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briefs

Recycling bill becomes law

FRANKFORT — Gov. Ernie Fletcher's bipartisan legislation to promote and facilitate recycling by local governments has become law.

The Governor on Friday signed Senate Bill 50, which passed both chambers of the General Assembly without a dissenting vote.

SB 50, sponsored by Senate Majority Leader Dan Kelly (R-Springfield), would create grants for recycling and for collection of household hazardous waste. The money would come from a portion of the funding currently directed at cleaning up illegal dumps under the Kentucky Pride program.

"From the beginning, it's been a priority of our administration to work to achieve a healthy environment, which is indispensable to a healthy economy," Governor Fletcher said. "With this legislation, we take another step toward that goal. I am grateful to Senator Kelly for his leadership on this issue and gratified by the Legislature's overwhelming, bipartisan support for Senate Bill 50."

"Now that we have reduced illegal dumps in Kentucky, it is important to also provide commun-

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Ranier Racing Museum hits victory lane

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — Earlier this month, NASCAR chose Charlotte to become home to its hall of fame. In landing the stock car hall of fame, Charlotte beat out both Atlanta and Daytona.

Prestonsburg is 300-plus miles from the bustling Charlotte racing scene. The Floyd County city, however, now also boasts a racing museum.

The Ranier Racing Museum got the green light Tuesday. The museum pays tribute to Ranier Racing, a race team made up of one of Floyd County's most famous families.

A crowd that included Ranier family members, dignitaries and race fans gathered Tuesday at the museum, which is currently located in downtown Prestonsburg at the tourism building, also known as the old post office, at the corner of Court Street and South

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James Kincer, an announcer at Lonesome Pine Raceway in Coeburn, Va., pointed out specific features of the stock racing car featured at the opening of the Ranier Racing Museum Tuesday. Kincer said he was impressed with the exhibit and remembers watching this car race when he was 13 years old.

photo by Josh Byers

SEEING THE STARS



photo by Tom Doty

Three kindergarten classes from Paintsville Elementary finished off their unit on the planets this week by taking in a show at the East Kentucky Science Center's planetarium.

European radio exposure offered to local musicians

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

The European nation of Luxembourg seems an unlikely place to find bluegrass music on the radio, but it's been getting plenty of airplay over there thanks to a former Prestonsburg resident who is now plying his trade as a disc jockey in the nation that is situated between the southwest border of Germany and the northeast corner of France.

William Jervis has used his eight months in the country to expose listeners of station ARA to Appalachian music and this

month he has featured local musician Tommy Webb on the station. Now Webb's music is currently number one with listeners.

Jervis is currently planning a trip back home in June and would like to invite local musicians to meet with him so he can take their music to European listeners. Jervis plans to be in Prestonsburg on June 13 and would like to record interviews with local talent that can accompany their music which he intends to profile on the air in Luxembourg.

Jervis noted that the station has acted as a bridge for musicians to land recording contracts and said

that a 16-year-old Texas singer recently landed a recording contract after being played on the station.

"I know there is a wealth of talent back home in the mountains," Jervis said. "I know that our listeners enjoy bluegrass and any airplay is a boon for the musician."

Jervis also said that people don't have to wait until June to get on the air in Europe and encouraged local talent to send him their homemade CDs.

"Send your CDs," he said. "I'll

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Police charge 3 with cocaine trafficking

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Three people were arrested at a Banner residence Monday and are facing charges that they were trafficking in cocaine.

Kentucky State Police arrested Teresa Hall, 43, of Banner, Heather Elaine Bailey, 23, of Salyersville, and Richard Starghill, 29, of Columbus, Ohio, Monday evening. Each was charged with one count of trafficking in cocaine and one count of trafficking in marijuana.

Starghill faces additional charges, including possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and one count of being a fugitive from another state.

Starghill waived extradition to Virginia and will be transported there after his

preliminary hearing on Friday.

Starghill was charged in Wise, Va., with other charges relating to drug activity, including one count of possession with intent to distribute and a further count of conspiracy to traffic in drugs.

All three were arraigned in district court Tuesday and ordered to attend a preliminary hearing on Friday. Hall and Bailey were placed under a \$20,000 cash bond and Starghill was issued a \$30,000 bond.

KSP Trooper Ryan Hamilton, who made the arrests, is expected to testify at the hearing, which will determine if the charges facing the trio merit consideration by a grand jury which could indict the three on felony charges of trafficking.

Meeting to review Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan

PRESTONSBURG — The Big Sandy Regional Preparedness Council will hold a meeting on March 31 at 10 a.m. at the office of the Big Sandy Area Development District.

The purpose of the Regional Preparedness Council is to better prepare the Big Sandy region for any disaster or widespread emer-

gency that may occur. Communities taking part in the council are Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, Martin and Pike counties and the cities of Allen, Martin, Prestonsburg, Wayland, Wheelwright, Paintsville, Salyersville, Inez, Warfield, Elkhorn City, Coal Run and

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Another inmate charged with bringing drugs into jail

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Pilgrim man found himself arrested hours after he was lodged in the Floyd County Detention Center when it was discovered that he had allegedly smuggled drugs into the jail in two plastic bags on and in his body.

Christopher Maynard, 29, had originally been cited for public intoxication. Authorities speculate that he may have taken advantage of a stop at the hospi-

tal for a blood-alcohol test to hide the drugs in the hopes that they would not be discovered upon check-in at the jail. Maynard did not count on an increased awareness of such activity by staff at the jail, who made a similar discovery on an inmate last week.

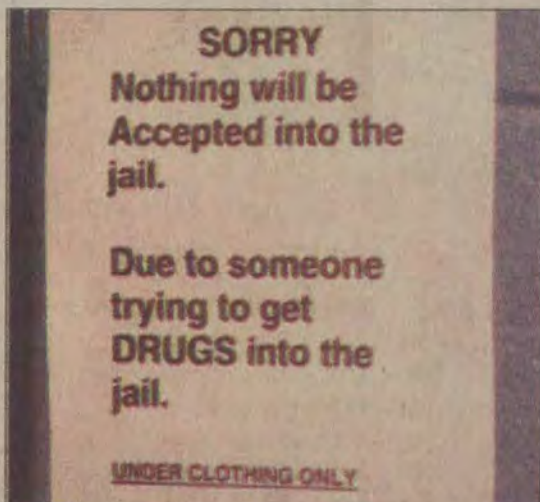
A guard discovered the contraband after Maynard got into a tussle with another subject in one of the facility's holding cells. The guard took Maynard from the cell and forced him to empty his pockets, which sent the drugs, now concealed in his

pockets, onto the floor.

Jail staff recovered what appeared to be 18 Soma tablets, 13 hydrocodone tablets, 25 Xanax pills and 22 Klonopins. The drugs were bagged and sent on for testing.

Jailer Roger Webb observed that searching for drugs has become a very strenuous task for his staff and he has since posted a sign at the jail warning visitors that the facility will only accept undergarments, money and prescription medication for inmates.

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The Floyd County Detention Center hung up this sign Monday after a second incident, in as many weeks, of an inmate trying to smuggle drugs into the facility.

photo by Tom Doty

2 DAY FORECAST



High: 45 • Low: 24

Tomorrow



High: 49 • Low: 29

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Obituaries

Geneva Hobson Beverly

Geneva Hobson Beverly, 93, of Hueysville, died Sunday, March 19, 2006, at the Knott County Nursing Home, in Hindman.

Born March 17, 1913, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late George Douglas and Mary Katherine Fife Hobson. She was a homemaker; a former clerk at Hi Hat Coal Company for 18 years; a former cashier for Triangle Market; ran a country store at Salt Lick in Hueysville; and was a member of the Salt Lick United Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Miles Beverly.

Survivors include: Two sons: Joe Edwin Beverly of Hopewell, Virginia, Gary Douglas (Vicki) Beverly of Prestonsburg; two daughters: Norma Moore (Elden) Bailey of Hueysville, and Carolyn (Robert) Biliter of Winchester; one brother, Homer Hobson of Florida; two sisters: Rebecca Elliott of McDowell, and Viola Sexton of Bowling Green; 10 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by five brothers: Charlie, Leonard, Earl, Henry, and Freddie; eight sisters: Alice, Sarah, Pearl, Wanda, Hazel, Virginia, Susanna, and Narcie; a grandchild; and a son-in-law, Glenn Moore.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, March 24, at 1 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Buddy Jones officiating.

Visitation will be conducted Wednesday, March 22, at 6 p.m., at the funeral home, with services at 7 p.m., on Thursday night.

Burial will be in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

(Paid obituary)

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Charles Roger Castle

Charles Roger Castle, age 62, of Kettering, Ohio, formerly of Estill, husband of Carmelia Connie Castle, passed away Friday, March 17, 2006, at his residence in Ohio.

He was born August 7, 1943, in Paintsville, the son of the late Clarence Mitchell and Aileen Campbell Castle. He was a retired plumber and pipe fitter for General Motors.

Survivors include his wife, Connie; one son, Charles Roger Castle II, of Kettering, Ohio; a step daughter Theresa Dearing Castle, of Xenia, Ohio; and one granddaughter, Emily Grace Castle.

Funeral services for Charles Roger Castle were conducted Tuesday, March 21, at 11:00 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Clergyman Jimmy Hall officiating.

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

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Jim Rosok, Aaron Tuttle, Dennis Block, and Michael Ross.

(Paid obituary)

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John Drew Curry

John Drew Curry, 56, of Hi Hat, died Sunday, March 19, 2006, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

Born July 13, 1949, in Floyd County, he was the son of Ellis Curry of Melvin, and the late Fannie Viola Price Curry. He was a disabled lineman for Harold Telephone Company.

He is survived by his wife,

Jeffery Lynn Hall Curry.

In addition to his wife and father, survivors include: A son and daughter-in-law, Shawn Ellis and Ashley Curry of Prestonsburg; a daughter, Kathleen Curry of Hi Hat; two sisters: Janie Curry of Eastern, and Dena (Duran) Sparkman of Hazard; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, March 22, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Rodney Mosley and James Butler officiating.

Burial will be in the Curry Cemetery, at Melvin, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

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Lezzie Beth Johnson Hamilton

Lezzie Beth Johnson Hamilton, age 72, of Beaver, widow of Jay Lee Hamilton Jr., passed away Monday, March 20, 2006 at her residence.

She was born September 10, 1933, in Pikeville, the daughter of the late Milford Johnson and Minnie Kiser Johnson. She was a retired merchant, and believed in the Old Regular Baptist faith.

Survivors include two sons, Darvene Hamilton of Teaberry, and Timothy Hamilton of Stanville; three daughters: Rita Kay Hamilton of Stanville, and Eileen Brown and Charlene Brown, both of Beaver; one brother, Millard Johnson of Teaberry; two sisters: Dillie Hamilton of Teaberry, and Hamey Hamilton of Prestonsburg; 11 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her husband; her parents; three sons, Michael Craig Hamilton, Benny Dean Hamilton, and Ricky Lee Hamilton; three brothers: Kendrick Johnson, Ermal Johnson, and Willard Johnson; and three sisters: Opal Hamilton, Nettie Martin and Dollie Hamilton.

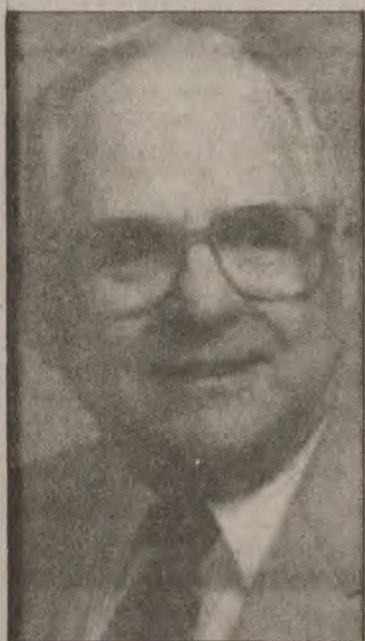
Funeral services for Lezzie Beth Hamilton will be conducted Thursday, March 23, at noon, at the Samaria Regular Baptist Church, in Teaberry, with Regular Baptist Ministers officiating.

Burial will follow in the Hamilton Family Cemetery, in Teaberry, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation is at the Church.

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Hargus Haywood

Hargus Haywood, 82, of Mayfield, formerly of Henry County, died Saturday, February 25, 2006, at the residence of his son, Ronnie (Connie) Haywood, in Princeton.

Born December 5, 1923, in McRoberts, in Letcher County, he was a son of the late John and Maggie Roach Haywood.

He is survived by his wife, Evelyn Morris Haywood.

He was a stockroom manager for General Tire Company, in Mayfield. He was an Army veteran of World War II, and the Korean War. He served with the Parachute Field Artillery Battalion of the 101st Airborne Division Screaming Eagles. He also served as a combat medic in the 463rd Heavy Bombardment Group.

He jumped with the 82nd Airborne Division, and received the Purple Heart and Bronze Star.

He served at Camp Tyson in World War II, where he met his wife of 63 years, whom he married on July 1, 1942. He was a member of Masonic Lodge 127, in Paducah.

He was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church, in Mayfield.

In addition to his wife and son, he is also survived by three sisters: Christine Stone, of Bardwell, Almgene Patton, of Allen, and Edith Wyatt, of Galion, Ohio; two brothers: Arthur Haywood, of Prestonsburg, and Earl Haywood, of Benton; two grandchildren: LeAnne (Ron) Russell and Lisa (Kerry Don) Orange; three stepgrandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and six great-stepgrandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two sisters: Thelma Haywood and Pauline Gearhart; and three brothers: Harry, Elmer, and Sherrill Haywood.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, February 28, at McEvoy Funeral Home. The Rev. Gary Elrod of Trinity United Methodist Church, in Mayfield, officiated.

Burial was in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, at Buchanan.

Members of the military served as pallbearers.

Honorary pallbearers were Don Curd, Phil Morris, Junior Morris, Alan Morris, Hal Perry, Steve Haywood, Ben Haywood, Kerry Don Orange, Ron Russell, Dickie Wyatt, Charles Gearhart, and Randall Hughes.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

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Jack Hyden

Jack Hyden, passed away Sunday, March 19, 2006.

He was the son of Chauncey L. and Clara Hyden. He is survived by his wife, Doris Clark Hyden, and two children, Jack Clark (Becky) Hyden and Judy (Wayne) Combs, and six grandchildren. Warren and Natalie Combs, Nikki Hyden, Heather and Austin Minix, and Jonathan Hyden.

He was a loving family man, not only of his children and grandchildren, but also of his nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and four sisters: Gladys Wallen, Rhoda Schrader, Annabelle Schroeder, and Phyllis Herald.

Jack served in the U.S. Navy in World War II, and saw action in the Pacific Theater. He was actually too young to join, but "fibbed" about his age in order to enlist. He was proud to be of service to his country.

