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## briefs

### PHS to hold blood drive

Times Staff Report

**PRESTONSBURG** — There will be a blood drive headed by the Central Kentucky Blood Center at the Prestonsburg High School on Monday, Feb. 13, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.

The drive is sponsored by the Science Club and requirements are simple. Those interested must be at least 17, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in general good health.

Donating blood usually only takes about an hour, organizers say, and those who do so can return in 56 days to donate again.

Many CKBC mobile blood drives now offer automated blood collection, which allows donors to give twice the amount of red blood cells, the most transfused product at local hospitals.

For more information, contact Russell Cassady at (800) 775-2522.



Sgt. Matt Varney is looking forward to spending some quality time with his family after returning Friday from service in Iraq. Also pictured is his son, Payton.

photo by Mary Music

## Martin, Wayland welcome soldiers home from Iraq

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

**MARTIN** — Homes along Jenny's Street were decorated with American flags and welcome home signs Friday afternoon, to celebrate the return of three soldiers who served last year in Iraq.

The city of Martin hosted a welcome home reception and dinner for Sgt. Matt Varney, Sgt. David Hall, both of Martin, and Spc. Nolan Sloan, of Wayland.

The men, working with Bravo Company 206 out of Hazard, spent the first six months of their service in Iraq maintaining convoys and patrols. During their last six months, they worked with detainees at the Abu Ghraib Prison for the Iraq election. They returned to the U.S. more than a month ago, and have been staying in New Jersey.

"A lot of good is being done there, but a lot more could be done," Varney said, holding his 3-

year-old son, Payton. "It's coming, slowly but surely."

Martin Mayor Thomasine Robinson and Wayland Mayor Tommy Murphy dedicated Feb. 3 to each of the soldiers.

"You are what made this country great," Robinson said. "This is your all's day. This is your day in our cities."

Robinson commended the soldiers for their loyalty, responsibility

(See **SOLDIERS**, page seven)

## Ballot order set for May election

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

**PRESTONSBURG** — The lists are in and those drawing the top spots on ballots for the May primary election are now in place.

The results came after a ballot position drawing held Thursday in the Floyd County Fiscal Courtroom. A large crowd of both candidates and those in support of their candidates filled the courtroom to see who would take the coveted first position on the ballot, something Floyd County Clerk Chris Waugh says may or may not have as much importance as some might think.

"A lot of people think it's important," Waugh said following the drawing. "People feel that the number one spot is the spot that, if nobody has a preference, that may be the one they'll go ahead and push. But I think that if people truly want to vote for you they'll find your name on there and will do it."

Taking the first position on the ballot in their respective races were only three incumbents — state Rep. Charles "Chuck" Meade, Floyd County Sheriff John K. Blackburn and Floyd County Surveyor Teresa Hall.

For Floyd County Judge-Executive, John K. Endicott drew the first position on the ballot, followed by Ben Hale at number two and R.D. "Doc" Marshall for the third spot.

With Blackburn taking the top position on the ballot for sheriff, challengers Dalton R. Conley, Eunice Shepherd and Damon Newsome, took the second, third and fourth positions, respectively.

Incumbent Roger Webb lost the top spot in a two-man race for jailer to his only opponent, James "Big Jim" Isaacs.

With Teresa Hall securing the first ballot position for Floyd County Surveyor, this left the remaining six

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### 3 DAY FORECAST

#### Today



High: 34 • Low: 22

#### Tomorrow



High: 38 • Low: 19

#### Tuesday



High: 39 • Low: 22

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## Roop returns from Iraq

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

**PRESTONSBURG** — Members of the Floyd County Sheriff's Department and other supporters welcomed home 1st Lieutenant and longtime local law enforcement officer and instructor Shawn Roop Friday.

Roop has been stationed overseas with the Army since last summer, with a trip home for the holidays last year before leaving for the Iraqi warfront.

In a convoy blaring horns along Court Street, Roop followed behind a police cruiser and pulled onto South Central

Avenue before stepping out to a long round of applause at the Floyd County Courthouse. He greeted a few friends and then carried his son, Karson, from the car, stopping occasionally to accept hugs and handshakes.

"It's good to be home," Roop told those gathered to welcome him. "Audie Murphy couldn't have expected a better reception."

Looking tired but all smiles, Roop held his son as he made rounds, shaking hands with some of those out to support him. Floyd County Judge-Executive

(See **ROOP**, page seven)



photo by Sheldon Compton  
Shawn Roop held tight to his son, Karson, as he greeted those welcoming him home from Iraq Friday.

## Drug cases dominate docket in circuit court

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

**PRESTONSBURG** — The Floyd County Justice Center was swamped with drug cases Friday and saw four people sentenced on doctor-shopping charges, as well as three others from a separate arrest taken into custody and ordered to be held without bond when a drug screen revealed that three suspects attended their pretrial conference under the influence of methadone.

The four sentenced were Michael T.

Boyd, John Joseph Hancock, Merlin Osborne and Christina Goble. Each was given a probated sentence and ordered to participate in drug treatment programs and will have to submit to random screenings by the parole board.

All of the defendants were picked up during a drug roundup that was conducted on Sept. 8. The operation saw Kentucky State Police, the sheriff's departments of Floyd and Johnson counties and the Prestonsburg Police Department executing arrest warrants on 14 individuals that were compiled by the

Kentucky Bureau of Investigation.

The operation represented several months of investigation and was leveled at subjects involved with doctor-shopping as well as trafficking in controlled substances.

At the time of the roundup, Attorney General Greg Stumbo issued a statement saying that cooperative efforts between various law enforcement agencies was crucial to winning the war on drugs. He also noted that he was following up on a campaign promise to "make drug pushers pay."

Three people were arrested in court when they showed up for status conferences in their cases, which involved marijuana cultivation. When Donahue Hamilton, Ella Vance, Ronald Vance and Dougie Wendell Vance appeared for a pretrial conference last month, they appeared to be under the influence of drugs and were ordered to have drug screenings performed. They heard the results of the tests in court and found that three of them tested positive

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# expression

Freedom of the press is not an end in itself but a means to the end of [achieving] a free society.

— Felix Frankfurter

## Guest View

### A new low

Gov. Ernie Fletcher, who admits his administration made mistakes in the hiring of some state employees, who pardoned indicted staff and associates, who issued blanket amnesty for anyone else indicted, who has refused to talk to the grand jury, and who is appointing two judges in the case involving him, now wants to whack the budget of the attorney general investigating him.

The two-year spending plan proposed by the governor a week ago shaves more than \$570,000 from Attorney General Greg Stumbo's office the next fiscal year and another \$791,000 the following year.

It's not likely just a coincidence that since last May, Stumbo's office has been investigating reports of alleged violations of state personnel laws that require the hiring of state employees on the basis of qualifications instead of political affiliation. The investigation began with allegations by a former Transportation Cabinet employee.

Developments this past week included the disclosure that a former executive secretary in the Transportation Cabinet told prosecutors last July she had helped screen prospective job candidates for their political contributions and party affiliations. And three county prosecutors, including the president of the Commonwealth's Attorneys Association, a Democrat, said the Republican governor's budget director asked them to urge Stumbo, also a Democrat, to drop the investigation.

Budget Director Brad Cowgill and Republican prosecutors involved in the meeting denied the accusation and the governor's office backed Cowgill.

Stumbo told a House budget subcommittee this week the administration refused to meet with him or his representatives to discuss the budget cuts. An administration spokesman said no such request was received by the governor's office.

But there's one thing that's not hard to believe. Deny it though he might, Fletcher proposed cuts in the attorney general's budget has reached a new high, or is it low, for petty political partisanship.

Stumbo told the subcommittee that including the resulting loss in federal matching funds, the cuts would reduce his current \$25.9 million budget by about \$2 million. He said his office would have less money for victim advocacy, consumer protection and utility rate interventions, Medicaid fraud and other criminal investigations and for public corruption probes.

Taxpayers and Kentuckians only can hope and pray that members of the General Assembly, Republicans as well as Democrats, are thinking more rationally than the embattled governor and his staff have been since this investigation began.

Explaining the cuts in the attorney general's budget, Fletcher said last week that he proposed increased spending "in the places of people that are really fighting crime," such as the Kentucky State Police troopers and parole officers. He said Stumbo's office would have enough money.

"If he'll focus his resources on what he's supposed to be doing, he'll have plenty of resources to accomplish his goals."

So now, in the latest act in this political theater of the absurd, the star, a governor who has overstepped the authority of his office by trying to block the work of a citizen-grand jury, who has abused his privilege of executive pardons, who has refused to set the record straight by talking to the grand jury, and who insists on a blatant conflict of interest in the appointment of two judges to rule in his own case, now is trying to handcuff the attorney general by cutting his budget.

C'mon, governor. The attorney general is doing exactly what he is supposed to be doing.

— The News Enterprise, Elizabethtown



## Rich Lowry Column

### A Republican scandal

Republicans are looking for "their" John McCain. The popular Arizona maverick is already a Republican, of course. But the GOP needs a McCain in the "Keating Five" sense. Back in 1990, Senate Democrats roped McCain into the scandal over savings and loan kingpin Charles Keating on tenuous grounds, just so not all the senators involved would be Democrats.

The GOP now craves such bipartisan cover in the Jack Abramoff scandal. Republicans trumpet every Democratic connection to Abramoff in the hope that something resonates. Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., took more than \$60,000 from Abramoff clients! North Dakota Democratic Sen. Byron Dorgan used Abramoff's skybox! It is true that 210 members of Congress have received Abramoff-connected dollars. But this is, in its essence, a Republican scandal, and any attempt to portray it

otherwise is a misdirection.

Abramoff is a Republican who worked closely with two of the country's most prominent conservative activists, Grover Norquist and Ralph Reed. Top aides to the most important Republican in Congress, Tom DeLay, R-Texas, were party to his sleazy schemes. The only people referred to directly in Abramoff's recent plea agreement are a Republican congressman and two former Republican congressional aides.

Republicans must take the scandal seriously and work to clean up in its wake. The first step was the permanent ouster of Tom DeLay as House Republican majority leader, a recognition that he is unfit to lead as long as he is underneath the Abramoff cloud. Next, Republicans will have to show they can again embrace the spirit of reform that swept them to power in 1994.

There are two deeply rooted sources of corruption in Washington. One is that many members of Congress believe that they would be making much more than their \$160,000-a-year salaries if they were in some other line of work. This is how someone like Tom DeLay justifies

playing the best golf courses in the world on someone else's dime and getting special interests to funnel easy money to his wife.

It will be a sign that Congress has learned something if it bans all privately funded travel. If a trip is truly educational and necessary, the public should fund it; if, on the other hand, a member of Congress wants to enjoy fine resorts, he should quit, practice law (or whatever) and earn the income to support his desired lifestyle.

The other problem is that Washington makes obscure decisions that enrich small groups of people. Most everyone in Washington supports making these decisions because it increases his or her power. But if Congress really wants to lessen the malign influence of lobbyists, it should reform the inherently corruptible process whereby the Interior Department recognizes new Native American tribes so they can mint money by opening casinos, and end the practice of "earmarking" federal dollars for local and special-interest projects. It's no accident that Abramoff saw the business potential in both of these processes.

Of course, making these sort of changes would be painful. That's why it is tempting for Republicans to look for a John McCain instead.

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Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.



## beyond the beltway

### Our freedoms are now down the drain

by DONALD KAUL

We are the world's greatest democracy; if you don't think so, just ask us. We brag about how free we are, how democratic.

How democratic? The past three elections have seen the entire membership of the U.S. Senate chosen. In those elections, Republican candidates have received an aggregate vote of about 90 million. Democratic candidates, in those same elections, got 93 million votes. As a result, the Republicans hold a 10-vote majority in the Senate.

Five years ago, we elected a President who finished second to his chief opponent in the voting.

We have just named, a man to the U.S. Supreme Court, who early in his career expressed serious reservations about the principle of one man-one vote.

That democratic.

How free? Let me count the way:

■ The government is asserting the freedom of the National Security Agency to listen in on telephone conversations and monitor e-mail messages without having to go to the trouble of obtaining a warrant from a judge, a trouble that would require coming up with a good reason for doing it.

■ It is claiming freedom to access library records to see what books you are taking out and to search Google's records to find out what Internet sites you're using.

■ And, of course, it has exercised the freedom to arrest people without charging them and to hold them for as long as it chooses without even informing them of what they've been arrested for and to torture these prisoners so long as the torture stops short of death, although mistakes do happen.

The government, in other words, is free to do just about anything it damn well pleases and the rest of us will simply have to adjust. These are, after all, perilous times.

To be fair, the Bush administration says it will not use these powers indiscriminately. It will not use them on you, for example, just on the bad guys.

Which, I'm sure, makes us all feel a lot better.

One might imagine that an administration that sought so wide a curtailment of individual rights would be reticent about it. Even Richard Nixon had the decency to commit his burglaries under cover of night.

This administration is made of sterner stuff.

The other day Karl Rove, the administration's chief political strategist, told the Republican National Committee that the party must emphasize its commitment to the war on terror in the fall elections in order to win. The administration's refusal to be squeamish about wiretapping, Internet monitoring and the rest is an important part of that commitment, he indicated.

Meanwhile Attorney General Alberto Gonzalez and other administration officials were all over the telly flogging the President's spying program.

Mr. Gonzalez even went so far as to compare Mr. Bush's eavesdropping policy with George Washington's interception of mail between Britain and the colonies during the Revolutionary War.

Mr. Gonzalez: I know George Washington; I've visited his monument. George Bush is no George Washington.

The thing is, Mr. Gonzalez, I don't trust you guys nor do I have any reason to.

This is the most secretive administration in my lifetime. It absolutely refuses to tell the American public anything about anything. It dragged its feet on giving information to the 9/11 Commission, it is balking at releasing records of its response to Katrina hurricane disaster and it refused to name the people Dick Cheney met with while crafting the administration's energy policy.

There is absolutely no doubt in my mind that once you guys get the powers you are demanding, you will use them for political gain. Everything is politics with you people.

And once we give up our freedoms to you, we will not get them back. The President has declared war on terror, which is not an enemy but a tactic. It is not a tactic that will disappear, thus neither will the war. Nor will the President's extravagant powers.

That might add up to freedom and democracy to you. Not to me.

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# TV Listings

## Best

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Quails) who's been acting paranoid lately. Another possible link in the chain is the young man's therapist (guest star Jennifer Van Dyck), whose treatment methods are unconventional, to say the least. Jamey Sheridan also stars in "Scared Crazy."

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6**  
7 p. m.

### CINEMAX Cutting Edge: Politics in the Barbershop

Hairdressing establishments are called salons, but in black neighborhoods, it's the humble barbershop that embodies another meaning of "salon" — a social gathering for intelligent talk. If you saw the movie "Barbershop," you know what we mean. This new documentary chronicles a day in the life of a real barbershop in New York's Harlem, where barbers and patrons chat about everything from politics to personal matters.

8 p. m.  
FX

### Movie: Tears of the Sun

Director Antoine Fuqua's ("Training Day") grim 2003 military drama casts Bruce Willis as a Special Ops lieutenant who leads his men into the Nigerian jungle to save a doctor (Monica Bellucci) from a dictator's forces. There's a catch, though: She refuses to leave unless the villagers she is treating can go along. Cole Hauser and Eamonn Walker ("Oz") play two of Willis' soldiers.

8 p. m.  
NBC  
Surface

In the season finale, a tsunami is headed for the coast, and everyone's ordered to evacuate. Miles (Carter Jenkins) and his family rush to get off the island, while Laura (Lake Bell) finds Rich (Jay R. Ferguson) at the lab in North Carolina, where he's been incarcerated and left to die while the employees get out.

8 p. m.  
WB  
7th Heaven

The teacher monitoring detention at the high school introduces his charges to George Gershwin's music, and they start misbehaving on purpose to be sent to detention. Martin's (Tyler Hoechlin) attention to Sandy (Haylie Duff) and the baby upsets Ruthie (Mackenzie Rosman). Rose (Sarah Thompson) bugs Simon (David Gallagher) about wedding plans in the new episode "The Magic of Gershwin."

9 p. m.  
LIFETIME

### Movie: For One Night

This new fact-inspired drama stars Raven-Symone ("That's So Raven") and Aisha Tyler ("Ghost Whisperer") in the tale of a teenage girl who takes on her hometown's policy of racially segregating high-school proms. A newspaper reporter who grew up in that town comes home to help. William Baggot and Sam Jones III also star.

9 p. m. check local listings  
PBS

### American Experience

The new episode "Jesse James" reveals the alleged truth behind the legend of the Western outlaw, gun-fighter and 19th-century Robin Hood. For starters, he was none of those things; never going west of the Mississippi, as likely to rob the poor as the rich, and having "gunfights" with unarmed men. If he can be admired for anything, it's his public relations skill; he propagated his own folk-hero image with the help of a sympathetic newspaperman.

9 p. m.  
WB  
Related

Wondering who sings this show's theme song? It's a sister act called the Veronicas, and they appear in person in the new episode "Daddy's Little Girl," playing at Rose's (Laura Breckenridge) favorite coffeehouse. Ginnie (Jennifer Esposito) is uncomfortable with Kylie's (Jaime Ray Newman) presence in the loft, as she and Bob (Callum Blue) used to be an item. Anne and Marjoe (Kiele Sanchez, Lizzy Caplan) bond over guy issues.

9:30 p. m.  
TCM

### Movie: The Front

Several real blacklist victims, including actor Zero Mostel, play on- and off-camera roles in this 1976 comedy set in the 1950s and starring nebbish extraordinaire Woody Allen. He plays a cashier recruited to put his name on the work of screenwriters whose names are mud, thanks to the anti-Communist hysteria that left real and suspected Reds unable to get work in Hollywood. Michael Murphy, Danny Aiello and Andrea Marcovicci also star.

10 p. m.  
CINEMAX

### Movie: The Day After Tomorrow

Some dismissed this 2004 drama as propaganda fueled by bad science, but no matter what you believe about global warming, it's a heck of a story with impressive special effects. Dennis Quaid stars as the requisite maverick scientist who must convince the skeptical authorities that a disaster — in this case, a new ice age — is imminent. Jake Gyllenhaal, Sela Ward and Emmy Rossum also star, with Perry King as the president.

10 p. m.

