a brief verbal briefing, we asked them to come back in six months and give us an update on the issue and also a report as to our legal standing," Parks said.

The Associated Press

**LOUISVILLE** — Gary Lewis knows the dangers of working in coal mines goes beyond the volatile atmosphere beneath the ground. It extends to his fellow miners.

"No one wants to put their life in danger because someone working with them might be on drugs," said Lewis, a 34-year-old miner from Harlan County. "That's why drug tests are a good idea. It won't catch everyone, but it's better than nothing."

But, 19 months after the Kentucky Mining Board endorsed the idea of a first-in-the-nation law requiring drug tests for miners on the heels of two mine fatalities, the Kentucky General Assembly has no pre-filed bill to enact testing.

And, officials with the miners' union and industry officials worry that no bill will be considered during the legislative session starting Jan. 3 because there isn't enough time to get one filed and debated.

Steve Earle, political director for the United Mine Workers union in Kentucky, warned against rushing to pass something that doesn't address the concerns of labor and industry.

"It's time to stop substance abuse in coal mines, but we should take the time and do it the right way," Earle said.

Lajuana Wilcher, secretary of the Kentucky Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet, said a bill will likely be introduced soon.

"Oh sure, oh sure," Wilcher said when asked last week whether a bill could be drafted for the session.

Wilcher created a 15-member task force in October 2004, inviting labor, industry and government representatives from Kentucky, Virginia, and West Virginia.

The task force met for the ninth and final time last month and expects to release a draft report in the next couple of days. Wilcher said some recommendations from the report could be incorporated into a bill and state regulators would also look at what could be done with existing law.

The task force, though, didn't make an effort to engage potential sponsors of legislation and didn't include lawmakers in its deliberations, miners' union officials said.

Susan Bush, commissioner of the Kentucky Department

for Natural Resources and the head of the task force, said legislators weren't invited because the tri-state task force didn't want to focus on one state.

"The time to sit down and talk with legislators is when we have legislation to consider," Bush said.

At least one legislator and former underground coal miner, Rep. Robin Webb, D-Grayson, said mining regulators have not helped themselves by not responding to requests for updates about the drug-testing issue.

"A bill with substantial things like penalties should have been pre filed," said Webb, who also is a lawyer. "All the information I have is on my own initiative."

At least 10 companies in Kentucky, including some of the biggest in the industry, have their own drug-testing policies. Of the 490 licensed mines in the state, 127 reported they have some sort of testing programs, Bush said.

Dozens of small companies don't test, including the now-defunct Cody Mining Co. in Floyd County, where 21-year-old Paul Blair Jr. was killed and a co-worker was seriously injured in an explosion in June 2003. Marijuana was found at the scene, and an employee told investigators that he saw two miners snorting crushed painkillers.

But the surviving miners were not tested for drugs because state and federal mining regulators have no authority to perform such tests, even after a fatal accident.

Earlier this year, a drug-testing bill proposed by the state mining board failed to get a sponsor before the General Assembly adjourned.

Labor and industry officials said the bill gave state mining regulators too much authority to implement a drug-testing plan through regulations.

Earle, a member of the task force, said he's concerned about penalties for miners who fail drug tests.

"There needs to be treatment options in there somewhere," Earle said. "Simply throwing people aside without addressing their dependency will not solve the problem."

## Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Dec. 14, the 348th day of 2005. There are 17 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:** On Dec. 14, 1799, the first president of the United States, George Washington, died at his Mount Vernon home at age 67.

On this date:

■ In 1819, Alabama joined the Union as the 22nd state.

■ In 1861, Prince Albert, husband of Queen Victoria, died in London.

■ In 1911, Norwegian explorer Roald Amundsen became the first man to reach the South Pole, beating out an expedition led by Robert F. Scott.

■ In 1939, the Soviet Union was dropped from the League of Nations.

■ In 1945, Josef Kramer, known as "the beast of Belsen," and 10 others were hanged in Hameln for crimes committed at the Belsen and Auschwitz Nazi concentration camps.

■ In 1962, the U.S. space probe Mariner 2 approached Venus, transmitting information about the planet.

■ In 1975, six South Moluccan extremists surrendered after holding 23 hostages for 12 days on a train near the Dutch town of Beilen.

■ In 1980, fans around the world paid tribute to John Lennon, six days after he was shot to death in New York City.

■ In 1985, Wilma Mankiller became the first woman to lead a major American Indian tribe as she took office as principal chief of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma.

■ In 1985, former New York Yankees outfielder Roger Maris, who hit 61 home runs during the 1961 season, died in Houston at age 51.

**Ten years ago:** Presidents Alija Izetbegovic of Bosnia, Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia and Franjo Tudjman of Croatia signed the Bosnian peace treaty in Paris. AIDS patient Jeff Getty received the first-ever bone-marrow transplant from a baboon (however, the experimental procedure at a San Francisco hospital was criti-

cized by animal rights activists. The transplant failed, but Getty survived).

**Five years ago:** President-elect George W. Bush conferred by phone with congressional leaders of both parties and planned a goodwill tour of Washington, D.C.; he also received a flood of congratulatory calls from world leaders on his first full day as president-elect. U.S. businessman Edward Pope was pardoned and released by Russia after being convicted of espionage. The Federal Trade Commission unanimously approved the \$111 billion merger of America Online and Time Warner.

**One year ago:** The Federal Reserve raised interest rates for the fifth time since June 2004. President Bush awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom to three figures who were central to his Iraq policy: former CIA Director George Tenet, former Iraq administrator L. Paul Bremer and retired General Tommy Franks.

**Today's Birthdays:** Jazz musician Clark Terry is 85. Former "60 Minutes" executive producer Don Hewitt is 83. Actor-playwright George Furth is 73. Actor Hal Williams is 67. Actress Patty Duke is 59. Pop singer Joyce Vincent-Wilson (Tony Orlando and Dawn) is 59. Entertainment executive Michael Ovitz is 59. Actress Dee Wallace is 57. Rhythm-and-blues singer Lewis McNeir (The Four Tops) is 56. Rock musician Cliff Williams (AC/DC) is 56. Rock singer-musician Mike Scott (The Waterboys) is 47. Singer-musician Peter "Spider" Stacy (The Pogues) is 47. Actress Cynthia Gibb is 42. Rhythm-and-blues singer Brian Dalrymple (Soul For Real) is 30. Actress Tammy Blanchard is 29.

**Thought for Today:** "True education makes for inequality; the inequality of individuality, the inequality of success; the glorious inequality of talent, of genius; for inequality, not mediocrity, individual superiority, not standardization, is the measure of the progress of the world." - Felix Emmanuel Schelling, American educator and scholar (1858-1945).



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# HRMC pledges \$100,000 for scholarships at BSCTC

PRESTONSBURG — Big Sandy Community and Technical College President Dr. George D. Edwards and manager of advancement Judy Bocook met with Harold C. Warman Jr., president of Highlands Regional Medical Center, Burl Wells Spurlock, chairman of the Consolidated Health Systems Inc. Board of Directors, and Edward Nairn, chairman of the HRMC Board of Trustees, to accept a pledge of \$100,000 to the college's Fulfilling the Promise campaign. The money pledged by HRMC will be used to endow a scholarship which will be made available to students at Big Sandy Community and Technical College.

HRMC is a 184-bed (166 acute care/18 subacute), not-for-profit, community owned and operated health care facility. HRMC's immediate service area is Floyd, Johnson, Martin and Magoffin counties, with a combined population of over 90,000 residents. In addition, people from over 10 surrounding counties come to Highlands to take advantage of the wide variety of specialty medical services available at Highlands and in Highlands Clinic.

Highlands has a history rich in community involvement, and was founded almost 30 years ago by a group of concerned citizens from each of the four counties who, working together in a collaborative effort, established a regional medical center, to provide high quality health-care services to people living in this rural area. Martin and Magoffin counties, even today, have no hospitals and Highlands is working to provide outreach rural health clinics in each of them to provide care to their residents.

In the southern part of Floyd County, Highlands operates Harold Primary Care, a rural health clinic located in the community of Harold. The clinic is staffed by a Board Certified

Family Practitioner and a Certified Nurse Practitioner and offers care to rural residents that may not have a family physician or access to transportation. These endeavors help Highlands meet part of their Mission Statement that pertains to providing health care services that are accessible to the community served.

Big Sandy Community and Technical College serves Floyd, Johnson, Martin, Magoffin and Pike counties and surrounding areas. Partnership with Highlands Regional Medical Center dates back to the establishment of the hospital in Floyd County. Working together to promote health and education has been a priority for both the hospital and the college. HRMC and BSCTC each have a long history of dedication and service to the citizens of eastern Kentucky. Together they will provide more and better opportunities for students to achieve a college education at BSCTC.



Burl Wells Spurlock, Harold C. Warman Jr., Judy Bocook, Edward Nairn and Dr. George D. Edwards

## Deadline to switch political party affiliation is Dec. 31

When Kentuckians go to the polls in May of 2006 they will see more races on the ballot than at any point in the Commonwealth's history. If citizens want to change their party registration and still participate in this historic election, they have to do so by December 31, 2005; otherwise, they might miss out on their chance.

Kentucky state law requires any citizen who wishes to change his/her voter registration and also vote in that party's upcoming primary election must be registered with his/her new party by December 31st of the preceding year. The deadline also affects candidates who wish to switch political party affiliation and run in their new party's primary election.

"Time is running out for citizens to change their party registration," stated Secretary of State Trey Grayson, Kentucky's Chief Election Officer. "We want to make sure that every citizen has the chance to vote in the primary election of their choosing."

While voters who change their party registration after Dec. 31 will not be able to vote in their new party's primary election, they will be able to vote in non-partisan races including many of the judicial races that will be on this year's ballot.

Those who wish to change their party can complete a voter registration card and submit it to the county clerk in their county of residence by the deadline. Because the 31st falls on a Saturday in 2005, and due to the holiday season, please be sure to check with your local county clerk for times that their offices will be open. Registration cards that are mailed must be post-marked by Dec. 31.

The cards are available at county clerks' offices or on the Office of the Secretary of State's web site, located at [www.sos.ky.gov/register](http://www.sos.ky.gov/register).

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## Cline's 18 helps KO Ladycats

Lady Rebels battle back, beat Betsy Layne

by STEVE LeMASTER  
 SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE – Win No. 1 of the Jennifer Hopkins Coaching Era at Allen Central High School is in the books. And what a win it was. The Allen Central High girls' basketball team got a game ahead in the 58th District/Floyd County Conference Friday night. The Lady Rebels did so in dramatic fashion. Playing on the road at district/conference rival Betsy Layne, Allen Central trailed at the end of every quarter except the last. Allen Central doubled perennial 58th District power Betsy Layne up in the final period, outscoring the Ladycats 16-8 and winning 39-34.

Allen Central senior Alanna Cline led all players with 18 points. Cline was the only player from either team to score over nine points. Cline scored nine of her game-high 18 markers in the fourth period. The Allen Central senior also hit a three-pointer in the third period.

"We needed the win," said Hopkins. "We played hard. I think in the first quarter we played nervous. After the first quarter, we played much better."

Allen Central's victory kept Betsy Layne, the defending 15th Region champion, winless.

Host Betsy Layne exited the first quarter with a 13-8 lead.

(See BATTLE, page two)



photo by Steve LeMaster  
 First-year ACHS girls' basketball coach Jennifer Hopkins recorded her first win Friday night as the Lady Rebels fought back from behind and defeated Betsy Layne 39-34.



photos by Steve LeMaster  
 Above: Betsy Layne senior Brandon Kidd worked his way around defenders for most of Friday night, leading Betsy Layne to a 58th District/Floyd County Conference win over rival Allen Central.  
 Below: Allen Central's Ryan Collins drove to the basket during a Rebel runout.

## Bobcats mount late rally, top AC

Kidd's 32 points fuels Betsy Layne

by STEVE LeMASTER  
 SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE – Allen Central held some sort of a lead over Betsy Layne at the end of each of the first three quarters Friday night, but in the end, couldn't close the deal. But it wasn't because the Rebels didn't try. The 2005-06 edition of the Allen Central High School boys' basketball team is a group head coach Johnny Martin calls the hardest-working in his long coaching tenure at the school. Betsy Layne turned things around in a big way in the fourth period of Friday's game, outscoring Allen Central 31-15 on its way to a 76-61 win over the Rebels.

Betsy Layne won for the first time this season, following losses to Magoffin County, Letcher County Central and Johnson Central.

The game slowly slipped away from Allen Central – beginning early on in the fourth period.

Senior forward Brandon Kidd paced Betsy Layne with 32 points and 16 rebounds, both of which were game-high efforts. Patrick Stapleton had one of the best game's of his Bobcat basketball career, tossing in 16 points for the

(See BOBCATS, page two)



## Knott Central holds off Raiders

TIMES STAFF REPORT

HINDMAN – Visiting South Floyd led Knott County Central through one half, but fell late Friday night. The Patriots outscored South Floyd in both the third and fourth quarters en route to a 69-57 win.

Scott Mosley led Knott County Central with a team-best 15 points. Mosley was one of four players in double figures for the Patriots. Nine different Knott County Central players scored points.

South Floyd held a two-point lead at the end of the first period and led 31-28 at half-time. Knott Central grabbed a lead in the third quarter and closed the game out on a strong note, outscoring the Raiders 22-12 in the fourth period.

Knott Central won thanks in part to accuracy from the free throw line late in the game. The Patriots shot 15 free throws in the game's last two minutes. Knott Central led 54-51 when the late free-throw shooting flurry got started.

Ryan Johnson led South Floyd with 15 points, five rebounds and four assists. Mason Hall added 13 points and four assists for the Raiders while Ethan Johnson chipped in with 12 points, four rebounds and two assists.

Ryan Little tossed in seven points and pulled down 12 rebounds in the South Floyd loss while Justin Slone added seven points, seven rebounds and four assists.

Lyle Johnson added three points and Brock Slone three rebounds for the Raiders.

KNOTT COUNTY CENTRAL 69,  
 SOUTH FLOYD 57

SOUTH FLOYD (57) – M. Hall 12, E. Johnson 12, L. Johnson 3, R. Johnson 15, J. Slone 7, R. Little 7

KNOTT COUNTY CENTRAL (69) – Dials 12, Mosley 15, Everage 10, Lindon 7, Bartrum 12, Pike 7, Bates 2, Cornett 2, Collins 2

Knott Co. Central.....16 12 19 22-69  
 South Floyd.....18 13 14 12-57



photo by Dewey Mosley

South Floyd junior Ethan Johnson was nearly caught up by a Knott County Central on a layup attempt during Friday's road game.

## Slone leads Paintsville past Lawrence County

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PAINTSVILLE – It took Paintsville exactly one week to enact some revenge on the Lawrence County Bulldogs. Playing on the road in Louisa on the first Friday night of the high school basketball season, Paintsville fell short against the Bulldogs. This past Friday night, Paintsville evened its record to 1-1, beating Lawrence County 66-58.

Mountain Christian Academy product Landon Slone, a

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## Volleyball

the BEst Southeast Kentucky Team as well as First Team All-Southeast Kentucky.

Pikeville College head coach Robert Staggs recently wrapped

up his second season at the helm of the Lady Bear volleyball program. Staggs is also the school's softball coach.

The Pikeville College volley-

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ball program ended its season with a record of 11-22, falling to the University of the Cumberlands 3-1 in the Mid-South Conference Tournament.

## Classic

loved the games."

The Allen Central head coach was pleased to see his team get in the winning column.