As a young man, he opened a car sales business in Ashland, which he later moved back to Prestonsburg and his beloved mountains. He was in business here for some 30 years.

At the time of his death, he was serving as Trial Commissioner for the Floyd County Court. In 1983, Judge Harold Stumbo's wife, Pluma, asked Jack to be trial commissioner. He was reluctant to take

the position, but she told him to try it for a "few days." At the time of his death, he had served some 23 years, and was probably the longest serving trial commissioner in the state.

He was awarded the first Floyd County Law Day award in 1997. On that occasion, two of the judges described him as a "people person," and noted that he had touched the lives of every single family in Floyd County.

Jack was a member of the Masons, a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Irene Cole Memorial Baptist Church, and was a Kentucky Colonel.

His family would like to thank everyone who was so good to help him in the last few years of his life. Words cannot express how much help the Prestonsburg Police and Fire Department gave to him. The people who serve at 911 came to us too many times to count. They made it possible for him to remain at home for the last three years. We can never thank them enough.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Wednesday, March 22, at the First Baptist Church, Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, and conducted by Arnold Turner.

He will lie in state at the church from 10 a.m., until 1 p.m.

Burial will follow at the Hyden Cemetery, in West Prestonsburg.

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Edith (Forester) Johnson

Edith (Forester) Johnson, formerly of Prestonsburg, was born in Whitley County, on July 5, 1911, and died at home in Lexington, on Saturday, March 18, 2006.

She was the widow of L. R.

Minnie.

Johnson, who worked for the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture for Floyd County.

Their surviving children are: Carol (Johnson) Hicks Simmons of Hendersonville, North Carolina, and Larry G. Johnson of Lexington; and grandchildren: Lisa Johnson Howard, Diana Johnson, and Stacy Hicks, and great-grandchild, Chloe Howard.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by one son, pharmacist Cloyd J. Johnson; and a daughter, Linda Johnson Marshall.

She was a lifelong, devout Southern Baptist, an active member of Irene Cole First Baptist Church, and a member of the Miriam Rebekah Lodge in Prestonsburg. She was an excellent gardener, particularly of flowers and wildflowers.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, March 22, at 11:30, at Milward Funeral Home, Southland, Lexington.

Visitation, at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Ephesus Church, near Crab Orchard.

Milwardfuneral.com (Paid obituary)

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Melvin T. Salyers "Chief"

Melvin T. Salyers "Chief," age 72, passed away Saturday, March 18, 2006, at his residence in Romeoville, Illinois. He was formerly of Kentucky. He was a veteran of the Korean War, serving the U.S. Navy.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Henrietta Salyers.

He is survived by his loving children: Melvin "Yogi" Salyers Jr., Ramona "Boo Boo" Franz, Michael "Mikey" Salyers, and Melissa "Scooby" Salyers.

He was the devoted grandfather of T.J., Stephanie, Ryan, Cody, Nick, and Hattie; and brother of Frank Salyers of

Minnie.

Minnie.

In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by his parents, Bee and Mary Salyers.

Services will be held Wednesday, March 22, at 10 a.m., at the Anderson Memorial Chapel, 606 Townhall, in Romeoville.

Interment and military honors will follow at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, in Elwood.

Visitation is at the Anderson Memorial Chapel. (Paid obituary)

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Melva Stumbo Tackett

Melva Stumbo Tackett, age 91, of Whitesburg, formerly of McDowell, widow of Richard Tackett, passed away Monday, March 20, 2006, at Letcher Manor, Whitesburg.

She was born March 28, 1914, the daughter of the late Richard "Dick" Stumbo and Fannie Cox Stumbo. She was a homemaker, a Christian, and attended McDowell First Baptist Church.

Survivors include several nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death were her husband, her parents, five brothers, Sammy Stumbo, Hawk Stumbo, Joe Stumbo, Earnest Stumbo, and Erman "Buck" Stumbo; and five sisters, Sally Stumbo Hamilton, Melvina Stumbo Hall, Nora Stumbo Hall, Nannie Stumbo Hall, and Ethel Stumbo De Satta.

Funeral services for Melva Stumbo Tackett will be conducted Thursday, March 23, at 1:00 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Clergyman Gene Bracken officiating.

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

Visitation is at the funeral home.

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Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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

PHS Class of '76
The Prestonsburg High School Class of 1976 will host their 30th reunion Aug. 4-5, 2006. Please contact one of the following individuals for more information: Leesa Powers, 886-8694 or email to: 8694powe@bellsouth.net; Navajo Austin, 886-9110 or email to: jododdie@hotmail.com; or Pat Lemaster, 889-0782. If emailing, please put "Class of 1976" in subject line of email message.

Operation Cookie Share and Soldier Care
Joint community service project for Floyd Countians. Those who purchase Girl Scout Cookies may also donate cookies to the local National Guard Armory or to blood donors at the Central KY Blood Center. Businesses are encouraged to donate a case or more. Call 1-800-475-2621 to learn more.

Floyd County 4-H Community Theater
Will present "We're All Guilty," a play by James Reach, on Thursday, March 23, at 7 p.m., and on Friday, March 24, at 10 a.m., at the Mountain Arts Center. Admission: \$4/person. Play focuses on the subject of juvenile delinquency. Call 886-2668 for information on teacher materials.

Easter Pageant
To be held April 2, at Jenny Wiley State Park. Each contestant will receive crown or trophy and Easter basket. Will also hold an Easter Egg Hunt. Call 789-7652 for more info., or email to: kyglitz@yahoo.com.

Floyd County Fire Chiefs Assn.
Will meet on Thursday, March 23, at 7 p.m., at the Allen Volunteer Fire Dept. All county Fire Chiefs, or designated representatives, are asked to attend. For more information, contact Roy Compton at 886-8191, or Gary Dotson at 886-1010.

Hope in the Mountains
Hope in the Mountains will host public meetings on Mondays, at 9 a.m., beginning in Feb., at the junction of U.S. 23 and Rt. 80, on Watergap Rd., behind the Trimble Chapel Church. Meeting focus will be to offer information in regard to community resources available to women seeking freedom from drug abuse. Family members are also welcome to attend. The Hope initiative proposes to help women break free from addictive lifestyles to become self-respecting contributing members of society. Call 874-2008 or 788-1006 for more information.

2006 Hillbilly Days Car/Truck Show
The Good Ole Boys Rods & Cruisers Car Club of Pikeville will sponsor this show on Sat., April 22, at the BB&T Bank parking lot in downtown Pikeville. Trophies will be given out. For registration fee info., call Kaminski Robinson at 437-7695, after 6 p.m.

Prater Creek Baptist
March 25, 6 p.m., Biliter Family Comedy Night. Great fun, free admission. Call Pastor J.B. Hall

at 874-3222 for more info. Prater Creek Baptist is located at Banner.

HRMC March Calendar
•Mar. 23 - Kiwanis meeting. Meeting Room A, 12 p.m.
•Mar. 30 - Living Well with Diabetes Support Group. Meeting Rooms A&B, 5-6 p.m. For more information about these listings, call the Highlands Educational Services Dept. at 886-7424.

Maytown Center
•Mar. 27 - Volleyball Tourney, 6:30 to 10 p.m. \$1 entry - 7th grade to adult.
•April 3 - Ultimate Frisbee begins, 6:30 p.m., 6th grade thru adult. Free.

*Looking for adult volunteers to help with upcoming Mountain Bike Rides. Help needed on both weekdays and weekends. Please volunteer and help us keep this valuable program "in gear"! Bicycle trips are in conjunction with the "Trips for Kids" national non-profit organization. Trips for Kids has provided 8 new mountain bikes to the Maytown Center.

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

*Contact the Maytown Center at 285-0539 or 285-9080 or visit www.maytowncenter.org.

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

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

Prestonsburg Rotary Club
Invites interested professionals and businesses to join them for lunch each Thursday, at 12 p.m., in the Student Grille Conference Room, on the BSCTC campus.

Each weekly program is devoted to community service and its application to the Rotary Motto: "Service Above Self."
"Lunch is served at noon and programs begin promptly at 12:40. Contact Mike Vance at 226-2075; David Kraus at 886-3082; or Nancy Johnson at 886-1156 for more info.

UNITE
The UNITE coalition of Floyd County will meet the FIRST Monday of each month, at 7 p.m., at the New Allen Baptist Church. All interested persons welcome to join UNITE's fight against drugs.

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

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

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

Spring 2006 Adult Ed and GED Schedule
Mondays: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. - McDowell FRC, Martin Comm. Ctr., Auxier Learning Ctr., BSCTCS Employment Services.

1-3:30 p.m. - McDowell FRC, Layne House, BSCTCS Employment Services.

Tuesdays: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Weeksby Comm. Ctr., Mud Creek Clinic, BSCTC Employment Services.

1-3:30 p.m. - Weeksby Comm. Ctr., David Craft Ctr., BSCTCS Employment Services.

Wednesdays: 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Martin Comm. Ctr., Auxier Learning Ctr., BSCTC Employment Services.

1:30-4:30 p.m. - Dixie Apts., Betsy Layne YSC, BSCTCS Employment Services.

2:30-5:30 p.m. - Floyd County Detention Center.

6-8 p.m. - BSCTCS Employment Services.

Thursdays: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Allen FRYSC, Mud Creek Clinic, BSCTCS Employment Services.

1:30-4:30 p.m. - Betsy Layne YSC, BSCTCS Employment Services.

2:30-5:30 p.m. - Floyd County Detention Center.

6-8 p.m. - Martin Comm. Ctr.

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

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

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**RE-ELECT
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TO THE PEOPLE OF DISTRICT 2:

This term has been the **worst for floods** in the **history** of **Floyd County**. **In less than three years**, we had **three floods** that were **declared disasters** and one high water. **I took office in January**. We had a **major flood in February**. Then **four months later in June**, we had another flood that was declared a disaster. On **Memorial Day one year later**, we had our **third flood**. **All three floods were declared disasters by the governor and the President of the United States.**

People, in the past you had a little time in between these floods—like the **1957 flood**; then the **1963 flood**; and again the **1974 flood**. **That's not the way it happened this term**. We had **three floods in less than 2 years—ALL were declared disasters**. **All the flooded stuff** that came out of these people's houses had to be picked up, **plus a number of bridges washed out, culverts gone, and roads washed out**. This happened **not once, but three times** to District 2, and **cost the county millions of dollars**. It tied up a lot of our **time and money** that we would normally be using for **black-top, city water, and regular road repairs** that we need.

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Me and my family have been out campaigning and we will try to cover as many houses as we can **before the election** on **May 16**. **I want to take this time to ASK YOU for YOUR VOTE and SUPPORT.**

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Guest View HRAs make health care affordable for small business

by LAWRENCE KISSNER
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UNITED HEALTHCARE OF KENTUCKY

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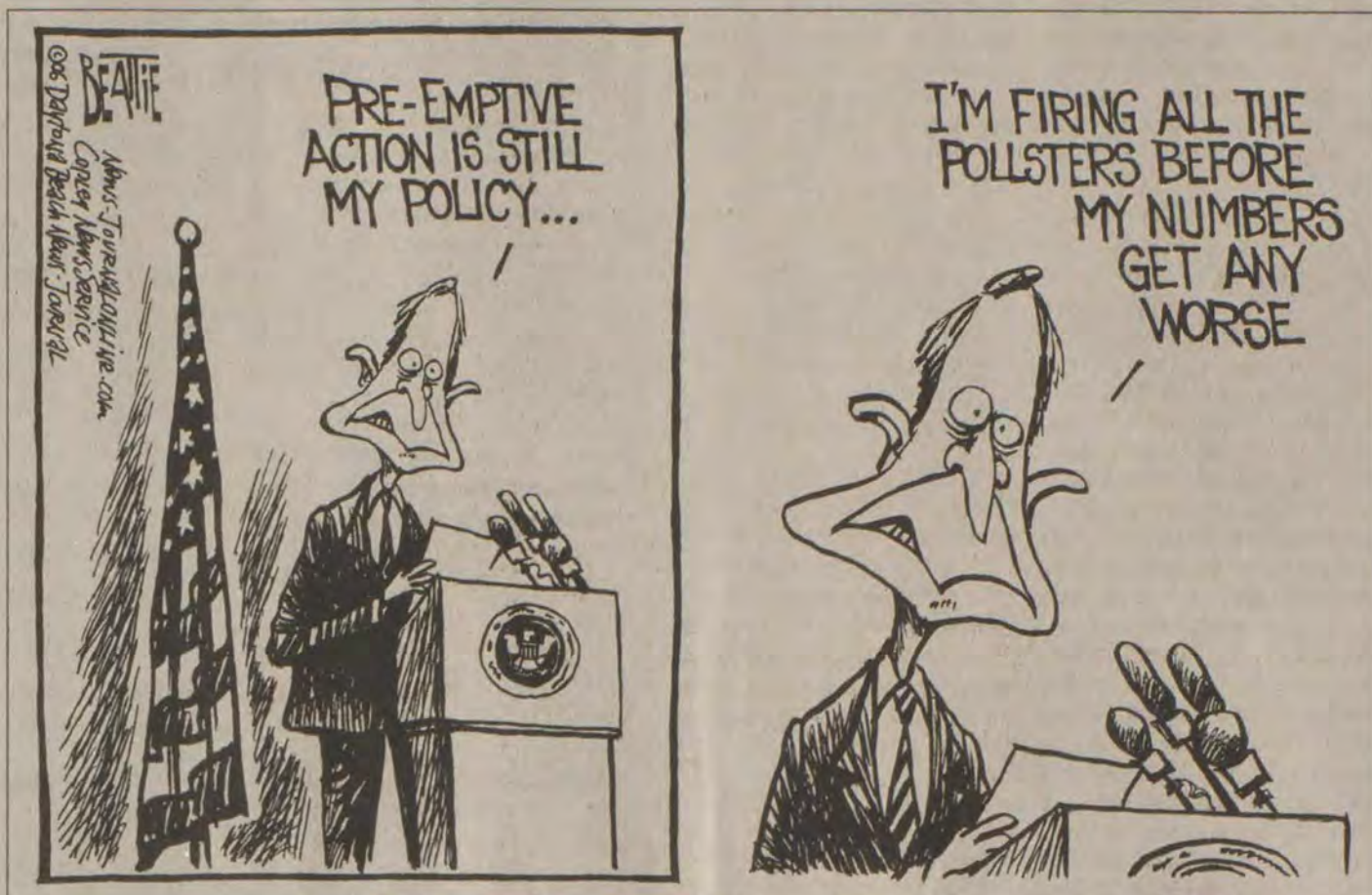
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Capitol Ideas

Lawmaker suggests study of county consolidation

by JOE BIESK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Kentucky — with a population that tops just over 4 million people — has 120 counties, and some state lawmakers think that may be a bit too many.