TUESDAY EVENING													FEBRUARY 7, 2006					
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20	23	TBS	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	Seinfeld "The Serenity Now"	Seinfeld "The Race"	Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	Friends (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	Sex and the City	Sex and the City	Seinfeld "The Slicer"	Seinfeld "The Betrayer"	*** "Crocodile Dundee in Los Angeles" (2001, Comedy)			
3	4	NBC	News	News	News	NBC Nightly News	Wheel of Fortune (N)	Jeopardy!	Fear Factor "Freaks vs. Geeks" (N) (In Stereo)	Scrubs "My Half-Acre" (N)	Scrubs "Her Story II" (N)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Manipulated" (N)	News	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (N) (In Stereo)	Late Night			
4	5	PBS	Clifford the Big Red Dog	Dragon Tales (In Stereo) (E)	GED Connection	Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Common-Health	Wild Chronicles	American Experience "Jesse James" (N) (In Stereo)	The Canteen Spirit (In Stereo)	Ky. General Assembly	BBC World News	GED Connection	Mental Engineering			
6	7	ABC	Judge Judy (In Stereo)	Judge Judy (In Stereo)	News	ABC World News Tonight	Family Feud (In Stereo)	Entertainment Tonight	According to Jim (N)	Rodney (N) (In Stereo)	According to Jim (N)	Crums "Six Feet Blunder" (N)	Boston Legal "Breast in Show" (N) (In Stereo)	News	Nightline	Paid Program	Paid Program	
10	15	WGN	Moesha (In Stereo)	Moesha (In Stereo)	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	America's Funniest Home Videos (In Stereo)	Da Vinci's Inquest "The Sparkle Tour" (N)	Da Vinci's Inquest	Da Vinci's Inquest	WGN News at Nine (In Stereo)	Sex and the City	Becker "Pilot" (In Stereo)	America's Funniest Home Videos (In Stereo)				
6	10	CBS	News	News	News	CBS Evening News	Lawyers on Call	The King of Queens	NCIS "Head Case" (N) (In Stereo)	Criminal Minds "The Popular Kids" (In Stereo)	Love Monkey "The One Who Got Away" (N) (In Stereo)	News	Late Show With David Letterman (N) (In Stereo)	Late Late Show				
11	11	FOX	Maury	Friends (In Stereo)	Everybody-Raymond	Friends (In Stereo)	Everybody-Raymond	American Idol "Auditions 7" (N) (In Stereo)	House "Need to Know" (N) (In Stereo) (PA)	News	Sex and the City	The Bernie Mac Show	Malcolm in the Middle	Paid Program				
13	13	CBS	Dr. Phil (In Stereo)	News	CBS News	News	Hollywood	NCIS "Head Case" (In Stereo)	Criminal Minds (In Stereo)	Love Monkey (In Stereo)	News	Late Show-Letterman	Late Late Show					
14	46	ESPN	Horn	Interruption	SportsCenter (Live)	College Basketball: Tennessee at Kentucky. (Live)	College Basketball: Duke at North Carolina. (Live)	College Basketball: St. Joseph's at Villanova. (Live)	NBA Coast-to-Coast (Live)	College Basketball: St. Joseph's at Villanova. (Live)	NBA Coast-to-Coast (Live)	College Basketball: St. Joseph's at Villanova. (Live)	NBA Coast-to-Coast (Live)	College Basketball: St. Joseph's at Villanova. (Live)	NBA Coast-to-Coast (Live)	College Basketball: St. Joseph's at Villanova. (Live)	NBA Coast-to-Coast (Live)	College Basketball: St. Joseph's at Villanova. (Live)
30	30	DSC	It Takes a Thief	Cash Cab	Cash Cab	Dirty Jobs "Viewers' Choice"	MythBusters "Chicken Gun"	Dirty Jobs "Vexcon"	Into the Firestorm (N)	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters
15	31	TNT	Charmed "Chris Crossed"	Charmed "Witchstock"	Law & Order "Open Season"	Law & Order "Veteran's Day"	Law & Order "Veteran's Day"	Law & Order "Veteran's Day"	Law & Order "Veteran's Day"	Law & Order "Veteran's Day"	Law & Order "Veteran's Day"	Law & Order "Veteran's Day"	Law & Order "Veteran's Day"	Law & Order "Veteran's Day"	Law & Order "Veteran's Day"	Law & Order "Veteran's Day"	Law & Order "Veteran's Day"	Law & Order "Veteran's Day"
31	31	A&E	City Confidential	American Justice	Cold Case Files	Cold Case Files	Cold Case Files	Cold Case Files	Cold Case Files	Cold Case Files	Cold Case Files	Cold Case Files	Cold Case Files	Cold Case Files	Cold Case Files	Cold Case Files	Cold Case Files	Cold Case Files
10	59	TNN	Maximum Exposure	Wildcat Police Videos	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.
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22	24	LIFE	The Nanny (N)	The Nanny (N)	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls
15	27	ESPN2	Poker	Best of	NFL Films	Images	College Basketball: St. Joseph's at Villanova. (Live)	NBA Coast-to-Coast (Live)	College Basketball: St. Joseph's at Villanova. (Live)	NBA Coast-to-Coast (Live)	College Basketball: St. Joseph's at Villanova. (Live)	NBA Coast-to-Coast (Live)	College Basketball: St. Joseph's at Villanova. (Live)	NBA Coast-to-Coast (Live)	College Basketball: St. Joseph's at Villanova. (Live)	NBA Coast-to-Coast (Live)	College Basketball: St. Joseph's at Villanova. (Live)	NBA Coast-to-Coast (Live)
29	12	AMC	(3:45) *** "Volunteers" (1985, Comedy) Tom Hanks. (N)	*** "Dazed and Confused" (1993, Drama) Jason London, Wiley Wiggins. (N)	*** "Dazed and Confused" (1993, Drama) Jason London, Wiley Wiggins. (N)	*** "Dazed and Confused" (1993, Drama) Jason London, Wiley Wiggins. (N)	*** "Dazed and Confused" (1993, Drama) Jason London, Wiley Wiggins. (N)	*** "Dazed and Confused" (1993, Drama) Jason London, Wiley Wiggins. (N)	*** "Dazed and Confused" (1993, Drama) Jason London, Wiley Wiggins. (N)	*** "Dazed and Confused" (1993, Drama) Jason London, Wiley Wiggins. (N)	*** "Dazed and Confused" (1993, Drama) Jason London, Wiley Wiggins. (N)	*** "Dazed and Confused" (1993, Drama) Jason London, Wiley Wiggins. (N)	*** "Dazed and Confused" (1993, Drama) Jason London, Wiley Wiggins. (N)	*** "Dazed and Confused" (1993, Drama) Jason London, Wiley Wiggins. (N)	*** "Dazed and Confused" (1993, Drama) Jason London, Wiley Wiggins. (N)	*** "Dazed and Confused" (1993, Drama) Jason London, Wiley Wiggins. (N)	*** "Dazed and Confused" (1993, Drama) Jason London, Wiley Wiggins. (N)	*** "Dazed and Confused" (1993, Drama) Jason London, Wiley Wiggins. (N)
66	66	HGTV	That's Clever	Landscapers	Renovation	Weekend	Curb Appeal	House	Designed-Sell	Design Remix	Decorating	Mission	House	Buy Me	Parents	Designer	Designed-Sell	Design Remix
65	61	SCIFI	The X-Files "Colony" (N)	Stargate SG-1 (In Stereo)	*** "Sasquatch" (2002, Horror) Shootout! (N)	*** "Sasquatch" (2002, Horror) Shootout! (N)	*** "Sasquatch" (2002, Horror) Shootout! (N)	*** "Sasquatch" (2002, Horror) Shootout! (N)	*** "Sasquatch" (2002, Horror) Shootout! (N)	*** "Sasquatch" (2002, Horror) Shootout! (N)	*** "Sasquatch" (2002, Horror) Shootout! (N)	*** "Sasquatch" (2002, Horror) Shootout! (N)	*** "Sasquatch" (2002, Horror) Shootout! (N)	*** "Sasquatch" (2002, Horror) Shootout! (N)	*** "Sasquatch" (2002, Horror) Shootout! (N)	*** "Sasquatch" (2002, Horror) Shootout! (N)	*** "Sasquatch" (2002, Horror) Shootout! (N)	*** "Sasquatch" (2002, Horror) Shootout! (N)
44	44	HIST	Shootout!	Shootout!	Modern Marvels "Pain"	Modern Marvels "Pain"	Modern Marvels "Pain"	Modern Marvels "Pain"	Modern Marvels "Pain"	Modern Marvels "Pain"	Modern Marvels "Pain"	Modern Marvels "Pain"	Modern Marvels "Pain"	Modern Marvels "Pain"	Modern Marvels "Pain"	Modern Marvels "Pain"	Modern Marvels "Pain"	Modern Marvels "Pain"
33	33	TOC	In-Fisherman	In-Fisherman	Outdoors	Hunting	Advent. North	Fish, Wildlife	Whistling	Truth-Hunting	Hunting	Amer. Hunter	Step Outside	Outdoors	Fall Flight	Pro Hunting	NW Hunter	About Fish
14	14	HBO	(4:30) *** "Breakin' All the Rules" (2004) Jamie Foxx. (N)	*** "The Grudge" (2004) Sarah Michelle Gellar. (PG-13)	*** "The Grudge" (2004) Sarah Michelle Gellar. (PG-13)	*** "The Grudge" (2004) Sarah Michelle Gellar. (PG-13)	*** "The Grudge" (2004) Sarah Michelle Gellar. (PG-13)	*** "The Grudge" (2004) Sarah Michelle Gellar. (PG-13)	*** "The Grudge" (2004) Sarah Michelle Gellar. (PG-13)	*** "The Grudge" (2004) Sarah Michelle Gellar. (PG-13)	*** "The Grudge" (2004) Sarah Michelle Gellar. (PG-13)	*** "The Grudge" (2004) Sarah Michelle Gellar. (PG-13)	*** "The Grudge" (2004) Sarah Michelle Gellar. (PG-13)	*** "The Grudge" (2004) Sarah Michelle Gellar. (PG-13)	*** "The Grudge" (2004) Sarah Michelle Gellar. (PG-13)	*** "The Grudge" (2004) Sarah Michelle Gellar. (PG-13)	*** "The Grudge" (2004) Sarah Michelle Gellar. (PG-13)	*** "The Grudge" (2004) Sarah Michelle Gellar. (PG-13)
15	15	HBO2	(4:45) *** "New York Minute" (1999, Comedy) James Van Der Beek, James Van Der Beek. (N)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)
10	10	HBO3	(4:00) **** "L.A. Confidential" (1997) (R) (N)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)	*** "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche. (In Stereo) (R)
20	20	MAX	*** "Eurotrip" (2004, Comedy) Mechowicz. (In Stereo) (NR)	*** "Eurotrip" (2004, Comedy) Mechowicz. (In Stereo) (NR)	*** "Eurotrip" (2004, Comedy) Mechowicz. (In Stereo) (NR)	*** "Eurotrip" (2004, Comedy) Mechowicz. (In Stereo) (NR)	*** "Eurotrip" (2004, Comedy) Mechowicz. (In Stereo) (NR)	*** "Eurotrip" (2004, Comedy) Mechowicz. (In Stereo) (NR)	*** "Eurotrip" (2004, Comedy) Mechowicz. (In Stereo) (NR)	*** "Eurotrip" (2004, Comedy) Mechowicz. (In Stereo) (NR)	*** "Eurotrip" (2004, Comedy) Mechowicz. (In Stereo) (NR)	*** "Eurotrip" (2004, Comedy) Mechowicz. (In Stereo) (NR)	*** "Eurotrip" (2004, Comedy) Mechowicz. (In Stereo) (NR)	*** "Eurotrip" (2004, Comedy) Mechowicz. (In Stereo) (NR)	*** "Eurotrip" (2004, Comedy) Mechowicz. (In Stereo) (NR)	*** "Eurotrip" (2004, Comedy) Mechowicz. (In Stereo) (NR)	*** "Eurotrip" (2004, Comedy) Mechowicz. (In Stereo) (NR)	*** "Eurotrip" (2004, Comedy) Mechowicz. (In Stereo) (NR)
28	28	DISN	Kim Possible	That's So Raven	Sister, Sister (In Stereo)	Suite Life of Zack & Cody	Phil of the Future	That's So Raven	*** "Eddie's Million Dollar Cook-Off" (2003, Comedy) Taylor Ball, Orlando Brown. (N)	American Drgn	Sister, Sister (In Stereo)	Suite Life of Zack & Cody	That's So Raven	Phil of the Future	Kim Possible			
22	22	SHOW	*** "The United States of Leland" (2003, Drama) Don Cheadle. (TV) (In Stereo)	*** "The United States of Leland" (2003, Drama) Don Cheadle. (TV) (In Stereo)	*** "The United States of Leland" (2003, Drama) Don Cheadle. (TV) (In Stereo)	*** "The United States of Leland" (2003, Drama) Don Cheadle. (TV) (In Stereo)	*** "The United States of Leland" (2003, Drama) Don Cheadle. (TV) (In Stereo)	*** "The United States of Leland" (2003, Drama) Don Cheadle. (TV) (In Stereo)	*** "The United States of Leland" (2003, Drama) Don Cheadle. (TV) (In Stereo)	*** "The United States of Leland" (2003, Drama) Don Cheadle. (TV) (In Stereo)	*** "The United States of Leland" (2003, Drama) Don Cheadle. (TV) (In Stereo)	*** "The United States of Leland" (2003, Drama) Don Cheadle. (TV) (In Stereo)	*** "The United States of Leland" (2003, Drama) Don Cheadle. (TV) (In Stereo)	*** "The United States of Leland" (2003, Drama) Don Cheadle. (TV) (In Stereo)	*** "The United States of Leland" (2003, Drama) Don Cheadle. (TV) (In Stereo)	*** "The United States of Leland" (2003, Drama) Don Cheadle. (TV) (In Stereo)	*** "The United States of Leland" (2003, Drama) Don Cheadle. (TV) (In Stereo)	*** "The United States of Leland" (2003, Drama) Don Cheadle. (TV) (In Stereo)
25	25	TMC	(4:55) *** "Niagara Niagara" (1997, Drama) Robin Tunney, Henry Thomas. (In Stereo)	*** "Niagara Niagara" (1997, Drama) Robin Tunney, Henry Thomas. (In Stereo)	*** "Niagara Niagara" (1997, Drama) Robin Tunney, Henry Thomas. (In Stereo)	*** "Niagara Niagara" (1997, Drama) Robin Tunney, Henry Thomas. (In Stereo)	*** "Niagara Niagara" (1997, Drama) Robin Tunney, Henry Thomas. (In Stereo)	*** "Niagara Niagara" (1997, Drama) Robin Tunney, Henry Thomas. (In Stereo)	*** "Niagara Niagara" (1997, Drama) Robin Tunney, Henry Thomas. (In Stereo)	*** "Niagara Niagara" (1997, Drama) Robin Tunney, Henry Thomas. (In Stereo)	*** "Niagara Niagara" (1997, Drama) Robin Tunney, Henry Thomas. (In Stereo)	*** "Niagara Niagara" (1997, Drama) Robin Tunney, Henry Thomas. (In Stereo)	*** "Niagara Niagara" (1997, Drama) Robin Tunney, Henry Thomas. (In Stereo)	*** "Niagara Niagara" (1997, Drama) Robin Tunney, Henry Thomas. (In Stereo)	*** "Niagara Niagara" (1997, Drama) Robin Tunney, Henry Thomas. (In Stereo)	*** "Niagara Niagara" (1997, Drama) Robin Tunney, Henry Thomas. (In Stereo)	*** "Niagara Niagara" (1997, Drama) Robin Tunney, Henry Thomas. (In Stereo)	*** "Niagara Niagara" (1997, Drama) Robin Tunney, Henry Thomas. (In Stereo)

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TV	CH	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30	
20	23	TBS	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	Seinfeld "The Blood"	Seinfeld "The Blood"	Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	Sex and the City	Sex and the City	*** "Kate & Leopold" (2001, Romance-Comedy) Meg Ryan, Hugh Jackman. (N)				
3	4	NBC	News	News	News	NBC Nightly News	Wheel of Fortune (N)	Jeopardy!	The Biggest Loser: Special Edition (Season Finale) (N) (In Stereo)	Law & Order "Magne" (N) (In Stereo)	News	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (N) (In Stereo)	Late Night					
4	5	PBS	Clifford the Big Red Dog	Dragon Tales (In Stereo) (E)	GED Connection	Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Jubilee (In Stereo)	African American Lives "Searching for Our Names: Beyond the Middle Passage" (N) (In Stereo) (Part 2 of 2)	Ky. General Assembly	BBC World News	Workplace-Skills	Kentucky Time Capsule					
6	7	ABC	Judge Judy (In Stereo)	Judge Judy (In Stereo)	News	ABC World News Tonight	Family Feud (In Stereo)	Entertainment Tonight	George Lopez (In Stereo)	Freddie (N) (In Stereo)	Lost "The Long Con" (N) (In Stereo)	News	Nightline	Paid Program	Paid Program			
10	15	WGN	Moesha "Bad Company" (N)	Moesha "Netcam" (N)	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	America's Funniest Home Videos (In Stereo)	Becker "D.N.R." (N)	Becker (In Stereo)	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	Special Report: Tsunami in American Shores (In Stereo)	Sex and the City	Becker "Tall Me Lies"				







# TV Listings

## Best

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 (guest star Brendan Fletcher), an abuse victim using his powers to kill those who hurt him. And his mother's death was caused by the same demon that killed Sam and Dean's mom.

**10 p. m.**  
**NBC**  
**Law & Order: Special Victims Unit**  
 Benson and Stabler (Mariska Hargitay, Chris Meloni) investigate the murder of a young lawyer and discover she had a second job as a stripper, which she'd kept secret from her boss (guest star Rebecca De Mornay). Her boss's husband (guest star Chris Potter) may have a clue or two, however; he was caught on film with the victim and another stripper... and she's dead, too. Betty Buckley also guest stars in the new episode "Manipulated."

**10:15 p. m.**  
**AMC**  
**Movie: The Man Without a Face**  
 Mel Gibson made his directing debut with this moving 1993 drama, in which he stars as a disfigured ex-teacher living in isolation. A boy seeks his help in preparing for private school, and they soon become friends. Their relationship, however, arouses suspicion in town because nobody is quite sure about the man's past. Nick Stahl and Margaret Whitton also star.

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8**  
**8 p. m.**  
**ABC**  
**George Lopez**  
 Max (Luis Armand Garcia) starts wetting the bed, a development that George (George Lopez) doesn't take seriously at first. But a trip to the doctor reveals it's serious indeed: Max needs surgery to avoid developing kidney disease. Lopez's own battle with kidney disease inspired the new episode "The Kidney Stays in the Picture." Kidney transplant recipient Ken Howard ("Crossing Jordan") guest stars as the doctor.

**8 p. m.**  
**CBS**  
**The 48th Annual Grammy Awards**  
 Mariah Carey, Kanye West and John Legend lead the nominees at this year's awards ceremony honoring the best in recordings. Each has eight nominations, with Carey's "We Belong Together" and Legend's "Ordinary People" in the running for song of the year. Other multiple nominees include Beyonce Knowles and Stevie Wonder with six each and Bruce Springsteen, U2 and Gwen Stefani with five.

**8 p. m.**  
**DISNEY**  
**Movie: Air Bud**  
 A player with plenty of raw basketball talent meets a misfit schoolboy who teaches him the finer points of the game. The only catch: The hoop phenom is a golden retriever called Buddy. Dog and boy form a strong bond that is threatened when Buddy's former owner gets wind of the canine's fame and moves in on the action. Kevin Zegers, Michael Jeter and Bill Cobbs star in this 1997 hit.

**8 p. m.**  
**NBC**  
**The Biggest Loser: Special Edition**  
 In this two-hour special edition, two engaged couples — Bruce and Kimmi, who are from Los Angeles, and Nick and Lael, from Hawaii — compete to win a dream wedding and honeymoon. They spend 12 days at the ranch learning how to change their lifestyles under the tutelage of Bob and Jillian. Then they go home and try to maintain those changes on their own. A return trip to the ranch and a final weigh-in reveal whether they succeeded.

**8 p. m.**  
**TCM**  
**Movie: Cleopatra**  
 Legendary for its production overruns (which nearly sank its studio, 20th Century-Fox) and the on-set romance of Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton, this 1963 epic certainly has scope in recounting the saga of the queen of Egypt. Cleopatra (Taylor) uses her beauty and wiles to exploit the rivalry between Julius Caesar (Rex Harrison) and Marc Antony (Burton) for her heart — and to shake up the Roman Empire even more.

**8 p. m.**  
**WB**  
**One Tree Hill**  
 Brooke (Sophia Bush) must forgo a cheerleading tournament for a fashion show in New York. Peyton (Hilarie Burton) finds respite from worrying about her mother's cancer with a girls night out with Rachel (Danneel Harris). An old friend's father has an impact on Nathan and Lucas (James Lafferty, Chad Michael Murray) in the new episode "All Tomorrow's Parties."

**9 p. m. check local listings**  
**PBS**  
**African American Lives**  
 Dr. Henry Louis Gates Jr. continues his research into the ancestry of eight prominent black Americans in Part 2, "Searching for Our Names; Beyond the Middle Passage." One of his subjects is surprised at the identity of one Civil War-era ancestor. In the second hour, Gates takes a participant back to Africa to meet some possible long-lost cousins.

**9 p. m.**  
**UPN**  
**Veronica Mars**  
 Veronica (Kristin Bell) uses her

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22	23	TBS	Dawson's Creek		Movie			Becker	Becker	The Cosby Show	The Cosby Show	The Steve Harvey Show	The Steve Harvey Show	The Drew Carey Show	The Drew Carey Show	Yes, Dear	Yes, Dear
3	4	NBC	Today Cont'd		Live With Regis and Kelly	The Tyra Banks Show		News	Inside Edition	Days of our Lives		Passions		Be a Millionaire	Be a Millionaire	Oprah Winfrey	
4	5	PBS	Dragon Tales	Clifford's Puppy Days	Sesame Street	Caillou	Barney & Friends	Teletubbies	Mister Rogers	Varied Programs	Pre GED Connection	Reading Rainbow	Between the Lions	Zoom	Postcards From Buster	Cyberchase	Maya & Miguel
6	7	ABC	Maury		Montel Williams	The View		News	The Insider	All My Children		One Life to Live		General Hospital		Judge Joe Brown	Judge Joe Brown
10	15	WGN	The Beverly Hillbillies	The Beverly Hillbillies	Rockford Files	Matlock		Magnum, P.I.		News		Magnum, P.I.		Da Vinci's Inquest		The Cosby Show	The Cosby Show
6	10	CBS	Family Feud	Varied Programs	Live With Regis and Kelly	The Price Is Right		News	The Young and the Restless	The Bold and the Beautiful		As the World Turns		Guiding Light		Green Acres	The Andy Griffith Show
11	11	FOX	My Wife and Kids	The Bernie Mac Show	Judge Mathis	The People's Court		Judge Hatchett	Judge Hatchett	Malcolm in the Middle	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	That '70s Show	My Wife and Kids	Jerry Springer	
18	13	CBS	Dr. Phil		Martha	The Price Is Right		News	The Young and the Restless	Bold & B.		As the World Turns		Guiding Light		The Ellen DeGeneres Show	
14	46	ESPN	SportsCenter	Varied	SportsCenter	SportsCenter		NFL Live	Varied Programs						1st and 10	NFL Live	Burning
38	30	DSC	American Chopper		American Chopper	Varied Programs						The New Detectives		The FBI Files		48 Hours: Hard Evidence	
15	31	TNT	Charmed		ER			Judging Amy		Judging Amy				NYPD Blue		Law & Order	
31	65	A&E	Varied Programs		City Confidential			American Justice		Cold Case Files				Varied Programs			
19	59	TNN	3 Stooges	3 Stooges	MacGyver	Wildcat Police Videos		Star Trek: Deep Space Nine		Star Trek: Deep Space Nine		Star Trek: Next Gener.		Star Trek: Next Gener.		Star Trek: Next Gener.	
20	53	NICK	Dora-Explorer	Go Diego	Blue's Clues	Backyard		Max & Ruby		Dora-Explorer	Go Diego	LazyTown		Rugrats	Varied Programs		Steen
17	46	USA	The District		Nash Bridges			Coach		Varied Programs							
10		FAM	The 700 Club		Living	Gilmore Girls		Step by Step		Full House	Full House	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	Boy World	Boy World	Full House	Full House
22	24	LIFE	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	The Nanny	The Nanny	Will & Grace	Will & Grace		Unsolved Mysteries		Unsolved Mysteries		Movie		Designing	Designing
15	27	ESPN2	Mike and Mike		Cold Pizza			Cold Pizza				Varied Programs				2005 World Series of Poker	
29	72	AMC	Movie	Varied Programs										Movie		Varied Programs	
40	66	HGTV	Carol Duvall	Carol Duvall	Room	Room Service	Country Style	Designing	That's Clever	House	Decorating	Sensible Chic	Mission	Divine Design	Design-Dime	Designers'	House
65	61	SCIFI	Varied Programs														Ripley's Believe It or Not!
62	44	HIST	Varied Programs							Modern Marvels		Varied Programs					
67	33	TOC	Varied Programs							Paid Program	Varied Programs	Paid Program	Varied Programs	Paid Program	Varied Programs		
204	14	HBO	Movie Cont'd	Varied Programs	Movie	Varied Programs		Movie		Varied Programs				Movie		Varied Programs	
270	15	HBO2	Movie Cont'd	Varied Programs				Movie		Varied Programs							
211		HBO3	Movie	Varied Programs										Movie		Varied Programs	
205		MAX	Movie Cont'd	Varied Programs						Movie	Varied Programs			Movie		Varied Programs	
29	29	DISN	Doodlebops	Charlie & Lola	The Wiggles	The Koala Brothers	Rolie Polie Olie	Doodlebops	Charlie & Lola	Rolie Polie Olie	Higglytown Heroes	JoJo's Circus	Lilo & Stitch	Brandy & Mr. Whiskers		Varied Programs	
206	22	SHOW	Movie Cont'd	Varied Programs					Movie		Varied Programs					Movie	
203	25	TMC	Movie Cont'd	Varied Programs												Movie	

sleuthing skills to search for whoever took the money for the senior class trip, which went missing while in her possession. As the finger-pointing intensifies, Veronica finds herself in an unlikely position: defending Jackie (Tessa Thompson). Enrico Colantoni also stars in this new episode.

**10 p. m.**  
**COMEDY**  
**South Park**  
 You know those folded-paper things girls make and use to tell one another's fortunes? The girls of South Park know, and when the boys hear that the girls have a "device" that can "see into the future," they go to great lengths to get it. They take Butters' death and reinvent him as a new girl named Marjorie (Butters, Marjorie, get it?) so she can get in with the girls. A hilarious "Pet Sematary" subplot fills out the episode "Marjorie."

**10 p. m.**  
**NBC**  
**Law & Order**  
 It must be "My Lawyer Is a Big Star" week: first Betty Buckley as an attorney on "Special Victims Unit" and tonight Kathleen Turner as the defender of the accused in the new episode "Magnet." Her client (guest star Jaime McAdams) is a troubled high-schooler desperate to graduate. But was he desperate enough to kill the kid who was selling him test answers and prewritten papers? Or — as his lawyer claims — was he messed up by medication?