"Obviously, the best thing about the Breathitt game was the we finally found a way to win," Martin added. "We've been in every game this season but haven't been able to finish in the fourth quarter. We play at a torrid pace throughout the games and we've faltered at the finish."

Allen Central was able to win despite not having starter Josh Martin in the lineup.

"We missed not having Josh Martin for the last 2 1/2 games and it has also hurt us as far as our depth," Martin said.

"Several players stepped up and hit big free throws down the stretch. Overall, it was just a good feeling to finally get over the hump.

"We're playing exceptionally hard right now and I have to believe that some good things are going to happen for us down the road.

The first step for us this year was to get competitive again and I think we've done that."

In the nightcap, South Floyd beat Hazard 77-68.

The Raiders, playing against Hazard and head coach Kevin Spurlock, a former Allen Central High assistant, took a 35-23 lead into halftime and also led by an 11-point margin at the conclu-

sion of the third quarter.

Junior Ethan Johnson led South Floyd in scoring with 21 points and three assists. Senior guard Ryan Johnson added 16 points, nine rebounds, seven assists and four steals while Ryan Little recorded South Floyd's only double-double with 15 points and 10 rebounds.

Mason Hall added 11 points, seven assists and two rebounds, giving South Floyd four players in double figures.

Justin Slone scored eight points and pulled down five rebounds while T.J. Hall added six points and five rebounds.

Senior point guard Justin Hicks led Hazard with 27 points.

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## Slone

sophomore, led Paintsville in scoring with a game-high 39 points. Slone was one of two Paintsville players to reach double figures in the win.

Lawrence County, which was ultimately paced by 24 points from Shawn Thompson, led both at the end of the first quarter and at the half. Paintsville gained a lead in the game's third

quarter, doubling up and outscoring the Bulldogs 18-9.

J.D. VanHoose added 11 points for Paintsville while Blake Bundy chipped in with seven. Shane Grimm scored five points and Daniel Pugh added four for the Tigers.

Thompson was one of three Lawrence County players to reach double figures.

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**PAINTSVILLE 66, LAWRENCE COUNTY 58**

LAWRENCE COUNTY (1-1) - C. Thompson 10, Fyffe 12, Bradley 6, S. Thompson 24, Pelphey 4, Spradlin 2.

PAINTSVILLE (1-1) - Pugh 4, Grimm 5, VanHoose 11, Slone 39, Bundy 7.

LAWRENCE COUNTY.....15 13 9 21-58  
PAINTSVILLE.....13 14 18 21-66

## Bobcats

winning team.

The win was the first of the season for head coach Brent Rose and the Betsy Layne Bobcats.

"We needed the win," Rose admitted. "We had several players step up and make things happen for us. In the first half, we weren't getting to our positions and where we needed to be."

Allen Central led Betsy Layne 29-24 at halftime. Betsy Layne, however, got going in the second half, posting 21 points in the third period.

Trai Witt tossed in seven points for the Bobcats. Colbert Craft and Derek Case scored six points apiece for Betsy Layne and Brennan Case rounded out

the Bobcat scoring with five.

Betsy Layne shot nearly three times as many free throws as did Allen Central. The Bobcats finished 24-of-31 from the charity stripe.

"Hitting free throws is something we've always stressed," Rose added. "We've been working on free throws quite a bit."

Rose and his team entered the season with high hopes. Getting off to a successful start in district play was pivotal for Betsy Layne in its quest to reach at least one of its goals.

"One of our goals is to try and be the number one seed going into the district tournament," said Rose. "We took a

step toward meeting the goal with the win over Allen Central."

Allen Central which hit seven three-pointers, made 10-of-11 free throws.

Garrett Christian Academy transfer Tyler Slone led Allen Central with 18 points. Farley Joseph, a player who entered the game in off the bench and gave the Rebels a big spark as early as the first half, added 14 points. In other Allen Central scoring, Nick Music had nine points, Ryan Collins seven and Alex Hammonds five. Josh Bailey and Josh Prater rounded out the Allen Central scoring with four points apiece.

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## Battle

The Ladycats led 20-18 at halftime and outscored Allen Central 6-5 in the third period.

Mara Biliter contributed

eight points and Amanda Thacker seven for the Lady Rebels. Liz Dingus and Amanda Mills, who with Biliter make up

Allen Central's three-guard set in the Lady Rebel starting lineup, rounding out the scoring with four and two points, respectively.

Eighth-grader Megan Hamilton led Betsy Layne with nine points. Candice Meade and Whitney Tackett scored seven apiece and Kaitlin Lawson six for the Ladycats. Nicole Spurlock guided in three points and Jessica Blackburn two in the setback.

Betsy Layne, struggling from the foul line, hitting just seven of its 17 free throw attempts.

Each team connected on a pair of three-point field goals.

**ALLEN CENTRAL 39, BETSY LAYNE 34**

ALLEN CENTRAL (1-4) - M. Biliter 8, Mills 2, Dingus 4, Cline 18, Thacker 7.

BETSY LAYNE (0-4) - Meade 7, Tackett 7, Spurlock 3, Lawson 6, Blackburn 2, Hamilton 9.

Allen Central..... 8 10 5 16-39  
Betsy Layne.....13 7 6 8-34

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photo by Steve LaMaster

Allen Central's Amanda Thacker eyed a shot in Friday's district triumph over Betsy Layne.

## COLLEGE BASKETBALL • AP POLL

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' men's college basketball poll, with first-place

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Duke (66)	9-0	1,793	1
2. Connecticut (5)	7-0	1,703	3
3. Villanova (1)	6-0	1,653	4
4. Louisville	5-0	1,522	5
5. Memphis	7-1	1,432	7
6. Texas	8-1	1,379	2
7. Florida	9-0	1,267	10
8. Oklahoma	5-1	1,260	8
9. Illinois	10-0	1,233	11
10. Gonzaga	6-2	1,216	9
11. Washington	8-0	1,135	13

votes in parentheses, records through Dec. 11, total points based on 25 points for a first-

12. Michigan St.	7-2	1,006	14
13. Boston College	6-2	821	6
14. UCLA	7-1	808	16
15. George W.	7-0	797	19
16. Wake Forest	7-1	646	20
17. Maryland	7-2	556	21
18. Indiana	5-2	534	18
19. North Carolina	5-1	436	23
20. Nevada	6-1	398	17
21. N.C. State	6-1	291	25
22. Iowa	7-3	281	12
23. Kentucky	6-3	243	15

place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and last week's ranking:

24. Arizona	4-3	140	24
25. Houston	4-1	131	-

Others receiving votes: Michigan 115, Ohio St. 108, Wisconsin 88, Pittsburgh 63, Bucknell 59, Syracuse 56, West Virginia 47, Clemson 27, Indiana St. 27, Xavier 27, Ohio 19, Iowa St. 16, Iona 14, Alabama 11, N. Iowa 11, LSU 7, Oklahoma St. 7, Arkansas 5, Buffalo 4, Vanderbilt 3, Missouri St. 2, Georgia 1, La Salle 1, Montana 1.



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### FRIDAY'S SCORES

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Cawood 64, Cumberland 51  
Greenup Co. 55, Russell 45  
Hart Co. 68, LaRue Co. 66  
Hazard 77, Breathitt Co. 44  
June Buchanan 83, Pikeville 43  
Knott Co. Central 69, South Floyd 57  
Lewis Co. 77, Nicholas Co. 48  
Mason Co. 67, Scott 53  
Paintsville 66, Lawrence Co. 58  
Perry Co. Central 65, Leslie Co. 52  
Powell Co. 76, Oneida Baptist 71  
Pulaski Southwestern 80, Casey Co. 68  
Raceland 52, Rowan Co. 50  
Red Bird 79, Riverside Christian 26  
Russell Co. 79, Pulaski Co. 63  
Sheldon Clark 82, Johnson Central 70  
South Laurel 65, North Laurel 47  
West Carter 57, Bath Co. 50

#### GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Clay Co. 69, Evarts 32  
Harlan 44, Cumberland 27  
Knox Central 46, Williamsburg 35  
Paintsville 63, Lawrence Co. 47  
Perry Co. Central 81, Leslie Co. 78  
Pulaski Co. 59, Russell Co. 47  
Shelby Valley 50, Haysi, Va. 49  
St. Patrick 62, Bath Co. 25  
Tolsia, W.Va. 63, Pikeville 31

### SATURDAY'S SCORES

#### BOYS' BASKETBALL

Barbourville 80, Whitley Co. 48  
Burgin 65, Riverside Christian 46  
East Ridge 76, Cordia 55  
Elizabethtown 70, Harlan 53  
Elliott Co. 75, West Carter 71  
Jackson Co. 65, Oneida Baptist 60  
Johnson Central 69, East Carter 60  
Knoxville Catholic, Tenn. 51, Clay Co. 64  
Pineville 66, Berea 58  
Riverside Christian 56, Phelps 52  
Roy S. Martin Classic  
South Floyd 77, Hazard 68  
Allen Central 67, Breathitt Co. 64

#### GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Barbourville 35, Harlan 32  
Belfry 75, Tolsia, W.Va. 60  
Berea 32, Pineville 31  
Breathitt Co. 90, Wolfe Co. 78  
Buckhorn 45, Piarist School 33  
Clay Co. 71, Pike Co. Central 45  
Greenup Co. 63, Fairview 58  
Johnson Central 85, South Floyd 32  
Knott Co. Central 55, Powell Co. 54  
Oneida Baptist 43, Buckhorn 37  
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# Bears halt three-game losing skid with win over Berea

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

PIKEVILLE — Coach Randy McCoy's Pikeville College Bears have been scoring-challenged at times this season, but that wasn't the case on Saturday afternoon. They put four players in double figures and survived an early second-half run to knock off Berea College 75-63.

Leading 44-26 after a jumper by Gene Cotton with 17:13 to play, the Bears got outscored 17-2 over the next five and one-half minutes. Chris McIntyre had six, Cody Hornsby five and Melvin Brown four during the run which ended on consecutive baskets by McIntyre, the second

of which was a dunk, cutting the deficit to 46-43 with 11:43 remaining.

Pikeville (4-8) came out of the timeout with an 11-4 run, with Napoleon Roberts scoring five and Gene Cotton four, to push the lead back to double figures (57-47) with 6:08 to play. The lead stayed between eight and 14 the rest of the way.

Roberts had 20 to lead the way, going nine-of-12 from the line. Cotton followed with 13 markers, while seniors Chris Carroll and Martin Gerlero added 10 each. Gerlero, a forward from Neuquen, Argentina, also had six rebounds and four assists.

Senior guard Lancare

Anderson filled up the stat line as well, scoring nine and handing out eight assists. He also had three rebounds, three blocks and two steals. The Bears had 13 thefts as the Mountaineers turned it over 26 times.

Berea (3-6) was led by senior Chris McIntyre's 21 points. He also had four rebounds and two steals and was the only Mountaineer in double figures in the scoring column.

Pikeville shot 43.9 percent from the floor but hit 76.7 percent (23-of-30) from the line. Berea's numbers were similar — 37.7 percent from the floor by 79.2 percent (19-of-24) from the stripe.

# Lady Bears bounce Virginia-Wise, 83-72

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

PIKEVILLE — Talent is talent, and it really doesn't matter how old you are or what grade you're in.

That's no doubt the philosophy of Pikeville College Coach Bill Watson, who had three freshmen score in double figures on Sunday in an 83-72 win over U.Va.-Wise.

Freshman Sasha Fields tossed in 16 points on 6-of-6 shooting and grabbed five rebounds to lead the Lady Bears. Kim Clark, a freshman from Betsy Layne, hit for 12 thanks to hitting both her three-point tries. She also had four rebounds and two steals. Camille Cook, a freshman from Whitesburg, had 11, all in the

second half, and four rebounds.

Junior Tonya Amburgey, the only upperclassman in double figures, had 13 points and five assists.

Pikeville (7-5) got the lead up to 12 on consecutive baskets by Cook, the last coming with 4:46 to play, making it 72-60, and seemed on the verge of winning comfortably. But the Lady Cavs scored the next seven points, and when Sarah Helton hit two free throws with 2:52 left, it was a five-point game.

But Pikeville scored the next six, four of which came from Cook, to pus the lead back to double digits and insure the win.

Pikeville had 25 assists in the game, got nine assists from senior Julie Yates. She also had five points and six rebounds. Jessica

Lovell, a junior from Belfry, had seven assists in the win.

The Lady Bears also dominated the boards, winning that battle 46-34. Junior Heather Dillon led the way with seven to go with her five points.

U.Va.-Wise (8-3), ranked 17th in NAIA Div. II, has lost three straight games in the last week. The Lady Cavs had five players in double figures, led by point guard Chelsea Lee's 18 points, five assists and four steals.

Two Lady Cavs turned in double-doubles in the loss. Junior Sarah Helton had 15 points and 10 rebounds, while junior Caroline Baca had 11 points and 10 boards.

Junior LaShay Collier had 12 points while junior Terri Ann Hill added 10.

# Alice Lloyd splits with Bethel

by **STEVE LeMASTER**  
SPORTS EDITOR

PIPPA PASSES — Alice Lloyd College split a pair of games Saturday afternoon with visiting Bethel College. In the women's game, Bethel College prevailed, 80-67. Alice Lloyd won the men's game 83-72.

In the women's game, Bethel led 38-36 at halftime before outscoring the Lady Eagles by 11 points in the second half.

Whitney Baird led three Bethel College players in dou-

ble figures with a game-high 23 points. Amanda Cunningham added 17 points for Bethel.

The Bethel women won the rebounding battle, 33-31.

Kaylan Richardson led Alice Lloyd in scoring with 13 points. Whitney Lykens added 11 points for the Lady Eagles. Twelve different members of the Alice Lloyd women's team had points in the victory.

The two teams combined for 64 turnovers.

**MEN'S GAME:** Alice Lloyd 83, Bethel 72 — The Eagles led

47-31 at halftime en route to the 11-point win.

Four different Eagles reached double figures in the win. K.J. Waterman led Alice Lloyd with 19 points. Corey Hairston flipped in 15 points, Rodney Mitchell 14 and Brent Prichard 10. Shawn Newsome netted eight points and Jeremy Daniels seven for the Eagles.

Aaron Jacques led Bethel with a game-high 21 points, Thomas Haynes added 19 points in the setback.

Bethel outrebounded Alice Lloyd 53-38.

# WOMEN'S BASKETBALL: Murray State 85, Morehead State 74

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

MURRAY — Junior LaKrisha Brown posted her fifth career double-double, junior Patti White scored a career high 15 points and sophomore Megen Gearhart dished out a season high 10 assists, but the Morehead State Lady Eagle basketball team had no answer for Murray State's Joi Scott on Saturday night.

Scott, a junior transfer, made her OVC debut with 30 points and 13 rebounds as her team erased an early 11-point deficit to race past MSU, 85-74 at the Regional Special Events Center. Morehead State fell to 5-2 and 1-1 in the OVC while the Lady Racers moved to 2-6 and 1-1 in the league.

Brown, a transfer from St. Louis University, record her fifth double double with a team-high 21 points, including 16 in the second half, and 12 rebounds. She also had three blocks and four steals. White eclipsed her previous career high with 15 points in 28 minutes of action, while Gearhart provided 13 points, including three treys, and the 10 assists for her first double-double of the season.

MSU, which had 23 assists,

also got a season high seven handouts from senior guard TaNeisha Johnson. But, MSU could not counter the effort of Scott and Murray's Ashley Nichole Hayes, who tossed in 19 points. The Lady Racers outscored MSU 46-37 in the final half.