At least one state legislator, Rep. Eddie Ballard, wants his colleagues to authorize a study that would consider a reduction down to 100 counties. Ballard, a Madisonville Democrat, has proposed creating a task force designed to see how such a consolidation could be accomplished.

"I didn't know if there was any interest in it or not," Ballard told the House Local Government Committee last week.

Nationwide, Kentucky currently ranks within the top five states with the biggest number of counties.

Texas, Georgia and Virginia are the only other states with more, according to language in Ballard's proposed resolution. Texas has 254 counties, Georgia has 159 and Virginia has 95 counties with an extra 41 independent cities, according to the Washington-based National Association of Counties.

Throughout the country there have been some talks about consolidating county governments, but the idea has not caught on, Jacqueline Byers, NACO's director of research, said.

"We just don't see much of a push,"

Byers said.

But combining some of Kentucky's counties could lead to better government services for those residents living in smaller or lighter populated areas, said Rep. Steve Riggs, D-Louisville. With fewer financial resources, smaller counties risk not having adequate government services, he said.

"The dilemma remains the small counties cannot provide the services necessary or what you would expect from a government," Riggs, the committee's chairman, said.

Another option would be for some of Kentucky's neighboring counties to consolidate their services, Riggs said.

However, consolidating services would not necessarily mean improved services in rural areas, Rep. Terry Shelton, R-Magnolia, said. Eliminating counties would also erase corresponding county seats which could make residents have further treks to obtain government services, Shelton said.

"When you go to consolidating governments, I think you're going to eliminate in many cases the availability in remote areas to faster, quicker, better services," Shelton said.

Lawmakers suggested other problems could sprout up from a reduction of counties.

For instance, there could be a question about what name to use when two coun-

ties consolidate, Rep. Adrian Arnold, D-Mount Sterling, said.

Rep. Stan Upchurch, who represents Kentucky's youngest county of McCreary, said there would be other problems too. Setting up new county fee systems and legislative redistricting could be among them, Upchurch, R-Monticello, said.

"It poses a lot of problems across the board," Upchurch said.

Ballard acknowledged that politics surrounding such a move could be an obstacle. But the political concerns could be dissipated if the consolidation were to occur after 20 years, Ballard said.

"The biggest problem you have now is all political," Ballard

The measure won the committee's approval, but has been reassigned to the House Rules Committee.

Rep. Thomas McKee, D-Cynthiana, represents Robertson County — the state's least populated county. While eliminating some counties may have merit, the probability of actually doing it may not be very high, McKee said, noting that Robertson County was not interested in consolidation.

"While the idea is sound, I'm just not sure the reality is ever going to be there," McKee said.

Joe Biesk is a statehouse reporter for The Associated Press.

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Museum

Central Avenue. The Ranier Ranier Museum showcases memorabilia from one of NASCAR's most successful race teams. Prestonsburg tourism expects to get a boost thanks to the museum. "We do consider this facility an exhibit that will increase tourism and bring travelers to our city," Freddy James, of the Prestonsburg Tourism Commission, commented. "It is another distinct product that we have and, to the best of my knowledge, is the only family-owned racing museum in the greater Eastern Kentucky area." James added that the tourism commission would work to make visitors aware of the museum and its current location. "We will promote the museum through our marketing system," James said. "The museum offers a great collection of Ranier Racing memorabilia." Ranier Racing, led by patriarch Harry Ranier, fielded several cars in the NASCAR Winston Cup Series during the 1970s and through most of the 1980s. The Ranier Racing team solidified itself as one of NASCAR's elite. Drivers to take the wheel for Ranier Racing included Lennie Pond, Buddy Baker, Bobby Allison, Cale Yarborough, Benny Parsons and Davey Allison.

Parsons, driving a Ranier ride, became the first driver to pilot a NASCAR Winston Cup Series car over 200 miles per hour in a qualifying effort. One year later, Yarborough became the first driver to officially run over 200 miles per hour at Daytona International Speedway. The museum includes an impressive collection of racing memorabilia from the Ranier Racing team. Much of the memorabilia, including the 1983 Daytona 500 championship trophy, will remain on permanent display at the museum. An assortment of trophies, photos and Ranier race team-related items fill the museum. "We want this to continue to grow," said Brent Graden, Prestonsburg director of economic development. "This can only get bigger. We've gotten a tremendous response." Loren Ranier, who scouts talent for Chip Ganassi Racing as the lead figure behind its driver development program, keeps the Ranier Racing legacy alive. Loren Ranier also hasn't ruled out guiding a revived Ranier Racing program sometime in the future. Ranier Racing was instrumental in getting going the race career of reigning NASCAR Nextel Cup champion Tony Stewart.

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Ranier Racing claimed five Cup wins during the 1981 season. In 1983, Ranier claimed four series wins, including the Daytona 500. The Ranier team ultimately took the checkered flag in three Daytona 500 races, winning four qualifying races at NASCAR's most famous track. In all, Ranier Racing collected 39 poles. Ranier Racing entries were also often times among the fastest — both in qualifying and feature events. In 1983,

Those wishing to donate memorabilia to the Ranier Racing Museum may still do so. Normal operating hours for the museum will be weekdays, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and certain weekends. For more information on the Ranier Racing Museum, call (606) 886-1341.

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ities a responsible way to dispose of hazardous household waste and recyclable materials instead of putting them in landfills or illegal dumps," Sen. Kelly said. "Recycling helps local governments — and taxpayers — save money."

The dump cleanup program was established under House Bill 174 of the 2002 General Assembly. It has been funded with proceeds of a \$25 million bond issue and a fee of \$1.75 per ton of waste disposed of at Kentucky landfills. Under SB 50, counties that have been successful in cleaning up illegal dumps would be eligible to use funding for recycling and collection of household hazardous waste.

LaJuana S. Wilcher, secretary of the Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet (EPPC), said the new law supports communities in preventing pollution, "not just cleaning it up after it's on the ground."

"Reducing the amount of waste that streams into our landfills is important for the health of our environment and our economy. This legislation provides an additional incentive for action at the community level," the secretary said.

Recycling also helps turn trash into cash. EPPC's Division of Waste Management estimates that 566,000 tons of materials with recycle value are disposed of in Kentucky in a year. The cost of disposal, coupled with the materials' lost sales value, totals about \$53 million a year.

The Senate passed SB 50 on a vote of 35-0 on Jan. 18. The House passed it 97-0 on March 8.

Card of Thanks

The family of Willis Hicks would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to all those friends, neighbors, and loved ones, who helped to comfort us during our time of sorrow. Thanks to all those who sent food, flowers, cards, prayers, or spoke kind words. A special thanks to the Old Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, the Philadelphia Old Regular Baptist Church for their love and kindness shown to our family, and the Hall Funeral Home for their caring and professional service. All your love and prayers shall never be forgotten.

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Odds & Ends

■ **PITTSBURGH** — This is one pizza you'd better order ahead for.

Mama Lena's Pizza House is vying for a spot in the Guinness World Records as the planet's largest commercially available pizza.

The Big One, a 3-foot-by-4 1/2-foot pie, takes about 15 minutes to assemble and another 20 to 25 minutes to bake, said Rob Carrabbia, whose wife, Wendy, owns the pizzeria in the suburban Pittsburgh town of McKees Rocks.

The \$99, 150-slice pizza has been on the menu for more than a year. So far, about 10 have been sold, including for birthday parties and to a school for its basketball team.

"It's 20 pounds of dough, it's a gallon of sauce, 15 pounds of cheese and a lot of tender love and care," Carrabbia said Monday. "We cook the old fashion way, stone and cornmeal."

The current record holder is a 4-foot diameter pizza offered by Paul Revere's Pizza in Mount Pleasant, Iowa. Dubbed the Ultimate Party Pizza, it uses more than 10 pounds of dough, 48 ounces of sauce and about five pounds of cheese.

■ **CHESTERFIELD, Va.** — A hospital is promising emergency room patients they'll be seen by a doctor in 30 minutes or less — or else receive an apology and free movie tickets.

Shortening emergency room waiting times is part of a hospital-wide initiative aimed at improving patient care, said Pam Hash, administrative director of emergency services at the newly opened St. Francis Medical Center. The free movie tickets were the marketing department's idea.

"One of the big dissatisfiers

for patients is the wait time they spend in the emergency department," Hash said.

Other hospitals around the country have offered 30-minute guarantees to make themselves competitive. If the wait times are exceeded, patients are compensated with everything from restaurant gift certificates to free medical care.

There are exceptions to St. Francis' 30-minute guarantee, such as when the emergency department has multiple critical-care patients or is so crowded that ambulances are being diverted to other hospitals.

■ **PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla.** — For \$100 and an emotional essay, you could be the new owner of a flower shop.

"We thought that having a real estate agent would be a boring way to sell the shop, and we wanted to have more fun with this, so my mother, who is a former high school English and history teacher, and I thought of this essay contest," said Wendy DeSousa, who has owned the Dial-A-Flower shop with her mother, Linda Varnell, for 10 years.

"The only problem is that yesterday, I caught her 'grading' the essays," DeSousa said.

The owners estimate the business is worth about \$100,000. They hope to get 1,000 essays from folks willing to pay \$100 each to explain "Why I want to own a flower shop."

"We're not really looking at how the essay is written," DeSousa said. "We're looking for someone's essay that appeals to us, who wants to be in the florist shop business and wants to learn."

The owners said they have already received about 50

essays.

■ **BELLEVILLE, Ill.** — Democratic leaders in one Illinois county have begun making very clear what other politicians might consider obvious: Party money should not be used to buy votes.

The Democratic Party in St. Clair County has sent out reminders to precinct committeemen that party money can't be used to influence votes.

The refresher course on democracy follows the June convictions of five East St. Louis politicians for vote buying. Prosecutors said they had helped distribute more than \$70,000 received by city Democratic precinct committeemen just before the 2004 election from the county Democratic organization.

The committeemen were recently sent a one-page letter from St. Clair County Democratic Central Committee Chairman Robert Sprague saying that money from the county committee should be used only to pay to help get the vote out.

Precinct leaders should "keep a record of all expenses" and "under no circumstances" use party money to pay for votes, the letter says.

■ **DELAWARE, Ohio** — A juvenile court judge has come up with a way to help children who come into his chambers feel more comfortable — he brings his yellow Labrador retriever to work with him.

Buckeye helps ease the concerns and tension for upset youngsters who come to talk about grown-up things such as custody battles or child abuse.

"It never fails that they soften and the situation goes better," Judge Kenneth Spicer said. "I

don't want the kids to be more stressed or upset than they already are."

Buckeye, who weighs 97 pounds, has her own court ID badge and wears a blue halter, embroidered with "Juvenile Court Dog" and her name. She spends her break time napping on a blanket beneath Spicer's desk and sometimes strolls the hallways.

The Ohio Supreme Court is not aware of another judge using a personal pet to relax people coming before the court, spokesman Chris Davey said.

Other judges ease tensions in different ways, often using a teddy bear or other stuffed toys and puppets.

"I've got Kermit the Frog with bendable limbs and expressions," said Licking County Juvenile Judge Bob Hoover. "I also have what we call the singing, dancing gorilla."

■ **SYDNEY, Australia** — Australian strippers have won the right to take time off after taking their clothes off.

The country's Industrial Relations Commission on Friday approved new workplace rules for members of the strippers' union, the Striptease Artists Australia.

"We've got rights to have public holiday pay now, which we've never had in our career before," a union spokeswoman called Mystical Melody said. "We've got rosters and set hours. We can't work more than 10 hours a shift."

The award also entitles unionized strippers to overtime, rest periods, meal breaks and maternity leave, she added.

Industrial relations commissioner Bill Mansfield said the award set out minimum working conditions but did not set out pay rates.

In the past, other strippers have criticized the union, saying its demands for better pay and conditions could lead to job losses.

■ **ENID, Okla.** — Two men were jailed on arson complaints after one of them hit the wrong button on a cell phone, giving 911 dispatchers an account of a plot to set a vehicle on fire.

Dispatchers and a shift supervisor listened for nearly four hours as the two men drove across town. Authorities aren't able to trace cell phone calls and instead had to listen for clues to the men's location.

"It's all on tape; we've got

the whole thing," Enid police Capt. Jim Nivison said. "They made some pretty dumb statements. One of the males said, 'It's gonna burn, will they be able to get fingerprints?' and 'I've got the lighter, Dude. Let's go.'"

Authorities said the suspects set the car on fire, and its owner put out the blaze after hearing a commotion. Police said they were able to locate the car based on the conversations overheard from the cell phone call.

Johnny Ray Miller, 48, was arrested on complaints of third-degree arson and transporting an incendiary device. Robert A. Patterson, 24, was arrested on complaints of third-degree arson and manufacturing an incendiary device. Both also were jailed on conspiracy complaints.

■ **ISSAQUAH, Wash.** — There are many bring-a-child-to-work days, but none quite

like what police in this Seattle suburb say they encountered — a 10-year-old boy watching his father and two other men burglarize motor vehicles.

Police said they were summoned about 3 a.m. earlier this month by a resident who reported seeing three men breaking into cars in an apartment complex.

Officers found three men in the parking lot as well as two vehicles that had been reported stolen.

Three men were arrested — a 30-year-old from Marysville, a 25-year-old from Everett and a 19-year-old from Marysville.

Police did not say which man was the father of the boy but added that he knew what his father and the others were doing.

He was returned to his mother and police said they were contacting state Child Protective Services, which could investigate further.



Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, March 22, the 81st day of 2006. There are 284 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On March 22, 1765, Britain enacted the Stamp Act to raise money from the American colonies. (The Act was repealed the following year.)

On this date:

■ In 1638, religious dissident Anne Hutchinson was expelled from the Massachusetts Bay Colony.

■ In 1820, U.S. naval hero Stephen Decatur was killed in a duel with Commodore James Barron near Washington.

■ In 1882, Congress outlawed polygamy.

■ In 1933, during Prohibition, President Roosevelt signed a measure to make wine and beer containing up to 3.2 percent alcohol legal.

■ In 1941, the Grand Coulee Dam in Washington state went into operation.

■ In 1945, the Arab League was formed with the adoption of a charter in Cairo, Egypt.

■ In 1946, the British mandate in Transjordan came to an end.

■ In 1972, Congress sent the proposed Equal Rights Amendment to the states for ratification. (It fell three states short of the 38 needed for approval.)

■ In 1978, Karl Wallenda, the 73-year-old patriarch of "The Flying Wallendas" high-wire act, fell to his death while attempting to walk a cable strung between two hotels in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

■ In 1986, world financier Michele Sindona died two days after ingesting cyanide in his Italian prison cell in what authorities later ruled a suicide.

Ten years ago: The shuttle Atlantis carrying astronaut Shannon Lucid to a rendezvous with the Russian space station Mir, blasted off from Cape Canaveral, Fla.