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9**  
**8 p. m.**  
**ABC FAMILY**  
**Movie: Under the Tuscan Sun**  
 Diane Lane gives a charming performance in this 2003 comedy-drama as director-screenwriter Audrey Wells makes maximum use of Italy's countryside. In the adaptation of Frances Mayes' autobiographical book, Lane plays a depressed divorcee sent abroad by a friend (Sandra Oh). The newly single woman invests herself in fixing up a villa, getting help from locals, including a potential new love (Raoul Bova).

**8 p. m.**  
**CBS**  
**Survivor: Panama — Exile Island**  
 In the 12th edition of the competition series, the 16 contestants are split into four tribes, which will be merged into two in the second episode. Another new twist has one or more contestants per episode being banished to a separate island where an immunity idol is hidden. This year's contestants range in age from 24 to 58 and will initially be divided according to age and gender. Jeff Probst returns as host.

**8 p. m.**  
**HISTORY**  
**Ancient Discoveries**  
 "Heron of Alexandria" profiles a Greek mathematician who was also one of the greatest inventors of ancient times. His interest in geometry manifested itself not only in writings on that subject but in its applications to the material world. Among his inventions were coin-operated machines, the first steam-powered engine, a variety of mechanical toys and an early odometer.

**8 p. m. check local listings**  
**PBS**  
**The This Old House Hour**  
 This winter's project takes the renovation team to Washington, D.C., for the first time to collaborate with the non-profit agency Mi Casa Inc. The house they'll be working on is an Italianate row house in the city's Shaw neighborhood, where Duke Ellington once lived. Once renovated, it will be sold to a family that couldn't otherwise afford a home in the area.

**8 p. m.**  
**UPN**  
**Everybody Hates Chris**  
 It's Valentine's Day, and Chris (Tyler James Williams) is in the throes of his first crush — with a girl on the school bus. Back home, it seems as if everyone wants to be either Drew's (Tequan Richmond) or Tanya's (Imani Hakim) valentine, which is keeping Julius and Rochelle (Terry Crews, Tichina Arnold) busy in the new episode "Everybody Hates Valentine's Day."

**8 p. m.**  
**WB**  
**Smallville**  
 Lois (Erica Durance) releases the spirit of a girl when she finds a corpse hidden in the walls of the Talon. She and Clark (Tom Welling) follow the spirit, which leads them to the girl's killer, who's now after Lois. Kristin Kreuk, Michael Rosenbaum and John Glover also star in the new episode "Tomb."

**8:30 p. m.**  
**UPN**  
**Love, Inc.**  
 Rick Fox of the Los Angeles Lakers reprises the role of David, Clea's (Holly Robinson Peete) love interest, in this new episode. He's been sending mixed signals lately — behavior not unheard of from guys — and she's had enough, so she goes out with someone else. Back at the agency, the team plans a Valentine's Day party for the clients it hasn't been able to match.

**9 p. m.**  
**NBC**  
**My Name Is Earl**  
 In the new episode "The Professor," Earl and Randy (Jason Lee, Ethan Suplee) are returning a stolen computer when they knock down a bus stop sign. Earl promises to fix it but gets distracted when he meets the owner of the computer, a beautiful professor (guest star Christine Taylor). They start seeing each other, but Earl begins having a run of bad luck... or could it be bad karma for forgetting about that sign?

**9 p. m.**  
**WB**  
**Beauty and the Geek**  
 In this new episode, the guys and girls take a trip to Las Vegas, where they play an unusual game of strip poker, and the guys throw a party. Back at the house, a crush develops between one of the beauties and one of the geeks. One more beauty-geek team is sent home after two teams are questioned in the elimination room.

**9:59 p. m.**  
**NBC**  
**ER**  
 Dr. Clemente's (John Leguizamo) fun times with girlfriend Jodie are interrupted by the arrival of her husband, Bobby (guest star Shea Whigham), who isn't too happy with her talk of divorce. Abby and Kovac (Maura Tierney, Goran Visnjic) wait for their baby's test results. Pratt (Mekhi Phifer) is in a bachelor auction and is "bought" by a guy in the new episode "Quintessence of Dust."

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10**  
**7 p. m.**  
**LIFETIME**  
**Movie: Second Honeymoon**  
 Maggie and George (Roma Downey, Tim Matheson) are about to announce their divorce plans when relatives surprise them with an anniversary party and an island vacation. Smiling graciously, they accept; they can get one of those quickie island divorces while they're down there. But they didn't figure on the local magistrate, who makes them wait 48 hours. Hey, anything can happen in two days. Daniel Lugo also stars in this 2001 romance.

**8 p. m.**  
**AMC**  
**Movie: The Day the Earth Stood Still**  
 One of the most intelligent science-fiction movies ever made, director Robert Wise's 1951 classic doubles as a cautionary tale about nuclear war. Michael Rennie excels as a human-looking alien who lands in Washington, D.C., with his traveling companion: a metallic robot that can disintegrate weapons with its laser "eyesight." Patricia Neal and Billy Gray ("Father Knows Best") play Earthlings who befriend the visitors.

**8 p. m.**  
**DISNEY**  
**Movie: Mulan II**  
 In this 2004 sequel to 1998's "Mulan," the Chinese warrior and her fiancé, Shang, are assigned to escort three princesses to another province to wed. The marriages have been arranged by the emperor in the interest of national security, but the girls soon have other ideas. Meanwhile, Mulan's dragon guardian, Mushu, tries to break up her relationship with Shang, because if they wed, Mushu is out of a job.

**8 p. m.**  
**HBO**  
**Movie: True Lies**  
 In director James Cameron's 1994 comedy-adventure blockbuster, spy Harry Tasker (Arnold Schwarzenegger) explains his frequent absences to wife Helen (Jamie Lee Curtis) by posing as a computer salesman who is always on the road. But Harry must balance his latest covert assignment with the realization that Helen is bored with her "dull" existence. Tom Arnold, Tia Carrere and Eliza Dushku costar.

**8 p. m.**  
**NBC**  
**XX Winter Olympics**  
 Slalom, luge, hockey and, of course, the one-of-a-kind blend of art and sport known as figure skating. If it's 2006, it must be time for the Olympic Winter Games. The 2 1/2 weeks of competition begin with the Opening Ceremonies from Turin, Italy — or Torino, as the locals call it — and the peacock network has prepared its usual mix of event coverage and human interest segments for the duration.

**8 p. m.**  
**TLC**  
**What Not to Wear**  
 In "Maria," the matriarch of a large Portuguese family gets a style makeover. She favors inexpensive and easy-to-care-for clothes, and there's nothing wrong with that, but the loud colors and prints she chooses have her kinfolk summoning Stacy London and Clinton Kelly for help. Their mission: to get Maria out of her comfort zone and show her that comfort and style aren't mutually exclusive.

**9 p. m.**  
**CBS**  
**Close to Home**  
 Annabeth and Maureen (Jennifer Finnigan, Kimberly Elise) have an unusual case on their hands: the murder of a married couple by their teenage children. The youngsters are step-siblings, and they'd been keeping a secret from the folks. What was it? You can probably guess from the title of the episode: "Romeo and Juliet Murders." Jackson Rathbone and Elizabeth Rice guest star.

**9 p. m. check local listings**  
**PBS**  
**Scientific American Frontiers**  
 In "Chimp Minds," host Alan Alda seeks to learn more on the differences between humans and their closest relatives, chimpanzees. We share so many genes; how is it that we have skyscrapers, central heating and com-

puters, and they don't? The answer, he discovers while observing a chimp colony at Chicago's Lincoln Park Zoo, may be in our different learning styles. Chimp researchers Jane Goodall and Elizabeth Lonsdorf contribute to the episode.

**10 p. m.**  
**CBS**  
**NUMB3RS**  
 Don (Rob Morrow) and his team investigate a break-in at the home of a pop singer in "Obsession." Charlie (David Krumholtz) analyzes the disturbing fan letters she's been receiving and determines there are two different possible stalkers. But when a paparazzo photographing the singer's house turns up dead, the investigation takes a different turn — in the direction of the diva herself.

**10 p. m.**  
**TCM**  
**Movie: 2001: A Space Odyssey**  
 In its original 1968 theatrical release, Stanley Kubrick's groundbreaking adaptation of Arthur C. Clarke's visionary space yarn got repeat box office business from moviegoers in a state of "enhanced consciousness," but it has stood the test of time, with no supplemental substances required for repeat enjoyment. Keir Dullea and Gary Lockwood lead the cast, but the real stars are the surreal sets... and HAL the computer, of course.

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11**  
**12 p. m.**  
**USA**  
**XX Winter Olympics**  
 It might be the biggest given of the Games — a United States-Canada women's hockey final on Feb. 20. But first things first for the defending world champion Americans, who skate in their opener against Switzerland live from Turin, Italy. Former University of Minnesota star Krissy Wendell captains the U.S. squad, which is also led by veteran Angela Ruggiero. Later on USA Network is the nightly "Olympic Ice," an insider's view of the figure skating world.

**8 p. m.**  
**A&E**  
**Movie: Lake Placid**  
 Most critics panned this 1999 horror tale, but those who like their movie monsters served up with a campy seasoning will appreciate it. Bridget Fonda stars as a paleontologist investigating a death in a lake — the work of a 30-foot man-eating crocodile. Bill Pullman plays a game warden with whom she clashes and later bonds. But the film's real stars are the croc and Betty White as his best human friend, a widow who keeps him well supplied with steak tartare.

**8 p. m.**  
**ABC**  
**Movie: The Green Mile**  
 Tom Hanks may be the biggest name in this 1999 adaptation of a Stephen King novel, but he's far from the biggest presence. That would be Michael Clarke Duncan, who earned a best supporting actor Oscar nomination for his performance as John Coffey, a condemned prisoner with supernatural gifts, including the ability to heal others. Hanks plays a sympathetic guard who experiences Coffey's powers and can't believe he committed the crime for which he is due to die.

**8 p. m.**  
**ABC FAMILY**  
**Movie: Never Been Kissed**  
 A plain-Jane newspaper editor of 25 gets to relive the indignities of her teen years when she's assigned to go undercover as a high-school student. But with a little help, she finds it more pleasant the second time around. It's just too bad she can't tell the teacher who turns her on (it's mutual) that she's not underage. Drew Barrymore

sparkles in this 1999 comedy, which also stars David Arquette, Leelee Sobieski, Michael Vartan and Molly Shannon.

**8 p. m.**  
**NBC**  
**XX Winter Olympics**  
 Vermont native Hannah Kearney and Nevada's Shannon Bahrke have a chance to medal tonight in women's moguls as the competition heats up in Turin, Italy. Bahrke fell just .88 of a point short of winning this event in the Salt Lake City Games. Also on tap: pairs figure skating short program featuring U.S. champions Riina Inoue and John Baldwin, who landed the first ever triple axel in competition last month; and the men's 5,000-meter speed skating final.

**8:30 p. m.**  
**TNT**  
**NASCAR Racing**  
 NASCAR fans hankerin' for some action get their fix tonight in the non-points season-opening Budweiser Shootout, run for the 28th consecutive year at Daytona International Speedway in Florida. The field includes active drivers who have previously won this race, as well as 2005 pole winners, which adds up to 22 competitors. Among them are defending champion Jimmie Johnson, Dale Jarrett, Dale Earnhardt Jr., Jeff Gordon and 2005 Nextel Cup champ Tony Stewart.

**9 p. m.**  
**CBS**  
**Movie: Die Another Day**  
 James Bond (Pierce Brosnan) must contend with jinx — actually, a spying counterpart named Jinx (Halle Berry) — in this fast-paced 20th chapter of the 007 screen adventures. Captured and tortured in North Korea, Bond goes to Cuba and Iceland to seek his betrayer and battle a tycoon (Toby Stephens) who's determined to start another world war. Madonna performs the title song and has a cameo in the 2002 adventure.

**9 p. m.**  
**SHOWTIME**  
**Movie: Hotel Rwanda**  
 Don Cheadle gives an Oscar-nominated performance in this moving factual drama from 2004. He plays Paul Rusesabagina, a hotel manager who takes big risks to shelter Rwandan refugees. To keep them alive, he must rely on his wits in dealing with militia members and preventing the existing genocide from claiming more victims. Costar Sophie Okonedo also was an Academy Award nominee; Nick Nolte and Joaquin Phoenix appear.

**9:45 p. m.**  
**HBO**  
**Movie: Independence Day**  
 Will Smith heads an all-star cast in this 1996 edge-of-your-seat sci-fi thriller about an alien armada on a mission to invade Earth. After much of mankind is destroyed, a band of survivors joins forces to repel the invaders and save the world. Directed by Roland Emmerich, the film also stars Bill Pullman, Jeff Goldblum, Mary McDonnell, Judd Hirsch, Robert Loggia and Randy Quaid.

**10 p. m.**  
**TBS**  
**Movie: Lethal Weapon 4**  
 Even their bosses agree that Murtaugh and Riggs (Danny Glover, Mel Gibson) are getting too old for this you-know-what, so they hand the odd-couple detectives a pair of promotions to captain in the hope of keeping them off the streets. No such luck, especially when they get wind of a Chinese immigrant-smuggling ring. Chris Rock ups the comic relief quotient as a young cop who's about to make Murtaugh a granddad. Rene Russo, Joe Pesci and Jet Li also star.



## Melvin named special prosecutor in Dwale beating, robbery

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Johnson County Commonwealth's Attorney Anna Melvin has been appointed special prosecutor in the case of three subjects accused of beating and robbing an elderly Dwale resident.

The case went to Melvin after Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner had to drop it because one of the suspects is also a victim in a separate case.

Shawn Sexton, 21, is one of the suspects in the robbery but he was also the "apparent" target in a shooting last July in which Jeffrey Tackett, 42, of McDowell, allegedly opened fire on a car load of people at the Vance Kwik Mart. Ironically, Sexton was not injured in the shooting but three others in the car were with one getting cut by broken glass and two others hit with rounds from Tackett's rifle,

which he said he later tossed out the window of his car while fleeing the scene in a panic.

At a preliminary hearing conducted in district court, Trooper Justin Cornett related details of his investigation into the burglary charges. He said that Caudill and his girlfriend, Melissa Ferrell, had spent some time with the victim on the morning of the robbery. He said that the pair were given cigarettes and dog food by the victim, who also informed them that he was going into Prestonsburg on Monday to pick up some prescription medication.

Cornett said that the victim was working at his computer that evening when three subjects entered his residence and threw him to the floor. Cornett said that the victim informed him that all three participated in the crime, with the men allegedly overpowering him while Ferrell allegedly hovered in the back-

ground and ordered them to search his wallet.

The victim fell unconscious during the beating and later awoke to find the three gone and \$300 missing from his wallet, but the perpetrators missed another \$2,000 he had zipped into a side compartment of his billfold.

At the hearing, Cornett also talked about post-arrest interviews and indicated that Caudill informed him that the entire robbery was conducted by Sexton, though the victim's account was that all three subjects participated and that he had seen Ferrell and Caudill that morning but didn't lay eyes on Sexton until the trio broke into his home.

Caudill appeared in court Friday to seek a lower bond. He is currently being held on a \$100,000 cash bond. Judge Danny P. Caudill noted he would take the request under advisement.



photo by Mary Music  
Sgt. David Hall, Spc. Nolan Sloan and Sgt. Matt Varney were treated with a special reception in Martin Friday. The men said they were glad to be home, after spending a year in Iraq.

## Soldiers

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ty, duty, honor, personal integrity, and courage. The proclamations came with the assistance and recognition of World War II veteran Dewey Conn, who spent 11 months as a prisoner of war in Germany.

"I'm glad these young people are doing what they're doing to protect our country from terrorists," Conn, 83, said. "As long as you see this flag here and this flag here," he, pointing, told the soldiers, "you protect our country... People say freedom is free, but it's not. Somebody paid the price for it."

Conn, of Left Beaver, told the crowd about five of his fellow high school students who paid the "ultimate price" during World War II.

After the reception, Sgt. Hall, a squad leader on one of the convoy missions, sat down to dinner with his wife, Melissa, his daughters, Samantha and Belinda, and his son, Kendal.

"It's wonderful to have him

home," his wife said.

Hall, who was injured by a roadside bomb last April, received a Purple Heart five months ago for his service.

He said he was filling in as team leader for another soldier on April 17, when a roadside bomb exploded, causing approximately \$65,000 in damage to his vehicle. Hall received shrapnel in his thigh and hip and his "gunner" was hit with shrapnel in his forehead. Both men were back on duty two days later, Hall said.

"We had to get on with it, get on with our job," he said.

Hall said the most disturbing lesson he learned in Iraq was the stark difference in impoverished Iraq communities and the community surrounding Saddam Hussein's residence.

"It's different. The country's got a completely different structure," Hall said. "You see what Saddam had, and then you see what the country's got. All of the

country is slums, except where Saddam lived."

Hall also said "it's going to be a long road" to recovery in Iraq.

His comments were mirrored in the experiences of Spc. Sloan, 20, who joined the army at 19 so that he could get financial assistance for college.

Sloan, standing outside of the Church of Christ in Martin, where the reception was held, pointed at families eating in the basement. "Things like this," he said, "they don't have things like this over there."

"Guys, keep up the good work," Sloan continued. "Support our troops. Even if you don't support the cause, support our soldiers."

In addition to the proclamations, the men were awarded with military Bibles from both mayors and "welcome home" bags donated by St. Vincent's Mission in David.

## Abuse suspects to be tried together

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Salyersville couple arrested for sex crimes involving a minor were unsuccessful in getting their cases severed in circuit court on Friday.

Bobby Joe and Justina Adams are scheduled for trial on Feb. 13 and were attempting to separate their cases out of fear that incriminating statements were to be introduced into evidence that are attributed to them

and directed at each other.

Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner objected to the motions and noted that no such statements have been collected. He also observed that the pair are jointly accused of offenses committed during the same period of time, between January 2003 and February 2004, and directed at the same victim.

Bobby Joe Adams remains in custody under a \$1 million cash bond and has been charged with two counts of rape, one count of sodomy and three counts of sex-

ual abuse. Justina Adams faces two counts of criminal abuse and has been released on a partially secured bond.

The couple rejected plea offers at their pretrial conference in December, when Justina Adams was offered a five-year probation sentence on the condition that she testify truthfully in the case.

Bobby Joe Adams is represented by Ned Pillersdorf, while Justina Adams has retained the services of Jimmy Webb.

## Jobless rate higher in local area

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

FRANKFORT — The state Office of Employment and Training released unemployment rates for Kentucky's 120 counties Thursday, with counties throughout this region showing some change from a year ago.

Of Floyd County's 14,696 civil labor force, the number of those with employment in December, according to the state's statistics, is 13,625, leaving 1,071, or 7.3 percent, without work. That figure is nearly a percent higher than the 6.1 percent reported in December 2004.

Those statistics, the office of employment says, are based on estimates and collected to measure trends rather than to reflect the actual number of people working. The numbers for a particular county's civil labor force includes nonmilitary workers and those who are unemployed but are actively seeking work, but do not include the number of unemployed people who have not sought work in the past four weeks.

In surrounding counties, Magoffin County stands out again with these new results as still carrying the state's highest unemployment rate at 11.3 percent, while Johnson County cur-

rently has 6.7 percent unemployment, matching that of Pike County. The second-highest rate in the Big Sandy region was Martin County, which saw 8.3 percent of its work force unemployed.

The Office of Employment and Training reported after releasing the figures Thursday that, overall, the jobless rate went up in 117 counties across the state, falling in only three. The state saw consecutive improvements in the unemployment rate in the years leading up to 2004, peaking at a rate of 5.3 percent at that time. The overall rate for this latest estimate rests at an even 6 percent.

## Burglary convicts seek early release

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Shock probation for two of three men involved in a burglary was taken under advisement by Circuit Judge Danny P. Caudill after being formally entered on Friday.

Joshua Hoover, 20, of Prestonsburg, and Terry Moore, 19, of Martin, had their motions for early release from their sentences on robbery convictions heard after filing affidavits which included letters from family and prospective employers. Each pleaded guilty to charges of robbery and agreed to do so

after being offered to five-year sentences for the charges that could have netted them 10-year sentences.

The men were arrested last April after breaking into a Muddy Branch home along with Todd Michael Gayheart, 19, of Wayland. They were surprised by the homeowner who had been cutting grass around the property when he spotted an all-terrain vehicle parked behind his home. He ascertained that there was a break-in and retrieved his rifle, which he trained on the men as they exited the residence.

Two of the men fled but Hoover stayed behind and apologized for the incident as they

waited for the authorities.

Deputy Jeremy Shepherd picked up Moore and Gayheart the next day. Gayheart did not come along quietly and resisted arrest but was subsequently secured by Shepherd. Gayheart later told Shepherd, during an interview at the Floyd County Detention Center, that he would find jewelry from the robbery left in his cruiser and indicated that Moore or Hoover left it there. The ruse fell flat as Shepherd had used a different vehicle to bring in the others, though the jewelry did turn out to be stashed underneath the seat of the cruiser Shepherd used to transport Gayheart.

## Senate approves coal safety measures

by NANCY ZUCKERBROD  
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WASHINGTON — Coal companies would get tax breaks for spending more on safety equipment and training under a provision approved by the Senate Thursday.

The measure, authored by Sen. Jay Rockefeller, D-W.Va., passed by voice vote. It is part of a broader tax bill that still must win congressional backing.

The provision dealing with underground coal mining would allow companies to deduct half the costs they incur when buying safety equipment.

Such equipment would include devices allowing miners to communicate with people

above ground, technology to track miners' whereabouts and extra oxygen packs.

Coal operators could get a break worth up to \$10,000 for training people to conduct rescue operations during mine accidents.

Companies must act within three years to benefit from the tax legislation.

The cost of the mining provision tacked onto the tax bill has not been released.

National Mining Association spokesman Luke Popovich said the trade group generally supports giving companies financial incentives to buy new technology, but he said the group had not reviewed Rockefeller's proposal.

The Senate acted after West

Virginia's governor ordered safety checks at all the mines in his state. West Virginia miners started their shifts Thursday with lectures on safety, and officials began statewide inspections at the mines.

Sixteen miners have died on the job in West Virginia since the start of the year, the latest in two separate accidents Wednesday.

Rockefeller said in a statement Thursday that the recent spate of accidents should prompt change.

"In Congress, we have an obligation to help coal companies meet tougher safety standards, and these tax credits should be a big help," Rockefeller said.

## Roop

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Paul Hunt Thompson met Roop at the steps of the courthouse.

"Welcome back," Thompson, a Vietnam vet, told Roop Friday. "Thanks for your service."

Just as with his going away gathering, Roop saw a host of friends and associates out to welcome him home Friday from his duties in the military. Those duties included one of the more dangerous jobs of conducting checkpoint security along the borders, also referred to as convoy security, as well as a stint near the end of his tour performing detainee operations for a mission change at Abu Ghraib prison, the facility that made news some years back as being the centerpiece of a huge prisoner abuse controversy.