The Lady Eagles jumped out to a 14-3 lead in the first three minutes thanks to a trio of treys by Gearhart. But, Murray State cut the margin to 14-10 at the 15:50 mark before MSU raced ahead again by eight, at 22-14, with 13:25 left. Murray, however, went on a 13-4 run to take a 27-26 lead with 5:40 left in the first half. Morehead led 37-36 but Murray's Amber Guffey drilled a three-pointer at the buzzer to give her team a 39-36 halftime lead.

The second half proved to be nip-and-tuck as there were six lead changes and three ties. The Lady Eagles led 48-43 at the 13:43 mark after a Jessie Plante basket, but Murray outscored MSU 21-10 over the next nine minutes to take the advantage. Scott's layup with 5:55 left in the game gave Murray a 60-58 lead it never relinquished.

For the game, Morehead State shot 42 percent (27-of-64)

while hitting six three-pointers. MSU had 34 rebounds, while the Lady Racers posted 46.

Morehead State will be in action next at the Mississippi State Tournament on Dec. 19-20. MSU faces Mississippi State on Dec. 19 at 8 p.m.

**MEN'S BASKETBALL:** Murray St. 92, Morehead St. 40 — Murray State used balanced scoring and a smothering defense to defeat Morehead State 92-40 Saturday evening at the Regional Special Events Center in Murray.

Murray, now 4-2 overall and 2-0 in the Ohio Valley Conference, limited the Eagles to 28.8 percent field goal shooting (17-of-59), blocking a school-record 14 shots. Rob Kennedy and Tyler Holloway each scored 14 points in reserve roles. Pearson Griffith had 11 points, 11 rebounds and six blocked shots. Issian Redding and Justin Orr had 10 points each.

Morehead State, 1-5 overall and 0-2 in the OVC, got 12 points and seven rebounds from Quentin Pryor off the bench.

The Eagles will be concentrating on final exams all this week, then will play host to OVC rival UT Martin at 7 p.m. EST on Dec. 19.

# Lady Eagles too much for South Floyd

by **STEVE LeMASTER**  
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE — Johnson Central scored all the points in would need in the first quarter of Saturday's home game against South Floyd. The Lady Eagles led 33-9 at the end of the first quarter and held South Floyd to single digits in the second and third periods before winning 85-32.

Johnson Central, which led by a commanding 52-13 margin at halftime, outscored the Lady Raiders in each of the four quarters.

Celena Conley led Johnson

Central in scoring with a game-high 18 points. Chessie Griffith tossed in 16 points and Haley Meek 14 for Johnson Central. Twelve different Lady Eagles provided scoring in the non-district win.

No single Lady Raider reached double figures in the scoring column. Chelsie Tuttle led South Floyd with eight points. Heather Dean and Ashley Castle each had six points for the Lady Raiders.

The loss was South Floyd's second straight. Shelby Valley defeated the Lady Raiders 65-37 in a game Monday, Dec. 5. The

South Floyd-Hazard game scheduled for Thursday was postponed.

The Lady Raiders got their season underway with a convincing 61-36 win over Jackson City.

## FOCUS ON LADY RAIDER SCORING:

**SOUTH FLOYD (1-2)** — Castle 6, Skeens 4, Tuttle 8, Hall 3, Conn 2, Tackett 2, Little 1, Dean 6.

South Floyd..... 9 4 5 14-32  
Johnson Central.....33 19 17 16-85

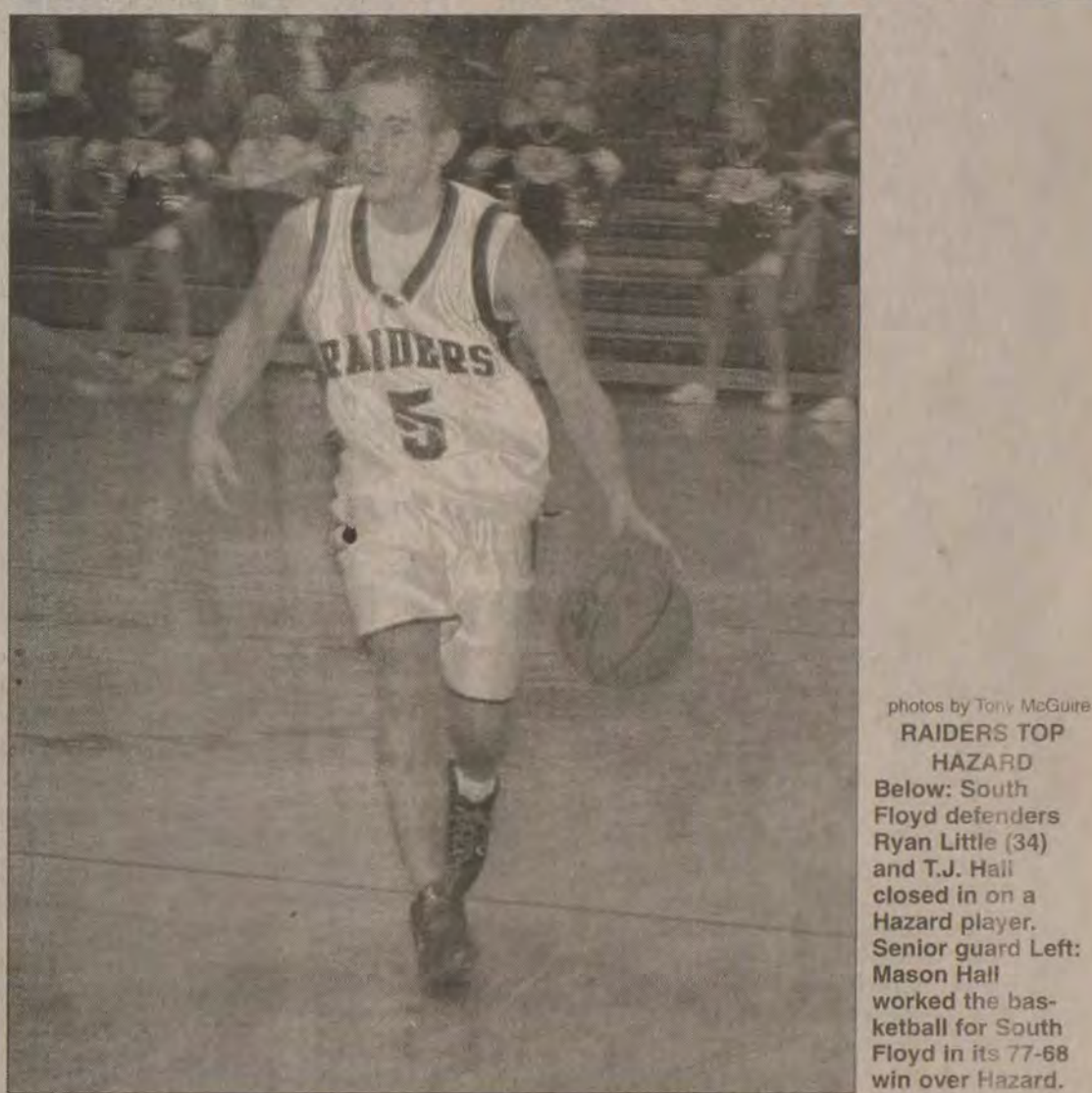
# HIGH SCHOOL HOOPS



photos by Steve LeMaster

Above: Allen Central's Sara Johnson (21) kept a close eye on Betsy Layne's Kaitlin Lawson (15).

Below: Betsy Layne senior Brandon Thacker went up with an acrobatic shot in the Bobcat victory over Allen Central.



photos by Tony McGuire

**RAIDERS TOP HAZARD**  
Below: South Floyd defenders Ryan Little (34) and T.J. Hall closed in on a Hazard player. Senior guard Left: Mason Hall worked the basketball for South Floyd in its 77-68 win over Hazard.





# Bengals 23, Browns 20

by JOE KAY  
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**CINCINNATI** — Disappointed by his poor performance in a tricky wind, Carson Palmer shook the Cleveland Browns' hands after the game and got a little uplifting advice from a quarterback who knows what it takes to go deep into the playoffs.

In Trent Dilfer's eyes, these Bengals have it.

The Bengals compensated for Palmer's rare off day Sunday, getting a season-high 169 yards from running back Rudi Johnson and Shayne Graham's 37-yard field goal on the final play for a 23-20 victory.

The Bengals (10-3) maintained their two-game lead over Pittsburgh in the AFC North and can clinch the title with a win next Sunday in Detroit. They've won 10 games for the first time since 1988, the last time they made it to the Super Bowl.

"I haven't had double-digit wins since my second year in college," 10th-year offensive tackle Willie Anderson said. "It feels good to get 10 wins. We still have to finish it off."

An offense that scored 117 points in the last three games

with a high-tech, no-huddle offense ground one out the old-fashioned way — a very handy thing for cold playoff games.

"It was a tough game offensively," said Palmer, who had season lows in completions and yards. "We didn't play well, I didn't play well. You're frustrated and you're disappointed."

"I talked to Trent Dilfer after the game and he said not every game is a blowout, not every game is pretty. On your way to the Super Bowl, you're going to run into a bunch of games like that, and the good teams win those games. We're a good team and we won this game."



Rudi Johnson

Dilfer led Baltimore to a Super Bowl title in 2000, when Bengals coach Marvin Lewis was the Ravens' defensive coordinator. For the second consecutive game, Dilfer wound up the backup to rookie Charlie Frye, who put the Browns (4-9) in position for an intrastate upset.

They couldn't pull it off because they couldn't stop Johnson, who carried a season-high 30 times and averaged 5.6 yards per run. When he got to the stadium and saw the wind, he knew it could come down to a running back.

"It was that type of ballgame:

AFC North, cold weather and a lot at stake," he said.

Chad Johnson had season lows with two catches for 22 yards, but drew interference and illegal contact penalties on cornerback Leigh Bodden during the Bengals' 43-yard drive to the winning kick. Palmer was 13-of-27 for 93 yards with one touchdown, one interception and a season-low passer rating of 53.5.

In only his second NFL start, Frye kept the Browns in the game. He had only one costly mistake: a pass intercepted by Deltha O'Neal, setting up Cincinnati's second touchdown.

Gusts turned the stadium into a wind tunnel, made the goalposts gyrate and provided another concern for the rookie. He handled it much better than the Bengals' Heisman Trophy passer from Southern California.

Frye grew up in northern Ohio and was a third-round draft pick out of Akron, which is a snowplow drive from Cleveland.

"He's very confident," said Steve Heiden, who caught a touchdown pass. "He's mature for his years. He's poised, he's confident. He was very good." Wearing a glove on his passing hand to help him grip the ball, Frye was on the mark in a low-risk passing attack of short passes and rollouts to avoid the rush. He ran 3 yards on a rollout to score on the Browns' first possession, raising the ball tri-

umphantly with his right arm as he crossed the goal line.

"I felt much more comfortable than last week," Frye said.

Frye's 2-yard touchdown pass to Heiden put the Browns up 14-7 and sent notice this was going to be a typical Browns-Bengals game, unpredictable and up for grabs. He finished 16-of-24 for 138 yards with a touchdown and his first interception as a starter.

"The young kid, Charlie, did a pretty decent job overall," coach Romeo Crennel said. "He handled himself well in situations where he was in trouble. He was able to get out of trouble and maintain his cool."

Notes: Bengals RB Chris Perry sprained his left ankle in the first quarter and was on crutches after the game. It's not known how long he'll be sidelined. ... O'Neal's nine interceptions lead the NFL and match Ken Riley's club record from 1976. ... Bengals LB Odell Thurman was benched for the

## NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

### AMERICAN CONFERENCE NORTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Cincinnati	10	3	0	.769	350	259
Pittsburgh	8	5	0	.615	295	234
Baltimore	4	9	0	.308	171	253
Cleveland	4	9	0	.308	203	237

### Sunday's Games

- N.Y. Jets 26, Oakland 10
- Tennessee 13, Houston 10
- Pittsburgh 21, Chicago 9
- New England 35, Buffalo 7
- Cincinnati 23, Cleveland 20
- Minnesota 27, St. Louis 13
- Indianapolis 26, Jacksonville 18
- Tampa Bay 20, Carolina 10
- Seattle 41, San Francisco 3
- Washington 17, Arizona 13
- N.Y. Giants 26, Philadelphia 23, OT
- Dallas 31, Kansas City 28
- Miami 23, San Diego 21
- Denver 12, Baltimore 10
- Green Bay 16, Detroit 13, OT

first few plays for violating an undisclosed team rule. ... Palmer took the blame for letting the clock run down to 1 second before calling time out to set up Graham's winning kick. "We were all calling timeout," Palmer said. "I'm not sure what happened." ... The Browns were swept by the Bengals for the first time since 1999. Cleveland leads the series overall 33-32.

# Colts 26, Jaguars 18

by MARK LONG  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

**JACKSONVILLE, Fla.** — Peyton Manning stood behind the podium and rattled off names of several players from the 1972 Miami Dolphins.

Bob Griese. Larry Csonka. Mercury Morris. Jim Kück.

"I appreciate history," said Manning, who was born three years after Miami completed the NFL's lone undefeated season. "I know the names, but not a lot of guys in this locker room do. It's a different generation."

Maybe this generation will get its own perfect season.

Manning threw two touchdown passes to Marvin Harrison, Mike Vanderjagt kicked four field goals and the Indianapolis Colts remained unbeaten with a 26-18 victory over the Jacksonville Jaguars on Sunday.

Indy became the fourth team in NFL history to start 13-0, locked up a third consecutive division title and secured home-field advantage throughout the playoffs. The team has little left to play for over the final three games.

Except for matching the elusive mark set by the Dolphins — perfect.

"Going 16-0 would be great, but it's not the most important thing," coach Tony Dungy said.

The Colts joined the 1934 Chicago Bears, 1972 Dolphins and 1998 Denver Broncos as the league's only teams to start 13-0.

Dungy and his players have fielded questions regarding their pursuit of perfection for weeks. They downplayed it for the most part, but have little else to talk about now.

Dungy must decide whether

to rest players and reduce the risk of injury or try to run the table and chase Miami's mark.

The Colts host the San Diego Chargers (8-5) next week, then finish at Seattle (11-2) and at home against Arizona (4-9).

"It's not going to be a situation where we take four weeks off without playing," Dungy said. "We definitely want to win. We're going to play to win and go from there."

Manning picked apart Jacksonville's secondary all game. He finished 24-of-36 for 324 yards. He was sacked a season-high three times. Harrison caught six passes for a season-high 137 yards.

Manning directed an 89-yard drive on Indy's opening possession and capped it with a 9-yard pass to Harrison. They hooked up for another score early in the second quarter, a perfectly thrown 65-yard TD pass.

The Jaguars, who had won five in a row, scored twice in the final 4:08 and looked like they were going to get a final chance to tie the game.

They forced Indy into a third-down play with 1:39 remaining. But Manning completed a 12-yard pass under heavy pressure to Dallas Clark.

"It's one of those plays that you just trust Dallas will be in that spot, but I couldn't really see him," Manning said.

The Jaguars (9-4) may have made it close at the end, but the game was a mismatch early. Jacksonville had three turnovers

and several foolish penalties, including one against coach Jack Del Rio for yelling profanity as he threw the challenge flag at an official.



Peyton Manning

"We beat ourselves up and down — on offense, defense and special teams," Jags linebacker Mike Peterson said. "We didn't spoil their streak, but we can get another shot at them. They can be beat. This team isn't too much for us. Can we beat them? Hell, yeah."