Five years ago: An 18-year-old student opened fire at

Granite Hills High School in El Cajon, Calif., wounding three classmates and two teachers before he was shot by a police officer. (Jason Hoffman later hanged himself while in jail.) Yevgeny Plushchenko captured the World Figure Skating Championships crown in Vancouver, British Columbia. Animation pioneer William Hanna died in Los Angeles at age 90.

One year ago: Terri Schiavo's parents begged a federal appeals court to order the severely brain-damaged woman's feeding tube reinserted after their emergency request was turned down by a federal judge in Tampa, Fla. A woman claimed to have found a fingertip while eating Wendy's chili at a restaurant in San Jose, Calif., costing the fast-food chain millions in lost sales before she admitted it was a hoax.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Karl Malden is 94. Pantomimist Marcel Marceau is 83. USA Today founder Allen H. Neuharth is 82. Composer-lyricist Stephen Sondheim is 76. Actor William Shatner is 75. Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, is 72. Actor M. Emmet Walsh is 71. Singer-guitarist George Benson is 63. CNN newscaster Wolf Blitzer is 58. Composer Andrew Lloyd Webber is 58. Actress Fanny Ardant is 57. Sportscaster Bob Costas is 54. Country

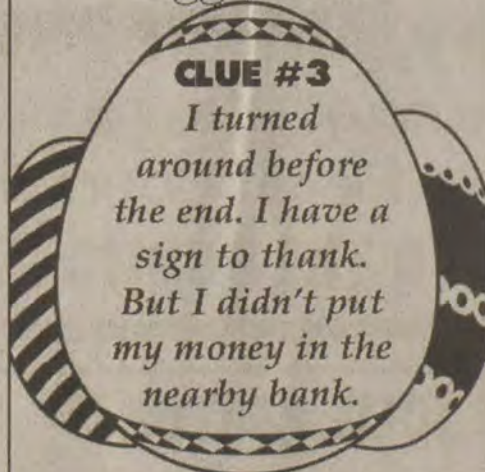
singer James House is 51. Actress Lena Olin is 51. Singer-actress Stephanie Mills is 49. Actor Matthew Modine is 47. Actor Cole Hauser is 31. Actress Kellie Williams is 30. Actress Reese Witherspoon is 30. Rock musician John Otto (Limp Bizkit) is 29.

Thought for Today: "I do not get my ideas from people on the street. If you look at faces on the street, what do you see? Nothing. Just boredom." — Marcel Marceau.

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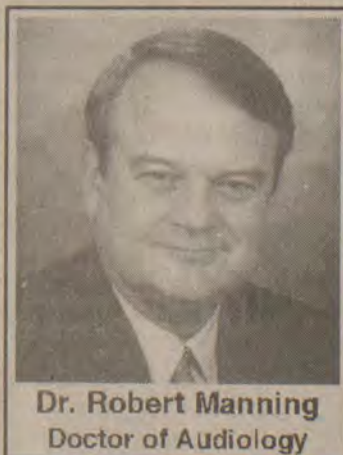


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Mississippi competing for animal-disease research lab

by EMILY WAGSTER PETTUS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

JACKSON, Miss. — Gov. Haley Barbour says Mississippi is one of several states competing to become the site for a proposed new federal research laboratory that will study animal diseases and fight bioterrorism.

The National Bio- and Agro-Defense Research and Development Facility will research diseases such as avian flu, and scientists there could develop drugs or vaccines to counter the illnesses, Barbour said Monday.

"It'll be the CDC for animal diseases that humans can catch," Barbour said, referring to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Georgia, Kentucky, Tennessee and Texas also are competing for the lab, Barbour said.

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security says on its

Web site that the new lab is proposed to replace the Plum Island Animal Disease Center in New York, which was built in the 1950s.

Barbour said states wanting to compete for the project must apply to the Department of Homeland Security by the end of March. Federal officials will narrow the list of possible sites early this fall and choose a site in 2007. Construction will start in 2008 and should be finished by 2012.

The 500,000-square-foot lab will employ about 400 people and have an annual payroll of about \$30.5 million, Barbour said.

He said the lab will have a Biosafety Level 4 designation, the highest safety rating. CDC in downtown Atlanta has such a designation.

Mississippi has three sites in the Jackson area that could be developed for the lab, the governor said. They are in Madison

County near Flora, in Hinds County near Byram and in Rankin County near Brandon.

State Sen. John Horhn, D-Jackson, said any of the sites in Mississippi would give the entire state an economic boost.

"It's something that would really set the metro Jackson area on fire in terms of attracting other biomedical and biotechnical operations and companies," Horhn said.

Battelle, a science and technology company based in Ohio, has agreed to act as a managing partner for Mississippi if the lab locates in the state, said Michael J. Kelly, director of the company's Office of Homeland Security.

Kelly said the company would oversee contracts while the plant is being developed and after it is open. He said "more than three or less than 10" other states pursuing the lab approached Battelle about being their partner.

House panel adds extra state mine inspection to bill

by BRUCE SCHREINER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Mine-safety legislation was revised by a House panel on Tuesday to require an extra yearly state inspection of every Kentucky coal mine.

The bill sent to the full House would increase annual state inspections of Kentucky's hundreds of underground coal mines to three from the current two.

LaJuana Wilcher, secretary of the Kentucky Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet, said her agency would need additional inspectors to keep pace.

Testifying before the House Natural Resources and Environment Committee, Wilcher praised the overall bill as "the most progressive mine safety legislation that we've seen any state or the federal government have in years."

The bill was endorsed by

United Mine Workers of America official Steve Earle and Tony Oppgaard, a former federal mine-safety executive.

"This bill certainly is a step forward," said Oppgaard, a Kentucky lawyer who represents coal miners in injury cases.

Mine safety surfaced as a key issue after a series of fatal accidents this year in West Virginia and Kentucky.

Yet the bill, which passed the Senate, excludes several requirements contained in a rival mine-safety measure that cleared the House weeks ago but stalled in the Senate.

The bill heard in committee Tuesday doesn't include a 24-hour hotline for miners to report unsafe mining conditions and doesn't give the state subpoena power to investigate unsafe mining allegations. Both provisions were in the House-passed bill.

The House-passed bill required four annual state

inspections of each mine.

The bill heard Tuesday would allow the state to fine coal companies up to \$5,000 for violating safety laws involving roof supports or ventilation plans.

Also, the bill would make it easier penalize operators. It drops existing language that says regulators must prove that a violation was intentional.

Safety violations could lead to fines reaching as high as the equivalent of 10 days of production — an amount that could be in the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

The bill says the fines could be assessed for violations that "place miners in imminent danger of serious injury or death."

The Senate bill offers job protection to "whistleblowers" exposing unsafe mining conditions. It also would require telephones or other two-way communications devices be kept in mines, as well as breathing devices in escape ways.

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Highway safety bills taking different paths this session

by BRUCE SCHREINER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — A series of bills share a common goal — reducing carnage from vehicle crashes. Yet the proposals have taken different paths in the General Assembly.

With just a few days left in the 2006 session, at least one proposal seems headed toward final passage. That measure would make the youngest drivers wait longer and get more training before obtaining full driving privileges.

Other proposals have slowed down, and the highest-profile one has stalled — a bill to toughen Kentucky's seat-belt law. It would let police pull over and ticket motorists simply for failing to buckle up. That bill is in limbo in the House.

Supporters say some resistance to the safety measures stems from a reluctance to have government tell people what to do.

"There are those who don't want to mandate anything to anybody," said Sen. Julie Denton, R-Louisville, who backs a number of highway safety bills.

Two of the measures seek to protect youngsters by making them wear helmets when riding all-terrain vehicles and keeping them out of the back of pickup trucks.

Another is aimed at safeguarding youngsters too small to peer over the back seat. That bill would make parents strap young children into booster seats.

Supporters are holding out hope the safety bills will gain new momentum.

The bill requiring youngsters under 16 to strap on helmets when riding ATVs will likely come up this week in the Senate Transportation Committee, said the panel's chairman, Republican Sen. Brett Guthrie of Bowling Green.

Supporters of the House-passed bill point out that Kentucky leads the nation in ATV deaths, and many victims are youngsters.

However, the bill may be amended by the Senate panel to exempt youngsters from wearing helmets when doing farm chores aboard four-wheelers. Guthrie said. Helmets would still be required during recreational riding, he said.

Denton prefers the blanket requirement that youngsters wear helmets, but acknowledged the amendment might be necessary to get the bill through the Senate.

"I don't know why it's any more safe to be doing farm work than it is just to be riding to the back of the property," she said.

Rep. Jim Gooch, the bill's lead sponsor, said he could accept the exemption if it's needed to win Senate passage, but said it should apply only to older children.

"Certainly, someone 7 or 8 years old shouldn't get exempted, wherever they are," said Gooch, D-Providence.

Rep. Kathy Stein, D-Lexington, was more critical. "That's so inconsistent," she said. "That would water it down to the point of gutting it."

Stein's bill requiring people to strap small children into booster seats when riding in vehicles got new life. Her bill had stalled in the Senate, so a House panel attached it to a bill dealing with blood tests to detect lead poisoning.

If the expanded bill passes the House, it would have to return for another vote in the Senate, where Stein's booster seat measure has died in past years.

Denton plans to push for the booster seat proposal but wasn't sure of its Senate chances. She said she will stress the safety value for youngsters.

The proposal would require children who weigh less than 80 pounds and measure between 3 feet 4 inches and 4 feet 9 inches tall to be restrained in booster seats.

"I'm hopeful that the members will see the benefits of ... preventing them from having serious harm as a result of sitting in an adult seat belt,"

Denton said. Chances are less certain for the bill keeping youngsters out of the back of pickup trucks. Guthrie said the bill is being studied by his committee.

The bill would prohibit anyone under 16 from riding in the back of a pickup on public roads. There would be exceptions, such as when youngsters ride in parades or in trucks with camper tops. It also would exempt farm trucks on private property.

The most attention, however, has focused on the seat-belt legislation, a priority of Gov. Ernie Fletcher. The bill failed in a vote last month in a sharply divided House, and Fletcher has lobbied fellow Republicans to back the proposal.

House Majority Leader Rocky Adkins said supporters are still short of mustering enough backing for House passage, and little time is left to change minds.

"Time is getting really short now," said Adkins, D-Sandy Hook.

If the bill reaches the Senate, Guthrie said he anticipated having a committee hearing on it. Guthrie said concerns that police would use the proposal as an excuse to pull over motorists seemed exaggerated. And he said Kentucky would be in line to pick up extra federal funding by passing the tougher seat-belt law.

"I think there's enough of a mood in the Senate to take a really serious look at passing the bill," he said.

The proposal with the best chance of becoming law is the graduated driver license bill. It would create an intermediate license that would make teens wait at least six more months before getting full driving privileges. The bill needs just one more vote before being sent to Fletcher.

Even if just a couple of safety bills pass, that would be meaningful, Stein said.

"That's a pretty significant breakthrough," she said.

Supreme Court to decide whether grand jury can continue probe

by ROGER ALFORD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — The Supreme Court heard oral arguments on Tuesday in a high profile case involving whether Gov. Ernie Fletcher's administration rewarded political supporters with state jobs after he took office two years ago.

An attorney for Fletcher asked justices to stop a special grand jury from issuing indictments against people the governor has pardoned. Prosecutors argued that members of the grand jury should be allowed to keep issuing indictments.

The grand jury began investigating Fletcher's administration in May after a Transportation Cabinet personnel officer turned over hundreds of internal administration e-mails and memos relating to hiring decisions.

So far, 13 current or former administration officials and associates have been indicted for violating state personnel laws. Fletcher issued a blanket pardon for everyone who has been or might be indicted in the case with one exception — he did not pardon himself.

The six justices who heard the oral arguments gave no indication when they would issue an opinion.

"Obviously, this governor is intent on having this grand jury shut down so that it can no longer issue indictments of criminal wrongdoing within this governor's own administration," said Deputy Attorney General Pierce Whites, who argued on behalf of the grand jury's work.

Louisville attorney Sheryl Snyder, representing Fletcher,

said he is not asking that the grand jury be shut down.

"It's just that the grand jury should not be indicting people who have been pardoned," Snyder said.

The Fletcher administration doesn't propose shutting down the grand jury entirely but only as it pertains to people who have already received pardons. Snyder argued that the panel could conceivably issue an indictment against Fletcher.

In addition, Snyder argued that the grand jury should not be permitted to issue a report that names people accused of violating personnel laws. He said he is not opposed to a generic grand jury report.

"We believe that the constitution clearly gives the power of pardon to the governor, and we don't want to see that changed or weakened through some process that's not appropriate," Fletcher said after an unrelated public appearance in the Capitol Rotunda.

Fletcher said governors have the power to grant amnesty and that power should be maintained.

"That is what this is all

about," he said.

It was the second time in the past week that the Supreme Court heard oral arguments related to the grand jury's investigation.

On Friday, justices weighed whether Fletcher had the constitutional authority to appoint a special justice to sit on the case. Fletcher had already appointed two special justices, but one stepped aside, citing a potential appearance of conflict of interest. That justice, Jeffrey T. Burdette, had given Fletcher \$1,500 for his gubernatorial campaign.

In a 4-2 ruling, the court said Fletcher could not appoint another special justice.

Chief Justice Joseph Lambert and Justice John Roach, Fletcher's former general counsel, removed themselves from the case, triggering a provision in the state constitution that allowed the governor to appoint special justices.

Fletcher appointed Burdette and Lexington attorney Ronald L. Green to fill in. Green also had given political donations to Fletcher, but declined to step down.

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The PRIDE Committee is also challenging all political candidates to get involved with the Spring 2006 PRIDE Clean-Up. Ask your candidate what they will be doing to help during this event. That way you can judge the candidates by the work they do now for their communities, and not by the speeches and promises they make to you.

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External Diploma Program
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family. Flexible scheduling is provided and confidentiality maintained. Classes are held at the Carl D. Perkins Rehabilitation Center, in

Thelma, Mon. thru Fri., with evening classes on Thursday. EDP classes are also held at the Mullins Learning Center, in Pikeville, on Tuesdays, from

4:30-8:30 p.m. Contact Andy Jones at 606-788-7080, or 800-443-2187, ext. 186, or Linda Bell, at ext. 160 to make an appointment.

GED classes are also available.

Floyd County Extension Homemaker Club Meetings
Allen: 1st Monday, 11 a.m., at Christ United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

Dixie: 3rd Thursday, 12:30 p.m., Dixie Community Room.

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

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

Maytown: 3rd Thursday, 6 p.m., Maytown Community Center.

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

Newbee's Quilt Group: 4th Thursday, 6 p.m., Extension Office.

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

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

Left Beaver: 2nd Tuesday, 10 a.m., Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center.