Roop has said his experience at Abu Ghraib provided him much needed correctional experience, something he hopes to use in teaching his classes at Big Sandy Community and Technical College now that he's back in Floyd County.

Roop was met with signs, such as the one outside the attorney general's extension office in downtown, welcoming him home. His departure was handled with just as much ceremony last year as many of the same friends and colleagues gave him a send off that involved honoring his 15 years of service to the sheriff's department and remembering his journey from an aspiring teenager in Wheelwright to the higher ranks

of law enforcement and instruction. As part of that going-away ceremony, Floyd County Sheriff John K. Blackburn prompted Roop to place a yellow ribbon magnet on his cruiser, a trend that spread across the department. Upon his return Friday, Blackburn asked Roop to remove the magnet, signifying his safe return.

"I was in tears when he left, but now I'm all smiles," Blackburn said Friday. "Not only has Roop been great to work with, but he's become a close friend, too."

Clearly tired from travel, Roop mentioned no other immediate plans besides resting and spending time with his family.

## Ballot

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candidates listed as follows: Merel M. May, second; Ron "Cowboy" Cooley, third; Kenneth "Kimble" Howard, fourth; John L. Campbell, fifth; Lamar Tackett, sixth; and Curt Blackburn, seventh.

In the election for Family Court Judge, E. Mickey McGuire drew the first spot on the ballot, Johnny Ray Harris the second spot, while incumbent Julie Paxton drew the third position.

In the races for magistrates, District 1 filled out the ballot with Johnny Lafferty in first position, followed by incumbent Gerald Derosssett in second, Billy Elmer Frasure in the third spot, and Danny Hamilton and John A. Goble rounding out the fourth and fifth positions.

The three-way District 2 magistrate race will see positions on the ballot in this order: Kenneth Roberts, Jackie Edford Owens and Stuart Robinson.

A fully loaded District 3 race for magistrate will see a total of 10 candidates vying for that seat. The order in which they will appear on the ballot following the drawing Thursday will be Jimmy "Gabe" Turner in first position, Marietta Adams in second, Russell Warren Jarrell in third, Jason Moore in fourth, Jackie Kendrick in fifth, Glen Dale Rackey in sixth, Donny Daniels in seventh, Clinis Hall in eighth, Tim "Beatsie" Allen in ninth and Samuel Howell in the tenth and final slot.

The District 4 race for magistrate, also a wide field with nine candidates, will have hopefuls appearing in the following order: B.J. Newsome in first position, Arnold Bob McKinney in second, Tim Hamilton in third, Cola Ray Akers in fourth, Charlotte Frasure in fifth, Herman Conn in sixth, Ronnie Akers in seventh, Nicholas J. Martin in eighth and Paul David Tackett in ninth position.

Ballot positions in county races for constable across the four districts will be as follows: District 1 — Lester Jarvis, Gary Wolfe, Michael Hall,

Bucky Collins and Billy Jarvis. District 2 — David Horn, Marty Glenn Tackett, James Hoover, Mike D. Goodman and Sam Duncan. District 3 — Barry Hopkins, Carolyn Bryant McCray, Willie D. Hall, Ernie Moore, Gary Blankenship, Don "Booty" Hall, Paul Younce. District 4 — Green Wakeland, Alfred "Junebug" Newsome, Logan Tucker, Mona Case, John Kidd and Vernie Bradley.

The position on the ballot in elections has always been a point of much focus, as Waugh has said, but is not a clear indicator as to which candidate will come out on top, according to the unchallenged county clerk.

"In some people's minds, they feel it gives them an advantage if they can be number one on the ballot," said Waugh, "but I was third on the ballot in a four-man race and it didn't hurt me."

## Drugs

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for methadone.

All but Dougie Vance were immediately taken into custody and ordered to remain in jail without bond until a hearing that was scheduled for Tuesday.

The three now face the prospect of losing the bonds they posted and could face an additional five years for contempt of court charges as they failed to adhere to specific guidelines about staying drug-free pending the outcome of their case.

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We are a privately owned and locally operated human services agency committed to providing quality support and services to individuals diagnosed with mental retardation and/or developmental disabilities. We are a Division of Mental Retardation Certified provider of SCL (Supports for Community Living) Waiver Services. Our primary service area is the beautiful hills of the Big Sandy Region; however, we do branch into locals as requested.

I am writing this letter to let everyone at Champion Supports and Services, Inc. know how much I appreciate all of them, and especially Tonya Newsome-Sanders, Executive Director.

I would like to say thanks to Tonya and her staff at Champion Supports and Services, Inc. for the last two years, and for what you all have done for me and my son Ronnie, since the death of his father—for the help that I have received, and the love and comfort you all show me and Ronnie, in time of need.

I would like to say how grateful I am and a very special thanks to Tonya Newsome-Sanders, of what a great job with the Lord's help that she is doing at Champion Supports and Services, Inc. She has a wonderful program. She involves all individuals and their families, in all activities that take place at Champion Supports and Services, Inc. Tonya has a lot of great activities for the individuals and families.

She had a great big Christmas party, including all individuals and their families. She gave great gifts, and lots of food. But most of all, Tonya gave from her heart to all individuals. Tonya was very good

to my son, and he enjoyed everything she got him, especially the DVD player. That is why I said Tonya has a big heart, not just for my son, but for every individual in her program.



I want to say thanks for the computer at the Community Habilitation Center. I know that individuals really love it. Ronnie really enjoys it very much.

I am very proud of the way Tonya runs the program—honest, dependable, and faithful and how she goes that extra mile, not just for her company, but for the individuals also.

I want to say also what a great staff she has. They all work together as a team. I want to say thanks to Cynthia and Pearline for the great job they do in my home with my son, and to know I can go to work in peace, and know that Ronnie is well cared for.

Thank-you Tonya and staff for the great job you all have done. I'm looking forward to another "great

year." Good luck and God bless you all. Keep the good work up.

Sincerely, and thanks to everyone,  
Mrs. Barbara Sword

## What is SCL?

SCL is a Home and Community based Waiver-type program under the Kentucky Medicaid Program and is administered by the Division of Mental Retardation. SCL was developed in September 1997, for Kentucky residents as an alternative to institutional care and allow individuals with mental retardation and/or developmental disabilities to remain in or return to the community. This promotes community involvement and provides individuals with mental retardation and/or disabilities with the same opportunities as other Kentucky residents: The opportunities to be educated, live, work, worship, play, and socialize according to their own wants, needs, interests, and desires.

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# House panel OKs bill to require children to wear helmets on ATVs

by **BRUCE SCHREINER**  
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FRANKFORT — Dr. Roger Humphries thinks a proposal requiring young all-terrain-vehicle riders to wear helmets would spare parents from the heartache he's seen in the

University of Kentucky hospital emergency room.

Humphries has treated an assortment of injuries — including serious head wounds — suffered by children when the four-wheelers they were aboard crashed. Sometimes, the parents started out as sticklers, making

their children wear helmets.

"They let it slip once or twice and that particular time was when there was a severe head injury with a crash," Humphries, chairman of the emergency medicine department at the UK Medical Center, said by phone on Thursday.

A bill that cleared the House Health and Welfare Committee on Thursday would mandate that youngsters under age 16 wear helmets whenever riding ATVs.

Supporters said the proposal would save lives and protect youngsters from lifelong brain injuries caused by ATV accidents. Opponents acknowledged the value of helmets, but objected to applying the mandate to private land.

"It's an emotional thing to say that all we're trying to do is protect children," said Rep. David Floyd, R-Bardonia. "But there are other things that require protection as well, and that is private property rights of the citizens of the commonwealth."

The bill is supported by Kentucky State Police as a public safety enhancement, but a KSP spokeswoman insisted it would not change the agency's enforcement practices.

"We will not enter private property if we do not observe the violation occurring initially on the public roadway," KSP Maj. Lisa Rudzinski said in an interview.

If a state police trooper saw an ATV violation on a public road, the trooper would not be precluded from going onto private property while making the stop, she said.

Michele Finn, representing the Brain Injury Association of Kentucky, cited reports to the committee indicating that Kentucky leads the nation in ATV deaths, and that children under age 16 are the most likely to be injured.

Humphries said a helmet law wouldn't wipe out all ATV injuries among children, but would sharply reduce deaths and head injuries.

Between 1996 and 2000, 151

children with ATV-related injuries were admitted at the UK hospital, many with head injuries, Humphries said. There were five deaths, and at least four were caused by head injuries, he said.

Before approving the bill, the committee defeated a proposed amendment that would have exempted youngsters from wearing helmets when riding on private property.

Rep. Ancel Smith, D-Leburn, said he had heard from constituents in his rural eastern Kentucky district who use ATVs to feed livestock.

"With (your) own private property, I don't think that I would need to be forced by law to put that helmet on to ride back on the hill to feed or check on my cattle or my horses," said Smith, who offered the amendment.

Republican Rep. Scott Brinkman of Louisville, a co-sponsor of the bill, said the amendment would negate the measure's intent to protect youngsters.

"I can't conceive of any parent who could legitimately object to making sure that their child ... put on a helmet that very well may save that child's life or save that child from a lifetime of being prone lying in a hospital bed," he said.

Rep. Bob DeWeese, another Louisville Republican and a surgeon, also opposed exempting private property from the helmet requirement.

"You only have one brain and one nervous system," he said. "And once that's damaged, there's no repair for it that we have now. It's gone forever."

The bill advanced with two committee members in opposition — Smith and Floyd.

Afterward, Finn said most ATV accidents happen on private property.

"That's really where the kids need to be protected most," she said.

The bill would carry a \$20 to \$50 fine for a violation. Parents or guardians would be responsible for paying the fines.

## Road between Branham's Creek and Sandy Branch reduced to one lane next week

Clearing and project site preparation work begins Monday on a section of the Harold-Minnie Connector that will reduce traffic to one lane for about two weeks.

Cluck Childers, resident engineer for Highway District 12, said that flaggers will be posted on Route 979 between Branham's Creek and Sandy Branch (mile points 14 and 16) for up to two weeks.

"The contractor will make sure that school buses get through each morning and afternoon without delays," Childers said, "as well as any emergency vehicles that might have to travel the area on an actual emer-

gency call. But motorists can expect that routine traffic could be delay anywhere from five to 20 minutes."

Childers said he appreciates the public's patience and understanding.

"When you start reconstructing roads in Eastern Kentucky," he said, "most of the time there is not enough room for a detour, so reducing traffic to one lane is the only option if we are going to get the road improvements done and keep the public's safety as our foremost concern. We are grateful that most people understand this and are good sports about the temporary inconvenience."

## Plan to raise speed limit putt-putting along

by **ROGER ALFORD**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — One thing has become clear to Ann Belcher on her drives into work on Interstate 75: People drive faster than the state's maximum speed limit of 65 mph.

That's one reason the Georgetown woman supports proposals to raise the speed limit to 70 mph on rural stretches of four-lane interstate highways and parkways across Kentucky.

"A lot of people already are driving 70 on the interstates anyway," said Belcher, a spokeswoman for AAA Blue Grass Kentucky in Lexington, which supports a higher speed limit. "This bill would stop making lawbreakers out of reasonable motorists, and let law enforcement focus on real hazardous drivers."

One proposal to raise Kentucky's speed limit made it through the Senate Transportation Committee on Wednesday, and a similar bill is pending in the House. Gov. Ernie Fletcher first proposed the increase in his state of the commonwealth address last month. The measure has widespread support from legislators, including Speaker of the House Jody Richards.

The Senate bill passed on a 11-0 vote Wednesday morning. If the measure makes it through the General Assembly and is signed into law, Kentucky would be among 30 other states with maximum speeds of at least 70 mph.

The measure would affect only rural, four-lane interstate highways and parkways, and has widespread support among legislators.

"I think this bill is long overdue and I look forward to supporting it," said state Sen. Damon Thayer, R-Georgetown.

Transportation Secretary Bill Nighbert said he has seen no data from other states with a higher speed limit that the 5 mph increase would impact the number of traffic crashes.

However, Sen. Ed Worley, D-Richmond, said he expects the increase will mean motorists who exceed the current speed limit will drive even faster if the measure becomes law.

"No one drives the speed limit," Worley said. "If it's 65, they're going to drive 70. If it's 70, they're going to drive 75."

Nighbert agreed. "The fact is, if we could get everyone to slow down to 70 mph, we'd be better off," he said.

Hal Stopfel, spokesman for AARP in Louisville, said his group that represents older people doesn't plan to take a stand on the speed limit issue. But, Stopfel said he doesn't believe it is in the best interest of AARP members, most of whom, he said, drive at or below the maximum limit.

Belcher said highways are safer when speed limits are set correctly. She said engineering and traffic studies have shown that 70 mph is a safe speed on most rural interstates and parkways.

"We think it's a realistic and safe speed," she said.

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# Regional Obituaries

## FLOYD COUNTY

■ Thelma Allen Adams, 66, of Ivel, died Saturday, January 28, at the Knott County Nursing Home, Hindman. Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 30, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Eddie Ray Dalton, 29, of Wayland, died Sunday, January 29, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital emergency room. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, February 1, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Herbert Michael (Ricky) Ferrell, 52, of Martin, died Tuesday, January 31, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Loretta Mitchell Ferrell. Memorial services were conducted Saturday, February 4, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Wilma Jane Hall, 65, of Teaberry, died Sunday, January 29, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, January 31, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Jacqueline Coleman Hall, 39, of Banner, died Saturday, January 28, at her home. She is survived by her husband, Dennis Hall. Funeral services were held Wednesday, February 1, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

■ Joe Cephus Hayes, 94, of Hueysville, died Monday, January 30, at the Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, February 2, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Harold (Beaver) Johnson, 85, of Wheelwright, died Thursday, January 26, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, January 29, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Peggy Jane Kendrick, 69, of Harold, died Friday, January 27, at King's Daughters Medical Center, Ashland. She is survived by her husband, Delmar Kendrick. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, January 29, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Elsie Sue McCown Lawson, 86, of Drift, died Thursday, January 26, at the Prestonsburg Health Care. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, January 29, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Gheard Duell Martin, 80, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, January 28, in Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. He is survived by his wife, Blanche Ramey Martin. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, January 31, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Annette Walker Mills, 65, of Wayland, died Monday, January 30, at her home. She is survived by her husband, Clark Mills. Funeral services were held Friday, February 3, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Arville Mitchell, 60, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, January 28, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 30, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Elder Orville Mitchell, 65, of Hi Hat, died Saturday, January 28, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Rose Mary Slone Mitchell. Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 30, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Bobby Ray O'Brien, 75, of Stanville, died Wednesday, February 1, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, February 4, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ James "Poppy-Pap" Potter, 84, of Langley, died Wednesday, February 1, at King's Daughters Hospital, Ashland. Funeral services were held Saturday, February 4, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Rudy Gene Robinette, 60, of Banner, died Tuesday, January 31, at Highlands Regional

Medical Center, Prestonsburg. Funeral services were held Friday, February 3, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Ruth Lea Roope, 80, of Marion, Ohio, a native of Wayland, died early Christmas morning, December 25, at Heartland of Marion Nursing Center. Funeral services were held Thursday, December 29, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Hazel Jones Sexton, 90, of McDowell, died Tuesday, January 24, in the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 27, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Sharon Slone, 50, of Ypsilanti, Michigan, a native of Pikeville, died Saturday, January 28, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. The funeral service was Tuesday, January 31, under the direction of Stark Funeral Service Moore Memorial.

## LAWRENCE COUNTY

■ Charles L. "Wacky" Dove, 51, of Louisa, died Friday, January 27, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Patty K. Dove. Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 31, under the direction of Hatfield Funeral Chapel of Toler.

## PIKE COUNTY

■ Boyd Adkins, 81, of Rockhouse, died Sunday, January 29, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Nelba Jones Adkins. Funeral services were held

Wednesday, February 1, under direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

■ Elizabeth M. Belcher, 74, died Tuesday, January 31, at Pikeville Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Hillard Belcher. Funeral services were held Friday, February 3, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

■ Mildred Faye "Mick" Ratliff Belcher, 80, of Belcher, died Wednesday, January 18, at her home. Funeral services were held Saturday, January 21, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

■ Johnny Daryl Dotson, 54, of Phelps, died Sunday, January 29, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Henrietta Dotson. Private services were held Tuesday, January 31, under direction of Phelps Funeral Services.

■ Alice Colleen Hayes, 77, of Burdine, died Wednesday, February 1, at the Whitesburg Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were held Saturday, February 4, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

■ Martha Elizabeth Hughes, 91, a resident at the Whitesburg Manor Nursing Home, formerly of Pikeville, died Wednesday, February 1, at the Whitesburg Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were held Sunday, February 5, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

■ Georgia Coleman Huffman, 89, of Elkhorn City, died Friday,

January 27, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Sunday, January 29, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

■ Emogene Justice, 86, of Lick Creek, died Monday, January 30, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Wednesday, February 1, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

■ Elmer Kayser, 70, of Pike County, died Monday, January 30, at Mountain View Health Care Center, Elkhorn City. Funeral arrangements, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

■ James Butler (Jimmy) Kilgore Jr., 47, of Lander, Wyoming, formerly of Pike County, died Thursday, January 26, in Lander. Funeral services were held Saturday, February 4, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

■ Edith Justice May, 87, a Pike County native, died Sunday, January 29. Funeral services were held Wednesday, February 1, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

■ Fonso Murphy, 52, of Phyllis, died Wednesday, February 1, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Vickie Sloan Murphy. Funeral services were held Saturday, February 4, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home of Elkhorn City.

■ Freddie Allen "Buzz" Oakes Jr., 38, of Jenkins, a Pike County native, died Sunday, January 29, at Jenkins Community Hospital. Funeral services were held Wednesday, February 1, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

■ Goldie "Ma" Stanley, 76, of Elkhorn City, died Saturday, January 28, at Mountain View Health Care Center, Elkhorn City. Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 31, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

■ Leon Taylor, 67, of Mouthcard, died Saturday, January 28, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 31, under direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

■ Derek Shane Thacker, 18, of Shelbiana, died Friday, January

27, at Cabell-Huntington Hospital, Huntington, West Virginia, the result of injuries suffered in an automobile accident. Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 30, under the direction of Justice Funeral Home.

■ James "Watchdog" Thornsby Sr., 72, of Big Rock, Virginia, a Pike County native, died Monday, January 23, at Biggs, the result of injuries suffered in a vehicle accident. He is survived by his wife, Nancy Juanita Stump Thornsby. Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 27, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

■ Madeline Varney, 68, of Grayson, formerly of Huddy, died Saturday, January 28, at her home. She is survived by her husband, Bogar Varney. Funeral services were held Wednesday, February 1, under direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

## JOHNSON COUNTY

■ Elsie Castle, 83, died Friday, January 27, at St. Luke East Hospice Unit in Fort Thomas. She was a member of the United Baptist Church in Paintsville. Funeral services were held Monday, January 30, under the direction of Connley Brothers Funeral Home of Latonia.

■ Zeta Caudill, 84, of Flat Gap, died Thursday, January 26,

at the Salyersville Health Care Center. Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 30, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

■ Calvin Gray, 79, of East Point, died Monday, January 30, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. He is survived by his wife, Susie Robinson Gray. Funeral services were held Wednesday, February 1, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ Conrad D. "C.D." Hester, 74, of Clarksville, Tennessee, died Thursday, January 26, in Clarksville. He is survived by his wife, Jeanie Vest Hester. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, February 1, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ Alois "Pete" Rice, 82, of Thealka, died Thursday, January 19, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. He is survived by his wife, Pauline C. Rice. Funeral services were held Sunday, January 22, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

■ Edna O'Bryan Salyer, 89, of Paintsville, died Monday, January 30, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, in Paintsville. Funeral services were held Wednesday, February 1, under the direction of the Paintsville Funeral Home.

# Obituaries

## Nova Martin Newsome

Nova Martin Newsome, 74, of Teaberry, died Tuesday, January 17, 2006, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Healthcare.

Born January 22, 1931, in Teaberry, she was the daughter of the late Bill and Maudie Howell Martin. She was a homemaker and a member of the Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church, at Teaberry.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Chester Newsome.

Survivors include four sons: Cecil Newsome Jr., Edward D. Newsome and Lee Roy Newsome, all of Teaberry, and Harold Newsome of Craynor; a brother, Edgar Martin of Teaberry; four sisters: Pearl Jones and Cosetta McClanahan, both of Teaberry, Mary Hamilton of Beaver, and Betty Tackett of Dayton, Ohio; nine grandchildren: Lisa Akers, Michelle Newsome, Jason Newsome, Rocky Newsome, Adam Newsome, Heather Tackett, Heidi Hamilton, Cesilee Newsome, and Chelsea Newsome; and eight great-grandchildren: Seth Newsome, Joshua Newsome, Dalton Hamilton, Aston Tackett, Carly Akers, Cassidy Akers, Sydney Newsome, and Jacob Newsome.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers: Adren Martin and Andy Martin; two sisters: Verlie Martin and Goldie Martin; and one grandson, Shawn Alan Newsome.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 20, at 1 p.m., at the Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church, in Teaberry, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Newsome Cemetery, at Mink Branch, in Craynor, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation was at the church, with nightly services at 6 p.m.

(Paid obituary)

## Evelyn Grace Lowe

Evelyn Grace Lowe, 80, of Greencastle, Indiana, formerly of Banner, died Wednesday, February 1, 2006, at the Mill Pond Health Center in Greencastle, Indiana.

Born September 9, 1925, in Banner, she was the daughter of the late Thomas and Bessie Crisp Hamilton. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, Victor Lowe.

Other survivors include three sons: Larrie Lowe (Jackie) of Fortville, Indiana, Gary Lee Lowe (Sherry) of Greencastle, Indiana, and Terry Dean Lowe (Barbara) of Mooresville, Indiana; a daughter, Annette Bradley (Vernie) of Banner; two brothers: Thomas Hamilton Jr., of Banner, and Harry Hamilton of Indianapolis, Indiana; 11 grandchildren, and 15 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by six brothers: Odas Hamilton, Dick Hamilton, Carl Gene Hamilton, Bill Hamilton, Calvin Reece Hamilton, and Oscar Hamilton; and four sisters: Susan Akers, Hazel Renfro, Daisy Hamilton, and Olive Hamilton.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, February 4, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Mark Tackett officiating.

Burial was in the Lowe Cemetery, (Gunnells Branch), in Banner, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

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**This Town,  
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*Editor's Note: For years, Floyd County Times founder and former publisher Norman Allen wrote a weekly column that looked at Floyd County through his eyes. His columns are being reprinted due to request.*

Somebody quipped about the Merit System. "They've got the merit; we've got the system." Whoever said that spoke truth.

**THE TEST OF TRUE LOVE**

Two Christian martyrs were both named St. Valentine, and so February 14, originally, was a feast day. Then those youngsters got into the act, and instead of eating themselves silly, got love into it. And now, with the postal rates up, we'd say any swain who expresses undying love, punctured heart, and till death do us part, on one of these king-size Valentine cards is headed, if not for bankruptcy, for the altar.