The Jaguars can still make the playoffs by winning their final three games against San Francisco, Houston and Tennessee. Because Kansas City (8-5) and San Diego (8-5) also lost Sunday, the Jags maintained a game lead in the AFC wild card race.

The Colts, meanwhile, stayed perfect.

"We will not let down," defensive tackle Montae Reagar said. "We don't want to lose; 13-0 doesn't guarantee us anything. We want to keep our rhythm, keep our chemistry."

Notes: Jimmy Smith became the 13th player in NFL history to surpass 12,000 yards receiving. He finished with eight catches for 102 yards and a score. It was his third 100-yard game of the season and the 46th of his career. ... Manning surpassed 3,000 yards passing for the eighth straight year, the only quarterback to start his career like that. ... Colts LB Cato June was inactive because of injuries to his groin, knee and ankle.



Thunder Ridge Raceway, Prestonsburg.

# Kentucky's shrinking standardbred industry looking for help

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**LEXINGTON** — Kentucky's standardbred horse industry is shrinking, falling from 95 standardbred stallions in the state in 1986 to an expected five next year.

Some in the standardbred industry — which produces horses for harness racing — are hoping slots or casino gambling will help revitalize an industry falling on hard times.

Kitty Sautter, who owns Walnut Hall Stock Farm, said competing with Canada, New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania will become increasingly difficult as slots or casino gambling swells those purses and makes their horses much more desirable, she said.

Sautter is hoping the General Assembly allows some sort of expanded gambling at the tracks, which may be the only way to save Kentucky's harness racing facilities.

"If we lose our tracks, we don't have much left," Sautter said. "You can breed all the horses you want here, but you've got to have something that's going to keep people interested and coming here, and wanting to race their horses here."

Ken Jackson, owner of Kentuckiana Farms, said the standardbred industry is "challenging" right now because breeders have no reason to keep a horse in Kentucky. Instead, the horses are being sent to New Jersey, Pennsylvania or Canada, where incentive programs have poured millions into attracting harness breeders.

Harness racing is the sport of trotters and pacers and its rules differ about how the horses can be conceived. Standardbreds can be conceived through artificial insemination, so the mares can live anywhere, making the location of the stallion key.

A stallion's home determines his eligibility for "sire stakes." The progeny of a stallion in Pennsylvania, for instance, can race in Pennsylvania's sire stakes. These kinds of races carry some of the highest purses in the sport and create demand for yearlings from particular states.

had prize money over \$1 million, purses have shrunk to around \$300,000 next year for six races and lowered demand for Kentucky standardbreds.

The state isn't giving up on standardbreds, though. Earlier this year, the General Assembly created a breeders' incentive fund using sales tax on all stud fees. While thoroughbred breeders will get the largest chunk of the estimated \$15 million generated every year, standardbred breeders will get almost \$2 million.

The funds will go into the sires stakes, Jackson said.

"But there's got to be more," Jackson said. "That program alone will not revitalize the harness industry in Kentucky."

Kentucky has harness racing at only three tracks — The Red Mile in Lexington, Bluegrass Downs in Paducah and Thunder Ridge in Prestonsburg. In 2006, there will be 83 days of harness racing in Kentucky, including the prestigious Grand Circuit.

That's left harness racing with barely enough to survive, he said. "We had a circuit — now we don't have a circuit. Now we've got racing three days a week. It's hard for them to make money," said Marc Guilfoil, director of standardbred racing for the Kentucky Horse Racing Authority.

Kentucky's lack of action in aiding the ailing industry has left it struggling behind other states, said Art Zubrod, general manager of Brittany Farms. Brittany is owned by George Segal, now one of the four owners of The Red Mile.

"The standardbred industry has been pillaged by the thoroughbred industry here," Zubrod said.

Thoroughbred and standardbred tracks split simulcasting dates in the 1990s on a 60-40 basis. Thoroughbred tracks persuaded state legislators to tie the number of dates to the percentage of revenue wagered on each breed, quickly eroding standardbred racing's share.

Eventually, The Red Mile sold its thoroughbred simulcasting rights to Keeneland, leaving the state's only competitive harness track to muddle through on revenue from an

"That's when we started on the downhill slide," Zubrod said.

Without slots to aid the tracks, harness breeding won't die out in Kentucky, he said; it just won't be vibrant.

"It's still going to be the greatest place to raise a horse," he said, "but if you're looking to make money, this might not be the state."

Information from: Lexington Herald-Leader, <http://www.kentucky.com>

## Afleet Alex will stand at Gainesway

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**LEXINGTON** — Afleet Alex, winner of the Preakness and Belmont, will stand as a stallion at Gainesway Farm in Lexington in the heart of Bluegrass country.

"Having Afleet Alex stand at Gainesway is one of the most exciting moments in our 18 years of owning Gainesway," farm president Antony Beck said Sunday. "There's already a huge buzz at the farm."

Beck said Afleet Alex's 2006 stud fee will be \$40,000 per live foal.

Afleet Alex was retired this month because of an ankle injury. The horse finished with eight wins in 12 starts and earnings of more than \$2.7 million for the Cash Is King Stable, and nearly became the sport's 12th Triple Crown winner.

He finished third in the Kentucky Derby by a length, won the Preakness after nearly being knocked down by Scrappy T in the turn for home and won the Belmont by seven lengths. Jockey Jeremy Rose was aboard Afleet Alex for all three Triple Crown races.

Cash Is King managing partner Chuck Zacney said there was an extensive search to find the right place for Afleet Alex's new home.

"After meeting with Gainesway they quickly became our No. 1 choice," Zacney said. "They have a great reputation, a passion for the game and really believe in

# Cost of hunting, fishing licenses to go up

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**FRANKFORT** — Hunting and fishing licenses in Kentucky will cost more beginning in 2007 — the first increase in several years, state wildlife officials said.

The fee increases were passed Friday at a meeting of the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission, a nine-member citizens board that oversees the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

The license increases were necessary to offset a budget deficit, said Jon Gassett, the department's executive officer. "We're spending \$4.8 million more than is coming in," Gassett said. "There hasn't been a license increase since 2000."

Hunting and fishing licenses for Kentucky residents will cost \$20, a \$5 increase. The combination hunting and fishing

\$22.50. The resident joint (spousal) fishing license will cost \$36, up from \$27.

Licenses for seniors and the disabled will remain \$5.

Resident permits for deer and spring wild turkey hunting will cost \$30 each, a \$5 increase for the deer permit and a \$10 increase for the spring wild turkey permit.

The trout permit will remain \$10, but the resident two-day fishing license will no longer be available, replaced by \$7 daily licenses.

Nonresidents also will pay more. The nonresident fishing license jumps from \$35 to \$50, nonresident hunting from \$115 to \$130, nonresident deer permit from \$50 to \$60 and nonresident elk from \$300 to \$365.

The department projects a revenue increase of just over \$6 million a year from the sale of licenses at the new prices.

the 2,500-member Bluegrass Sportsman's League Inc., said a license increase "has probably been put off for too long. We recently raised our dues to keep pace with what things cost."

The commission also approved a plan to develop a \$5 conservation permit, which will be needed to access state-owned public lands. "We're going to define users in administrative committee, and bring our recommendations back to the commission in March," Gassett said. "The revenue will be earmarked for leasing land, conservation easements, land acquisition and landowner agreements."

Hunters, anglers, trappers, wildlife viewers, hikers and horseback trail riders could be required to buy the permits.

Information from: Lexington Herald-Leader, <http://www.ken>



# No. 18 Indiana 79, No. 15 Kentucky 53

by MICHAEL MAROT  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS — Indiana coach Mike Davis hopped around, stomped his feet, argued with officials and then, finally, rewarded his players with hugs.

Davis overcame his most difficult obstacle as a head coach, beating Kentucky, with a perfect script.

Marco Killingsworth had 23 points and 11 rebounds, A.J. Ratliff added a career-high 21 points, and the 18th-ranked Hoosiers used a relentless defensive effort to rout No. 15 Kentucky 79-53 on Saturday — ending Davis' five-game drought against the rival Wildcats.

"It feels good because when the scores come on, I don't have to turn it to the friggin' Oxygen channel or something," Davis said. "My wife knows and everyone knows that, in the past, I don't have the TV on anything that has basketball scores on."

That's because the Kentucky game has been more like a nightmare than a game for

Davis.

Five straight losses to the Wildcats always seemed to fuel speculation about his job security, but as much as the defeats hurt, there were Davis' memorable outbursts — he once ran onto the court and berated an official and another time questioned whether he was the right man to lead the Hoosiers (5-2).

On Saturday, Davis had all the right answers.

Ratliff delivered a big-time game in his first start of the season, and Killingsworth showed he could find open teammates quicker when Kentucky (6-3) tried to double team him. The combination put the Wildcats on their heels from the opening tip, and Indiana responded with its most lopsided victory in the 49-game series.

"They were obviously hungrier, more aggressive than we were," Kentucky coach Tubby Smith said. "When you go 2-for-27 (on 3s) and have four assists and 19 turnovers, you're not going to beat anybody."

Somehow Davis got his Hoosiers to again play with the passion and persistence that

almost helped them upset No. 1 Duke last week, and the changes were immediately noticeable.

Rather than settling for long jumpers, the Hoosiers patiently worked for good shots and embarrassed the Wildcats in front of a crowd topping 28,000 — half clad in Kentucky blue, the other half in Indiana red.

The Hoosiers scored 25 points off Kentucky turnovers and the Wildcats missed their first 20 3-pointers.

"When they beat you, they're always bragging," Killingsworth said. "One of their guys said 'It's about time you all beat us.' I said, 'You can say whatever you want, but you've got to go home five hours with a loss.'"

Killingsworth, who had never beaten Kentucky in three seasons at Auburn before transferring to Indiana, celebrated by grabbing Davis around the neck and put him in a mock chokehold as time expired.

But the Hoosiers managed to keep their emotions in check Saturday — something they didn't do at the start of the Duke

game. They also maintained their poise after building a big lead, something they failed to do Tuesday when Indiana State upset them.

It was a far different performance from Tuesday's lackluster effort.

Indiana was relentless on defense, forcing turnovers and contesting shots. The Hoosiers took care of the basketball and played hard.

They took control early, using a 12-2 run to build a 16-8 lead, followed that flurry with a 9-0 run that made it 25-12 and closed the half by scoring the final five points to take a 35-19 lead.

It was Kentucky's lowest-scoring half since Jan. 19, when it scored 16 against Mississippi, and the Wildcats were 0-for-12 from 3-point range.

Rajon Rondo was the Wildcats' top scorer, finishing with 21 points, most coming

after the outcome had already been decided. He missed Tuesday's game against Georgia State because of strep throat and didn't look 100 percent.

"We didn't play with intensity and we didn't shoot the ball well at all," Rondo said.

The Wildcats rallied in the final six minutes, using an 18-6 run to get within 59-47 with 3:21 to go. Davis appeared rattled, grabbing his head and pleading with his players to be sharper against the Wildcats' full-court press.

But Kentucky could not get any closer, and Davis sweated out the final moments until Killingsworth grabbed him around the neck.

"My assistants wanted me to start putting subs in, but I was like 'Hey, we haven't won yet,'" Davis said. "With about 30 seconds left, I was wondering if they had a 24-point play in them. But it feels good to win."

## No. 18 INDIANA 79, No. 15 KENTUCKY 53

INDIANA (5-2)—Killingsworth 7-8 9-14 23, Vaden 5-11 0-0 11, Ratliff 6-9 7-8 21, Strickland 2-8 6-7 10, Monroe 0-1 3-4 3, Wilmont 1-2 0-0 2, Suhr 0-1 0-0 0, Allen 1-3 1-2 4, Kline 0-0 0-0 0, Calloway 2-2 0-0 5. Totals 24-45 26-35 79.

KENTUCKY (6-3)—Sims 1-2 0-0 2, Alleyne 1-2 0-0 2, Moss 0-3 0-0 0, Rondo 6-15 9-11 21, Sparks 2-7 2-3 6, Stockton 1-2 0-0 3, Bradley 4-14 0-0 8, Obrzut 0-0 0-0 0, Perry 1-6 0-0 2, Thomas 1-1 0-0 2, Crawford 2-9 2-3 7. Totals 19-61 13-17 53.

Halftime—Indiana 35-19. 3-Point Goals—Indiana 5-16 (Ratliff 2-4, Calloway 1-1, Vaden 1-3, Allen 1-3, Monroe 0-1, Wilmont 0-1, Suhr 0-1, Strickland 0-2), Kentucky 2-27 (Stockton 1-2, Crawford 1-5, Perry 0-1, Sims 0-1, Moss 0-2, Sparks 0-3, Rondo 0-6, Bradley 0-7). Fouled Out—Monroe, Rebounds—Indiana 34 (Killingsworth 11), Kentucky 36 (Rondo 9), Assists—Indiana 16 (Vaden 5), Kentucky 4 (Rondo 2), Total Fouls—Indiana 20, Kentucky 29. A—28,031.

# No. 5 Louisville 111, Akron 85

by WILL GRAVES  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Juan Palacios caught the ball in the lane, then flicked a behind-the-back pass to Louisville teammate Brian Johnson, who hit a reverse layup and drew the foul.



Juan Palacios

Minutes later, guard Terrence Williams grabbed an outlet pass from Taquan Dean, dribbled the ball around his body, crashed into Akron's Zach Sowers and still managed to hang in the air long enough to make the basket.

Standing in front of the Louisville bench, coach Rick Pitino couldn't help but smile. How could he not? During Louisville's 111-85 rout of the Zips on Saturday, Pitino thinks he might have seen his real team for the first time all year.

"I thought all our guys were terrific," Pitino said. "We're pulling it together. We see the potential. This was by far our best game of the year."

Dean led five Cardinals in double figures, scoring 22 points as Louisville posted its highest point total at home since 1999. The Cardinals (5-0) shot 60 percent from the floor —

including 71 percent in the second half — to prevent the Zips (3-2) from beating a ranked team for the first time in school history.

Romeo Travis led Akron with 21 points, but the Zips had no answer for the balanced and unselfish Cardinals. Louisville had 31 assists on 40 field goals and turned the ball over only nine

times. "No matter what we played, we couldn't guard them," said Akron coach Keith Dambrot. "We didn't get it done. We couldn't keep them in front of us, we couldn't keep them off the boards, we couldn't keep them out of transition."

The Cardinals had relied heavily on Dean during an ugly 53-45 win over Richmond on Monday. By the time Dean got rolling in the second half against the Zips, Palacios and center David Padgett already had given the Cardinals a double-digit lead.

Akron managed to stick around in the first half and trailed 46-37 at the break. But Louisville opened the second half with a 15-6 run and quickly pulled away.

"Once everybody got together and got going, this is what I

expected," Dean said. "Palacios is starting to get better and once we get David (Padgett) going, the sky is the limit."

Palacios, still recovering from a dislocated ankle, continued to improve, finishing with 17 points, eight rebounds and six assists.

"Palacios played really well, I couldn't believe some of the passes he made," Padgett said. "It looked like the old Palacios. It's good to see him passing the ball like that."

Padgett had 15 points and eight rebounds, while Williams posted a season-high 13 points on perfect 6-of-6 shooting from the floor. Five days after facing Richmond's grind-it-out offense, the Cardinals were eager to race up and down the floor with the uptempo Zips.

"When you get to run like that, it makes you look good," Padgett said. "I thought we did a great job of sharing the basketball, giving it up to everybody."