Green Acres: 1st Tuesday, 1:30 p.m., Community Room.

Looking for a Support Group?
Floyd County Alzheimer's Support Group

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

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

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

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

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

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

Disabled? - You may be eligible for grant money to assist in your daily living. For an application or more information, call 886-4326.

A.S.K. (Adoption Support for Kentucky) - Support group for all adoptive parents (public, private, international, and kinship care), foster parents and all others interested in adoption. To be held the first Monday of each month, at the Department for Community Based Services office, 1009 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, from 6-8 p.m. Childcare will not be provided. For more information, contact Dedra Slone, adoptive parent liaison, at 432-4110 or 422-7927, or email to: doslone@eastky.net.

PARENTS! - Contact the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Inc. to find out about child care services in your area, the STARS for KIDS NOW licensing standards program, and how you can earn an income by staying home with your own children while caring for the children of others. Find out more by calling Cheryl Endicott at 886-1280, or 888-872-7227 (toll free).

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

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

Pike student, friend create group to combat breast cancer

MOREHEAD — What began as a fun way for two best friends to celebrate their fondness for their favorite color turned into a new student organization with a serious purpose on the Morehead State University campus.

MSU juniors Felicia Nichols of Pikeville and Kassie Worley of Campton founded the Pink Ladies club this academic year for female fellowship, but the group's members primarily work to raise awareness of breast cancer issues.

"When it started out, we didn't think about an organization at all, we both just really liked the color pink," said Nichols, club president and business marketing major. "So we thought we'd make some T-shirts and call ourselves the Pink Ladies."

Both students had felt the terrible impact of breast cancer in their own families — Nichols' aunt lost a breast to the disease and is currently undergoing cancer treatment, and Worley's aunt lost her life. Since pink is the traditional color used in ribbons, buttons and other "awareness" materials for breast cancer, Worley and Nichols thought their choice doubly appropriate.

Though the organization is new, several activities have already been conducted and more are planned in the near future.

"One of the main things we've been doing is having fundraisers, to benefit the National Breast Cancer Foundation, and also, to raise cancer awareness on our campus," said Worley, an exercise science major and club vice president. In cooperation with

the foundation, club members intend to raffle a basket filled with awareness-themed and pink-colored items, and to distribute informational pamphlets on the importance of topics including self-examination and mammograms.

"It's also a social group, and even though we're all really busy, we plan on getting together and going to the movies and other fun things," Nichols said.

Pink Ladies membership is open to female students in good academic standing. Other officers, both Pikeville sophomores, are Rachael Miller, treasurer, and Amber Hillerman, secretary. Additional information about the organization is available online by accessing the club's Web page at www.cpage.com/thepinkladiesmsu.



Morehead State University juniors Kassie Worley, left, and Felicia Nichols formed a new student organization on campus this year, the Pink Ladies. The group's focus is to bring awareness to breast cancer issues, while providing a social outlet for MSU women. Worley is an exercise science major from Campton, and Nichols is a business marketing major from Pikeville.

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Garden seed vouchers available

PRESTONSBURG — Big Sandy Area Community Action Program will be issuing garden seed vouchers to eligible households to purchase seeds and plants of their choice the week of April 3 through April 7, or until funds are exhausted. This is an excellent opportunity for people to supplement their income by means of a vegetable garden that will provide fresh produce for eating and canning. Household eligibility for the

Garden Project program is determined by federal poverty guidelines. Applicants must provide Social Security numbers for all household members and verify the prior month's income. Applications will be accepted from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, at all BSACAP Outreach offices listed below:
 ■ Floyd County, Courthouse Annex, Prestonsburg, 886-2929
 ■ Johnson County, Main

Street, Paintsville, 789-6515
 ■ Magoffin County, Church Street, 349-2217
 ■ Martin County, Collier Community Center, Inez, 298-3217
 ■ Pike County, Town Mountain Road, Pikeville, 432-2775
 The Garden Project is made possible through funding from the Community Services Block Grant program and the Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

Bill seeks to protect against property seizures

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — A bill that cleared a final hurdle Monday would bar government from seizing property and transferring it to private owners for economic development. The bill gained final 94-0 passage in the House and now goes to Gov. Ernie Fletcher. The measure is in reaction to

a U.S. Supreme Court decision last year that allowed a Connecticut city to seize property for economic development purposes under eminent domain laws. The justices said nothing in their ruling would preclude states from banning the taking of property under eminent domain for such projects. The Kentucky legislation would prohibit such private

property seizures for economic development, even if the transaction would increase the tax base or create jobs. The Senate approved the measure last week with the addition of an amendment that exempts any such transactions financed with state or federal road construction funds. The House accepted the change Monday.

Bill would make teens wait longer to get full driver's license

by BRUCE SCHREINER
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Kentucky teens would face more restrictions before getting full driving privileges under a bill sent to Gov. Ernie Fletcher on Monday. The graduated driver's license bill won final House passage 93-1. It requires teens to get more training and wait longer before obtaining a full driver's license. The measure has been a personal quest by Rep. Tom Burch, whose 17-year-old granddaughter died in 1999 when she lost control of her pickup and the vehicle flipped. After the bill passed Monday, Burch smiled widely as his colleagues applauded. "Four years of hard work paid off, and we're going to

save lives with it," Burch, a Louisville Democrat, said later in an interview. If signed into law by Fletcher, the bill would create an intermediate license that would make teens wait at least six extra months before getting full driving privileges. That would mean the earliest teens could get a regular license would be 17. Currently, teens can get full driving privileges after a six-month learner's permit. The bill would require that a teen be violation-free to advance from a learner's permit to an intermediate license, which would have fewer restrictions. The violation-free standard would apply to move up from an intermediate to a regular license. As part of his campaign in pushing for the extra training, Burch sent newspaper clippings

about teen driving deaths to his legislative colleagues. The bill creates a tiered system including a 180-day training period for 16-year-olds. They would have to complete 60 hours of supervised driving, including 10 hours at night. After that, young drivers would get the new intermediate license for another 180 days. The restrictions would include no driving from midnight to 6 a.m. except in cases of emergency, and no more than one unrelated passenger under age 20. The Senate exempted intermediate license holders from the restriction on the number of teen passengers during driver training courses. The House accepted the change. A Fletcher spokeswoman did not immediately return a call seeking comment.

House passes measure to ease tax burden on small businesses

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Small businesses would receive tax breaks under a measure approved by the House on Friday. The breaks were first proposed by Gov. Ernie Fletcher after the realization that Kentucky companies are paying millions more than originally projected under a tax modernization plan passed last year. The tax law overhaul was expected to raise corporate

income tax receipts by about \$378 million this fiscal year, but current projections call for increased receipts of \$535.3 million. Fletcher's budget director, Brad Cowgill, has attributed the \$157.3 million increase to an improved economy, not changes in the tax law. Legislators filed an array of bills this year that would cut corporate taxes, particularly for small businesses. The final product, approved on a 98-0 vote Friday morning, provides

an exemption to small businesses that have gross profits up to \$3 million a year. Small businesses complained that the state's tax modernization initiative required them to calculate their tax bills three different ways. The relief approved by the House will cost the state about \$13 million over two years, said Rep. Carolyn Belcher, D-Owingsville, a certified-public account who sponsored the bill. The measure now moves to the Senate for consideration.



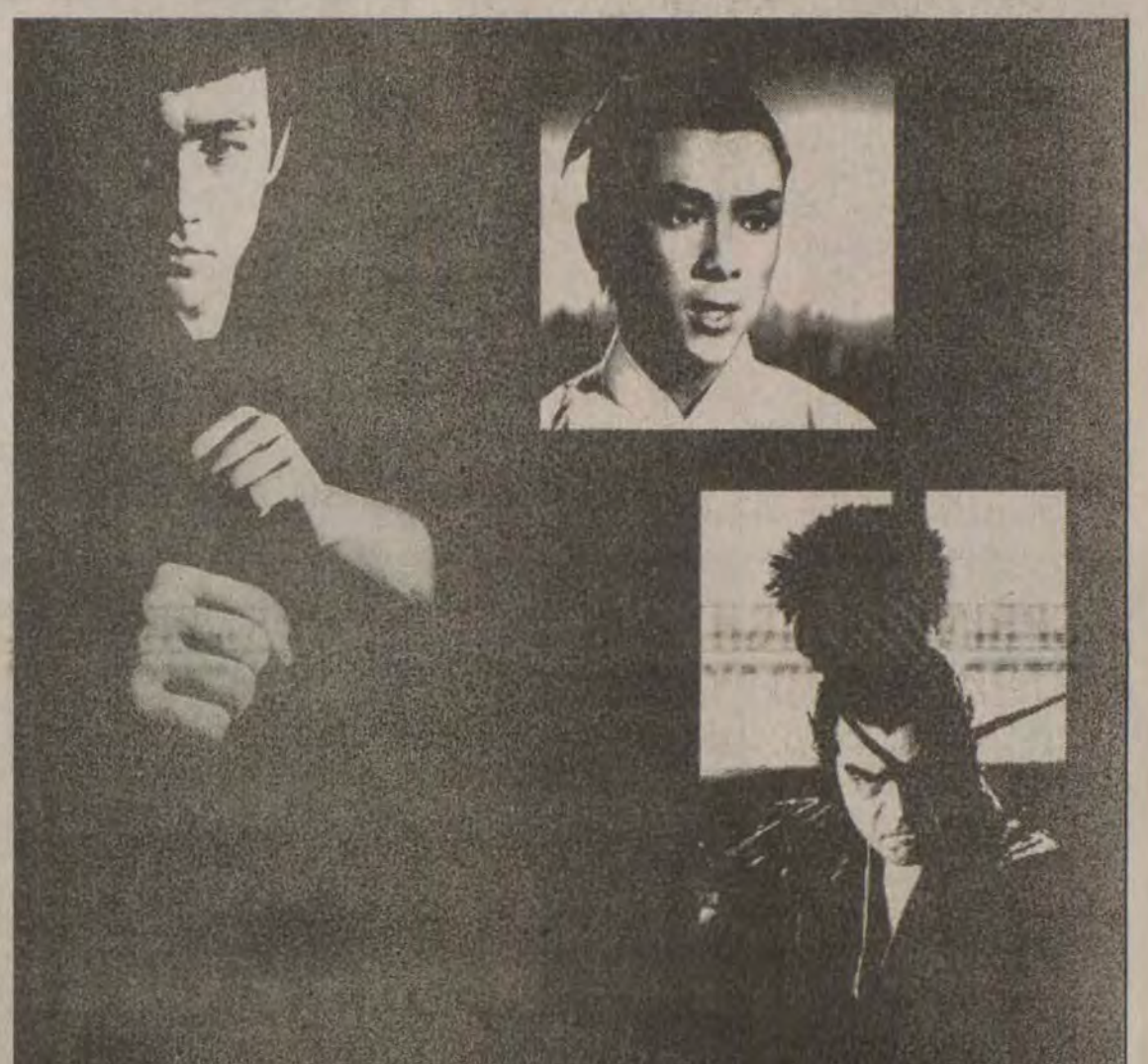
Sandy Valley Fasteners, owned and operated by Christy Henry in Paintsville, was recently awarded the 2005 Customer Service Award by the Special Operations Forces Support Activity. Sandy Valley Fasteners was selected for this award out of 70 suppliers and was presented with a plaque at the 2006 Supplier Conference in Lexington. This award was granted due to their impressive supply record with SOFSA in support of the US military operations overseas. The employees of Sandy Valley Fasteners can be proud that their hard work, diligence, and commitment to excellence paid off in 2005 with an outstanding "Gold" rating in delivery and quality assurance. We are all excited to see yet another year of growth within the company and the community.

Sturgill to receive 2006 Kentuckian Award

LEXINGTON — The Happy Chandler Foundation announced Tuesday that William B. Sturgill will be presented with the 2006 Kentuckian Award at the Awards of Excellence Gala on Saturday, July 8, in Lexington. Sturgill is a native Floyd Countian, born in Lackey. He is a longtime coal operator, and other business interests include banking, tobacco, highway construction, media, and investments. He was appointed Secretary of Energy and Agriculture by former Gov. John Y. Brown Jr. and was past chair of the Kentucky State Racing Commission. "There are very few people who have covered the gamut of industry like Bill Sturgill," said Rob Bromley, president of the Foundation. "He has served on many boards including UK's Athletics Association, the

Markey Cancer Foundation, Leadership Kentucky, Triangle Foundation, Spindletop Research, to name only a few. And he's a staunch supporter of education believing that the key to economic development is education. That's music to our ears." The Chandler Foundation provides scholarships to Kentucky students attending college in the Commonwealth. Since 1992 the Foundation has awarded more than \$550,000 in scholarships. Mary Kay Roark, the Foundation's executive director explains, "Our ultimate goal is help these students become Kentucky leaders whether they are in a small community or large city." The Kentuckian Award recognizes an individual for their outstanding service to the Commonwealth. "Also being from Eastern

Kentucky, I look forward to honoring a man who has helped the entire state and hasn't forgotten his roots," said Roark. "It's going to be a wonderful event, and we feel very fortunate to share this tribute with all of Bill's family and friends. I hope we are able to show him just how much he is appreciated." The Awards of Excellence Gala will be held on July 8 at the Lexington Center's Bluegrass Grand Ballroom. Reception begins at 6 p.m., banquet at 7 p.m. Individual reservations are \$125 and a table for 10 is \$1,200. For more information or to make a reservation, call 859-278-5550 or e-mail to mkroark@happyhandler.org. Sponsorships are available.



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Senate panel approves budget plan, heads to full body

by JOE BIESK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Kentucky's public school teachers would get pay raises over the next two years, and programs aimed at improving pupils' math and reading capabilities would get additional funding, under the Senate's proposed two-year state spending blueprint.

Senate Majority Leader Dan Kelly said the approximately \$18 billion plan contained less proposed state debt than the version that cleared the House earlier this month and kept intact more of Kentucky's "rainy day fund."

The proposed budget cleared the Senate Appropriations & Revenue Committee on Tuesday and was unanimously passed by the full body later in the afternoon.

"I don't see this as being particularly difficult, because other than a given project, the overall goals of both chambers are pretty similar," Kelly told reporters after the vote.

House lawmakers approved their version of the state's next budget plan on March 7. Senate lawmakers have presumably been working on crafting their own counterproposal since then.

However, Tuesday's committee action marked the first public unveiling of the Senate's proposal. Legislative staffers outlined the mammoth bill —

which encompasses state government spending for the next two fiscal years, beginning July 1 — for approximately three hours.

Actual copies of the bill were kept under wraps until after the panel approved it, prompting a mini-scrum among audience members grabbing for the document.

Like the House plan, the Senate version would boost teachers' salaries over the next two years. The Senate plan would also incorporate ACT tests into the state's annual student assessments.