**COUNTER-IRRITANT**

Ever feel like running when you see bearing down on you, a friend who, you know, will spend the next 45 minutes relating the details of his or her operation, down to the stitching?

This thought leads me to repeat what most of us have already said, that some good comes out of the worst situations. For instance:

Not long ago, when I had braced the old back for a session on surgeons, surgery, anesthesia, and some of its more revolting after-effects, this guy breezed in and said not a word about the ordeal. A more serious matter had him aching in every joint, and he had at it to the effect: "Tell me, what in the name of everything wonderful, are we poor people gonna do about these infernal tax bills?"

**ONE TOO MANY**

Lawyers of all people, are perhaps most aware of the proper stopping point, but even they sometimes ask a question too many. The following is actual testimony recorded by the National Reporters Association.

Attorney: Do you mean to say you have always treated your wife with respect?

Husband: I do. I have never spoken a harsh word to her.

Attorney: Be careful how you answer, and remember you are under oath.

Husband: Well, I remember I did yell at her once.

Attorney: Ah, now you remember: What did you say to her?

Husband: I shouted "Put down that poker!"

**The Top Five**

**TELEVISION**

1. "American Idol" — Tuesday, Fox.
2. "American Idol" — Wednesday, Fox.
3. "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation," CBS.
4. "Without a Trace," CBS.
5. "CSI: Miami," CBS.

**FILM**

1. "Big Momma's House 2," Fox.
2. "Nanny McPhee," Universal.
3. "Underworld Evolution," Sony.
4. "Annapolis," Disney.
5. "Hoodwinked," Weinstein Co.

**ALBUMS**

1. "Ancora," Il Divo, SYCO/Columbia/Sony Music.
2. "Your Man," Josh Turner, MCA Nashville/UMGN.
3. "Unpredictable," Jamie Foxx, J.
4. "The Breakthrough," Mary J. Blige, Geffen. (Platinum)

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FROM LEARNING TO EARNING



Pictured, left to right: Kevin Caudill, Charles Moore (Assistant Professor), Randy Roberts (Associate Dean), and Brandon Muncy.

**BSCTC Industrial Mechanics graduates employed by Toyota**

Students credit program with job success

Excited is hardly descriptive enough to relate the anticipation and expectations of two young men who have recently completed the Industrial Mechanics program at Big Sandy Community and Technical College and now have dream jobs. Kevin Caudill and Brandon Muncy began this past Friday, February 3, in their new jobs at Toyota Motor Manufacturing of Kentucky, in Georgetown. Kevin and Brandon will train at the plant in Georgetown, and then, in May, will begin traveling to Toyota plants all over the world installing new robotic equipment. Their first trip in May will take them to San Antonio, Texas.

"I'm so excited," said Caudill. "We've never been any further out of Kentucky than Myrtle Beach. I can't wait to get started on this new job."

Their instructor at BSCTC, Charles Moore, said, "This is an opportunity of a lifetime for these two young men and I must say that I am very proud of them both. They were excellent students during their time here in the Industrial Maintenance Technology program. It makes me feel very good that I can

train these young people to get career jobs such as this."

Kevin Caudill is the son of Wes Caudill, of DelBarton, West Virginia, and Carolyn Keathley, of Turkey Creek, in Pike County. His prior work experience included a stint at Walmart. He is looking forward to working with robots and living on his own.

Brandon Muncy is the son of Gary and Sue Muncy, also of Turkey Creek. Brandon previously worked for Massey Energy-Sidney Coal. He returned to school for an education in Industrial Maintenance because he wanted a chance for better economic growth and opportunity.

Caudill and Muncy grew up together on Turkey Creek in rural Pike County. They were friends who stuck together. When asked how they found out about the Toyota positions, Muncy said, "My instructor told me that Toyota was coming to the college to look at the robotics program and to talk about possible jobs. I called my friend Kevin and we decided to meet with them and find out what they had to offer. The next thing you know, we had

jobs." Success stories like these happen frequently on the campuses of Big Sandy Community and Technical College. The instructors and professors stay in close contact with business and industry. Students are made aware of jobs available in their career areas, often before the jobs are even advertised. CEOs of businesses serve on advisory boards and students benefit from that first hand contact within their training programs.

Kevin Caudill and Brandon Muncy are not just lucky. They are well prepared for the jobs they have acquired because of the excellent training they have received in Industrial Maintenance Technology at BSCTC. With four campuses located at Pikeville, Prestonsburg, Paintsville and Hager Hill, students now have more options than ever for a quality education at an affordable price. BSCTC is one of 16 colleges in the Kentucky Community and Technical College System. More information about BSCTC can be found at www.bigsandy.kctcs.edu.

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by CAROLE YAMAGUCHI  
as told to Anita Gogno  
"CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SPORT'S FAN'S SOUL"

When our second child was born, Jim and I thought she was perfect, but the doctor pointed out that her feet were turned inward. "Left uncorrected, it would be a problem," he told us.

We vowed to do anything we could to help our baby. When only 2 weeks old, I brought her back to the doctor, just as he had directed, and the doctor put her tiny feet into casts, her precious

she was growing, I had to take her back

to the doctor every two weeks to have each foot recast.

Eventually the casting was finished and it was time for corrective shoes and bars. Jim and I watched with hope and concern as she struggled to walk. Those first, awkward steps made us so proud. By the time she entered preschool, her steps appeared quite normal. Encouraged by her progress, we looked for something else to help strengthen her lower body.

As it turned out, she loved the ice!

When she turned 6, we enrolled her in skating lessons, and soon she was gliding like a swan. We watched in wonderment as she skimmed the ice. She wasn't the fastest, nor the most coordinated skater, she had to work

loved the ice and her dedication paid

of frustration for her as a child who

off. At 15, she competed in both pairs-skating and the ladies' singles at the 1988 World Junior Championships in Australia, winning both events! At the Senior World Championships in 1991, she won the ladies' singles. Then we found ourselves filled with love and admiration in France, at the 1992 Winter Olympics, as our daughter, Kristi Yamaguchi, won the gold medal.

I thought back to the early years of challenge for her — the years of frustration for her as a child who

simply wanted to walk; the endless doctor visits; the arduous first baby steps with bars and corrective shoes. During those years, we didn't expect gold medals and a stunning professional career ahead of her. We stood in awe of Kristi herself, respecting her strength and dedication, and how far she

had come on two tiny feet that had once been bound in heavy casts. In our eyes, Kristi had always walked with the grace of a true champion.

MOVIES FROM  
**THE BLACK LAGOON**

**'Popcorn'**

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

Film fans will get a kick out of this homage to 1950s fright flicks which doesn't skimp on the gore quotient either.

The movie is set at a California university and focuses on film students who stage a horror film festival to raise money for their department. The group includes Maggie, who happens to be suffering from nightmares in which a masked killer stalks her.

As the date of the festival draws near, she begins getting phone calls from a strange man who claims to be her dad and also a renegade film maker who supposedly died after slaughtering his family before a startled audience at the same theater that the students are reopening to run their festival.

Maggie's mom is no help and refuses to discuss her past. She instead tries to talk her daughter into leaving town before the festival. While Maggie bravely asserts that she's not running, her mother stupidly arranges to meet with the caller at the theater in the middle of the night and promptly disappears.

The film festival takes up the rest of the action and moves the film up another notch, as the audience is treated to snippets from three films showcased at the festival as well as some backstage horror as the killer descends on the theater and mimics the on-screen killings behind the scenes, with the apparent aim of wiping out the entire film department.

The three flicks screened at the festival are so well rendered that you might be fooled into thinking that they were really made and acquired for this film. The first movie is one of those giant insect flicks in which a massive mosquito (the film's title) is spawned from nuclear tests. The second one is a lurid melodrama called "The Amazing Electrified Man." Here, a death-row inmate survives his electrocution and becomes a human bug zapper whose touch is lethal. The third effort, and perhaps the funniest, is "The Stench." This is a spoof of those badly dubbed Japanese science fiction films in which the denizens of Tokyo are assaulted by a killer odor, which may not be an unfamiliar scenario to Prestonsburg residents who have learned to tolerate a rather temperamental sewage network.

While the films unspool, the students are busy behind the scenes arranging the special gimmicks that accompany each film. This makes them easy prey for the killer, who takes impressions of each victims face so he can turn their countenances into masks which means that you never know who he'll turn up as next.

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# Odds and Ends

■ **ORLANDO, Fla.** — A man was rescued after spending six hours stuck in an oven's exhaust vent in a convenience store he was trying to burglarize, fire officials said.

Investigators said Lonnie Shields, 37, climbed into a small vent on the roof of the New City Mart around 2 a.m. Thursday and wasn't found until store employees arrived at about 8 a.m.

Shields, who faces charges of burglary of a structure, was treated at a nearby hospital and booked into Orange County Jail on \$1,000 bond.

"He was banged up and crunched up and uncomfortable from being in that pipe for about six hours," Orlando fire chief Greg Hoggatt said.

■ **ISTANBUL, Turkey** — It was a short flight, and Muhammet Ahmet Mursi slept almost the whole way. No leg room complaints. No cramped seats. No annoying announcements. But it was cold.

Mursi, a cargo worker in Saudi Arabia, reportedly fell asleep on the job Wednesday night as he loaded the suitcases of Muslim pilgrims from Turkey on a flight from the Saudi port city of Jeddah to the southeastern Turkish city of Diyarbakir.

He woke up somewhere over southeastern Turkey when the unheated cargo hold became very cold, television station NTV reported Thursday. He screamed so loud the pilots heard him. They pumped him some hot air.

Mursi was seen being taken on a stretcher from an airport in Diyarbakir, Turkey, for medical treatment at a local hospital.

"The patient was in a panic and he had pneumonia," his doctor, Yusuf Yagmur, told Anadolu news agency. "His treatment will take a few days."

Mursi will be returned to Saudi Arabia, probably on a seat, when his treatment is complete, NTV said.

■ **WITTENBERG, Wis.** — Authorities had no trouble locating the suspect after getting a call about a pedestrian attacking two moving cars. He was the one with no clothes.

The Shawano County Sheriff's Department received a complaint Thursday morning after a woman driving on the Wittenberg-Birnawood Townline Road encountered a naked man walking in the road.

As she drove around him, he charged the vehicle, hit the right fender and jumped on the hood, smashing the windshield and breaking off the passenger-side mirror, authorities said.

He slid off and was lying on the road but got up and charged a second vehicle as it approached, damaging its fender.

He then opened the door, climbed in the vehicle and sat down, authorities said.

Wittenberg Ambulance personnel got to the scene ahead of sheriff's deputies and had no trouble with the man, sheriff's Sgt. Staber Cook said.

The 42-year-old man, whose name was not released, was taken in for medical treatment, Cook said. The motorists were not injured.

■ **VIENNA, Austria** — It wasn't bird flu, rather flying drunk into windows that killed 40 songbirds found dead in Vienna.

Experts who conducted tests on the songbirds concluded the birds were intoxicated from eating fermented berries.

The birds — whose remains were carefully examined amid avian influenza fears — had livers so diseased "they looked like they were chronic alcoholics," Sonja Wehsely, a spokeswoman for Vienna's veterinary authority, told Austrian television Thursday.

All died of broken necks after slamming into windowpanes, apparently after gorging themselves on berries that had

begun to rot, turning the juice inside to alcohol, Wehsely said. The juice probably continued to ferment as the birds digested the berries, causing them to become disoriented and fly into the panes, she said.

Their discovery last month in a residential neighborhood of Vienna triggered concerns that bird flu had reached the Austrian capital.

■ **NEW YORK** — A 100-pound woman ate 26 grilled cheese sandwiches in 10 minutes at a New York restaurant, winning the World Grilled Cheese Eating Championship.

Sonya Thomas won \$8,000 for the contest at the Planet Hollywood restaurant in Times Square on Wednesday but said she was disappointed in her performance.

"I could have done better," she said, adding that she was aiming for 30 sandwiches.

Thomas, who is known as the "Black Widow" on the competitive circuit, says she has a naturally big stomach capacity and heavily soaked her sandwiches in water to make them easier to swallow.

She holds numerous world eating records, including 46 dozen oysters in 10 minutes, 11 pounds of cheesecake in 9 minutes, 48 chicken tacos in 11

minutes, 37 hot dogs and buns in 12 minutes and 56 hamburgers in 8 minutes.

The event was organized by GoldenPalace.com, an Internet casino and poker room.

■ **COLUMBIA, S.C.** — In a Victoria's Secret store, surrounded by frilly bras and blown-up images of barely covered models, Lori Rueger says she was told to find somewhere else to breast feed.

Rueger's story — told during a hearing in support of a state bill to ensure breast feeding is allowed in public places — so angered a state lawmaker that he's urging women to form a national Mothers Against Victoria's Secret movement.

"It's really kind of subhuman behavior. And subhuman behavior warrants some kind of strong response other than just a little law that we pass in South Carolina," Rep. Walt McLeod, D-Little Mountain, said Wednesday.

Rueger was one of more than a couple of dozen mothers, doctors, lawyers and other breast-feeding advocates who were on hand to urge passage of the bill.

The 29-year-old Charleston mother testified that she was in a Victoria's Secret store in suburban Mount Pleasant and was told by an employee that she

could not breast feed her baby in a dressing room and was encouraged to use a restroom in a nearby store instead.

A Victoria's Secret spokesman described what happened with Rueger as a misunderstanding and said it has actually had a positive effect by reopening a dialogue on the issue.

Victoria's Secret has a "long-standing policy to allow nursing in our stores. We are still for and about women," said Anthony Hebron, spokesman for the chain's parent, Limited Brands.

The breast-feeding bill may face a tough time in the House Judiciary Committee next week from Rep. John Graham Altman, R-Charleston, who says he supports the concept, but not the mandate on businesses.

■ **PIERRE, S.D.** — State lawmakers decided Wednesday that it's better to have drunks on horses and bicycles instead of behind the wheel of a car.

The state Senate Judiciary Committee approved a bill 6-1 that will exempt horses and bikes from drunken driving laws, meaning intoxicated people who either pedal or saddle up to get home cannot be arrested for drunken driving.

Sen. Lee Schoenbeck said it will make the roads safer for

other motorists.

"If I have to choose ... a problem drunk with 1,500 pounds or 2,000 pounds of metal coming at 50 miles an hour or a two-wheel Schwinn, I'm going to win and my family is going to win," he said. "I'd much rather have a drunk on the bike."

A former lawmaker, Sen. Gene Abdallah, agreed.

"I can't believe that a horse is going to intentionally run into anything," Abdallah said. "This is a good avenue to get some people home."

Prosecutors opposed the bill. Chuck Schroyer, lobbyist for the State's Attorneys Association, said there have been arrests in several counties for riding horses while intoxicated.

In one instance, a drunken rider passed out and his horse was struck by a car, injuring several people, Schroyer said.

"There are people that are injured that are in control of these instruments," he said. "This does happen in the real world."

Legislators, however, said prosecutors still can charge drunken riders on horses and bicycles. Rather than drunken driving, they can be charged with disorderly conduct, it was suggested.

## Today in History

### The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Feb. 5, the 36th day of 2006. There are 329 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:** On Feb. 5, 1937, President Roosevelt proposed increasing the number of justices on the Supreme Court; critics accused Roosevelt of attempting to "pack" the high court.

On this date:

■ In 1881, Phoenix was incorporated.

■ In 1897, the Indiana House of Representatives passed, 67-0, a measure redefining the area of a circle, effectively declaring the value of pi to be 3.2. (The bill died in the Indiana Senate.)

■ In 1906, 100 years ago, actor John Carradine was born in New York City.

■ In 1917, Mexico's constitution was adopted.

■ In 1940, Glenn Miller and his orchestra recorded "Tuxedo Junction" for RCA Victor's "Bluebird" label.

■ In 1958, Gamel Abdel Nasser was formally nominated to become the first president of the new United Arab Republic.

■ In 1962, French President Charles De Gaulle called for Algeria's independence.

■ In 1973, services were held at Arlington National Cemetery for Army Lt. Col. William B. Nolde, the last American soldier killed before the Vietnam cease-fire.

■ In 1981, a military jury in North Carolina convicted Marine Pfc. Robert Garwood of collaborating with the enemy while a prisoner of war in Vietnam. (Garwood was dishonorably discharged.)

■ In 1994, white separatist Byron De La Beckwith was convicted in Jackson, Miss., of murdering civil rights leader Medgar Evers in 1963, and was immediately sentenced to life in prison. (Beckwith died Jan. 21, 2001, at age 80.)

**Ten years ago:** John C. Salvi III went on trial in Dedham, Mass., in the shooting deaths of two receptionists at abortion clinics. (Salvi was convicted and sentenced to two life

terms; he was found dead in his cell in November 1996, an apparent suicide.) Actress Elizabeth Taylor filed for divorce from Larry Fortensky, her seventh husband.

**Five years ago:** Four disciples of Osama bin Laden went on trial in New York in the 1998 bombings of two U.S. embassies in Africa. (The four were convicted and sentenced to life in prison without parole.) Flanked by a jumbo refund-check stage prop, President Bush asked Americans to get behind his proposed tax cuts. A disgruntled former factory worker killed five people, including himself, at an engine plant near Chicago.

**One year ago:** Togo President Gnassingbe Eyadema, Africa's longest-ruling leader, died after a fatal heart attack; he was 69. Steve Young and Dan Marino were elected to the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

**Today's Birthdays:** Comedian-actor Red Buttons is 87. Country singer Claude King is 83. The Rev. Andrew M. Greeley is 78. Baseball Hall-of-Famer Hank Aaron is 72. Actor Stuart Damon is 69. Financial writer Jane Bryant Quinn is 67. Television producer-writer Stephen J. Cannell is 65. Actor David Selby is 65. Singer-songwriter Barrett Strong is 65. Football Hall-of-Famer Roger Staubach is 64. Singer Cory Wells (Three Dog Night) is 64. Movie director Michael Mann is 63. Singer Al Kooper is 62. Actress Charlotte Rampling is 60. Actress Barbara Hershey is 58. Actor Christopher Guest is 58. Actor Tom Wilkinson is 57. Actor-comedian Tim Meadows is 45. Actress Jennifer Jason Leigh is 44. Actress Laura Linney is 42. Rock musician Duff McKagan (Velvet Revolver) is 42. Rock singer Chris Barron (Spin Doctors) is 38. Singer Bobby Brown is 37. Country singer Sara Evans is 35. Actor Jeremy Sumpter is 17.

**Thought for Today:** "The greater the philosopher, the harder it is for him to answer the questions of common people." — Henryk Sienkiewicz, Polish author (1846-1916).

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# A simple test for your clutch

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray:  
I have a 1988 Honda Civic with a 5-speed manual transmission. The mileage on the car is 75,000 — all short trips in New York City. A mechanic told me that I need to replace the clutch. I have my doubts, so how can I tell if I do need a new clutch? — William

RAY: Well, if you've driven 75,000 miles in New York City, that's a good sign, William.

TOM: Clutch wear isn't based as much on miles as on how many times the clutch has been used. Specifically, how many times it's been used to start the car from a dead stop. That — more than anything else



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— is what wears out the clutch.

RAY: So when you drive in Manhattan, you could easily

start from a dead stop 10 times over the course of a single mile. Or 100 times, if you're in crosstown traffic during rush hour. Whereas if you drive on a highway, you may shift up through the gears once, and not shift again for 100 miles.

TOM: So even though you've got "only" 75,000 miles on the car, you're definitely a candidate for a clutch job, William.

RAY: But here's the test. Find something that absolutely won't move — like, for instance, the Chrysler Building.

TOM: Pull your car right up to it, so its front bumper is touching it. Then put the car in fifth gear, give it lots of gas and slowly let out the clutch.

RAY: If the clutch is good,

the engine will stall, no matter how much gas you're giving it. Since a working clutch connects the engine to the wheels, if the wheels can't turn, the engine will have to stop, too. And we know the wheels can't turn, because we know you can't push the Chrysler Building with an '88 Civic, right?

TOM: If the engine keeps running, then we know the clutch must be bad. Because if the car is in gear and the engine is turning but the wheels are not, the clutch has to be slipping.

RAY: By the way, just so you know, William, a clutch for this car in Manhattan is about \$1,000. Plus another \$200 for the ticket for parking on the sidewalk in front of the Chrysler

Building.

**What's up with car making sounds like gunfire?**

Dear Tom and Ray:

I have a new 2005 Chevy Tahoe LS that I just purchased, and the entire time that I'm driving — and even after the car has been shut off and I'm no longer in the vehicle — there are very loud bangs that come from somewhere under the car. It's extremely loud and sounds like gunfire. I'm told it's the catalytic converter expanding (or something like that). The dealer says that it's normal, yet I don't hear anyone else's Tahoe making these noises. It's quite embarrassing. Ever hear of this, and is it OK? — Steven

TOM: Are you sure you're not driving in Iraq, Steven? Because if not, you shouldn't be followed by the sounds of gunfire every time you drive.

RAY: It IS normal for exhaust systems to expand and contract. When they do that, they often make popping or banging noises. If you've ever lived in an old apartment building, you've probably heard the pipes banging when the heat goes on and off. That's the same phenomenon.

TOM: But two things you say make me conclude that it's not just your exhaust system expanding and contracting. One: The noise continues the "entire time" that you're driving. Normally, you might hear this for the first minute or two of driving or, more likely, for five or 10 minutes after you shut off the engine. But hearing it continually is unusual.

RAY: Two: You say it's extremely loud, and sounds like gunfire. I've heard it described as ping-pong, ticking or even

clanging, but never as some kind of assault weapon.

TOM: Your dealer has given you the time-honored response "They all do that." I suppose that could be true — although I can't imagine they'd sell many Tahoes, in that case. So I suggest you test the dealer's theory.

RAY: Start by going back and asking the service manager to take a ride with you. The dealer may be basing his response on your description of the noise, rather than on the noise itself. Once the service manager hears the noise, he may say, "Wow, it shouldn't be that loud — that's something else." Or he may say, "They all do that."

TOM: If he sticks with his story that they all do that, ask to take a test drive in another '05 Tahoe. If it's quiet, then you can insist that they fix yours, because clearly they don't ALL do that.

RAY: But if the other Tahoe does make the same noises, then I guess the dealer is telling you the truth, and you'll just have to live with it. Maybe they all DO sound like they're spraying gunfire as they drive down the road. Maybe it's a brilliant new anti-theft system GM has come up with.

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## Software piracy

Let's face it; piracy is just about as common as going over the speed limit, and if you don't do it, you know someone who does it despite it being against the law. I'd even go as far as to say that the majority of people willingly break this law...and who could blame them. If everyone else is doing it, they should be entitled to it as well. Especially if you don't wreck or get pulled over it must be one of those "victimless crimes", right?