Darryl Peterson scored 16 points for the Zips and Nick Dials added 12, but Akron couldn't keep up with the Cardinals, who scored 40 points in the first 12 minutes of the second half.

"We just didn't have it," Dambrot said. "They shot the ball well, but we gave them too many easy baskets."

# UK women out to best start since 1980-81

TIMES STAFF REPORT

DETROIT — Sophomore Kentucky center Sarah Elliott (McKee, Ky.) scored a game-high 17 points and senior forward/center Jennifer Humphrey (Memphis) brought down a season-high 14 rebounds as the Wildcats used an impressive second-half rally to defeat Detroit, 74-65, Saturday in Calihan Hall. The Cats, who overcame a halftime deficit for the second time this season, improve to 8-0 on the year — UK's best start since the 1980-81 season.

The Wildcats, who trailed 36-35 at halftime, used a 14-1 run out of intermission and held the Titans (2-7) without a field goal for the first 5:54 of the final period to turn back a stingy Detroit team. The Cats were led by four players who scored in double figures, but were forced to overcome 18 turnovers that resulted in 21 Detroit points.

Kentucky came out blistering in the second half, knocking down the first four baskets of the final period, highlighted by two Elliott baskets and a resounding trey by freshman point guard Carly Ormerod (Louisville, Ky.). The Wildcats' 14-1 run out of intermission included five points from Humphrey, to extend their advantage to 13 points (49-37) with 14:38 left.

The Titans kept trimming away at the UK advantage to come within seven, 49-41, after back-to-back field goals. Eleia Roddy (Columbus, Ohio), however, scored two of the game's next three hoops to push the Cats back ahead by nine, 53-44.

A basket by Humphrey put again UK up by 11, 68-57, with just under three minutes remaining, but Detroit wouldn't give up. Shawanna Stubblefield and Lindsey Pasquinzo hit back-to-back three-pointers with 1:16 left to cut Kentucky's lead to 68-63, but the Cats, who made 6-of-8 free-throws in the final 4:50, hung on for the victory.

Humphrey's 14 rebounds were a season-high and one board shy of her career-best mark. The 6-foot-3 Humphrey was also just one point shy of her second consecutive double-double, finishing the game with nine points, three assists and two steals. Humphrey has brought down at least seven rebounds in six-of-eight games this season.

Ormerod chipped in 15 points and tied her career-high with five rebounds, while sophomore Samantha Mahoney (Detroit) added 12 points. Ormerod was 5-of-6 from the free-throw line and knocked down two three-pointers. Roddy was the fourth Wildcat to reach double-figure points with 10.

The game marked a homecoming for sophomore Motor City natives Chante Bowman and Mahoney.

The Titans started the game strong offensively, knocking down three three-pointers within the first four minutes of the game to take an 11-7 lead with 15:55 remaining in the opening period. Kentucky cut Detroit's lead to 15-13 on a crafty basket in the lane by Ormerod, but the Titans scored the game's next two baskets capped off by a Pasquinzo jumper to extend their advantage to 20-13.

From there, the Cats went on an 8-2 run capped off by basket by junior guard Jenny Pfeiffer (North Vernon, Ind.) to come within one, 22-21, with 8:16 to go in the half. After a Detroit basket, UK scored seven unanswered points including a shot in the paint by Roddy to give the Cats their first lead at 25-24 at the 6:19 mark. Pfeiffer was fouled shooting a three-pointer and made each of her three free-throw attempts to move UK in front 28-24. Trailing 30-26, the Titans wouldn't give up, scoring three of the game's next four baskets to reclaim the advantage at 33-32. Detroit went into the locker room with a 36-35 lead.

The Wildcats shot 41.7 percent (25-of-60) from the field in the game and out rebounded Detroit 44-29. The Cats were aided by a strong post presence of Elliott, Humphrey and Roddy that combined for 36 points and 24 rebounds. UK out-scored Detroit 28-18 in points in the paint. The Titans shot 42.9 percent (24-of-56) from the floor and made 8-of-20 three-pointers. Detroit was led by Pasquinzo's team-high 16 points, as one of four Titans scoring in double figures.

Kentucky has a week off for final exams before returning home to play host to No. 3 LSU in Memorial Coliseum on Sunday, Dec. 18. Tip-off is set for 1 p.m. EST in Memorial Coliseum and the game will be televised by Fox Sports Net South and aired live on the Big Blue Sports Network (radio) with Neil Price. Live audio and statistics for all UK Hoops games are available on ukathletics.com.

# Lady Colonels hold on to win, 64-61

TIMES STAFF REPORT

CLARKSVILLE, Tenn. — Senior Laura Shelton scored a career-best 37 points, just seven shy of the program's single game high, to lead the Eastern Kentucky women's basketball team to a 64-61 win at Austin Peay State this evening. The Lady Colonels improve to 3-6, 3-0 in the Ohio Valley Conference while the Lady Governors fall to 1-5, 0-3 in the league.

Shelton connected on a personal-best six three-point baskets, including five in the first half, and was a perfect 9-9 from the free throw line. Junior Tamika Bowers led the team in both rebounds (seven) and assists (five) while classmate Fatai Hala'api'api contributed eight points and three steals.

One minute into the game, the Lady Colonels scored the game's first points when Bowers stole the ball from a Lady Governor player at the top of the key and then converted the fast-break lay-up. Eastern Kentucky quickly built a 21-8 lead after four consecutive three-point field goals,

including three from Shelton, before the Lady Governors called a 30-second timeout at the 11:47 point.

Four minutes later, the Lady Governors cut the deficit to four after hitting their next six field goal attempts and holding Eastern to just one basket. Shelton restored the Lady Colonels' lead to nine with just over six minutes left in the half, scoring five points in a twenty-second span, but Austin Peay outscored the Lady Colonels 13-2 in the remaining time and held a slight 35-33 lead at the break.

Shortly into the second half, the Lady Colonels regained the lead, one they would not relinquish, after Shelton was fouled on a shot from beyond the arc and connected on all three free throws. APSU knotted the score at 52 with 6:26 on the clock but could not get any closer with Eastern Kentucky scoring on its following possession. Twice in the final minutes, the Lady Governors were within one point, but Shelton led the Lady Colonels to the

# MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL SCOREBOARD

(Saturday's Major College Basketball Scores)

**EAST**  
American U. 74, Towson 70  
Boston U. 58, Maine 55  
Brown 71, Binghamton 61  
Buffalo 62, Rutgers 53  
Columbia 71, Lafayette 67  
Drexel 61, Old Dominion 42  
Duke 97, Texas 66  
Fairleigh Dickinson 71, Mount St. Mary's, Md. 68  
Lehigh 67, Harvard 56  
Long Island U. 85, Hartford 80  
Memphis 97, Providence 89  
Ohio 71, Rhode Island 63  
Ohio St. 81, Saint Joseph's 74  
Pittsburgh 91, Penn St. 54  
Princeton 59, Wyoming 50  
Rider 89, Delaware 84  
Robert Morris 90, Quinnipiac 83  
Sacred Heart 74, St. Francis, Pa. 72  
St. Bonaventure 66, Youngstown St. 58  
Syracuse 58, Colgate 35  
Temple 68, Alabama 58  
UMBC 72, Stony Brook 47  
Vermont 58, New Hampshire 53  
Villanova 90, Longwood 77  
West Virginia 86, Duquesne 66

**SOUTH**  
Austin Peay 79, E. Kentucky 61  
Chattanooga 97, Milligan 80  
Cincinnati 92, Vanderbilt 83  
Davidson 80, Catholic 56  
Florida A&M 74, Alabama St. 67  
George Mason 81, Radford 69  
George Washington 102, Morgan St. 75  
Georgia 72, Georgia St. 61  
Georgia Tech 82, Tennessee St. 72  
Howard 79, Md.-Eastern Shore 68  
Jacksonville St. 93, Tenn.-Martin 84  
LSU 90, McNeese St. 70  
Lipscomb 78, Liberty 62  
Louisiana-Monroe 82, William Carey 65  
Louisville 111, Akron 85  
Miami 71, Wofford 40  
Michigan 68, South Florida 47  
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Murray St. 92, Morehead St. 40  
N.C. State 92, Appalachian St. 68  
N.C.-Asheville 79, Furman 65  
Northwestern St. 89, Harding 60  
Pacific 91, W. Kentucky 75  
South Alabama 75, Southern Miss. 51  
Southern U. 63, Louisiana Tech 47  
St. Paul's 73, Kennesaw Tech 71  
UAB 81, Alcorn St. 59  
VMI 105, S. Virginia 59  
Va. Commonwealth 49, Richmond 37  
Valparaiso 80, Charlotte 77  
Virginia Tech 73, St. John's 64  
W. Carolina 56, East Carolina 48

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Albany, N.Y. 78, Cleveland St. 65  
Conl. Michigan 89, Rochester, Mich. 83  
DePaul 61, Dayton 54  
Evansville 70, W. Illinois 63  
Georgia Southern 64, Illinois St. 61  
Ill.-Chicago 87, Mississippi 75, OT  
Indiana 79, Kentucky 53  
Indiana St. 57, Ball St. 56  
Kansas 69, California 56  
Michigan St. 83, Wichita St. 64  
Minnesota 92, UNLV 69  
Missouri 82, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi 81  
Missouri St. 85, Detroit 71  
N. Iowa 87, UMKC 64  
Notre Dame 81, Fla. International 47  
S. Dakota St. 81, Denver 78, OT  
S. Illinois 58, Kent St. 51  
Saint Louis 66, Oakland, Mich. 59  
Tennessee Tech 79, SE Missouri 65  
Toledo 67, Ferris St. 53  
W. Michigan 73, IUPUI 72  
Wis.-Green Bay 75, Montana St. 73  
Wis.-Milwaukee 58, Hawaii 33  
Wisconsin 77, Marquette 63

64-61 victory, scoring EKU's final six points of the game.

The Lady Colonels registered a season-low in turnovers with just 11 while forcing Austin Peay into 16.

Ashley Haynes led the Lady Governors with a double-double, scoring 22 points and grabbing 16 rebounds.

Neither team hit a three-point basket in second half of play and Austin Peay finished the night just 3-18 (.167) from beyond the arc.

The Lady Colonels return to McBrayer Arena on Dec. 20 when they host Indiana State, their final non-conference game of the season, at 5:30 p.m.

# Austin Peay turns back ECU, 79-63

TIMES STAFF REPORT

CLARKSVILLE, Tenn. — Five players finished in double figures for the host Governors as Austin Peay held off the Eastern Kentucky men's basketball team Saturday night in the Dunn Center, 79-63. With the win, APSU improves to 4-4 and 2-1 in the OVC while the Colonels fall to 2-6 and 0-2.

Senior Jason McLeish tied a career high with 21 points on 66.7 percent shooting (8-of-12) from the floor. Meanwhile, sophomore Darnell Dials led all players and posted a personal-best 13 rebounds.

For Austin Peay, Kyle Duncan, Maurice Hampton and Derek Wright each tallied 12 points. Wright also notched nine assists to just one turnover on the evening.

The Governors took a 44-34 lead into the locker room thanks to shooting 56.3 percent (18-of-32) from the field in the opening 20 minutes of action. Junior Michael Brock kept the

Colonels hanging around in the first half by coming off the bench and going 3-for-3 from behind the three-point line.

Senior Matt Witt, who was held scoreless in the first half, notched Eastern Kentucky's first nine points of the second stanza to help the Colonels cut the deficit to six, 49-43. Austin Peay regrouped with a 9-2 run of its own to build its largest advantage to that point in the contest, 58-45.

From there, EKU made one more charge by holding the Governors scoreless for almost a five-minute stretch. The Colonels scored seven straight

points over that time to get back within six at 58-52. Eastern had a few more opportunities creep even closer to APSU, but a Kyle Duncan layup at 9:21 finally ended the Governor drought.

Austin Peay used a 15-3 run down the stretch to pull away from the Colonels and win its second straight home conference tilt.

The Colonels have the week off before hitting the court against Eastern Illinois in a home game on Monday, Dec. 19, which will be televised nationally by ESPN. Game time is set for 7 p.m.

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This Week: Interview With Santa

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## SANTA ANSWERS ALL!



Imagine you had a chance to interview Santa Claus! What would you ask? What would Santa say? Here are some ideas from some Kid Scoop readers, who came up with the questions and the answers for today's page.

### Weekly Writing Corner

#### Interview With Santa

Imagine you could interview Santa. Send in one question and make up an answer for the question as if Santa had responded.

Q: I'm here at the North Pole, talking with Old Saint Nick, So Santa, I've been wondering. How do you manage to eat all those cookies in one night?

A: Well, sometimes if I'm too full, I give them to my reindeer or maybe I'll bring some home to the elves and Mrs. Claus.

Nigel, 5<sup>th</sup> grade

Q: Santa, How are you able to furnish so many toys to so many children?

A: Little one, I have ways that are magical that no one understands but just make sure you are good through the whole year so that you can get many toys from my magical toy land.

Christella, 5<sup>th</sup> grade

Q: Why do you always wear red and white?

A: I wear red because it is my favorite color.

Elisabeth, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Q: Santa, why don't you want people to see you?

A: I don't want you to see me because I would lose my powers.

Jack, 6<sup>th</sup> grade

Q: Santa, how many outfits did you have Mrs. Claus make you over the years?

A: Well, Mrs. Claus made a total of 12 costumes. I have 12 because I wear a different size each month of the year.

Cassidy, 6<sup>th</sup> grade

Q: How old are you and why don't you die?

A: I'm 1,550 and still growing. I don't die because my body uses the power of people who believe in me to keep it going.

Luke, 4<sup>th</sup> grade

Q: Is your outfit really made by Mrs. Claus?

A: Why yes indeed it is, are your clothes made by your mom?

Taylor, 5<sup>th</sup> grade

Q: How do you travel all around the world in one night?

A: I travel at the speed faster than any plane, car, boat, train or jet. I travel at a speed of one million miles per hour!

Q: What do you do in your spare time?

A: I ho, ho, ho and mow, mow, mow the lawn.

Talia, 6<sup>th</sup> grade

Q: How do you make your reindeer fly?

A: My friend the tooth fairy gave me some fairy dust. Every Christmas I sprinkle some on them and away they go!

Hanna, 6<sup>th</sup> grade

Q: How did you become Santa and how did you get your magic?

Santa: I was a smart, cheerful child. When my parents died, I was heartbroken. I cried, not out of self-pity, but out of true love. One of my tears dropped into the snow and froze to make an ice marble. When I held it, it glowed and took me to the North Pole. I met the elves and they needed my help.

How many ice marbles can you find on today's page?

After I grew up with them I took on the greatest task of all—delivering presents. The ice marble gave me the powers I have today.

— By Chris

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow one-step written directions.



Help Santa find his way through the magic maze back to the North Pole.



Q: What kind of milk do you like?

Santa: I like whole milk best, but Mrs. Claus put me on a diet so I have to drink non-fat.

— By Nick



Q: How can you visit all of the children of the world in one night?