Among other things, the Senate version would help subsidize small business owners with the cost of employee health care — a plan endorsed by Gov. Ernie Fletcher. The bill would also set up a "military family assistance trust fund" that would be aimed at helping qualifying families pay for bills and other expenses while are their loved ones are deployed.



Scouts hold Pinewood Derby

PRESTONSBURG — It may have been a long way from Daytona, Indy or Bristol, but to the Cub Scouts of Pack 802, Saturday, March 18, was just as exciting as any day of racing can be.

Pinewood Derby Day is the one sporting event that Scouts and their families look to with hope and anticipation as months of preparation and planning come together in friendly competition. This year's Derby saw 29 Scouts enter their wooden model race cars to claim honors as the Champion and advance to The Lonesome Pine District Derby to be held March 25th in Pikeville. The fellowship hall of charter home Fitzpatrick Baptist Church was transformed into a racer's dream as checkered flags and motor sports banners graced the track area and the aroma of hot dogs filled the air. One hundred and forty four heat races brought lots of action as Scouts cheered on their creations and selected the best in design to represent the Pack at the District Races.



Winners at Saturday's Pinewood Derby included Cody Meade, Garrett Hammonds, Hunter Brown, Colin Boyd, Gabriel Kidd and Nathan Armstrong.

Speed Division winners were:

- 1st Place: Cody Meade, son of Chuck and Jackie Meade
- 2nd Place: Garrett Hammonds, son of Joey and Lora Hammonds
- 3rd Place: Hunter Brown, son of April Adams and Greg Brown.

Design Division winners were:

- 1st Place: Colin Boyd, son

of Dr. Lee and Sabrina Boyd

- 2nd Place: Gabriel Kidd, son of Mary Reffitt and Aaron Kidd

- 3rd Place: Nathan Armstrong, son of Tony and Rosemary Armstrong

But race day wasn't just for the Scouts. "Outlaw" racers are prepared each year by parents, siblings and other family members to also compete in a sepa-

rate division. Kudos to Tori Hammonds for her outstanding speed to take the bragging rights for the year as the top "Outlaw Racer".

The Pack would like to give special thanks and recognition for the sponsors of this year's race. Music Carter Chevrolet as main race sponsor, providing the car kits for the boys to enter, as well as Kinzer Motorsports, Security Hut Inc.,

Hi Tech Signs and Graphics and Rick's Embroidery and Trophy. These businesses helped to make the Pack 802 Pinewood Derby Race Day a huge success.

Pack 802 meets each Tuesday night at 7pm at Fitzpatrick Baptist Church, Big Branch of Abbott, and invites all Prestonsburg area 1st through 4th graders to join the fun of Cub Scouting.

Drugs

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Maynard pleaded not guilty to the charge at his arraignment on Monday. He was placed under a \$20,000 cash bond and ordered to be held to answer to an active bench warrant issued against him in Martin County.

Maynard has also been charged with promoting contraband at the Big Sandy Detention Center, where he was charged with the offense in February 2005. He was arrested in Martin County in November and December and pleaded guilty on both occasions to having prescription medications that were not in their proper containers.

Meeting

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Pikeville.

The Big Sandy Area Development District has received a grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to develop a regional hazard mitigation plan. The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires that communities must participate in this process and adopt their portion of the plan in order to be eligible for disaster-related funds. This act also requires local governments to develop and submit pre-disaster mitigation plans as a condition of receiving Hazard Mitigation Grant Program project funding. FEMA and the state of Kentucky have asked area development districts to coordinate the planning process for each member jurisdiction.

The purpose of this meeting is to review the Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan that has been developed as a result of public meetings with the hazard mitigation committee and subcommittees. Public attendance is welcome.

For more information, contact Jeff Sizemore at the Big Sandy Area Development District at (606) 836-2374.

Music

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play it right away here."

Interested musicians can find out more by visiting the radio station's website at www.ara.lu or they can mail their music to Jervis care of Country Club Radio, ARA, 2 Ruebelaboucherie, Letzebuerg, L1247, Luxembourg, Europe.

Jervis also said that artists frequent the station and are always searching for new material so songwriters are encouraged to submit their material or to meet with him when he's back in Floyd County in June.

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201 Speedway opener slated for April 1

TIMES STAFF REPORT

SITKA – Following one of its most successful and exciting years of dirt track racing action, the historic 201 Speedway, located five miles off US Route 23 in Johnson County, will soon open the gates for its 22nd season with racing in five classes. Opening day, set for Saturday, April 1, will include a full show of Late Models. Other classes set to take to the pavement during the season-opening event include Open Wheel Modified, Claim Bombers, Street Stock and Stock Four Cylinders.

This season, 201 Speedway will again be a key part of the O'Reilly Battle of the Bluegrass Presented by Arizona Sports Shirts Late Model series. In past race seasons, the BoB events have brought in large carcounts and more fans each year at the Eastern Kentucky race track. The 201 Speedway will host three of the hottest dates on the tour during the 2006 season. The first series date at 201 Speedway is set for May 6. The BoB series will again visit 201 Speedway July 8. The series is scheduled to make one last stop at the Johnson County track Sept. 2.

The 201 Speedway will host a Test and Tune date Sunday, beginning at 2 p.m. The Test and Tune date will allow racers the opportunity to get out on the 201 Speedway track before the season-opener.

PBR AT EXPO



photos by Guillermo Cuenca

The Professional Bull Riders (PBR) Enterprise Rent-a-Car Tour visited Pikeville and the Eastern Kentucky Expo Center for a two-day show Friday and Saturday. The PBR event drew large crowds each night. Online: www.eastkyexpo.com; www.pbrnow.com.

Ole Miss gets OK to talk to South Alabama's Pelphrey

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

OXFORD, Miss. – Mississippi has received permission to talk to South Alabama coach John Pelphrey in its search for a new head coach.

South Alabama athletic director Joe Gottfried said Ole Miss asked for and was granted permission to speak to Pelphrey earlier this week. Gottfried said he asked Ole Miss to wait until South Alabama's season ended before contacting Pelphrey.

The Jaguars lost to Florida 76-50 in the first round of the NCAA Tournament on Thursday.

"Well, I've always been of the mindset never to hold anybody back if they have the opportunity," Gottfried said Thursday. "But we will try to keep him."

Pelphrey is one of three coaches who appear to be at the top of Ole Miss' wish list. Others reportedly are Cincinnati interim coach Andy Kennedy and Murray State's Mick Cronin.

Ole Miss athletic director Pete Boone has said he won't contact coaches until

(See PELPHREY, page two)

Dates set for ALC summer hoops camps

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIPPA PASSES – Dates for the Alice Lloyd College boys' and girls' summer basketball camps have been finalized.

The ALC boys' basketball camp will be held in Pippa Passes at the Grady Nutt Athletic Center June 19-June 23. The boys' basketball camp will be for players in grades 1-8. The camp will be conducted by Gary Gibson, ALC men's head basketball coach. For more information, contact Gibson at 606-368-6127 or via email at garygibson@alc.edu.

The girls' basketball camp will also be held at the Grady Nutt Athletic Center, running June 26-June 30. The camp is for players in grades 2-12. The camp will be conducted by David Adams, ALC women's head basketball coach. For more information, contact Adams at 606-368-6069 or via email at davidadams@alc.edu.

Both the Alice Lloyd College men's and women's basketball teams recently wrapped up play in the Kentucky Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (KIAC), following an extended stay in the AAC (Appalachian Athletic Conference).

The Alice Lloyd College golf team will begin play today, traveling to Elizabethton, Tenn., to participate in the Milligan College Invitational. The ALC golf team is coached by Sean Damron.

Eagles return home after long road trip

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIPPA PASSES – The Alice Lloyd College baseball team is back home after a long road trip during Spring Break. Last Tuesday, the squad traveled to Atlanta to play three teams from the Atlanta area. On Tuesday, ALC played Reinhardt University. The Eagles played well, but came up short on the end of a 8-6 final score. Matt Frazier had two hits and Brandon Feltner had a three-run home run for the ALC squad. Betsy Layne High School graduate Jordan Kidd was the losing pitcher.

On Wednesday, the Eagles lost to Southern Polytech University 7-4. Ronnie Johnson had a hit with two runs batted in and two stolen bases for Alice Lloyd. Travis Slusher was the losing pitcher for the Eagles.

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HEADED TO NATIONAL TOURNAMENT: Two Martin Junior Pro basketball teams will travel to Knoxville to play in the National Tournament March 24-26. The Martin league will have two teams compete in the national event. An Instructional Coed team (ages 6-9) and Training League (10-11) squad will represent the Martin league.

ABOVE, LEFT: Instructional Coed: First row – Allen May, Landon Hall, Ashley Salisbury, MacKenzie Samons. Second row – Star Sparkman, Tanner Hamilton, Zack Hall, Hannah Dingus, Brandi Stumbo. Coaches – Ruben Hall, Ronnie Samons. Not pictured – Seth Hall, Blake Branham, Alex Holbrook.

ABOVE, RIGHT: Training League: First row – Corey Grigsby, Cameron Hamilton, Elias Little. Second row – Dustin Bartrum, Jonathan Mullins, DeShea Elliott, Gary Arnett, Austin Salisbury. Coaches – Mike Little, Steve Grigsby. Not pictured – Garran Newsome, Zack Tackett, Nick Tackett.

Eagles

On Thursday, the Eagles split a doubleheader with Atlanta Christian College. In the first game, ALC lost 10-0. Tim Taylor was the losing pitcher. In the second game, the Eagles won 9-8. J.T. Coleman was the winning pitcher and Patrick Adkins picked up a save. Johnson, Frazier and Adam Blevins each had two hits for the Eagles. Kevin Slone and Carlos Armenteros each had a hit and two RBIs.

The Eagles then traveled to Owensboro, for their first KIAC Conference games of the year

against Brescia University. On Friday, the Eagles won the first game of the three game series by the score of 4-2. Armenteros, Slone and Blevins each had two hits in the game. Smith was the winning pitcher and Adkins picked up another save. The Eagles split the doubleheader on Saturday. Alice Lloyd lost the first game in extra innings, 4-3. Adkins was the losing pitcher for the Eagles. Trenton VanHoose had three hits for the ALC team. Frazier and Feltner each had two hits. The Eagles won the second

game, 4-0. Trent Waymire pitched a four-hit shutout to get the win. Slone had two hits for the winning team.

On Sunday, the Eagles hosted Union College, losing 11-5. Jason Bufka was the losing pitcher. Slone had two hits while Armenteros and Frazier each picked up a hit in the game.

Alice Lloyd is scheduled to host Mid-Continent University in a three game KIAC series with a single game on Friday at 3 p.m., followed by a doubleheader on Saturday, beginning at 1.

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Pelphrey

their seasons end. Ole Miss coach Rod Barnes was let go after eight years and a 141-107 record.

Cincinnati played Charlotte in the first round of the National Invitation Tournament on Friday. Murray State played North Carolina in the NCAA

Tournament on Friday.

Ole Miss athletic director Pete Boone also has said current Ole Miss assistant Tracy Dildy will be considered for the position.

Pelphrey, who is 60-55 at South Alabama, led the Jaguars to the NCAA Tournament for the first time in his four-year tenure.

Pelphrey, who played at Kentucky under coach Rick Pitino, also spent six seasons as an assistant on Florida coach Billy Donovan's staff. He was an assistant in 1999-2000 when the Gators finished as the national runners-up. He is a Paintsville native.

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Marshall wins 6-1, sweeps Cleveland State

Paintsville grad Slone fires 6.1 innings of one-run ball

TIMES STAFF REPORT

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. — The Marshall baseball team posted a 6-1 victory Sunday over Cleveland State at University Heights Field in Huntington to earn a three-game sweep over the Vikings. The Thundering Herd (8-7) also extends its winning streak to four games while moving over the .500 mark for the first time this season.

Paintsville High School graduate Jeremy Slone (Jr., Paintsville) started for Marshall on the mound and went 6.1 innings, allowing just seven hits

and one run while walking one and striking out five. Slone earned the win to improve to 1-2 on the year.

After the teams went scoreless for the first three and a half innings, Marshall broke into the scoring column in the fourth inning on a two-run home run by Brendan Murphy (Jr., Chattanooga, Tenn.), which also scored Adam Frederick (Sr., Franklin, Pa.), who had reached on a double. The home run was Murphy's team-leading sixth of the season.

Cleveland State (1-11) countered with a run in the fifth inning on a two-out RBI single

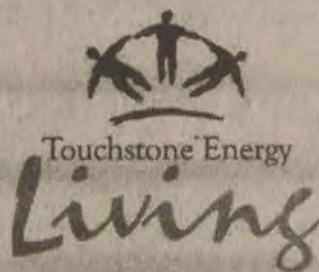
by Steve Chinn to cut the lead in half, 2-1.

Marshall scored four runs in the sixth inning. The Herd loaded the bases with no outs, and Murphy brought the first home with a slow grounder to third base, and Roddy Stieger (Sr., West Chester, Ohio) followed with a rocket to left field for a three-run home run. The home run, Stieger's third of the year, pushed the Marshall lead to 6-1. It also extended Stieger's hitting streak to a career-best 14 games.

Marshall finished the three-game series with 42 runs, while hitting .440 as a team.