I'm sure the majority of readers have at some point or another used pirated software or listened/watched pirated media; as a matter of fact, I have yet to know anyone who has not downloaded a song or two from questionable sources. The news buzzes with reports of the RIAA and MPAA "cracking down" on piracy. Also, software companies are implementing newer, more sophisticated copy-protection and anti-piracy measures. Yet, it doesn't seem to have put a dent in the total number of people still grinding away on Peer-to-Peer programs such as Kazaa, Limewire, and WinMX.

Software developers are feeling the pressure from piracy more than ever. Nearly all revenue generated by a software product comes from the product itself,

unlike movies or music whose business models accommodate other means of merchandising. While larger companies such as Microsoft have the revenue to hire expensive lawyers to combat piracy of their software, others do not. As a result you see small software development houses come and go on an almost daily basis, particularly if they do not implement or can't afford an effective anti-piracy measure.

It's amazing in this day and age of DRM and secure content delivery that piracy is still as big a problem as it is, despite enormous efforts by the pirated Media's parent companies. Most people look at it from a rather callous standpoint, wholeheartedly believing that piracy only serves to harm the companies, and that said companies usually do nothing more than milk the consumer for a product that they feel should be free. Some would argue that software developers should just accept piracy as part of the job, but chances are the people who say this aren't aware of how widespread piracy really is. Ultimately, they fail to understand that behind software companies, there are real human beings with families to feed and bills to pay.

Piracy, regardless of how it's

executed, is not a victimless crime. Not only are you consciously standing to be counted among those who feel a person's hard work does not deserve repayment, but there is a reasonable likelihood that what you are downloading may very well be malicious software (a virus, worm, spyware, etc) masquerading as music, images, etc. Folks, if you're downloading pirated software, you trust your computer (and your personal information) to people who brag about being criminals.

That download doesn't sound so "free" anymore, does it?

This column will be appearing periodically to answer many of your computing questions/problems. Just email or call us and we will publish your questions and our response. We will answer your questions as quickly and precisely as possible. This column will be written by Information Technology program students at Big Sandy Community and Technical College that also belong to the IT club. To send us your questions, please email us or call:

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## Lagoon

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### Contest update

January's contest saw 37 entries and 29 of them were right on the nose. Apparently it's no secret that Jordan Ladd is the daughter of Cheryl, who jump started her acting career by replacing Farrah Fawcett on Season 2 of "Charlie's Angels." After tossing all 28 names into a hat, we came up with Kathy Whitlock as our winner and she will receive a DVD of Ladd's big screen debut "Cabin Fever," for her efforts.

Also answering correctly were Sherry Ord, of McDowell; Debbie Amburgey, Larry Burke and Patricia West, of Prestonsburg; Fay Humble and Sheila Harlow, of Martin; Susan Reed, of Beaver; Carol Harless, of Dana; Marie Hagans, of Printer; Betty Cannon, of Goshen, Ind.; Daniel and Marlena Blazer, of Oil Springs; Ben Susser, of Livingston, N.J.; Jeremy Davis, of Delbarton, W.Va.; Linda Davis, of Staffordsville; Linda Goldsworthy, of Valparaiso, Ind.; Lisa Parsons, of Allen; Leslie Shepherd, of Van Lear; Sherry Blevins, of Wheelwright; Jonathan Conn, of Lexington; Angela Parks, of Columbus, Ohio; Christine Miller, of Defiance, Ohio; Angela Shepherd and Dianne Price, of Blue River; Doty Layne, of Quincy, Miss.; Cortney Brink, of Mahaffey, Penn.; George Love, of Mount Washington; Elizabeth Bryant, of Wayland; and Yvonne Flatter, of Greenville, Ohio.

Thanks to everyone who played. It was our biggest turn out yet.

The Lagoon is well aware that February is a month best known for unpleasant weather, groundhogs and romance. In the spirit of Cupid, we will be giving away one copy of "Hatchet for a Honey Moon" from Italian horror maestro Mario Bava. We have one copy of a bargain basement DVD edition of the film which includes "Die, Sister, Die" on the flip side.

St. Valentine may be a symbol of affection, but the only instance where his name was used in a movie title was "The St. Valentine's Day Massacre" and "My Bloody Valentine," so that gives you an idea of Hollywood's take on Feb. 14. We will give our copy of Bava's masterpiece about stranding the wrong guy at the altar to one randomly selected correct response to the following question:

What horror film, from 1992, opens with a young couple foolishly repeating the name of a notorious killer three times before a bathroom mirror and thus invoking his presence?

## NEWS OF THE WEIRD

Ms. Sierra Stiles, age 8, was credited with the first bear kill in Maryland in the limited October hunting season, downing a 211-pounder from 50 yards away with her .243-caliber rifle. (She had won one of the lottery-awarded permits and then ace the safety test.) And according to a Seattle Post-Intelligencer profile in January, Aidan Gold, age 8, of Bothell, Wash., recently climbed a 20,300-foot peak on Mount Everest in the Himalayas with his dad, adding to his previous climbs in the Cascades and the Alps. Aidan said the last part of the Everest climb (a 45-degree stretch of rock and ice) was "the (hardest) 3,000 feet I've ever done."

### The Entrepreneurial Spirit

■ Katie's Pet Depot in La Verne, Calif., is one of the few grooming salons in the country for rats, according to an October Associated Press report. A special \$10 treatment includes lustrous-coat shampooing, claw-clipping and flea and mite treatment, and employee Karri Garrison said the claw-clipping is the hardest: "They have very small feet."

■ Opportunities in Toilet Paper: (1) Rev. Rick Oliver of the First Church of God in Pendleton, Ore., decided last fall that the church's new fund-raising campaign would involve sales of toilet paper, specifically the upscale brand Angel Soft. (2) The Portuguese paper producer Renova introduced black toilet paper in France last fall (and expect to introduce it in the U.S. soon). A Renova statement called the tissue "elegant, rebellious, alternative and eternally fashionable."

### Animals With Issues

■ In October in Louisburg, Kan., and January in Eau Claire, Wis., cats went missing after hiding behind drywall being installed in houses, eventually getting sealed in. The unnamed Kansas cat was in for three weeks before workers returned

and heard an intrawall shuffling noise, and "Mary Poppins" in Wisconsin moved between walls and ceiling for five days before homeowners tracked her down with thermal imaging equipment.

■ China's Xinhua news agency reported in October that Ai Ai, the veteran chimp at the safari park in Shaanxi province, who is 27 years old and who started smoking cigarette butts at age 11 when her first mate died, has finally kicked her nicotine habit. Zoo officials attributed her success to distractions such as exercise, music (via a Walkman "borrowed" from a keeper), and better food, such as fried dishes and dumplings.

■ Pigs Fighting for Respect: Pigs' personalities are distributed much like humans', according to patiently observant British researcher Niamh O'Connell (interviewed for a November story in London's Daily Telegraph). Except for the largest ones, pigs are of two types: pushy ones that always fight for food and choice sleeping space, and meek ones that avoid confrontations. According to O'Connell, the aggressive ones have higher stress levels and make poorer parents, and besides, they ultimately lose out when they challenge the alpha pigs.

### Oops!

(1) Mike Bolognue opened what he believes is the only alcohol-free "sports bar" in America, in Plain Township, Ohio, near Akron. It was unintentional. He had already invested \$560,000 in the bar before he realized that it was located in a dry district. (However, voters can un-dry the district on a ballot question in May.) (2) And in December, a typist for the Japanese bank Mizuho Securities hit the wrong keys and sold about 600,000 shares of an expensive stock that Mizuho owned only 1 share of, making the firm liable for the equivalent of more than \$225 million. (The

Tokyo Stock Exchange pressured some company buyers to cancel their purchases, but individuals got to sell their purchases back to Mizuho at a huge profit.)

### Questionable Judgments

(1) In a company employee style manual issued in late 2005 by Commonwealth Bank in Queensland state in Australia, workers were advised with great specificity how to groom themselves and practice good hygiene. Among the areas covered were proper brands of underwear, shapes for women's eyebrows, and frequency for shaving and for moisturizing one's hands. (In December, a Commonwealth executive issued an "if" apology, i.e., an apology "if" the bank had offended anyone.) (2) In October, Tony Price, managing director of the British firm WStore UK, reportedly threatened to give each of his 80 employees first a DNA test, and then when reaction to that went poorly, a lie detector test, after he accidentally got someone's discarded chewing gum on his trousers.

### Chutzpah!

(1) Lucella Bridget Gorman pleaded guilty in Brisbane, Australia, in December to two counts of theft, the first count for stealing things from a department store and the second count for stealing the mugshot camera while police were booking her for the department-store theft. (2) FEMA subcontractor Frank Tanner, 47, was charged with looting in Slidell, La., in January after he walked out the front door of Darin LeBlanc's home with an armful of electronic equipment. LeBlanc was standing in his front yard at the time, but Tanner, in the hubbub surrounding cleanup efforts, apparently thought LeBlanc was just another contractor.

### Least Competent Criminals

Selina Valdez, 28, was arrested

in January and her suspected partner, Daniel Marquez, 41, was sought by police, on counterfeiting charges in Pueblo, Colo., after police walked into their foul-smelling home. No hoarded animals were present, but according to police, about a week before the arrest, officers had called on the couple, who had then hurriedly flushed the bogus bills down the toilet. After questioning them, police left, but the toilet clogged, and since then, the couple have been relieving themselves into plastic bags that police found strewn about the home.

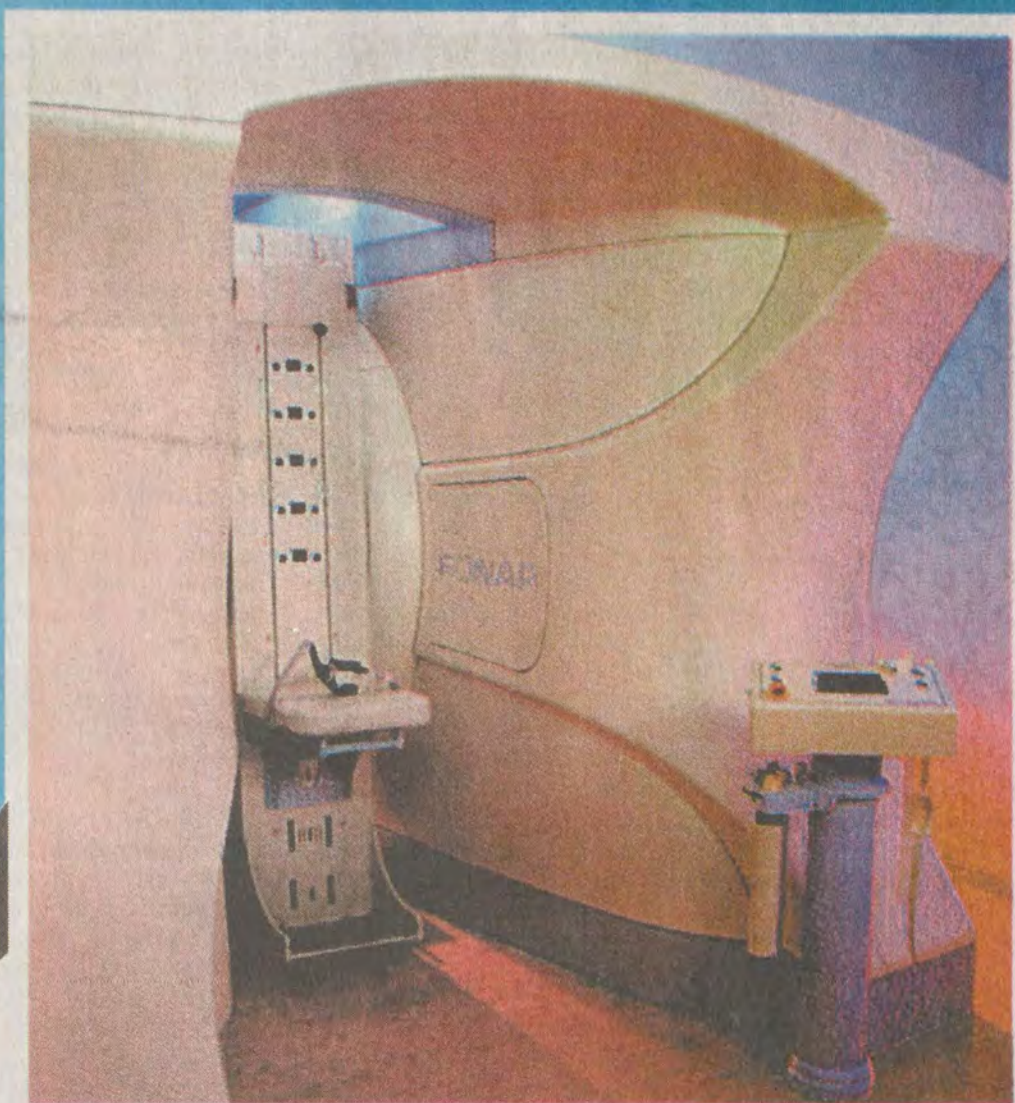
■ Readers' Choice: Jessica Sandy Booth, 18, was arrested in December in Memphis, Tenn., and charged with hiring a hit man to help her kill four people so she could steal a brick of what turned out to be queso fresco cheese. According to police, Booth had seen the large block of crumbly, white, Mexican-cuisine cheese on a table at an acquaintance's home, thought it was a big pile of cocaine, and devised an elaborate plot to return later, steal it, and kill anyone in the house old enough to testify against her.

### The Classic Middle Name

Arrested recently and awaiting trial for murder: Jeremy Wayne Hopkins, 22 (Denton, Texas, November); Reginald Wayne Thomas, 23 (Houston, November); Matthew Wayne Almand, 18 (Melbourne, Fla., November); John Wayne Surratt Jr., 28 (Stanly County, N.C., December); escaped and recaptured, January; Curtis Wayne Campbell, 25 (Norman, Okla., January). Convicted of murder: Roy Wayne Russell, 45 (Vancouver, Wash., January). Sentenced for murder: Douglas Wayne Pepper, 44 (Greensboro, N.C., November). Executed for murder: Melvin Wayne White, 55 (Huntsville, Texas, November). Committed Suicide While Suspected of Murder: Don Wayne Moody, 26 (Laredo, Texas, December).

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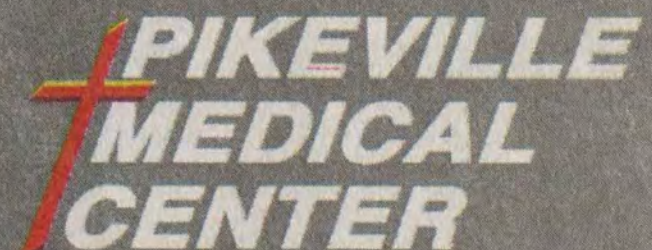
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## Keathley touted as one of top coaches

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

LOUISVILLE

ProBasketballNews.com has listed Floyd County native Kevin Keathley as one of 10 top up-and-coming professional coaches.

Keathley, who most recently coached with the Kentucky Colonels of the revived ABA, finds himself in elite company with other ABA, CBA and NBA D-League coaches, including former NBA All-Star

turned coach Tim Hardaway.

Keathley was named the ABA Coach of the Year after coaching the Colonels to a second-round playoff appearance. The Floyd County native didn't return to the Colonels for a second season, but is looking to catch on with another professional basketball franchise. Keathley could return to the coaching ranks quite possibly as early as this spring.

The World Basketball Association (WBA) is a possible next stop for Keathley.

The WBA will begin another season in the spring. The league currently has head coaching vacancies within more than one franchise.

"I'm very flattered to be named in the article, as a coach, I try to work hard and do the things that need to be done in order to succeed and if that gets noticed on a larger scale than that's an added bonus," said Keathley.

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Floyd County native Kevin Keathley continues to climb up through the professional basketball coaching ranks.

## Use of libero in high school volleyball finalized

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

INDIANAPOLIS — As the official implementation of the libero player in high school volleyball occurs during the 2006-07 season, the NFHS Volleyball Rules Committee, at its January 8-9 meeting in Indianapolis, incorporated all stipulations regarding the libero approved last year into the body of the NFHS Volleyball Rules Book.

Following are stipulations regarding the libero that will be incorporated into the 2006-07 rules book:

- The libero is a back-row player who is a passing and defensive specialist.

- In order to be used, the libero must be designated on the lineup sheet. If a libero is not designated on the lineup sheet, the team may not use a libero in that game.

- The libero is restricted to perform as a back-row player. He/she cannot serve, block, attack from anywhere if, at the moment of contact, the ball is entirely above the net.

(See VOLLEYBALL, page two)

## Raiders look to regroup after early All -A departure



photo by Steve LeMaster

Senior center Ryan Little and the rest of his South Floyd teammates will return to the hardwood Tuesday on the road at Betsy Layne against the Bobcats in a key 58th District game.

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

RICHMOND — Several things went wrong for the South Floyd Raiders in their opening round Touchstone Energy All "A" Classic game Thursday against First Region champion Mayfield. The Raiders played good in spurts in the first half versus Mayfield. The second half, however, didn't offer many bright spots for the 15th Region team. In 2005, South Floyd played in the All "A" Classic state event for the second time in school history and won its opening-round game, defeating then-16th Region champion Elliott County in the opening contest. Now, South Floyd will get back to work and prepare for the rest of the 2005-06 season. Raider faithful are hoping for a similar

(See RAIDERS, page two)

## Warriors win two

TIMES STAFF REPORT

GARRETT — The Garrett Christian Warriors traveled to Lawrenceburg on Saturday, Jan. 26 and after getting off to a slow start bounced back nicely and played their way to a 67-57 win over the host Rams. In another game, Garrett Christian defeated Hazard Christian Academy convincingly, 83-65.

Kyle Green and Matthew Potter led Garrett with 15 points apiece. Brian Vanderpool and Robbie Vanderpool each had 13 points for the Warriors. Peter Youmans had a double-double effort of 11 points and 10 rebounds.

Lawrenceburg jumped out in front and led Garrett 15-12 at the end of the first quarter. The Rams went into halftime with a 32-27 lead. The third quarter, however, saw the visiting Warriors grab a lead and keep it. Garrett Christian led 49-44 at the end of the third quarter and also outscored the Rams in the fourth period.

(See WARRIORS, page two)

## PC women fall at home

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — The Lady Bears of Pikeville College are the last winless team in the Mid-South Conference, suffering a 71-61 loss to previously-winless Campbellsville University on Thursday night.

Campbellsville (9-15, 1-3) got the win thanks to 9-of-17 shooting from the three-point stripe. Julianna Brown, a freshman from Nashville, sank 4-of-5 to finish with 14 points.

Pikeville, meanwhile, fell to 11-12 on the season and remained winless in four league games.

Hot three-point shooting sent the Lady Tigers to 43.1 percent shooting for the night. They hit 12-of-15 (80 percent) from the free-throw line. The Lady Bears were hitting at 38.1 percent, 26.7 from the arc. They did connect on 81.8 percent of their free throws.

Brown was followed by Jenny Noort, who had 11 and a team-best seven rebounds. She shared rebounding honors with Julija Illic, who added eight points.

Pikeville got a double-double from senior Julie Yates, who had 12 points and 12 assists and added five steals. Kellie Jo Moore, a sophomore from Inez who previously starred at Sheldon Clark High School, had 20 points and five rebounds.

Former Whitesburg High School standout Camille Cook had 11 points and five rebounds, while Heather Dillon tossed in 10 and pulled down five.

## Campbellsville scorches nets, beats Bears

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — Pikeville College put five players in double figures in the scoring column but saw Campbellsville shoot 62 percent in the second half to pull out a 78-71 win Thursday night.

The win pushed the Tigers to 18-3 overall and 2-2 in the rugged Mid-South Conference. The Bears fell to 8-16 and winless in four league games.

Campbellsville led 27-23 at the half but went 13-of-21 from the floor and sank 5-of-8 three-pointers (62.5 percent). And after not shooting a free throw in the first half, they were 20-of-25 from the line in the final 20 minutes.

Pikeville picked up its shooting overall, hitting 47.4 percent, thanks largely to its offensive rebounding effort. Grabbing 11 offensive rebounds, Pikeville got 17 more shots from the floor than Campbellsville and hit 47.4 percent. That, however, wasn't enough, as the Bears hit only 2-of-10 from the arc.

Junior Marcus Jones hit four three-pointers

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### SOUTH FLOYD RAIDERS REMAINING REGULAR-SEASON GAMES

- Feb. 7 Betsy Layne, 7:30 p.m.
- Feb. 10 Allen Central, 7:30 p.m.
- Feb. 17 at Shelby Valley, 7:30 p.m.
- Feb. 21 at Pike Co. Cent. 7:30 p.m.
- Prestonsburg — Date and Time TBA.



photos by Jamie Howell  
HONORED: The Adams Middle School boys' basketball program held its annual Eighth Grade Night Thursday when Allen Central Middle School visited. A complete wrap-up of the games and information on this year's boys' county tournaments will appear in Wednesday's edition.





## Keathley

"To be mentioned along side Tim Hardaway, a guy who as a kid I admired is really surreal."

"I just feel very fortunate to be working in the game of basketball."

Coaching in the ABA afforded Keathley the opportunity to coach against other premier bas-

ketball prospects - players and coaches.

The author of "A Blueprint to Coaching Success," a book which guides readers through all aspects of basketball coaching, Keathley was the associate head coach of the 2003 edition of the Louisville Eagles,

UPBL champions. He also enjoyed success as a college assistant coach. At only 27 years old, Keathley, who spent some of his younger years growing up in Floyd County, ranks as one of the nation's top young professional basketball coaches.

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## Volleyball

The libero must wear a specific uniform with a legal number.

The libero may replace any player in a back-row position. The replacement is not counted as a substitution. The libero can only be replaced by the player whom he/she replaced.

A new section in Rule 10 was created to define when, how and where a libero replacement takes place; when the replacement is illegal; redesignation of the libero; proper procedures for handling exceptional substitutions; and disqualifications involving the libero. In various rules throughout the book, language was added to incorporate uniform numbering, location of the libero at the moment of serve, game administration and penalties involving unnecessary delay.

In other changes involving the libero, Rule 7-1-1b requires that the designated libero be identified on the team roster by listing an "L" before the uniform number of the libero.

Becky Oakes, who joins the NFHS staff February 1 and will serve as liaison to the Volleyball Rules Committee, said that to assist schools in supplying libero uniform tops without excessive costs, the libero may have two uniform numbers. When listing the libero on the roster, the non-libero number is first, followed by the libero number (e.g., 15/L4). Oakes noted that the second number cannot be a duplicate of any other number on the roster.

Another change due to the addition of libero play is the cre-

ation of an assistant scorer position. The responsibility of the assistant scorer is to record libero replacements, and this individual will be located next to the official scorer at the scorer's table.

Besides the official introduction of the libero into the game next year, a change in Rule 12-2-6 will allow the head coach to stand in the libero replacement zone during any dead ball to instruct his or her players. The privilege is lost and the head coach must remain seated as outlined in Rule 12-2-5 if a card is issued to anyone on the team bench.

Oakes noted that coaches may only stand during a dead ball. Once the referee extends his or her arm in preparation to beckon for serve, the coach must be seated.