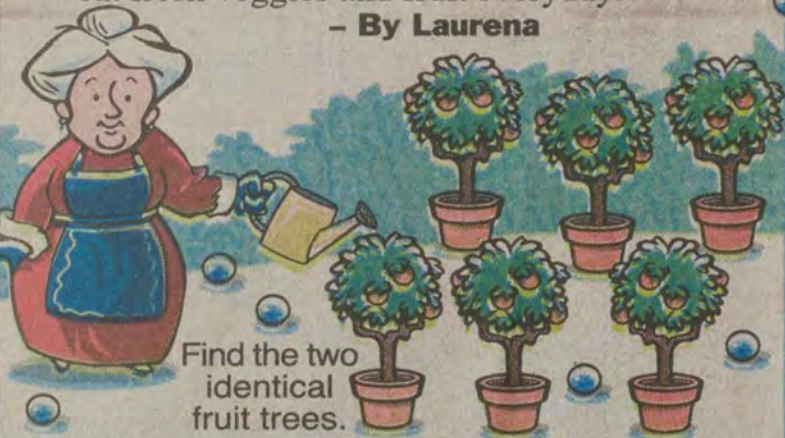
Santa: I fly at super speed; that's why you can't see me.

— By Adrian

Q: Where do you buy your groceries?

Santa: I don't buy them; Mrs. Claus grows them. On Christmas Eve I come back with a sleigh full of soil instead of an empty sleigh. We grow food in our greenhouse and eat fresh veggies and fruit everyday.

— By Lauren



Find the two identical fruit trees.

Find at least 10 differences between Santa and his reflection.



Standards Link: Investigation: Identify similarities and differences in common objects.

Extra! Extra!

#### Santa Comes to YOUR Town!

Pretend Santa has to buy all of his Christmas presents from the stores advertising in your newspaper. Help him by selecting a gift for everyone in your class using ads in the paper. Don't spend more than \$500.

Standards Link: Math/Number Sense: Solve addition problems using money amounts.

Q: Do you think you'll want to be Santa forever?

Santa: As long as my heart is \_\_\_\_\_ and my belly is \_\_\_\_\_, I reckon I'll want to be!

— By Maya

Q: Has there ever been a year when you gave out more \_\_\_\_\_ than presents?

Santa: No, and I \_\_\_\_\_ that never \_\_\_\_\_

— By Michael



Where does each of these words belong?

- JIGGLING
- COAL
- HAPPENS
- POUNDING
- HOPE

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

### Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

- INTERVIEW
- MARBLE
- SANTA
- ANSWERS
- POUNDING
- FRUIT
- REFLECTION
- CLASS
- POLE
- MILK
- CLAUS
- CHEERFUL
- SNOW
- BELLY
- DIET

P H A P M Y L L E B  
P O U N D I N G A P  
C W L Y S D L M A A  
L D I E T W A K T T  
A W E I V R E T N I  
U Y S A B N T R A U  
S S A L C W O N S R  
C H E E R F U L A F  
N O I T C E L F E R

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

### BEYOND Kid Scoop

#### What's the Question?

Find five to ten quotes in articles in today's newspaper. On a separate piece of paper, write the question you think each quote answers.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Analysis of media communications.



### What did The ghost say To Santa Claus?

ANSWER: I'll have a boo Christmas without you.

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### POISON OAK

## Add Christmas to the list of change

I suppose it's an age thing, but the older I get the more nostalgic I tend to become, especially about special times, like Christmas. I don't know about you, but I tend to compare the ways things are now, with the way things were then. For example, would we have ever in a million years, sang a song about our grandmother getting drunk, and getting run over by Santa's reindeer? I think not.

And can you imagine when we were kids, our parents paying someone to decorate the family Christmas tree, and hang a few exterior lights and pine branches around the front porch? Again, I think not.

In those days we usually decorated our tree as a family, with everybody adding his or her own special touch. Mostly, we used handmade ornaments that some of us children had made as school or Sunday school projects. We'd mix those, without thought of design, with a few brittle, but brightly colored, store-bought ornaments (we'd break a couple every year) and a string or two of bubble lights, which more often than not, would light, but not bubble.

Most of the time, when we'd finish, one side of the tree would be nearly bare, the other side overloaded. But it was our own creation, and different

(See OAK, page three)



Clyde Pack

## Jenny Wiley Theatre announces 2006 Season

Jenny Wiley Theatre's 2006 summer season highlights "small town America" with each musical theater production presenting a different snapshot of the American landscape. Audiences will travel from Iowa to the Midwest to New Jersey and finish their tour in Eastern Kentucky, a trip provided through the rich tradition

and professional expertise of Jenny Wiley Theatre.

The Music Man takes us to River City, Iowa, where Professor Harold Hill, a traveling salesman, makes his living by duping small towns into buying instruments and uniforms for a boys' marching band. Hill sells the town's parents on the idea by promis-

ing to teach the boys how to play, but as soon as they hand over their money, he intends to skip out of town. Soon the locals are up in arms over the threat to public morals posed by the neighborhood pool hall; how better to save their sons' souls than by creating a boys' band? Only one thing stands between Hill and success: the town's

pretty but skeptical librarian, who threatens to expose his schemes — if she doesn't declare her love for him first. The memorable Meredith Wilson score includes such classics as "Seventy-Six Trombones," "Till There Was You," and "Lida Rose." Rated G\*

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## Christmas at Granny's house

By Imogene Caldwell  
SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

Each year, when Christmas has come and gone at our house, I find my head and my heart stuffed full of yet more memories to store away for future thoughts. Even though my mind is full of long ago memories, there's always room for new ones as they pass through my life.

Years ago, when I was a little girl, memories were made then that I can never forget. They're as fresh in my mind now as they were back then when the winters were harsh and the snows were deeper. They are there in my mind just as clearly as the ones that are now rushing by me each day.

The thrill of the mere thought of a visit from Santa was so overwhelming that it kept me from falling asleep on Christmas Eve. My heart raced and pounded when I thought I heard his reindeer on my Grandpa and Grandma's roof.

I would run and climb up in my Grandpa's lap and reach down into the toe of my shoe and very carefully and very slowly feel that cool, silver, round thing in its very tip, just where my big toe had made a dent in the leather there. Then I would sit

there with my head under his chin and watch Grandma reach down in her stocking and pull out a little red heart shaped box with chocolate drops inside. I would sit still while Grandpa found a new shaving mug and a pair of suspenders tucked away down in his sock.

Just as I watched the joys of Christmas there by my Grandpa's fireplace on Christmas morning, I sat in my rocking chair this past Christmas and pulled the goodies from my stocking as I watched from my chair in the corner as my family each reached into their stockings and found the little "joys of Christmas" that Santa had left behind.

I'm glad that I can stop and listen to the sounds of Christmas around me. That's when I shift a bit in my chair just to wipe a tear from my cheek before any of them happens to see it.

The thrill of it all, Christmases past and present, is still here as I hear the voices of our little ones when they think, for sure, that they see Santa's footprints outside my kitchen door. I still get a lump in my throat when one of them asks, "Granny, did you really get a silver dollar every year from Santa?" A little bit of me melts when one of mine finds a silver dollar way down deep in the toe of his stocking.

Those stockings hang, not by the fireplace, but on my stairway. They hang from the very top step to the very bottom step. Mine hung from a nail beside the big open fireplace in my Grandpa and Grandma's bedroom. Mine was filled with an orange, an apple, a banana, a stick of peppermint candy, and a rag doll or maybe a pair of mittens that my Grandma had made for me.

The stockings that hang from my stairway are stuffed and running over with modern day gadgets and "Star Wars" toys, but, just like mine, they are also filled with love and happiness. Just as my heart raced and pounded back then - when I couldn't sleep on Christmas Eve - twenty-three hearts race and pound here at Granny's house on Christmas morning when those twenty-three stockings are taken down from the stairs and handed to eager hands, both young and old, to explore and find what Santa has taken time to put in them just for each and every one. For a few magical minutes I sit still and make memories for myself while the world around us all stands still. I sit still and watch twenty-three precious people feel Santa's love and his magical touch.

(See GRANNY'S, page four)

### KIM'S KORNER ©

## There really is no place like home!

By: Kim Little Frasure

It is so good to be back "home" here at the Times. During my seven month departure, quite a few changes have taken place.

During those months of being absent from these walls, I got to hear from many of you out there who actually thought the Times had closed it's doors due to the press shutting down.

We are still here, just not printing on site any longer and, yes, that is heart wrenching to many of us who've spent years watching edition after edition roll off our very own press.

Time does bring change though, as well as wear and tear, and now we print in Williamson, West Virginia, at one of our sister paper locations.

We also have a new publisher, Shua Byers. And I look so forward to working alongside Mr. Byers and the rest of our staff and bringing you, our readers, Floyd County's "hometown" paper each week.

Speaking of time bringing "change," my family made dinner reservations at Billy Ray's this past Saturday evening in celebration of my recent birthday.

The prime rib was excellent, and just when I thought we were about to make our exit, here came the entire staff of Billy Ray's (in a packed restaurant, mind you) singing, adorned cake with candle in hand.

"Happy 45th birthday to you, Happy

(See KORNER, page three)



Kim Little Frasure

### CRITTER CORNER

## Dreaming of a Doggie Christmas

By Elizabeth Cusulas  
(SUNG TO THE TUNE OF "WHITE CHRISTMAS")

I'm dreaming of a slow squirrel,  
One I could catch and make my toy;  
Or a lovely shoe, that I could chew,  
Adding greatly to my joy!

I'm dreaming of a dog biscuit,  
Tall as a house and twice as wide;  
Little toys that squeak, and kids that shriek,  
Huge bones made of rawhide!

I'm dreaming of a huge buffet,  
With all the plates at table's edge;  
Grabbing hefty portions, of people's rations,  
Before they go into the fridge!

I'm dreaming of a long walkie.

One where I choose where I will go;  
Greeting doggie friends, sniffing both ends,  
Tails wagging to and fro!

I'm dreaming of a soft, soft pillow,  
All to myself at end of day;  
When I'll snore the evening away,  
Storing my energy for doggie play....!

### Doggie Holiday Treat

#### Dog Biscuits

- Ingredients:
- 1/2 cup cornmeal
  - 1 3/4 cups whole-wheat flour
  - 2 tablespoons garlic powder
  - 2 tablespoons Knorr instant beef stock mix (option: chicken or vegetable stock mix)
  - 2 tablespoons bacon bits
  - 6 tablespoons oil
  - 2/3 cup water (approximate)



"Ho, ho, ho!" Cie-Cie, a Yorkshire Terrier belonging to Mary Mosley, of Wheelwright, is ready and waiting for Ole' Saint Nick to arrive! Weighing in at only 6 lbs., little Cie-Cie has got to be the tiniest little elf around!

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# School Calendar

## Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

■ 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 Tristan Parsons, Center Coordinator, or Anita Tackett, Assistant.

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

\*Character Words for the Month - Respect and Togetherness\*

■ 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

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# YESTERDAYS

(Items taken from The Floyd County Times, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and 60 years ago.)

## Ten Years Ago

December 13, and 15, 1995

After several attempts to amend a liquor license ordinance, Prestonsburg City Council voted 4-1, Monday evening, in favor of the final amendment. The amended ordinance expands the definition of a bona fide restaurant based on seating capacity...Santa Claus will be in Allen on December 18, 19 and 20...Allen City Commissioners approved a pay raise for themselves, the mayor, and the city clerk, Monday, and agreed to seek new legal counsel to handle the city's affairs...A Colorado company was chosen, Friday, as the best bid for E-911 equipment by Floyd County's E-911 board, and the bid will be recommended to the fiscal court, Friday...Interviews with the five finalists for superintendent of the Floyd County School System have been scheduled to begin today (Wednesday), at Adams Middle School and conclude Friday. The school board will meet in special session on December 13, 14, and 15, to interview the candidates in closed session...Astor Hunter Jr., of Floyd County, accused of lying to a special grand jury in September, 1993, was indicted on a perjury charge, and was placed under a \$5,000 surety bond. He pleaded not guilty...Health department officials took the next step toward the construction of a new building, December 5, when they approved the first drawing of the facility... Friends of the Samuel May House heard the sound of coins tinkling in their coffers, Monday night, when Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin announced the awarding of a \$200,000 grant for the groups efforts to save the historic home, built in 1817...The finger pointing continued at Wednesday's Floyd County Board of Education meeting, regarding who is responsible for how the district came to be more than a million dollars in the red...The Wickes Lumber Company facility, near Dwale, has temporarily shut down because of a rockfall hazard, rendering the facility unsafe, company officials said...Clyde Bentley, 24, of Hueysville, was arrested and charged with theft by unlawful taking and breaking and entering, in connection with the

theft at the home of Jeff Jones of Martin. Four more arrests were expected in connection with the theft of \$15,000 worth of equipment, early Saturday morning...It was more like a meeting of the Floyd County Board of Paupers, than education, Wednesday, as board members pinched pennies most of the night, and turned down several requests that would have called for the expenditure of funds...Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson, Harold Junior Joseph, radio station owner Dale McKinney and Calvin Howell, indicted by a special Floyd County Grand jury, last month, entered not guilty pleas, Thursday, in Floyd Circuit Court, and one case was remanded to district court...The Prestonsburg High School band, and the South Floyd High School band, participated in Tuesday's Inaugural Parade, in Frankfort, when Paul Patton was sworn in as Kentucky's 59th governor...There died: Garnett Mayo, 69, of West Prestonsburg, Friday, December 8, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Richard C. Porter and Connie Francis Porter, of Boldman, Thursday, Dec. 7, following an accident at Branham's Creek, in Floyd County; Daisy Bowling Greer, 95, of Caney Creek, Sunday, December 10, at her residence; William Pershing Spears, 75, of Betsy Layne, Monday, December 11, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Charlie Johnson, 40, of Blue River, Saturday, December 9, at his residence; Ray "Cotton" Walters, 70, of Minnie, Tuesday, December 12, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Bennie Collins, 60, of Topmost, Friday, December 8, at Hazard Nursing Home; Alta Viola Frazier Hall, 83, of Bonanza, Saturday, December 9, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Kenneth Donald Lafferty, 59, of Dwale, Wednesday, December 6, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Harry Edward Corbett, Saturday, Dec. 9, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Oma McCoy, 84, of Bypro, Wednesday, December 13, at her residence.

## Twenty Years Ago

December 11, 1985

The Floyd County Board of Education

voted to exclude a citizen's committee from formal participation in the selection of a new school superintendent...There died: Paul Edgar Hunter, 53, of Stratton Branch, near here, died Sunday; Fannie Spurlock Stumbo, 79, of McDowell, died Tuesday; Leonard Mullins, 68, former Hi Hat resident, died last Wednesday, December 4, at his home in South Point, Ohio; Lewis Knott Jr., 61, died last Saturday at his home at McDowell; Orel Delong, 73, of Prestonsburg, died last Friday; Etta Mae Blackburn Lafferty, 54, of Town Branch, Prestonsburg, died Monday; Sim Justice, 82, of Allen, died Monday; Oma May Shepherd, 62, of Blue River, died Monday; Erman H. Ratliff, 72, of Stanville, died Tuesday, December 3.

## Thirty Years Ago

December 10, 1975

The Floyd Fiscal Court, last Friday, may have passed up its last chance to comply officially by required resolution, with the Federal Flood Insurance Act. The deadline for compliance had already passed for the incorporated towns of Allen, Martin and Wayland. Only Prestonsburg and Wheelwright have officially complied with the program...The City of Wheelwright may have the first husband and wife police force in the nation, with city marshal Harold D. Bates, last Tuesday, swearing in his wife, Mildred, as deputy marshal. The two comprise the community's entire police force...For the first time in about 20 years, an athlete from Prestonsburg High School has made the first string All-State Football Team, Mike Dixon, Prestonsburg senior, was chosen as a first team defensive guard on the Class AA All-State team, selected by the Louisville Courier-Journal; given honorable mention on the All-State team selected by the Lexington Herald, and named to the 1975 All-Area squad by the Ashland Daily...There died: Jack Ratliff, 73, of Wayland, December 3, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Roosevelt (Preacher) Castle, 73, of McDowell, December 2, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Robert Edgar Layne, 59, of Betsy Layne, December 3, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Mrs.