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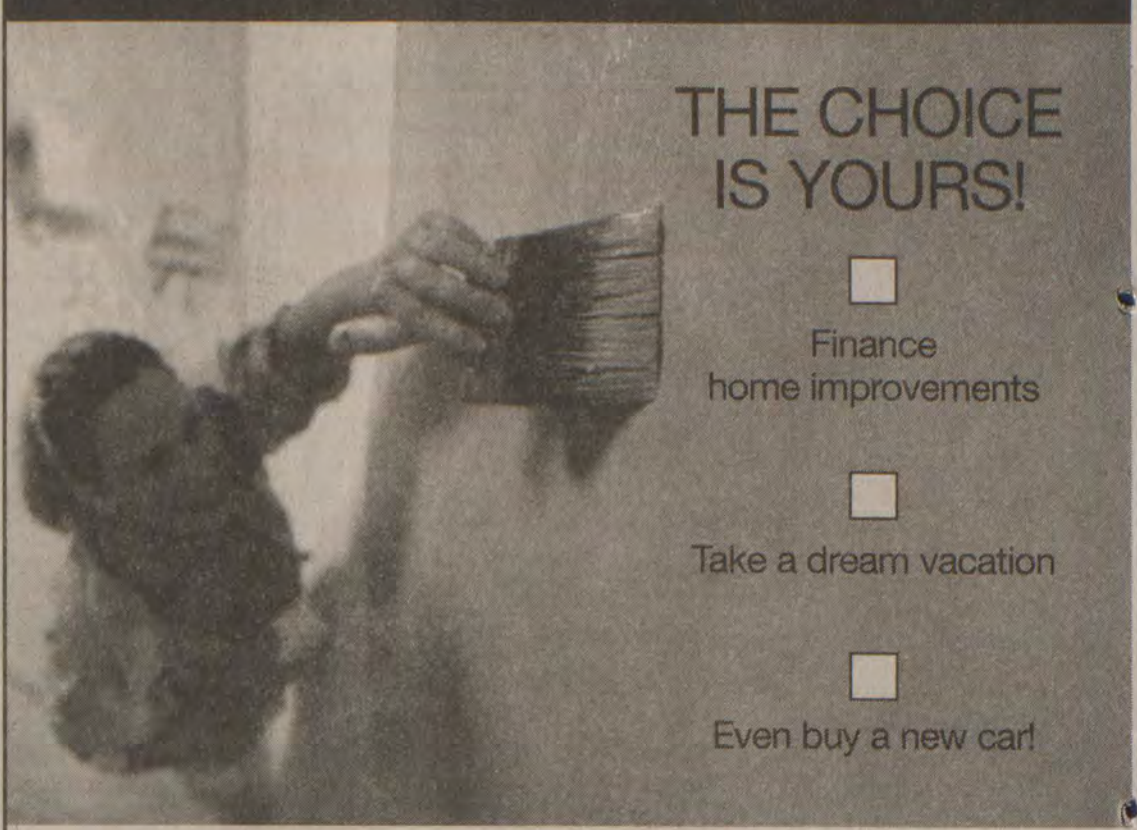
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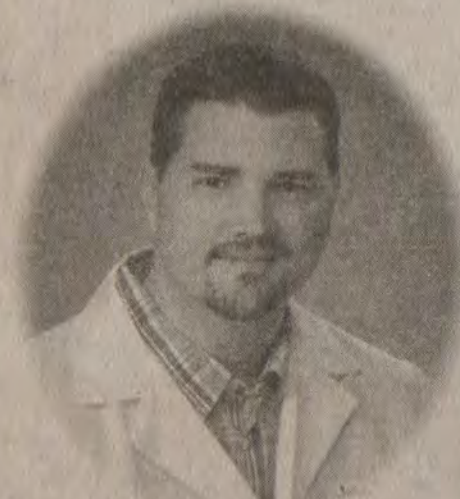
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BOYS' SWEET 16

Lou. Jeffersontown 61, Apollo 48

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Thomas Coleman scored 20 points and grabbed 10 rebounds Saturday night to lead Jeffersontown to a 61-48 win over Apollo and its first-ever high school boys state basketball championship.

Ceedrick Ware scored 19 points and grabbed 11 rebounds for Jeffersontown, and was named Most Valuable Player of the Sweet 16 tournament. Coleman was named MVP of the championship game.

The Chargers never trailed and led by as many as 15 points. Jeffersontown outrebounded the Eagles 40-20.

Tyler Brown led Apollo with 22 points, nine of them from the free-throw line. The Eagles scored 15 points from the free-throw line.

The Chargers dominated the first half, to take a 24-15 lead at

the half. Apollo scored just four points in the first quarter.

Apollo cut lead to 36-31 with less than six minutes to go in the game, but the Chargers responded by scoring the next six points to push the lead back to double digits.

The tournament was the 89th Sweet 16.

Coleman, Ward and Rashad Basey were named to the All-Tournament team from the Chargers. The Eagles' Brown, Doug Denton and Jake Wells were also named to the All-Tournament team.

LOU. JEFFERSONTOWN 61, APOLLO 48

APOLLO (25-11)—Robbins 0-0 0-0 0, Wells 2-10 1-1 6, Murphy 0-0 0-0 0, Jackson 0-0 0-0 0, Johnson 1-2 0-0 2, Denton 3-7 3-4 10, Alas 0-0 0-0 0, McMichael 1-1 0-0 3, Morris 0-0 0-0 0, Pope 0-0 0-0 0, Brown 6-17 9-10 22, Little 0-1 0-0 0, Duvall 0-2 2-4 2, Sims 1-

1 0-2 3, Davis 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 14-41 15-21 48.

JEFFERSONTOWN (32-3)—Trowel 0-0 0-0 0, McIntosh 0-0 2-2 2, Ware 5-10 9-13 19, Hardin 0-0 1-2 1, Gagel 0-4 0-0 0, Coleman 8-16 4-4 20, Basey 4-7 2-2 10, Pierrot 0-0 0-0 0, Rice 0-3 4-4 4, Richardson 0-1 0-0 0, Cason 0-0 0-0 0, Easley 2-8 1-1 5, Reves 0-0 0-0 0, Stanton 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 19-49 23-28 61.

Halftime—Jeffersontown 24, Apollo 15. 3-point goals—Apollo 5-19 (Wells 1-6, Denton 1-2, McMichael 1-1, Brown 1-9, Sims 1-1), Jeffersontown 0-7 (Ware 0-1, Gagel 0-3, Rice 0-1, Richardson 0-1, Easley 0-1). Rebounds—Apollo 20 (Brown 7), Jeffersontown 40 (Ware 11). Assists—Apollo 4 (Brown 2), Jeffersontown 4 (Ware 2). Total fouls—Apollo 19, Jeffersontown 17. A-16,263.

Education board to review proposed solution to athletic dispute

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — The Kentucky Board of Education is soon expected to review proposals on how to best level the athletic playing field between public and private high schools.

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association voted Friday to send proposals on recruiting, eligibility and enrollment issues to the board for consideration at its April meeting.

Under the set of ideas, students who don't comply with rules on enrollment boundaries, financial aid and the practice of "playing up" middle schoolers who compete in high school would face obstacles in competing in athletics. The state would restrict sports eligibility for up to two years in those cases.

"It will certainly slow down (athletic) recruitment," said Jim Sexton, principal of Louisville's Eastern High School and a member of the KHSAA board of control.

The athletic association has been trying to resolve a dispute between private and public schools, which came up again in October.

That's when public schools, the vast majority of KHSAA's membership, voted to force private schools into their own tournaments. They were concerned about recent domination of some larger private schools that draw from a wider area to lure top athletes.

KHSAA leaders opposed the vote and brought the issue to the Board of Education, which directed KHSAA to come up with a solution. With the pro-

posals now being sent to the Board of Education, the dispute could be nearing an end.

But two private school representatives on the KHSAA control board voted against sending the proposals to the Board of Education. The control board instead could have first sent the proposals out to member high schools for a vote.

Bob Schneider of Newport Catholic said a statewide vote might not show overwhelming support for the proposals.

"It could end up right back in our lap," said control board member Gary Dearborn of Cynthiana.

The Kentucky Board of Education is scheduled to meet April 11-12 in Frankfort.

Information from: The Courier-Journal, <http://www.courier-journal.com>

Basket tosses limited to soft surfaces in high school cheerleading

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

INDIANAPOLIS — In an effort to minimize risk of injury to high school cheerleaders, the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) has stated that basket tosses and other similar multi-base tosses may only be performed on appropriate mats, grass, rubberized and soft-yielding surfaces, effective with the 2006-07 season.

The NFHS Spirit Rules Committee made this addition to Rule 2-10 as a follow-up to its earlier meeting this year, and the NFHS Board of Directors has given its approval for implementation next season.

"The most visible change that will occur next year is that basket tosses no longer will be permitted on a basketball court, unless the stunt is done on an appropriate mat," said Susan Loomis, NFHS spirit rules liaison. "Basket tosses will still be permitted, but only on grass or soft surfaces. When basket tosses are not done properly and the person being tossed is not caught, serious injuries can occur. By eliminating the performing of these stunts on hardwood floors, the risk of injury is reduced tremendously."

"The current cheerleading climate is focused on risk minimization, and this rule change is

consistent with that emphasis."

By definition, a basket toss is performed when a flyer steps onto the interlocked arms of two bases with an assist from a person who stands behind and lifts at the waist. The flyer is then tossed directly upward by these three participants, and often with an optional fourth tosser in front of the flyer.

The American Association of Cheerleading Coaches and Administrators (AACCA), a national organization dedicated to the promotion of cheerleading safety and the education of cheerleading coaches, promoted this risk-minimization change regarding basket tosses.

COLLEGE BASEBALL LSU rallies, beats Kentucky

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEXINGTON — With two outs in the ninth and LSU down to its final strike, Quinn Stewart hit a two-run home run to spark a four-run rally as the eighth-ranked Tigers rallied for a 5-2 victory over Kentucky on Sunday afternoon at Cliff Hagan Stadium.

The Wildcats were on the verge of their first Southeastern Conference sweep in six years and their first over LSU since 1991 when Stewart struck. The Tigers avoided being swept to open SEC play for the first time in 25 years with the win. The loss snapped Kentucky's eight-game win streak as it fell to 17-4 overall.

However, victories on Friday and Saturday had already allowed UK to clinch the series win, its second in three years under head coach John Cohen.

The loss spoiled a near-flawless outing by starting pitcher Greg Dombrowski, who no-hit LSU for five innings and allowed just two hits in 7 2/3 innings. After hitting a batter in

the first, he retired 13 straight before Jarred Bogany singled in the fifth.

Dombrowski then retired eight more before Bogany singles again with two outs in the seventh. He got the next batter, Jason Ogata, to strike out on a pitch in the dirt, but the ball squirted away from catcher Sean Coughlin to allow Ogata to reach and Bogany to take third. It was the last batter Dombrowski would face as he was relieved by Andrew Albers.

LSU scored its first run on a double steal when nobody covered second base in the run down. However, Albers got Bruce Sprowl to lineout to end the inning.

Dombrowski, who did not factor in the decision, was charged for the run even though the inning should have been over on the strikeout, his career-high seventh of the game. He has not walked a batter in 35 2/3 innings this year and in 52 1/3 overall dating back to last season.

Michael Hollander singled to lead off the ninth before Albers got the next two batters to bring

up Stewart. After his home run, Matt Liuzza singled and Jordan Mayer walked before Bogany made it 5-2 with a triple.

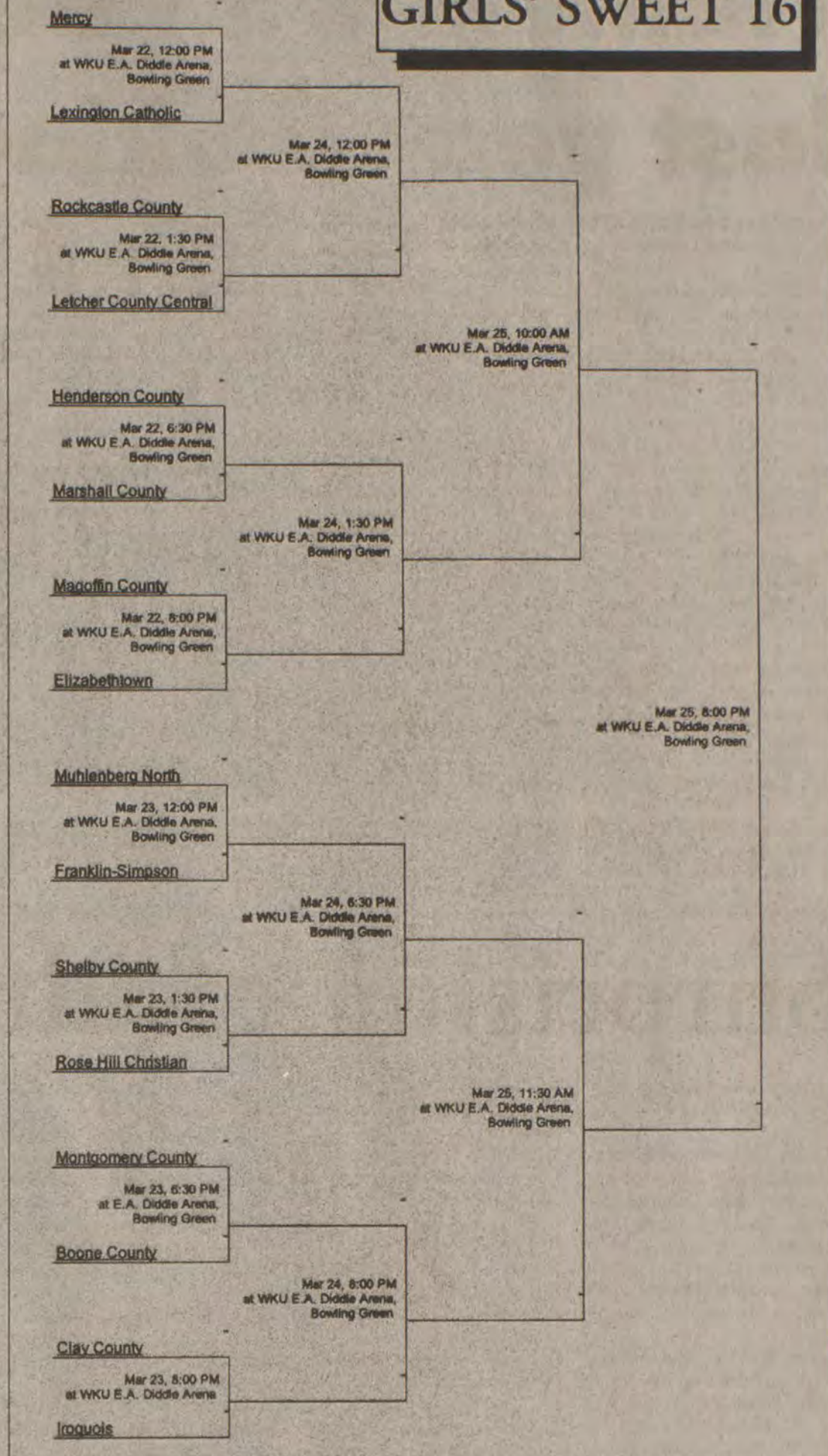
Senior Michael Bertram broke a scoreless tie in the fifth with a solo home run to center field. It was his second of the year and the first of his career in SEC play.

Bertram scored Kentucky's second run in the seventh on a two-out error by pitcher Derik Olvey. On the play, First baseman Steven Waguespack fielded an Antone DeJesus grounder in the hole and tossed to Olvey, who couldn't handle it.

Fighting illness all weekend, Olvey came back to pitch a gem. He worked eight innings, allowing Kentucky's powerful offense just two runs on four hits. He fanned five and walked one. Thanks to Stewart, he earned the win to improve to 5-0. Albers took the loss to fall to 1-1.

Kentucky returns to action today against Xavier at 6:30 p.m. The Wildcats get back into SEC play on Friday at Tennessee.

GIRLS' SWEET 16



COLLEGE TENNIS

Tulsa tops Louisville, 4-0

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — The 12th ranked University of Louisville men's tennis team lost to No. 39 Tulsa Friday in the quarterfinals of the Blue Gray National Collegiate Tennis Classic. U of L falls to 13-3 on the season and snaps a 10-match win streak.