The rules committee determined a change was needed in the definition of a block, which now states "having a player close to the net who is reaching higher than the net and deflects the ball coming from an opponent." The previous definition created play situations in which officials were judging intent, and in some cases the action of a back-row player who was nowhere near the top of the net was considered to attempt a block and play was illegal, Oakes said.

Two changes were made in Rule 2 regarding the court. A note was added to Rule 2-1-4, which clarifies the flexibility for the centerline court marking to be a shadow line that designates

the required 2-inch centerline. Rule 2-2-2 now states that cables, which are used to retract a ceiling-suspended net system and located only on one side of the net, are playable overhead obstructions.

Regarding uniforms, Rule 4-2-3f now states that the placement of numbers on the center front of the uniform top may now be located no more than 5 inches below the bottom edge of any neckline, ribbing, placket or seam. Oakes said that this change does not make any existing legal uniform illegal and does not change the requirement if the number is on the upper left/right of the jersey.

With a change in Rule 5-4-1d, the umpire shall verify that the lineup has been entered correctly on the scoresheet.

"Previously, errors have been made transposing the lineup from the coaches' lineup sheets to the official scoresheet," Oakes said. "Verification of the transfer of the lineup to the scoresheet by the umpire prior to the match will eliminate these mistakes."

Volleyball is the third-most popular sport for girls at the high school level, with 386,022 participants, according to the 2004-05 NFHS High School Athletics Participation Survey. It also ranks third in school sponsorship for girls with 14,526 high schools offering the sport. In addition, a total of 41,637 boys participated in volleyball in 2004-05 at 1,688 high schools.

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## Warriors

Garrett Christian 83, Hazard Christian 65: Garrett led from beginning to end, defeating Hazard Christian 83-65.

Kyle Green and Brian Vanderpool paced the Warriors

with 19 points apiece. Matthew Potter had a double-double, finishing with 17 points and 11 rebounds. Robbie Vanderpool had 12 points for the Warriors and Peter Youmans scored 10,

giving Garrett five players in double figures scoring.

Justin Shepherd, Kyle Hamilton and Jarrod Spencer rounded out the Garrett scoring with two points apiece.

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## Bears

to lead the way with 17. Emanuel Tekie followed with 13.

Senior Chris Carroll followed with 12 and grabbed 10 rebounds for his sixth double-double of the season. Senior Kurtis Ellison also had 12

points, grabbed nine rebounds, dished out five assists and had four steals, playing 32 minutes at the point with only one turnover.

Kyle Morris came off the bench to toss in 11,

Campbellsville was led by Zach Ingles, who was 4-of-8 from the arc to finish with 23 points. James Steward tossed in 18, while Zach Allender added 13. Allender also led the team with six rebounds.

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## Raiders

regional championship ending come March.

The Raiders made a trip to the Touchstone Energy All "A" Classic for a second straight season.

South Floyd was scheduled to stay in Richmond for the All "A" Classic through today before returning and preparing to resume regular-season competi-

tion Tuesday versus Betsy Layne. The Raiders will have to go on the road and face the Bobcats. In early January, the up-and-down Betsy Layne Bobcats rallied and put up a tough challenge against South Floyd. The Raiders, however, ultimately prevailed, winning 74-72.

South Floyd has other regular-season games remaining ver-

sus Allen Central (Feb. 10), Shelby Valley (Feb. 17) and Pike County Central (Feb. 21). The Raiders were scheduled to take on rival Prestonsburg this past Tuesday in a 58th District matchup. Due to South Floyd's participation in the All "A" Classic, the district game was postponed. At press time, a definite makeup date was not known.

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# There are squirrels for this February's late season

by STEVE VANTREESE  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PADUCAH - Dyed-in-the-wool Kentucky hunters can finish out their game year the way they started - stalking squirrels.

Squirrels are often the first mark on the hunter's calendar, coming in season on the third Saturday of August. Here on the other end of that calendar, bushy-tail season runs through the end of February well after most other game pursuits have concluded.

This winter actually is the first in which there's much point to February squirrel stalking. The season was extended through February last year, but a mast (nut) crop failure across most of Kentucky's woodlands resulted in a dramatic decline in squirrel numbers during the fall and winter of 2004-05. There were few squirrels available by late season last year.

Squirrel food in the form of hickory nuts and acorns is vastly more abundant this year, and while squirrel numbers haven't exploded again, they are improved from last February. With nuts aplenty out there, too, squirrels are feeding more actively than last winter when the famine survivors fell into an energy-saving torpor.

Hunting late-winter squirrels is a much different quest than hunting in the early days

after the summer season opening. Obviously, gone is the heat and insects that taxed August hunters. Likewise absent is most hunting pressure, for the majority of squirrel hunter participation comes during the first few days of the season.

Environmentally, the huge difference for winter hunters is the dropped foliage and the open, high visibility nature of the state's forests and woodlots. Without all the greenery aloft, hunters more easily can see squirrels - and vice versa - at greater distances.

The open woods is an incentive for rimfire rifle specialists to hunt squirrels in the late-winter phase. Those who prefer to hunt with accurate, usually scoped, .22- and .17-caliber rifles can take advantage of the higher visibility to seek out longer shots upon which tack-driving small bore arms can shine.

Shotgun-packing hunters still have their place in the winter squirrel woods, but they often find the need for more careful stalking to close the gap and get within scattergun reach of foraging bushytails.

Hunting locations, like at other times of the year, are food related. In February, that means squirrels will be collected around long-dropped but remaining acorns and hickory nuts chiefly. There were

enough nuts in the most recent crop that most hardwood areas still have plenty of mast on the ground for foraging squirrels as well as other wildlife.

The ground level activity is key for late hunters. Squirrels spend far more time scuffling in the fallen leaves than they did in summer and early fall because that's where most of their food is now.

On a dry day in the winter woods, the forest floor is crunchy enough to create considerable noise for pedestrian hunters on the move. Consequently, better results may come for the hunter who picks a likely spot, then sits and waits for squirrel activity to begin or resume.

When the woods are damp and the sound from steps in the leaves is minimal, squirrel stalkers may have better results by sneaking and stopping in intervals, watching and listening for squirrel activity. Careful sleuthing followed by deliberate stalking may produce more action by virtue of simply covering more territory.

The daily bag limit on squirrels remains six, but winter hunters will find one or two bushytails far more attainable. More than sheer weight in the game bag, the late season's biggest advantage is the excuse to stalk about in the winter woods.

# Reds offer four ways to get Opening Day tickets

TIMES STAFF REPORT

CINCINNATI - For the first time, the Cincinnati Reds will give fans four different ways to purchase tickets to the Opening Day game against the Chicago Cubs.

Log On! Luck Out!: From Monday through Wednesday of next week (February 6-8), fans can register online at reds.com to win one of 50 chances to purchase two Mezzanine Infield seats to Opening Day. Additional Opening Day Ticket Opportunity information is available at reds.com.

Early Bird Gets Opening Day...: At 9 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 11 the Reds will hold a sale only at reds.com for their new 8-game Power Pack promotion that includes tickets for the April 3 Opening Day game, all three games of the Fourth of July weekend series against the Cleveland Indians and all four Fireworks Nights. The limited supply of Power Pack sets will be available only through the team's web site while supplies last.

Feb. 18 On-Sale Date: Tickets for all 2006 regular-season games will go on sale Saturday, February 18. Opening Day tickets will go on sale at 9:00 a.m. ET, while tickets for the remaining 80 home games will go on sale at 9:30.

Season Ticket Packages: Tickets to Opening Day are included in selected season ticket packages.

Beginning at 9 a.m. on Feb. 18, tickets to Opening Day can be purchased by phone at

513/381-REDS and toll-free (877) 647-REDS, via the internet at www.reds.com and in person at the Great American Ball Park ticket windows at Second and Main Streets, the Majestic Dugout Shop in the Westin Hotel downtown and at all area Meijer stores.

Tickets to the remaining 80 games will go on sale at 9:30 a.m. at those same locations.

On Feb. 18, there will be a limit of 6 Opening Day tickets per order. For fans purchasing Opening Day tickets via phone or the internet, there will be a limit of 1 order per credit card or household.

Ticket prices range from \$5 to \$36. There is an additional \$10 charge per each ticket for Opening Day and a \$5 charge per each ticket to the holiday weekend series against the Indians.

For fans purchasing tickets at Great American Ball Park or Majestic Dugout Shop in the

Westin, there will be a line for Opening Day tickets only that opens at 9 a.m. and a separate line for tickets to the other 80 games that opens at 9:30. The Pepsi Rally Pack, mascots Mr. Red and Gapper and the Reds Rover will be on hand to entertain fans. Outdoor restroom facilities will be available to fans at GABP.

Beginning Monday, February 20, Great American Ball Park ticket windows will be open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.. Also beginning Feb. 20, tickets can be purchased at the Majestic Dugout Shop in the Westin Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. ET.

Information on season ticket, group ticket and premium seating packages are available at www.reds.com or by calling (513) 765-7400.

## Reds Power Pack On Sale Feb. 11 At Reds.Com

April 3	Opening Day vs. Chi	2:10 p.m.
April 4-5	Second Game vs. Chi	12:35 p.m.
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June 9	Fireworks Night vs Chi	7:10 p.m.
June 30	Fireworks Night vs Cle	7:10 p.m.
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Online service charges apply		

# A-TEAM: Wesley beats Allen

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ALLEN - Wesley Christian defeated rival Allen Monday night in boys' basketball action. Host Wesley outscored Allen 21-4 in the opening period and cruised to a 64-46 win over the Eagles.

Wesley honored three eighth-graders - Zack Key, Bryan

Stratton and Cameron Tincer - as part of Eighth Grade Night.

Key and Stratton each had 17 points and six rebounds for Wesley.

Tincer added 15 points, nine steals, eight assists and five rebounds for the winning team.

Dylan Meade added nine points for Wesley while Brandon Jarrell chipped in six.

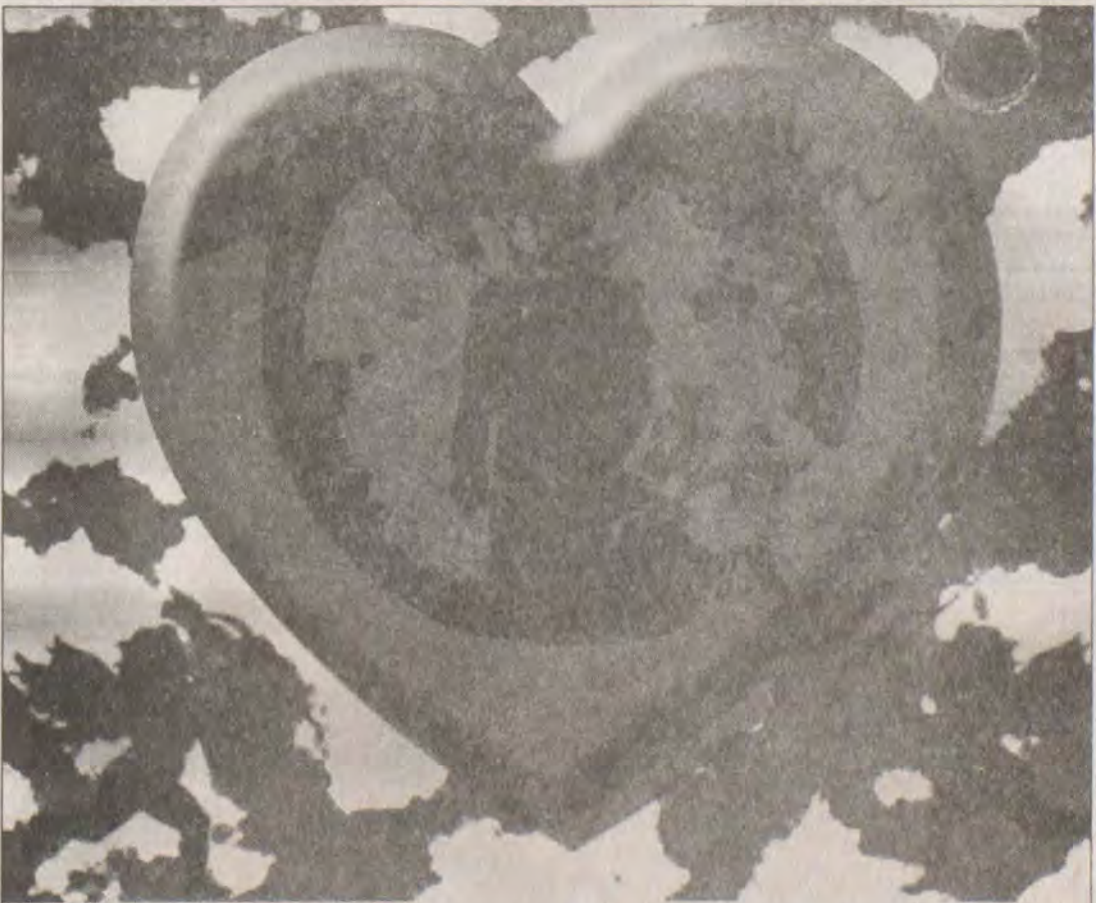
In the B-team game, Allen

beat Wesley 25-19.

B-TEAM: ALLEN 25,  
WESLEY 19

WESLEY - Meade 7, Newsome 2, Hall 4, Lewis 2, Meade 4.

ALLEN - Williams 9, Bentley 6, Dillion 4, Bentley 4, Crisp 2.



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# No. 14 Georgia 91, No. 21 Kentucky 57

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATHENS, Ga. — The only way No. 21 Kentucky could slow down center Tasha Humphrey was to get her off the floor.

They never did figure out guard Sherill Baker.

Humphrey scored 26 points and grabbed 10 rebounds before fouling out with 4:07 to play in No. 14 Georgia's 91-57 win Thursday night in a Southeastern Conference game.

Baker didn't go to the bench until the last two minutes, by which time she had totaled 19 points, seven rebounds, seven assists and five steals.

"This is fun," said Georgia Coach Andy Landers, who won his 650th game. "This team is so focused and playing so well. It is fun to be around them."

Landers is the eighth women's basketball coach to reach the 650-win milestone, and only the second to do it at one school. Tennessee coach Pat Summitt got her 901st win Sunday — all with the Lady Vols.

Kentucky (15-5, 4-3) moved into the Top 25 this week for the

first time since 1993 by handing Tennessee its first conference loss of the season last Thursday.

Georgia has won three straight after a one-point loss to LSU. If there is a caveat to Landers' praise, it is that most of the significant minutes are logged by just six players.

"There is not anything I can do about that," said Landers. "They have done remarkably well with it. Sure, they get tired, but they have developed a toughness that sustains them."

Humphrey's 26 points were the most any single player has scored on Kentucky this year.

"Our guards are getting me the ball, and they are hitting their shots," said Humphrey, "so other teams can't double me."

Baker's five steals gave her 382 for her career, tied with Old Dominion's Mary Andrade for 21st in NCAA history. She is leading the country in steals for the fifth straight week.

"It is rare you find a player like her," Humphrey said. "She has always been noted for her defense, but this year she is stepping up on the offensive end."

Kentucky kept the game close for most of the first half, and consecutive baskets by the Wildcats' Jenny Pfeiffer cut the margin to 29-23 with 6 minutes left. However, the Lady Bulldogs (16-5, 6-2 SEC) ended the half with a 15-6 run to build a 44-29 lead at the break.

"Georgia's athleticism and quickness on the perimeter really forced us into some early turnovers," said Kentucky Coach Mickie DeMoss. "We played everybody to try and find our spark. We couldn't get anything started offensively."

After Sarah Elliott's jumper pulled Kentucky within 51-37 early in the second half, Sherill Baker's jumper began an 11-0 run for Georgia that put the game out of reach.

Megan Darrah added 14 points and Cori Chambers and Janese Hardrick had 13 apiece.

Eleia Roddy led Kentucky with 12 points, followed by Samantha Mahoney with 11 and Nastassia Alcius with 10.

Humphrey drew a technical foul in the second half for taunting, and fouled out with 4:07 to play.



FANS IN THE STANDS: The Hi Hat Craziest were out in full force Thursday, cheering on the South Floyd High School boys' basketball team at the Touchstone Energy All "A" Classic. The Raiders went into halftime tied with First Region champion Mayfield before falling behind and never recovering in the second half.



## Eastern Kentucky to play host to UNC-Asheville

TIMES STAFF REPORT

RICHMOND — The Ohio Valley Conference has announced that the Eastern Kentucky men's basketball team will play host to Big South foe UNC Asheville on Saturday, Feb. 18, as part of the ESPN Bracket Buster agreement. Game time has yet to be determined.

Eastern Kentucky was one of

more than 100 teams that signed up to participate in the Bracket Buster festivity in September of last year. However, the Colonels were not selected to one of the 13 showcase games designated for television by the ESPN family of networks (ESPN, ESPN2, ESPNU and ESPNU360).

For the remaining 74 teams from the original pool, an intra-conference home-and-home

series was created, with the first game scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 18, and the return game set to be played during the 2006-07 season. UNC Asheville is currently 5-13 overall and 3-5 in Big South play. The Bulldogs faced one of the toughest non-conference schedules of the year with road trips to Georgia Tech, Wake Forest, NC State and North Carolina.

## MSU heads to Central Michigan for Bracket Buster game

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — The Morehead State University Basketball Eagles will begin an intra-conference home-and-home series with Central Michigan University on Feb. 18, 2006, in Mount Pleasant, Mich., as a result of both school's being named to the BracketBusters presented by eBay original pool of teams. Central Michigan will make a return trip to Morehead during the 2006-07 season.

In September, 2005, ESPN selected 100 teams representing

18 conferences to participate in the original pool of teams. Included were all 11 Ohio Valley Conference schools. On Tuesday (Jan. 30), Samford was picked to represent the league in one of the 13 games selected by ESPN as the 2006 BracketBusters presented by eBay field. The Bulldogs will play at Ohio in a game that will be televised by one of the ESPN family of networks (ESPN, ESPN2, ESPNU and ESPNU360).

The Eagles and the Chippewas have met twice, once during each of the 1939-40

and 1940-41 seasons, with CMU winning on both occasions. Out of the Mid-American Conference, Central Michigan has a record of 3-15 through games of Jan. 30.

Morehead State is 2-17 after suffering a tough home court loss to Tennessee Tech, 69-66, Tuesday evening. The Eagles are off for the remainder of this week and will return to OVC play at Eastern Kentucky on Monday, Feb. 6. That game will tip off at 8:05 p.m. EST and will be televised regionally by WYMT-TV, Hazard, and UPN Lexington.



photo by Jamie Howell  
WORKING THE BASKETBALL: Warren Blackburn drove for Adams Middle School in its game Thursday night against visiting Allen Central Middle School.

## Colonel Football signs 15 players

TIMES STAFF REPORT

RICHMOND — Eastern Kentucky University head football coach Danny Hope announced today that 15 student-athletes signed National Letters of Intent to play football for the Colonels next fall. The class includes four offensive linemen, three defensive linemen, two wide receivers, two tight ends, one quarterback, one linebacker, one corner back and one running back.

"I had one marching order for our staff this year — recruit passionate players that love to play football and are fun to be around," Hope said. "Those are the same type of players that were on our championship teams in the past. I'm certainly grateful for the resources we have at EKV to bring in a recruiting class of this quality, both on the field and academically."

Six of the signees earned all-state accolades including wide receiver Chris Fulmer and defensive lineman Yameen

Thomas. Fulmer, a three-time all-state selection from Nitro, W.Va., finished his prep career with 329 receptions, 5,082 receiving yards and 45 touchdowns. His reception total is the most in United States high school football history while his receiving yards rank second all-time. Thomas, hailing from Charlotte, N.C., was the Defensive Player of the Year as well as Student-Athlete of the Year in North Carolina. He notched 78 tackles, 7.5 sacks, 22 hurries and 12 tackles for loss during his prep career.

Three of the incoming student-athletes come from the same high school as current Colonels. Tight end Andrew Motes, hailing from Winter Garden, Fla., and junior safety Victor Nichols both played at West Orange High School. Kherryll O'Brien, a tight end from Palm Bay, Fla., and sophomore Marcus Pearson each competed at Bayside High. Offensive lineman Tejon Washington and sophomore defensive lineman

Bakabri Thornton both played football at Bartow High School in Bartow, Fla.

Meanwhile, five newcomers played in the Central Florida East-West High School All-Star game this past fall — wide receiver Ryan Aldrin (Orlando, Fla.), linebacker Jordan Dalrymple (Oviedo, Fla.), offensive lineman Chris Krack (Winter Springs, Fla.), Motes and O'Brien. Dalrymple has family ties to Eastern as his uncle, Brooks, played on the Colonel offensive line in the late 1980s. He was the 2005 Central Florida Defensive Player of the Year.

Eastern Kentucky finished the 2005 season 7-4 overall and 7-1 in the OVC, its third consecutive second-place finish in the conference. The Colonels return five first team All-OVC players for 2006, including All-American tight end Patrick Bugg and OVC Offensive Player of the Year Josh Greco. EKV will be in search of its 29th consecutive winning season and its first league title since 1997.

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Calvin Harrison, DB, 6-1, 190, Richland Northeast HS, Columbia, S.C.; Mike Hartline, QB, 6-6, 190, GlenOak HS, Canton, Ohio; Jamaal Jackson, LB/DL, 6-4, 220, Crisp County HS, Cordele, Ga.; Justin Jeffries, DL/OL, 6-5, 300, St.

Xavier HS, Louisville; Micah Johnson, LB/RB, 6-2, 225, Fort Campbell (Ky.) HS; Steve Johnson, WR, 6-3, 198, Chabot College, San Francisco, Calif.; Terrence Jones, WR, 6-2, 183, Douglass HS, Atlanta, Ga.; Ricky Lumpkin, DE, 6-4, 260, Kenwood HS, Clarksville, Tenn.; Sam Maxwell, LB, 6-3, 225, Hart County HS, Hartwell, Ga.; Josh Minton, DE, 6-3, 250, Pulaski Southwestern HS, Somerset; Jamil Paris, DE, 6-6, 215, Sebastian River HS, Vero Beach, Fla.; Corey Peters, DT, 6-3, 278, Central HS, Louisville; Ameer Salahudin, DB, 5-10, 183, Hanna HS, Anderson, S.C.; Lones Seiber IV, K, 5-9, 180, Central HS, Knoxville, Tenn.;

Darrell Stevens, WR, 6-0, 170, Robinson HS, Tampa, Fla.; Michael Strickland, WR, 6-2, 190, Walton HS, Marietta, Ga.; Brandon Thurmond, LB, 6-2, 200, Grady HS, Rex, Ga.; Paul Warford, DB/RB, 5-10, 195, Madison Central HS, Richmond; LaShun Watson, WR, 6-5, 190, Greenville (Ga.) HS.