Viola Mitchell, 90, of Teaberry, Saturday, at her home.

## Forty Years Ago

December 9, 1965

A recent survey of food establishments in this county, undertaken by a representative of the State Environmental Health Division, the area sanitation inspector, and the county sanitarian, revealed that out of the 52 or so restaurants, located in Floyd County, 15 were found to be lower than the minimum public health rating...Congressman Carl D. Perkins announced, this week, that the Office of Economic Opportunity has made a grant of \$71,829 to the Big Sandy Area Development Council for a preschool Head Start program in Floyd County...Strip mining on Clear Creek, Knott County, was punctuated by gunfire, and promised, this week, the added drama of women vowing to stand in the path of a bulldozer when, and if, it returns to work in the vicinity of their homes...There died: Dennie Tackett, 57, of Langley, last Wednesday, en route to the Beaver Valley Hospital at Martin; Manuel Perkins, 63, December 8, at his residence at Tram; Ronnie "Buddy" Osborne, 26, of Prestonsburg, December 1, at the UK Medical Center, Lexington; David Marrs Jr., 70, December 6, at his home at Martin; Robert A. Burke, 85, of Prestonsburg, Sunday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Nora Martin Hayes, 89, December 7, at the Golden Years Rest Home, Lackey; Mrs. Tamey Hall, 77, December 2, at her home at Grethel.

## Fifty Years Ago

December 8, 1955

If federal aid is not made available, the school building needs of Floyd County to mention only one of the thousands of school districts in the nation, will never be met, said County Schools Superintendent V. O. Turner, this week...An estimated 2,500 youngsters and their elders thronged Prestonsburg

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## Yesterdays

sidewalks and stores, Saturday, to catch a glimpse of Santa visiting the town to open the Christmas shopping season...Wayland's Kelly Coleman turned in a one-man show in scoring 47 points to pace the Wasps to a 72-61 win over haunted Flat Gap, Tuesday night...There died: Joe Sammons, 84, Nov. 26, at his home at Lancer; Alex M. Spradlin, 61, office manager here of the county Agricultural Stabilization Committee, Friday, at Veterans Hospital, Louisville; Mrs. Catherine M. Scott, 90, of Amba, Monday, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Louise Allen Joseph, 78, of Prestonsburg, last Friday, at the Paintsville Hospital.

## Sixty Years Ago

December 6, 1945

Two suits filed by defeated candidates, at the November election, were those brought by Mallie Conn, Republican candidate for magistrate, Dist. 4, and Dial Salisbury, Republican candidate for sheriff...The House Appropriations Committee voted, Friday, a total of \$122,275,000 for flood control and navigation projects, thus restoring the construction of a flood control dam at Dewey, on Johns Creek, to the list of projects to be developed...Mrs. Gertrude Chaffins Triplett, 21, of West Garrett, was killed, Saturday night, as she was struck by two of four revolver bullets, fired through the window of a Garrett tavern...In this newspaper thirty years ago this week, we find a little girl's obituary

that reads: "Nine-year-old Mary Ousley, of Martin, died Wednesday morning, at her parent's home, a victim of leukemia, a rare blood disease." Thirty years later it seems leukemia is not quite so rare...There died: Mrs. Lucy Tackett, 38, of Manton, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin, Tuesday; Jean Johns, 12, of Martin, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Saturday; Miss Velva Thornsburg, Sunday, at the home of her mother at Bevinsville; Mrs. Hester Kidd, of Little Mud Creek, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Monday; Ellis Carroll, 18 months old, Friday, at Drift.

## Seventy Years Ago

December 6, 1935

Changes in the faculty of the Prestonsburg and Floyd County High School, here, were ordered, Monday, by the county and city boards of education in joint session, in order to meet state department of education requirements, and thus retain the school's accredited standing...Wiley Abrams, 40, died Sunday, at his home at Minnie, as the result of a knife wound...Cash Triplett and Frank Conley, of Lackey, are in the Beaver Valley Hospital, suffering from injuries sustained, Sunday night, when the restaurant, in which they were sleeping, was blown apart by a blast of dynamite...Mrs. Martha Hughes was seriously injured, here, Saturday morning, when struck by an auto...There died: Will Duncan, of Hueysville, at his father's home, Thursday afternoon.

## Critter

Method:  
Mix together well. Roll out to approximately 1/4 inch thick. Cut out with either your Christmas cookie cutters or a

dog biscuit cutter. Bake at 350 degrees for approximately 35-45 minutes, basting occasionally with meat drippings or bacon fat. Once cooled, place biscuits

into dog's stocking and hang on mantle. On Christmas morning let Fido open his own stocking! Taste tested, tried and true - dogs really do love these treats!

## Korner

With birthday to you, happy 45th birthday, dear Kim, Happy 45th to you!

So, figuring almost the entire county was there to eat and now know my age, I figured "what the hay" and just let the rest of you in on it, too!

Thanks so much, Lee, Sheila and gang!

Sunday, Spouse and I ran into some dear friends - Dale and Annette Mosley. Dale was quick to inspire the next subject - the words "Merry Christmas," or rather the lack thereof, on the White House Christmas cards. This topic has made national headlines and prompted conversations far and wide since the cards hit the mail.

The night the story broke nationally with the words "Bush straddles the fence using 'Happy Holidays' instead of 'Merry Christmas' on White House

Christmas cards," I thought, "What?"

So, continuing to watch and astounded by the second story of the evening - the tragic plane incident where a gentleman was shot by authorities for claiming he had brought a bomb on board the plane - I sat watching and shaking my head in disbelief. I had to wonder, "What on earth is this world coming to?"

First, the lead story for the nightly news is the choice of wording on a Christmas card as opposed to the tragedy for those involved in that plane incident?

Before you get ready to stone me, let me give you a little history lesson on White House Christmas cards:

According to Mary Evans Seeley, of Tampa, Florida, the author of "Season's Greetings from the White House," wording for Christmas cards have definitely flip-flopped over the years. NOT JUST THIS YEAR!

For instance, did you know

into dog's stocking and hang on mantle. On Christmas morning let Fido open his own stocking! Taste tested, tried and true - dogs really do love these treats!

one of my all time favorite presidents, Jimmy Carter, and his wife, Rosalynn, put "Merry Christmas" on their cards in 1977, then switched to "Holiday Season" for the next three years of their term in the White House?

Ronald and Nancy Reagan began their cards with "Joyous Christmas" in '81 and '82 then changed to "Holiday Wishes."

The Clinton's, Bill and Hillary, opted for, Seeley wrote, "inclusive" greetings for all eight years.

But this year, George and Laura Bush added scripture Psalm 28 and "Happy Holidays" to their White House Christmas cards and it's a "lead" story for the national news!

Ummm, Ummm, Ummm! Have mercy on us all!

"Praise be to the Lord, for he has heard my cry for mercy. The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and I am helped." Psalm 28: 6-7

Til Next Week  
God's blessings to all

## JWT

The next tour stop is a small town in the Midwest where you can put on your dancing shoes and cut loose with Footloose! Big city boy, Ren, moves to the small town and is prepared for the adjustment to a new high school. What he is not prepared for are the local laws - including a ban on dancing, which are the brainchild of a local preacher bent on exercising control over the town's teens. When the Reverend's rebellious daughter sets her heart on Ren, her boyfriend tries to sabotage Ren's reputation. Pretty soon, Ren is a rebel with a cause and is winning over the hearts of the entire community. With a hit score including "Almost Paradise," "Let's Hear It for the Boy," "Holding Out for a Hero" and the title song, the celebrated film now bursts onto the stage. Rated PG\*.

A hilarious talent show staged by the five survivors of the Little Sisters of Hoboken nunnery brings us to New Jersey

for Nonsense. The other 52 members of the sisterhood have succumbed to botulism after eating a dinner prepared by the convent's cook, Sister Julia. Since Sister Mary Regina spent part of the insurance money on a DVD player, there are no funds to bury the last four dead sisters. How do they solve this dilemma? By putting on a show, of course, full of high-kicking nuns, and numbers like "Tackle That Temptation with a Time Step" and "So You Want to Be a Nun." Rated G\*

Back by popular demand, The Legend of Jenny Wiley makes its return to the JWT stage after a one-year hiatus and completes our travels with a historical trip to Eastern Kentucky. This true story relates the tragedies and the ultimate triumph of a heroic 18th century pioneer woman captured by Indians. Jenny's faith affords her the bravery and determination to escape brutality and the strength to rebuild her life.

Legend sensitively portrays the struggles of both the early pioneers and the American Indians. Featuring an unforgettable score by Scott Bradley and lyrics by Peyton Dixon, don't miss this compelling account of life, love, and faith. Rated PG\*

Individual performance and season tickets for the JWT 2006 summer performances are on sale now and would make a great Christmas gift. Group rates are available. For more information, call 1-877-CALL-JWT. Plan to share in JWT's 42nd year of bringing professional theater to Eastern Kentucky!

\*Jenny Wiley Theatre is a non-profit organization and receives funding from individuals, corporations, Prestonsburg Convention and Visitors Bureau, Paintsville Tourism, the Kentucky Arts Council, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Kentucky Department of Travel.

## School

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 Weeksbury 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 information 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 Cissy 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.

## Oak

from any other tree in the whole wide world. As the old saying goes, beauty is in the eyes of the beholder. Rest assured, that when it got dark outside, and the lights were plugged up, what we beheld was a unique tree, that seemed to radiate a special warmth throughout the entire house.

But that was then, this is now. An article in the paper a week or so ago, discussed professional Christmas tree decorators in the Lexington area, who make up to \$100 an hour decorating Christmas trees, for people who want their homes to look Christmasy, but simply do not have time to fool with it.

Of course, the homes these people decorate are a bit larger than the tiny coal-company houses we helped decorate. One house mentioned in the article was described as having four mantels, two staircases and 17 Christmas trees. Another had 14-foot ceilings, a large formal living room, dining room and den, several fireplaces and two large staircases. Sounds like a pretty big job to me, and at \$100 an hour? Wow!

But to be honest, from the photos that accompanied the article, the decorations were beautiful. However, one has to wonder just how much warmth can be expected to radiate from decorations that someone else has hung? We would expect the homeowner wasn't going for warmth, but instead just wanted

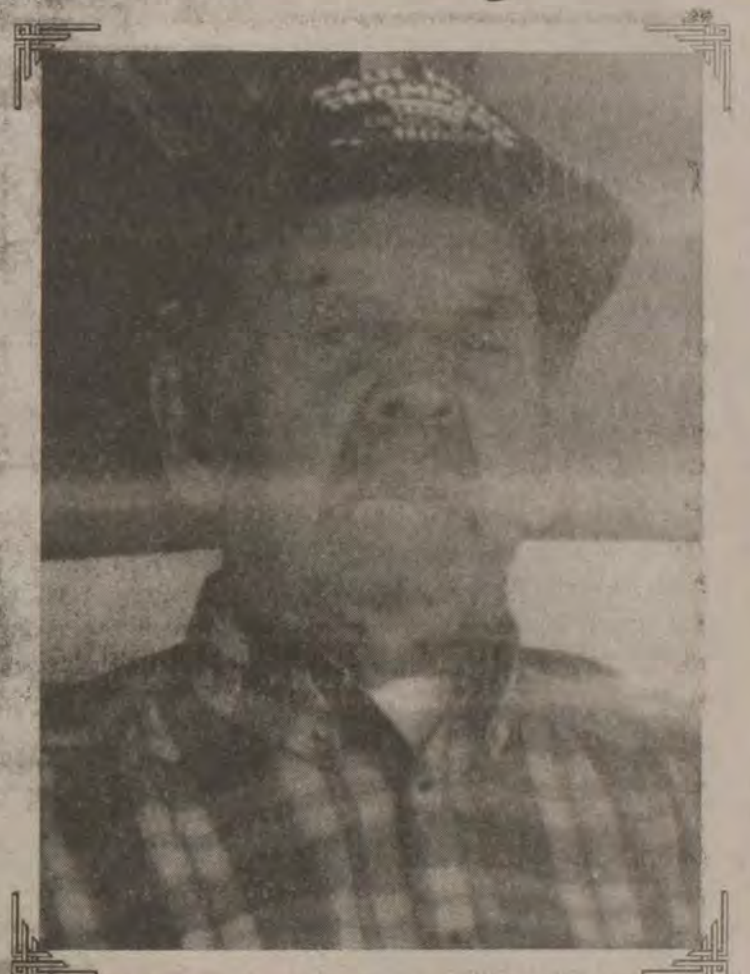
## Births



Welcome, Julia Rose!

Beau and Susan Spurlock are happy to announce the arrival of their first child, a daughter, Julia Rose, born August 13, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. She weighed 9 pounds, 4 ounces and was 21 inches in length. Also celebrating are proud grandparents Burl Wells and Jeanne Castle Spurlock of Prestonsburg, and Darrell and Bonita Rose of Pikeville. Great-grandparents include Davis and Lorraine Stapleton of Paintsville, Jack Castle of Paintsville, Bill and the late Sadie Rose of Caney Creek in Pike County, the late Burl and Peggy Spurlock of Prestonsburg, and the late Stanley and Irene Karatkiewicz of Chicago, Illinois. Julia and her parents live in Prestonsburg.

## Birthdays



Happy 91st, Mr. Collins!

Freddie Collins, of Corn Fork, Brandy Keg, Prestonsburg, celebrated his 91st birthday on Sunday, September 4, 2005. Mr. Collins is the father of seven sons: Brad, Billy Ray, Earl, Ishmael, Charles, Estill and Arthur. Mr. Collins was surprised by his family on his special day when they treated him to a cook-out, birthday cake and ice cream. Mr. Collins enjoys spending his time whittling and sharing tales about the past. He enjoyed the day spent with his sons, daughters-in-law, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

### Editor's Notice:

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his home to be decorated nicely in case company dropped in.

That's O.K., I guess, but personally, I'd rather have hanging on my tree, a little toy soldier made 30 years ago from a clothespin by my Cub Scout son, or a tiny construction paper star cut out and strung on

a piece of red yarn by my granddaughter, Alison, than anything a \$100-an-hour decorator could buy, somewhere, and hang.

Guess we can add Christmas to the list of things that are different now, from what they were then.



### Granny's

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I always thought that Santa only came to my Granny's house because that's where he always found me and brought me my Christmas. He knew all my wants and all my needs. He knew he would be welcome at Granny's house. My children and grandchildren can tell you I was exactly right because one of mine said, not too long ago, to me, "Santa always comes to Granny's house. He brings gifts, love, good food and good times for all of us together."

When my Daddy was with us, he would promptly, at five o'clock every Christmas morning, come in our kitchen door, stamping snow from his boots and yelling, "Get up, everybody! Santa's been here! Santa's been here!" Then, my children would come down these same steps, along where our stockings hang today, and, with shaking hands, find what Santa had left under the tree.... My children would ask for the strangest things from Santa - a goose and gander, a pair of guineas, a baby lamb, a puppy dog or a pony. Just as if it were this Christmas, I can still see that little white puppy there under the tree - it had a big red bow around its neck. Now, I see twenty-three pairs of shining eyes around the tree and gifts everywhere.