LOUISVILLE — Jeffrey Adams, DL/OL, 6-8, 320, Trigg Co. HS, Cadiz; Anthony Allen, RB, 6-0, 228, Jesuit HS, Tampa, Fla.; Jeremy Baker, DL/OL, 6-5, 358, Palm Beach Lakes HS, Riviera Beach, Fla.; Josh Chichester, WR, 6-8, 210, Lakota West HS, West Chester, Ohio; Kareem Crowell,

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Ryan Kessler, OL, 6-5, 275, Chiles HS, Tallahassee, Fla.; Zach Meagher, TE, 6-4, 248, Glen Estes HS, Cincinnati, Ohio; Peter Nochtka, TE/DL, 6-5, 240, Tates Creek HS, Lexington; Troy Pasceley, WR/DB, 6-2, 185, Alliance (Ohio) HS; Johnny Patrick, WR/DB, 6-0, 175, Deland (Fla.) HS; Eugene Sowell, RB/LB, 6-0, 220, Shades Valley HS, Birmingham, Ala.; Conrad Thomas, OL, 6-6, 330, Douglas Co. HS, Douglasville, Ga.;

Latarius Thomas, WR, 6-2, 205, New Smyrna Beach (Fla.) HS; L.T. Walker, DL, 6-4, 320, Wynne (Ark.) HS; Deantwan Whitehead, DE, 6-6, 245, West End HS, Birmingham, Ala.;

Tyler Wimsatt, RB/LB, 6-1, 230, Owensboro (Ky.) HS; Tyler Wolfe, QB, 6-5, 198, Central HS, Baton Rouge, La.

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# Bettis' final fling a rare thing

**SUPER BOWL XL**

by **JOE KAY**

ASSOCIATED PRESS

DETROIT — Jerome Bettis returned for one more chance to make a run at a championship. Against long odds, he got it.

Many stars in all sports go entire careers without playing for a ring. A few — Bettis, Mark Grace, Oscar Robertson, Ray Bourque come to mind — finally get a shot at one as they're heading for the exit.

It doesn't happen often or easily.

"In sports, you're going to

have players who are great but haven't won championships," said Robertson, a Hall of Famer who got his NBA title with Milwaukee near the end of his career. "That's true. You only get one winner a year, and the rest of the guys don't win."

They sure try.

Like Bettis, who decided to play another season for the Steelers in hopes of reaching the Super Bowl, athletes will push their bodies as far as they'll go — and sometimes hang on longer than they should — to get the thing that sets a winner apart.

The ring.

"You look at me — I played 17 years and didn't get one,"

quarterback Warren Moon said. "That had a lot to do with how long I played. I was still chasing that elusive, one last goal that I had left to accomplish in my career. Unfortunately, it never happened. But I'll tell you what: I did try."

Pro Football Hall of Fame spokesman Joe Horrigan notes that it's commonplace for stars to miss out on a shot at a championship. Before free agency changed the dynamics of sports and gave players freedom to pick their teams, a player could be stuck on a struggling franchise for a long time.

Archie Manning is Exhibit A. He spent his first 11 years with

New Orleans, becoming the face of misery for 'Aints fans who hid their own faces with paper bags. Now, it's up to sons Peyton and Eli — quarterbacks for the Colts and Giants, respectively — to do what their father never could.

"I never got close," Archie Manning said this week at a Super Bowl function. "Everybody just wants to get here, and I hope both of my boys get to do it."

Folks around these parts know that greatness doesn't translate into glory. Running back Barry Sanders spent 10 years with the Lions, but had only one playoff victory to show for it.

"It's a reality of the game," Sanders said. "Coming into the NFL, my assumption was that this is the NFL and, naturally, I'll get to the Super Bowl because all you have to do is win three games in the playoffs. That was a mistake I made, because I later found out how tough it was."

It's universal.

Robertson was already a superstar — the only player to average a triple-double for a season — during his 10 seasons with the Cincinnati Royals when the struggling franchise traded him. With Kareem Abdul-Jabbar — then Lew Alcindor — as his teammate, he

got an NBA championship in his first season with Milwaukee.

"It meant that the critics who needed something negative to say about my career couldn't say something negative about it," Robertson said.

Grace spent the first 13 years of his career with the Chicago Cubs — enough said — before heading to Arizona and getting his long-awaited chance. He was 37 years old when it finally came.

Grace's single started a ninth-inning rally that swept the Diamondbacks a 3-2 victory in Game 7 of the 2001 World Series against the Yankees.

That same year, Bourque got his last-chance Stanley Cup title with Colorado. The Hall of Fame defenseman spent the first 21 years of his career with the Boston Bruins, never getting to hoist the Cup over his head.

For each of these late-in-life success stories, there's dozens who fail.

Again, the Cubs provide a benchmark. Ernie Banks put together a Hall-of-Fame career during 19 years in Chicago, but never even came close to the ultimate prize.

"Some guys are more fortunate to be in the right place at the right time, part of that right chemistry on that right team," Moon said. "And other guys aren't. You look at Ernie Banks in baseball — he never even played in a playoff game his whole career."

Even in the era of free agency, going to a winner doesn't guarantee getting a shot at becoming the ultimate winner.

"Look at A-Rod with the Yankees," Robertson said, referring to Alex Rodriguez. "It doesn't mean that you're going to win. I'm sure he thought when he went to the Yankees that they were going to walk through the World Series."

Now, it's Bettis' turn to make that one, final stab at a title. He considered retiring after the Steelers lost in the AFC title game last season, but came back in part because this year's Super Bowl is in his hometown of Detroit.

It looked like he'd frittered the chance away when he fumbled near the Colts' goal line with 1:20 left in a second-round playoff game, and Nick Harper scooped up the ball and headed downfield.

If quarterback Ben Roethlisberger doesn't double back and make a lunging ankle tackle on Harper, Bettis doesn't get his chance.

And if Mike Vanderjagt doesn't miss badly on a 46-yard attempt, the game might go to overtime and a different outcome. It took all of those quirky things to get the Steelers a 21-18 win and get Bettis to his Bowl.

That's how fine the line is between getting a shot and being shut out.

"Jerome Bettis had 13 years to prove how great he is," said the Hall of Fame's Horrigan. "If he wouldn't have made the decision to play this year, we would be talking about 'poor Jerome.'"

AP Sports Writer Larry Lage contributed to this report.

## Many Detroiters take on Steelers as their own

by **MIKE HOUSEHOLDER**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DETROIT — For a decade, the people of Pittsburgh have embraced a Detroit and called him one of their own.

This week, Detroit is returning the favor — on an even larger scale.

Detroit is not just the hometown of Jerome Bettis. It has become Steeler Country.

The Motor City sees a lot of itself in the Steel City, and vice versa.

"There's an awful lot in common," said Cardinal Adam Maida, the Roman Catholic archbishop of Detroit and a Pittsburgh native who has Steelers season tickets. "I think they're very much alike culturally. ... The people are hard-working people. In Detroit, they worked the lines, produced the automobiles for the world. In Pittsburgh, we produced the steel and coal, made the automobiles go."

Sure, the Bettis factor is a

big reason many Detroiters are pulling for the black and gold in the Super Bowl against Seattle. But it goes beyond that.

"They're coal miners, manufacturers. We're automotive guys, manufacturers," Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick said. "It's the same kind of town. It's that rough-edged town. It's that grungy, gritty city, and, you know, people like beer, people like to have fun, people like sports, people like to fire up a cigar every now and then. That's Pittsburgh. That's Detroit."

Detroit is known for the laborers whose sweat and toil put Americans behind the wheels of millions of automobiles.

Pittsburgh is known for its own brand of laborers. Instead of cars, though, their sweat and toil outfitted automakers and countless other industries with the steel necessary to produce their products.

"The people are similar, and they're both hard-nosed cities," said Steelers linebacker Larry Foote, who starred at Detroit's

Pershing High and at the University of Michigan. "People are not afraid to tell you what time it is, voicing their opinion. If you're driving and you cut somebody off on the highway, just like in Pittsburgh, they'll let you know."

Both cities over the years have been subjected to stereotypes by those who have never visited. In Detroit's case, it involves some combination of violence and urban decay. In Pittsburgh, it's that of a smoky steel town.

The weather is pretty much the same in both cities, and waterways play a major role. In Detroit, it's the Detroit River and the Great Lakes. In Pittsburgh, it's the three rivers that come together.

The residents of Detroit and Pittsburgh also take a lot of pride in their cities as well as the residents who made it big. Detroit has its plethora of musical giants: Aretha Franklin, any Motown artist, Eminem. In Pittsburgh, it's sports stars: Mario Lemieux,

Roberto Clemente, any of the 1970s-era Steelers.

Both cities also are facing the same challenges — major population declines and the effects of manufacturing job losses.

"We were certainly a manufacturing base. Now we've changed that," Pittsburgh Mayor Bob O'Connor said. "We are converting more to high-tech, medical, technological centers."

Even though Pittsburgh doesn't have the number of blue-collar jobs it did during the heyday of the steel industry, the region's residents still take pride in their manufacturing past, O'Connor said.

And, he said, they identify with the Steelers, whose run-first, hit-hard style of play mirrors their ideals.

"You have a pride in your town, and that's what we have," O'Connor said.

And now Detroiters have taken a seat on the Bus bandwagon and will be pulling for

him at Ford Field.

"I think it's been my work ethic. I've just been a hard worker, a guy that's always trying to be positive and put a positive swing on things sometimes even in the darkest moments," Bettis said.

"And I think people can relate to that being a blue-collar guy. My game is a blue-collar game. Three yards and a cloud of dust and get up and do it again. That's the way in the Midwest, especially Detroit, which is a very, very blue-collar town. I think people relate to that, as well as Pittsburgh."

As for Seattle, nobody has anything against the city or its football team, but it Detroit and Pittsburgh are just more alike.

"I really do like Seattle's team. They're beautiful to watch," Kilpatrick said. "But I don't want them to win."

"This is Bettisburgh this week. It really is," the mayor said. "I wish them (the Seahawks) well and all that, but I'm a Pittsburgh guy this week."

## Steeler-less in Seattle — Harris ended career with Seahawks

by **ALAN ROBINSON**  
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DETROIT — Franco Harris and the Pittsburgh Steelers couldn't be more closely linked. The Immaculate Reception. The four Super Bowls. His pursuit of the NFL career rushing record.

It's no coincidence the Steelers went 11-3 when Harris arrived in 1972, following eight consecutive losing seasons. Or that they were losers again a year after he left in 1984.

So consider this curiosity: When the Steelers play the Seattle Seahawks in the Super Bowl on Sunday, Harris will be the only player who represents both teams in the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

It is widely forgotten, but Harris finished his career by playing eight games with Seattle in 1984. The Steelers had released him following a lengthy and unpleasant contract holdout during training camp, with Harris 363 yards away

from breaking Jim Brown's NFL career rushing record.

"I had 12 great years in Pittsburgh, and that one doesn't matter," Harris said. "During my time with Seattle, they were great people, great teammates and I liked the town, the town was good to me. It just wasn't for me."

Even after cutting him, the Steelers kept Harris on the cover of their media guide. But the holdout and Harris' departure remain among those regrettable moments both player and team alike wish they could erase.

Both sides underestimated the other — Harris misjudged the Steelers' stubbornness when it comes to contract issues, and the Steelers underestimated what Harris meant to their fans.

They discovered that when coach Chuck Noll referred to "Franco who?" while discussing Harris' holdout, Noll had used similar lines in the past to describe other absent players, but many fans felt the comment was unacceptably

harsh, and Noll was long criticized for it.

"I don't even think about that now," said Harris, who has long since reconciled with the Steelers. "I'm still black and gold."

Harris, 34 at the time, knew his career was about over — but didn't think he was finished. He had rushed for 1,007 yards in 1983, and the Steelers were preparing a major celebration in honor of him breaking Brown's record.

But Harris also understood his football moneymaking days were almost over, too, and he wanted more than the \$385,000 he was due in the option year of a contract.

The money that separated the two sides would constitute a bonus clause in one of today's NFL player contracts. Yet it drove a wedge between one of the most popular teams in NFL history and one of its signature players.

Even today, Franco Harris is one of a relative few star athletes easily identifiable by only his first name.

He probably isn't recalled as fondly in Seattle, which has had only one other Hall of Fame player — receiver Steve Largent.

Harris signed with the Seahawks in early September 1984 to replace star running back Curt Warner, who was lost to a season-ending knee injury in the season opener. But while Harris got the money he had wanted from Pittsburgh, estimated at \$550,000 to \$600,000, the Seahawks didn't get the running back they sought.

Harris, admittedly drained by the long Steelers impasse and with his enthusiasm flagging, was limited to 170 yards on 68 carries, a 2.8 average, before being cut after eight games. He never played in another NFL game.

"I wasn't ready to play for another team," he said. "I really couldn't envision myself in another uniform. Even though I felt good physically and thought I was in really good shape, I just wasn't ready mentally, and mentally is what it's

all about.

"I just couldn't see myself doing it in a Seahawks uniform. Even though I tried to, I just couldn't do it," he said.

The Steelers got by without Harris that season, unexpectedly advancing to the AFC championship game. But they had losing records three of the next four seasons and didn't have another 1,000-rusher until seven years later, Barry Foster in 1992.

Of the Steelers' other eight Pro Football Hall of Famers of that era, only Mike Webster played with another team.

Harris, who now owns a Pittsburgh-based bakery, spoke to an estimated 800 Detroit business leaders and entrepreneurs at an NFL diversity forum this week and will stay in town for the Super Bowl. He predicts Pittsburgh will win the fifth Super Bowl title that eluded his final few Steelers teams.

"This is the one that completes the hand," Harris said. "This is the one for the thumb."

## Alexander leaves Seattle cocoon, enters America's grandest sports stage

by **GREGG BELL**  
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DETROIT — The league MVP, rushing leader and touchdown record-setter comes to the Super Bowl, and isn't even the most-recognized running back at the game.

For Shaun Alexander, that figures.

"I never felt like I was completely overlooked. I was always just one of the other guys," Alexander said Monday, Day 1 of him being the other guy this week behind Pittsburgh Steelers star and Detroit native Jerome Bettis.

Bettis may be retiring after Sunday's game. But Alexander, the best little-known player in the land, will play on.

And he has many games to play.

One is chess. Alexander enjoys beating teammates, friends — everyone except Erik Anderson.

Alexander said the Seattle-area entrepreneur and founder of the American Foundation for Chess is the last person to beat him at one of his many loves outside of football.

"You find a second week of

the season. But he got lucky," Alexander said, feigning disgust.

Chess is just one of the many sides to Alexander that the nation never sees.

Much of it remembers Alexander for lashing out at Mike Holmgren after the 2004 regular-season finale against Atlanta. Instead of giving Alexander the ball from the 1 in a bid to tie for the rushing title, Holmgren called a quarterback sneak that Matt Hasselbeck scored on what turned out to be Seattle's final possession.

Alexander finished a yard behind the New York Jets' Curtis Martin and infamously said Holmgren "stabbed me in the back" — an incident both men now say was overblown.

Much of the nation doesn't know Alexander has a foundation in his name that focuses on leadership and character modeling for fatherless, teenage men.

"I love seeing young men go finish high school, going to college, getting married. It's a great honor to help kids do that," he said.

It doesn't know the 28-year-old Alexander is in many ways a kid himself. That he loves Eddie

Murphy movies and puts them on one of the four DVD players aboard the team plane for each Seahawks road trip.

That he devours M&Ms just before he slithers past defenders on one of his many cutback runs each week.

That during a recent mid-week off day, Alexander was inside a children's playroom in suburban Seattle with a television camera in tow. He sweated through rolling around on mats, dancing, clapping to music and playing miniature basketball with a small group of kids. They treated him like just another playmate instead of a multimillion-dollar NFL star.

Before that, he hosted a young cancer patient from a Seattle suburb at a Seahawks practice and told him, "Man, I see more people win that battle than lose it."

Alexander's aunt died in her early 50s last month from cancer. And his mother was diagnosed with colon cancer when he was in high school in Florence, Ky. But she is still living and is a huge inspiration to her son.

"She taught me about being

bold in your commitments to being excellent, on the field and off the field," he said.

Much of the nation doesn't know all this, partly because Alexander is tucked into the far, upper-left corner of the country.

That could change Sunday.

The league MVP has played in that season's Super Bowl 21 times in the 39-year history of the game. Ten of those 21 won the Super Bowl — and six also became Super Bowl MVPs.

Then again, Alexander maybe it won't change. Maybe he will continue to be somewhat anonymous.

"I just be myself," he said. "I can't worry about other people's perceptions."

Still, his 28 TDs this season didn't go completely unnoticed. "Oh, we know who he is," Steelers linebacker James Farrior said. "We definitely pay attention to the highlights. We all watch it on TV."

Whether anyone sees him in a Seahawks uniform past this week is uncertain. This is the last game of his Seattle contract, making him potentially the biggest plum in March's free-agent tree.

When asked last month what if he has stopped to consider what his team would be like if it did not have Alexander and his team-record 1,880 yards rushing, Holmgren said: "Why would I do that? I don't have to think about that."

He might by March 3 when the annual free-agent derby begins — if Seattle doesn't reach an agreement with Alexander on a new contract beyond the one-year, \$6.32 million one he is playing under this season as the team's "franchise" player.

Alexander's agent, Jim Steiner, said Monday the two sides are "still too far away" to be able to be able to predict whether Alexander will remain a Seahawk.

"We still have a lot of negotiating to do with the club," said Steiner, adding he last talked to Seattle executives before the postseason began Jan. 14.

"He has done everything he can possibly do to warrant a new contract with Seattle. But that's the business of the NFL," Steiner said.

No one in Seattle is expecting Alexander to leave.

"I believe Shaun wants to

stay in Seattle. He and I talk about his future often," Holmgren said.

"I know the club's position is we would like him to stay. It is my experience if you get that type of situation, you can usually work it out — if there is some reasonableness to everybody."

That "reasonableness" could be the rub. Though no one will talk numbers publicly, the Seattle consensus is that Alexander will command a signing bonus of over \$20 million.

Last offseason, the team sprang for a \$16 million bonus to re-sign Hasselbeck, another \$20 million-plus in bonuses to keep perennial Pro Bowl tackle Walter Jones — and has another potential, Pro Bowl free agent this offseason, guard Steve Hutchinson.

But why would Alexander worry? As his lead blocker, full-back Mack Strong said, "Shaun's going to get paid."

Alexander said he hopes those checks continue to come from Seattle.

"I love the Seahawks, it's been said the Seahawks love me," he said. "It's just a matter of putting the numbers together."



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**FOR RENT 2 BR MH**

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**Procedure:** Formal applications are available at Big Sandy Community & Technical College, Office of Human Resources, Johnson Administration Building, Room 110, or via email, jackie.cecil@kctcs.edu, or by phone (606) 886-3863, Ext. 67370, or on our website: www.bigsandy.kctcs.edu. Applicants must submit a completed application, current resumé with list of references, three original, current letters of recommendation and all graduate and undergraduate transcripts to **Jackie B. Cecil, Director of Human Resources, One Bert Combs Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.** Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Review of applications will begin March 31, 2006.

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**Minimum Requirements:** High School Diploma, GED, and one year related work experience, or equivalent

**Minimum Monthly Salary: \$1,710.00.**

**Procedure:** Formal applications are available at Big Sandy Community & Technical College, Office of Human Resources, Johnson Administration Building, Room 110 or via email: jackie.cecil@kctcs.edu or by phone (606) 886-3863, Ext. 67370, or on our website: www.bigsandy.kctcs.edu. Completed applications may be submitted to: Jackie B. Cecil, Director of Human Resources, One Bert Combs Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.

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**LEGALS**

**BLASTING SCHEDULE**

This is notice that Motts Branch Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 2765, 436 Daniels Creek Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, (606) 874-9003, Permit No. 836-0308, will be blasting at Raccoon Branch and Plummer Fork of Saltlick Creek, Latitude 37°30'52", Longitude 82°53'34". Blasting will be done Monday through Saturday. No blasting will be conducted before sunrise or after sunset. At least 10 minutes before the blast, access to the area will be controlled by Company personnel. Before each blast is detonated the following type(s) of audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to the blast; a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren. One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be: One (1) prolonged blast of a siren, following the inspection of the blast area. Blasting will not be conducted at times different

from those given above, except in emergency situations, where rain, lightning, other atmospheric conditions, or operator or public safety requires unscheduled detonation. Prior to these detonations, the following audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to blast, a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be one (1) prolonged blast of a siren. Also prior to detonation in emergency situations, the permittee, using audible signals, shall notify all persons within one-half (1/2) mile of the blasting site.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 836-5427 AMENDMENT NO. 5**

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 750 Town Mountain Road, Pikeville, KY 41501, has applied for an amendment to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located 1.70 mile northwest of Grethel, in Floyd County. The amendment will add 695.66 acres of underground area, for a total area of 1876.06 acres within the revised permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 1.31 mile east of Drift, in Floyd County, Kentucky. The operation is approximately 1.80 mile east of KY's 122 junction with the Simpson Branch County Road, and located 0.10 mile southeast of Simpson Branch.

The proposed amendment is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The amendment will underlie land owned by Jamie Ray and Lisa Powell, Edith Huff, Dorothy Huff Hamilton, John M. and Leslie K. Caudill, Lula Bradley, May Beverly Estate, Willa Faye Dennison, Nellie F. Hall, Alex and Alverta Samons, Clinis Hall, Eugene

Hamilton, Alma Land Company, Lizzie Hayes Estate, Tony Jr., and Alden Nettie Hall, Mary Francis Stone, Arthur Mitchell, Roland Moore, Dorothy Martin, Madge & Cecilia Denney, Edith Cook Skeens, Roland Caudill, Sallie Hall Hutchinson, Ted and Helen Stumbo, William E. and Helen Hall, Boobie & Audrey Hall, Vernon & Anna R. Hall, Billie Joe and Janie M. Gayheart, Penny Sizemore Heirs, Denzil Ray Hall, and Ray Turner.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 S. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-0307 AMENDMENT NO. 1**

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co., Inc., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for an amendment to a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation, located 2.6 miles north of Emma, in Floyd County. The amendment will add 313.07 acres of surface disturbance, of which 11.77 acres overlie area mining area making a total area

of 414.46 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.70 mile northeast from Sugarloaf Branch Road's junction with KY 1428, and is located on Dials Branch of Sugarloaf Branch of the Levisa Fork.

The proposed operation is located on the Lancer USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Joe A. and Barbara Burchett, The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, Wade and Ora Blackburn Heirs, John Dallas and Vina Sue Branham, Clark D. Pergem and Jesse L. Rudd, E. L. and Bertha Cline, Rebecca Jarrell, Charles Michael Harris, Rex Reynolds, Tom and Melissa Reynolds, Albert and Janet Ratliff, Johnny and Patricia Huffman, Taulbee and Renisa Branham, Michael Hunt, Ransom and Betty Hunt, Billy Yonts, and Maxine Crider. The operation will use the area method of surface mining.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Mine Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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