Christmas breakfast has always been a part of our Celebration and so it is today. My children with their families come through the same kitchen door at about six o'clock on Christmas morning and the first one in calls out, "Get up! Santa's been here!" Each and every one comes in that same door and they begin to get breakfast started. Bill and Jimmy fry sausage and tenderloins, Wanda makes coffee, Grant fries eggs - each one has a job to do. The good, rich gravy makes my biscuits a pure pleasure to eat.

The Christmas tree always stands there in the window with its lights shining so everyone can see its beauty. The presents, one by one, are handed to their owners as paper is strewn everywhere. That tree watches over us, it sees all the hugs and kisses. It hears the "thank you's," the sounds of delight and the laughter. I can sense a shiver go up the trunk of our tree each time it feels the love and togetherness twenty-three people share. It seems to join hands with us when we hold each other and say a prayer of thanksgiving. That tree, with all its glitter and twinkling lights, holds our family together from year to year - generation to generation - from the beginning to the end.

I sit still and think about those friends who call and those who come by with a kind word. I read the cards from old friends who are far away and I shed a



**Imogene Caldwell,**

*author, "From the Top Rail of the Fence."*

tear for those who have gone on from us.

So while I sat in church on a Sunday morning last year just after the holidays had come and gone, my beloved pastor asked each of us if we might have a happy story to share. I sat and listened to their stories of Christmas and loved ones. As they talked, I saw love and hope shining in their eyes. As I listened, my story raced through my mind and from my memory. I wanted to tell my story but I couldn't find the words - maybe there were too many words. Nevertheless, my story is one of tradition. One of love and compassion that reaches far beyond our Christmas tree.

I hope that Christmas at

Granny's house will stay a part of my family's life. I hope they will remember the love we share. They can tell about the stockings hanging, stuffed to overflowing, from the stairway at Granny's house. I hope they will hold hands around a sparkling Christmas tree and give thanks for Christmases spent at Granny's house.

We plan to do exactly the same thing again this year.

My prayer for all of you is to hold one another tight and to give thanks for a "good old family Christmas." Watch your Christmas tree very closely. You might just see a shiver go up its trunk when you and your family all hold hands, and hearts, around its decorated branches.

### Anniversaries



To celebrate 50th wedding anniversary

Franklin (Delano) and Nancy Goble will be honored with a reception, hosted by their family in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary, on Sunday, December 18, 2005, in the Auxier Freewill Baptist Church Annex, at 2:30 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Goble were married on December 24, 1955, in Auxier. The Goble family cordially invites all friends and relatives to attend to honor this special day in the couple's lives. Please, allow your presence at the event to be your only gift.

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When was the last time someone tacked a television ad to their refrigerator?

Paula's 1998. They will sleep in the same general area every night for 50 years. They also know how much of one another's lives they have shared. They will be together for the rest of their lives. Paula's 1998. They will sleep in the same general area every night for 50 years. They also know how much of one another's lives they have shared. They will be together for the rest of their lives.

Say It In Print.

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**The Floyd County Times will be publishing letters to Santa in our annual Season's Greeting section on Friday, December 23rd, 2005. Letters will be accepted until noon, Tuesday, December 16th, 2005. Letters are FREE.**

Send letters to:  
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The Floyd County Times P.O. Box 390  
Prestonsburg, KY 41653  
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# Health Bulletin

## Little-Known Condition Is Putting Americans At Risk

(NAPSA)-An expanding waistline, high blood pressure and bad cholesterol levels-separately each of these conditions takes a toll on the health of Americans.

But, together they add up to a growing health epidemic known as metabolic syndrome-a condition that increases the risk of coronary heart disease, diabetes, kidney and liver disease, and, possibly, certain forms of cancer.

According to the American Heart Association, nearly one in four Americans has metabolic syndrome, a potentially life-threatening condition caused by the body's inability to use insulin efficiently -and the problem is growing.

A recent analysis by pharmacy benefit manager Medco Health Solutions, Inc. found that the number of adults being treated for metabolic syndrome increased more than 36 percent from 2002 to 2004, and it's not only adults who are at risk. One out of every eight children has the condition, placing them at greater risk for premature heart disease and diabetes.

Unfortunately, most people who have metabolic syndrome, or who are at risk for developing the condition, are not even aware of it. The medical community, however, has begun to recognize the importance of its diagnosis and treatment.

"Identifying patients who are at risk for or have developed metabolic syndrome is an important first step in treating the problem," said Dr. Robert Epstein, chief medical officer of Medco.

Epstein offers the following tips to help people recognize metabolic syndrome risk factors and prevent its onset:

- Know the Warning Signs: Excessive abdominal fat,

hypertension, high triglycerides, lower than normal HDL (good cholesterol), and abnormal glucose levels are all risk factors of metabolic syndrome. If you have at least two of these conditions, ask your doctor if you might be at risk for metabolic syndrome.

- Communicate: If you are seeing various doctors, make sure to share your complete medical situation with each of them so they can put the pieces of the puzzle together and identify any potential risk for metabolic syndrome.

- Get up and get active: While medications may be needed to treat certain risk factors like hypertension and bad cholesterol levels, research has shown that weight loss and physical activity may be the best way to prevent and control metabolic syndrome.

For more information, visit [www.medco.com](http://www.medco.com)



*A large waistline, high blood pressure and bad cholesterol are risk factors for metabolic syndrome, a potentially life-threatening condition.*

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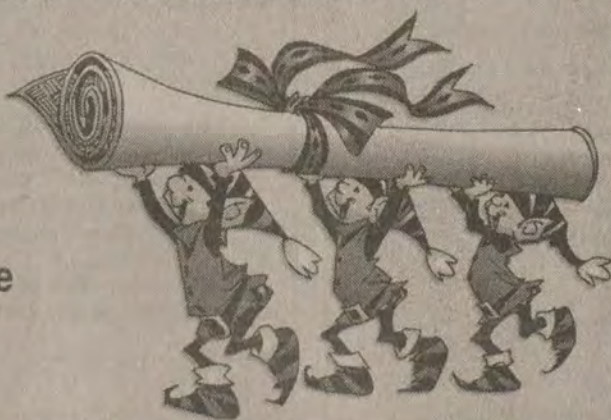
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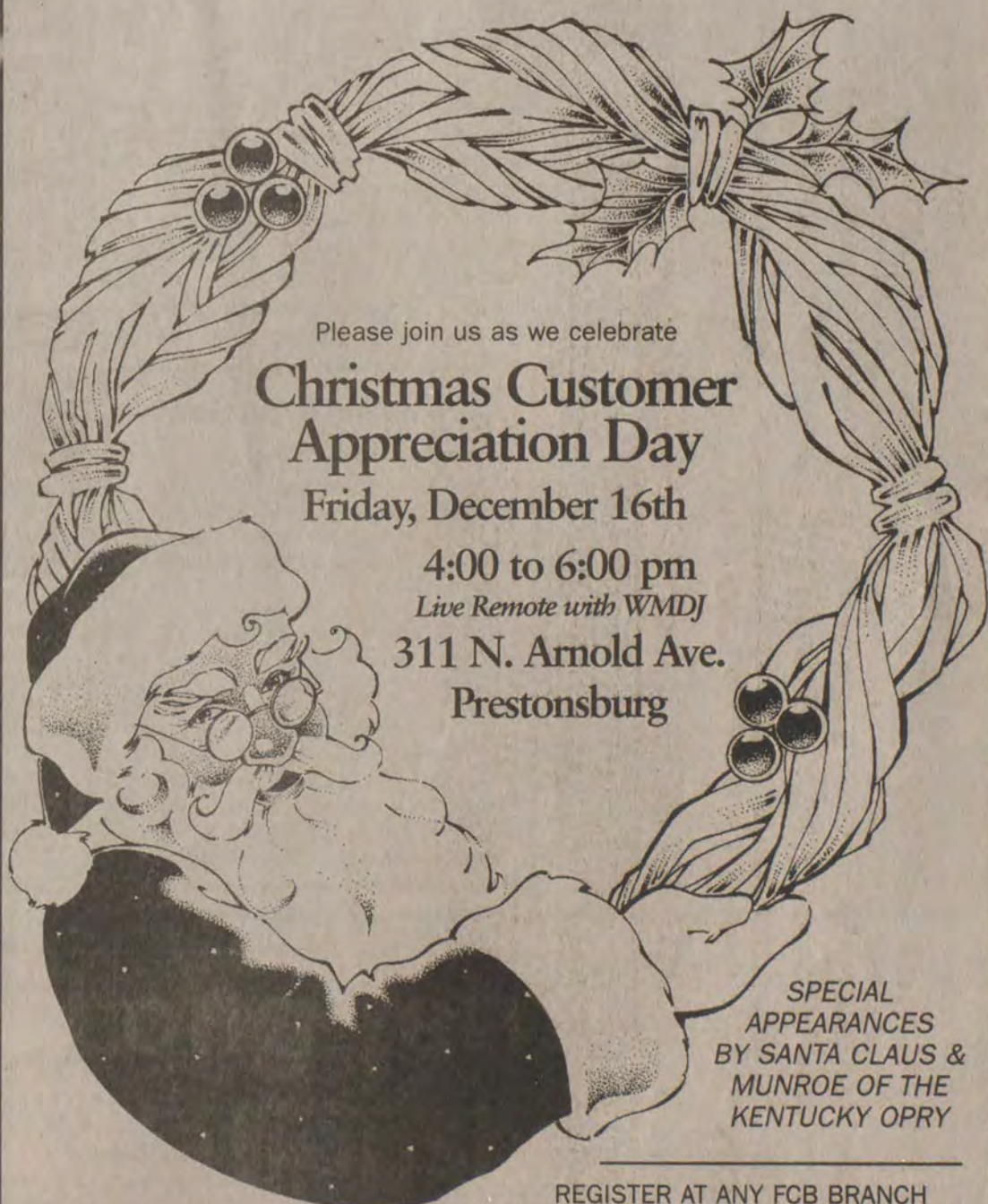
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**AUTOMOTIVE**

**110-Agriculture**

**FOR SALE:** 474 New Holland Haybine Very good condition. \$2,800. Call after 6 pm. 874-0024.

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**160-Motorcycles**

**FOR SALE** 2005 CRF 50 Excellent condition. \$850 call 358-9214.

**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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**175 SUVs**

**FOR SALE:** 2004 Ford Explorer 2x4 Am/FM/CD, cruise, keyless entry. Avg Miles, excellent condition. \$10995 Call

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**FOR SALE:** 87 Ford F150. 300 6 cylinder. 4 speed transmission, good work truck. \$800. Call 606-478-5173.

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

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**FOR SALE:** 1998 Ford Windstar Van. v6, Auto, all power, excellent shape. \$3500. 606-686-3082.

**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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**INSURANCE INSPECTORS** Field work in Floyd and surrounding counties. Independent contractor/ part-time basis. Inspectors conduct inspections of personal dwellings, determine square footage, identify property characteristics and/or potential hazards, condition concerns, take photos. Must have ability to calculate mathematical calculations (i.e. Sq Ft) be detail oriented and possess organizational skills to effectively priori-

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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 tp 5:00 pm

**PIPELINE FOREMAN**

Responsibilities include working with the Operations/Pipeline Department on design, route, and construction of

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Responsibilities include performing a variety of clerical and accounting duties. Ability to accurately and professionally communicate both orally and in writing. Ability to handle multiple assignments with varying degrees of urgency. Requires previous office experience. Must have ability to meet the public. This position requires a high school diploma or equivalent.

Proficiency in the operation computer programs. (Excel, Word). Typing, good organization skills, and good communication skills are necessary. Must be a self-started and able to work independently.

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**HAIR GALLERY**

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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](mailto:jobs@mikrotec.com)

2467. **ABBOTT ENGINEERING INC** is currently seeking to fill the position of Crew Chief and Rodman with underground and outside experience. We have an excellent benefits package with health, vacation, etc. Applications may be picked up at the Prestonsburg office or resumes may be faxed at 606-886-6986 or mailed to 3073 KY RT 321, Prestonsburg, KY

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**220-Help Wanted**

**HELP WANTED:** Reno's Roadhouse Prestonsburg is now hiring for all positions. Day shift and night shift. Apply in person only.

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**Kentucky River Community Care, Inc.**  
**115 Rockwood Lane**  
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KY 41653.  
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**530-Homes**

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**FOR LEASE:** 30x80 building on MTN Parkway. Parking for large trucks. Will re-model. **FOR RENT:** 900

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**620 Storage/Office**

**BUILDING FOR LEASE** 30x80 metal storage building on RT 80. 886-8366.

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**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**

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**660- Miscellaneous**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Pursuant to KAR 8:010, Section 16(5), the following is a summary of permitting decisions made by the Department for Natural Resources, Division of Mine Permits with respect to applications to conduct surface coal mining and reclamation operations in Floyd County.

Motts Branch Coal Incorporated 836-0300  
Issued 051116  
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G & L Energy Incorporated  
836-5444  
Issued 051117  
FCDC Coal Incorporated  
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Issued 051101  
Cam-Kentucky Limited Liability Company  
898-0721  
Issued 051103

**PRESTONSBURG CITY'S UTILITIES COMMISSION WATER SYSTEM FLUSHING BEGINS NOVEMBER 27, 2005**

Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission will conduct its annual water main flushing program throughout their service area from Sunday, November 27, 2005, through December 25, 2005, between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

The flushing program helps to ensure our customers receive the highest quality drinking water available. This process is necessary to remove any mineral deposits, and to ensure proper water flow throughout the distribution system.

The water mains will be flushed by systematically opening fire hydrants and/or blow off valves for brief periods of time. During this operation, customers may notice a temporary discoloration of their tap water and have fluctuations in water pressure. While the water is safe to drink, we encourage all customers to refrain from drawing water while flushing is being performed in your area. This will help prevent potential staining of laundry, appliances, and plumbing fixtures. If these conditions occur, customers are advised to allow their water to run a few minutes, in order to clear up any disturbance of the system.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, and we appreciate your support in our goal of supplying the cleanest, safest drinking water available. For more information or assistance, please call our office, between 8:00-4:30, at 606-886-6871.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 858-5064**

Amendment No. 2  
In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Czar Coal Corporation, HC 64, Box 915, Debord, Ky. 41214, has applied for a permit for an underground coal mining operation, located approximately 2.5 miles southwest of Odds, in Martin and Floyd Counties. The proposed amendment will underlie an additional 589.43 acres, making a total area of 6462.59 acres.

The proposed amendment is approximately 2.5 miles south of Kentucky Route 3's junction with Big Sandy Regional Airport Road, and located at the mouth of Bear Water Branch, on Daniels Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the Thomas and Lancer U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute quadrangle maps. The operation will underlie land owned by Jerry Howell, A.E. Reitz, Pocahontas Development Corporation, and William Crider.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office,

3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of Permits, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, US 127

South, Frankfort, Ky. 40601. This is the final advertisement of this application. All comments, objections, and/or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of today's date.

**Announcement from Inter Mountain Cable**

**To all Kentucky Subscribers**  
As part of the Kentucky Tax Reform last year, effective January 01, 2006, there is a new tax on cable TV. The tax is 3% on the "retail purchase" of multi-channel video programming service. The tax is billed to customers (as a separately stated item) and then collected and remitted to the Department of Revenue.

This new tax will replace any local franchise tax such as the Pike County Franchise Tax, the Coal Run Franchise Tax, the Pikeville City Franchise Tax, and the Magoffin County Franchise Tax.

**Announcement from Home Satellite Service**

**To all Kentucky Subscribers**  
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