"This loss was definitely difficult to swallow since we haven't had a loss in seven weeks," said U of L head coach

Rex Ecarma. "A loss can sometimes be positive if a team learns from it and uses it to get better. We want to handle losses like we do wins - with class. Tulsa played with perfect execution and effort."

The Cardinals surrendered the doubles point for only the second time this year. Tulsa's team of Arnau Brugues and Aleksander Charpantidis outlasted No. 32 ranked Jeremy Clark and Jakob Gustafsson 9-8 (10-8) at the top seed while

Andy Connelly and Ross Cunningham defeated Slavko Radman and Tony Teufel 8-5 at the three-spot. Louisville's No. 27-ranked team of Damar Johnson and Jhonny Berrido defeated Federico Soriano and Will Gray 8-4.

Tulsa's Arnau Brugues defeated Louisville's No. 88 ranked Radman 6-1, 6-1 at the top seed. Federico Soriano beat Johnson 6-4, 6-2 at the two-spot. Tulsa's Will Gray beat Jhonny Berrido 6-1, 6-2 at No. 4.

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Trainers with Derby long shots last year looking good this year

by RICHARD ROSENBLATT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Looking for a hunch bet at the Kentucky Derby?

Try the John Shirreffs-Kieran McLaughlin exacta box.

The trainers who sent out Giacomo (50-1) and Closing Argument (71-1) to a 1-2 finish in last year's Derby — producing a record exacta payoff of \$9,814.80 — are back in the chase after a wild weekend of prep races.

A.P. Warrior, in his first start for Shirreffs, was the surprise winner of the San Felipe Stakes at Santa Anita, beating two of trainer Bob Baffert's Derby contenders, Point Determined (second) and favorite Bob and John (third).

Like Now, sent off at 36-1, held off Keyed Entry by a neck to win the Gotham Stakes at Aqueduct, giving McLaughlin another prospect for the Derby on May 6. He also trains

Fountain of Youth runner-up Flashy Bull and Jazil.

In other key preps Saturday, Lawyer Ron won the Rebel Stakes at Oaklawn Park in convincing fashion for his fifth straight victory and Deputy Glitters upset 2-5 favorite Bluegrass Cat in the Tampa Bay Derby.

The results created a shake-up in this week's Run to the Roses' Top 10 list of Derby contenders, but Brother Derek remains No. 1. A.P. Warrior, undistinguished through his first six starts under Eoin Harty, moves in at No. 6, with Like Now at No. 7 and Deputy Glitters at No. 9.

Like Now had never run beyond six furlongs before winning the 1 1/16-mile Gotham in 1:43.17. The other preps also were at 1 1/16 miles: A.P. Warrior won in 1:42.20, Lawyer Ron in 1:44.09 and Deputy Glitters in 1:44.26.

"We thought he would be successful stretching out, but

you never know until you try," McLaughlin said of Like Now. "This was a tough spot to try."

Corey Nakatani was aboard A.P. Warrior for the first time: "I could not have been more pleased with the way he was traveling underneath me. He was relaxed. I really think the sky is the limit with this horse. I'm excited."

Dropping out of the Top 10 but still worth watching are Bob and John and Flashy Bull. Private Vow also tumbled after finishing seventh in the Rebel in his first start since Nov. 26.

One of the big disappointments was Achilles of Troy, who finished fifth in the Gotham and was pulled up by jockey Ramon Dominguez with what appeared to be a sore right front leg. The gray colt came into the race off wins in the Count Fleet and Whirlaway.

Next Saturday's preps are the Lane's End Stakes at Turfway Park and the UAE Derby in Nad al Sheba in Dubai.

This week's top 10, with Derby future wager odds:

1. Brother Derek (Dan Hendricks, trainer, Alex Solis, jockey): Back to normal training routine after cut on left front foot healed ... Five wins in seven starts; 2-for-2 this year with wins in San Rafael and Santa Catalina ... Next start: Santa Anita Derby (April 8) ... Odds: 10-1.

2. Lawyer Ron (Bob Holthus, John McKee): A perfect 6-of-6 on dirt tracks after impressive three-length win in Rebel ... Next start: Arkansas Derby (April 15) ... Odds: 17-1.

3. First Samurai (Frank Brothers, Edgar Prado): Fountain of Youth winner worked four furlongs in 49 seconds Saturday at Gulfstream ... Set to be shipped to Kentucky this week to prepare for final prep ... Next start: Blue Grass (April 15) ... Derby odds 16-1.

4. Keyed Entry (Todd Pletcher, Prado): Runner-up finish in Gotham proves colt can stretch

out ... Lost for first time in four starts ... Next start: Wood Memorial (April 8) ... Odds: 21-1.

5. Barbaro (Michael Matz, Prado): Set for timed workouts next two Mondays before next race ... Unbeaten in four races — won Holy Bull in last start Feb. 4 ... Next start: Florida Derby (April 1) ... Odds: 15-1.

6. A.P. Warrior (John Shirreffs, Corey Nakatani): Trainer of '05 Derby winner Giacomo has a bona fide prospect after win in San Felipe ... Owner Stan Fulton shelled out \$1.3 million for son of A.P. Indy ... Next start: Santa Anita Derby ... Odds: 3-1 (mutuel field).

7. Like Now (Kieran McLaughlin, Fernando Jara): Answered distance question with Gotham win at 36-1 ... Gelding has won four of seven career starts ... Next start: Wood Memorial ... Odds: 3-1 (mutuel field).

8. Corinthian (Jimmy Jerkens, Javier Castellano): Has talent to be top contender, but

has to settle down before and during races to make it to Churchill Downs ... Finished ahead of First Samurai in Fountain of Youth but DQ'd to third for impeding horses ... Next start: Wood Memorial ... Odds: 15-1.

9. Deputy Glitters (Tom Albertrani, Jose Lezcano): Topped Bluegrass Cat in Tampa Bay Derby a month after losing to him in Sam F. Davis ... Won for just second time in six starts ... Next start: Blue Grass or Wood Memorial ... Odds: 3-1 (mutuel field).

10. Bluegrass Cat (Pletcher, Velazquez): Don't give up on this talented colt despite runner-up finish in Tampa Bay Derby ... Next start: Blue Grass (April 15).

Keep an eye on: Bob and John, Flashy Bull, Point Determined, Sunriver, Strong Contender.

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Surprising results in Derby preps

by RICHARD ROSENBLATT
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Trainer John Shirreffs is back on the Kentucky Derby trail.

A year after winning the Derby with 50-1 long shot Giacomo, Shirreffs' A.P. Warrior won the San Felipe Stakes at Santa Anita and looks to be on his way to Churchill Downs.

A.P. Warrior, who finished fourth in his last two races before owner Stan Fulton sent his \$1.3 million colt to Shirreffs' barn, held off two 3-year-olds trained by Bob Baffert — Point Determined was second and Bob and John was third.

In other Derby preps Saturday, 36-1 long shot Like Now upset Achilles of Troy in

the Gotham Stakes at Aqueduct, Deputy Glitters surprised 2-5 favorite Bluegrass Cat in the Tampa Bay Derby and Lawyer Ron won his fifth straight by taking the Rebel Stakes at Oaklawn Park.

A.P. Warrior's final prep will be the Santa Anita Derby on April 8; Like Now and Gotham runner-up are headed to the Wood Memorial on April 8 and Bluegrass Cat may run next in the Blue Grass Stakes on April 15.

The Kentucky Derby is May 6. Gotham Stakes

NEW YORK — Like Now cruised into the Kentucky Derby picture with a huge upset in the Gotham Stakes.

The 3-year-old gelding never gave an inch in a wire-to-wire

victory over Keyed Entry, winning by a neck.

Achilles of Troy, the 3-2 favorite, broke slowly from the gate, was never in contention and finished fifth. Jockey Ramon Dominguez pulled up his Derby prospect around the clubhouse turn, and the colt was vanned off the Aqueduct track in a horse ambulance. The early report from the chief examining veterinarian was a sore right front leg.

Like Now gives trainer Kieran McLaughlin another Derby contender, although this one might not go off at the same long odds as his last one. A year ago, McLaughlin's Closing Argument was second to Giacomo in the Derby at odds of 71-1.

Ridden by Fernando Jara, Like Now covered the 1 1/16 miles in 1:43.17 and returned \$74.50, \$22.20 and \$10.20. The victory was the third straight for Like Now, owned by John Dillon.

"We will definitely keep taking steps forward to the Kentucky Derby," McLaughlin said, adding his gelding's final prep would be the Wood Memorial on April 8.

Keyed Entry, a winner in his first three starts for trainer Todd Pletcher, made a late bid but came up a neck short and paid \$3.70 and \$3.20. Sweetsouthernstain was third and paid \$5.10.

Keyed Entry, with Edgar Prado aboard, remains on schedule for the Derby, and could run next in the Wood Memorial.

Tampa Bay Derby
OLDSMAR, Fla. — Deputy Glitters turned the tables on favorite Bluegrass Cat by winning the Tampa Bay Derby on Saturday and joined to road to the Kentucky Derby.

Bluegrass Cat, the 2-5

favorite who defeated Deputy Glitters in the Sam F. Davis last month, made a late run but Deputy Glitters pulled away for a two-length victory.

"We needed to run the perfect race and we got it, along with a perfect ride," winning trainer Tom Albertrani said.

Bluegrass Cat came into the race as one of the top Derby contenders, and trainer Todd Pletcher remained optimistic, saying that Deputy Glitters ran a near-perfect race under Jose Lezcano.

Deputy Glitters, an 8-1 choice, won his first race in six starts dating back to last September.

"We still think we can make it to the Derby," Albertrani said.

Bluegrass Cat came into the race with four straight wins after finishing eighth in his first race. He won the Remsen Stakes to close out his 2-year-old campaign and then won the Sam F. Davis on Feb. 18.

Rebel Stakes

HOT SPRINGS, Ark. — Lawyer Ron continued his winning streak by capturing the

Rebel Stakes at Oaklawn Park on Saturday.

A winner of five in a row, Lawyer Ron was a late favorite among the crowd of 32,983 and paid \$5.60, \$3.80, \$2.80 for his three-length victory in the 1 1/16th mile race.

The Rebel is a prep for the Arkansas Derby on April 15, the next assignment for Lawyer Ron, who established himself as a top prospect for the Kentucky Derby on May 6.

Red Raymond, also trained by Holthus, finished second and paid \$11.80 and \$4.80. Steppenwolf, which was a close second to Lawyer Ron in the Southwest Stakes at Oaklawn on Feb. 25, finished third and paid \$2.60. Private Vow, making his first start of the year after winning the Kentucky Jockey Club Stakes on Nov. 26, was seventh.

Lawyer Ron is owned by the Estate of James T. Hines Jr., who died four days before the Southwest. The last two winners of the Rebel — Smarty Jones and Afleet Alex — each won two legs of the Triple Crown.

State trout stockings rescheduled due to work at hatchery

TIMES STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT — Several rainbow trout stockings originally scheduled to occur in April were rescheduled for the first three days of this week. The schedule changed due to ongoing work at the Wolf Creek National Fish Hatchery near Jamestown, where rainbow trout stocked throughout the state are raised. The stockings will include thousands of 8- to 12-inch trout.

Beaver Dam Creek, Nolin

Lake tailwater, Rough River Lake tailwater, Owensboro City Park Lake, Madisonville Park Lake, Bert Combs Lake, Beulah Lake, Sturgeon Creek, Station Camp Creek, Greasy Creek, Buckhorn Lake tailwater, Buffalo Creek and Mill Creek Lake all were to be restocked Tuesday.

Stockings scheduled for today include Rough Creek, Sinking Creek, Cherokee Park, Fisherman's Park, Cranks Creek Lake, Martin's Fork Lake tailwater, Kingdom Come Lake, Line Fork Creek, Stanford

Reservoir, Mingo Lake and the Herrington Lake tailwater.

Stockings scheduled for Thursday include Carr Creek Lake tailwater, Fish Pond Lake, Russell Fork Creek, Fishtrap Lake tailwater, Paintsville Lake tailwater, Yatesville Lake tailwater, East Fork of the Little Sandy River, Grayson Lake tailwater, Hood Creek, Big Caney Creek, Laurel Creek and the Cave Run Lake tailwater.

Stockings in the Cumberland River tailwater are no longer announced.

A.P. Warrior shuts out Baffert, takes San Felipe

by ANDREW DALTON
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ARCADIA, Calif. — A.P. Warrior beat a pair of powerhouses from Bob Baffert's barn in the \$250,000 San Felipe Stakes at Santa Anita on Saturday, giving trainer John Shirreffs an unexpected contender for his second straight Kentucky Derby victory.

A \$1.3 million purchase who was disappointing in six previous races, A.P. Warrior was making his first start for Shirreffs, who trained 2005 Kentucky Derby winner Giacomo.

"He is a very, very, classy horse," Shirreffs said.

Baffert's Point Determined was second in his stakes debut and stablemate and heavy favorite Bob and John was forced to go five-wide on the final turn and had to rally to hold on for third.

Bob and John, owned by Houston Texans owner Bob McNair, had been Baffert's top Kentucky Derby prospect coming into the race.

"I've never won this race and won the Derby, so that's the only good thing about it," Baffert said.

A.P. Warrior had finished

fourth in his two stakes starts for trainer Eoin Harty, and hadn't won since an allowance race in early November.

Ridden by Corey Nakatani, the son of A.P. Indy was sixth in the early going of the Grade II San Felipe, and challenged the leaders four-wide on the turn. He took a one-length lead at the top of the stretch and won by a half-length, covering 1 1/16 miles in 1:42 2-5.

"I wasn't surprised by anything he did this afternoon," said Nakatani, who rode the colt for the first time. "I could not have been more pleased with the way he was traveling underneath me. He was relaxed. I really think the sky is the limit with this horse."

Now it's on to the April 8 Santa Anita Derby for A.P. Warrior, where he will likely face the nation's top 3-year-old Brother Derek.

"We're not looking to go on the road," said Shirreffs. "We'll definitely stay home."

A.P. Warrior paid \$17, \$7.40 and \$3.60. Point Determined paid \$5.20 and \$3. Bob and John paid \$2.40 to show.

Bob and John had a terrible trip. He was bumped just out of the gate and was next-to-last in the field of nine in the early

going. He appeared to be making a strong move going into the final turn, but after going five-wide was never a threat to win in the stretch.

"I kind of lost my position right out of the gate," said jockey Victor Espinoza. "There was just a little too much ground to make up. I think it turned out to be a good experience for him, getting dirt kicked in his face and all."

Point Determined and Bob and John will remain on the Derby trail for Baffert, who won the race three times from 1997-2002.

"We're in the game. If they can run one, two, or three, you're in the game."

Seven horses have finished second in the San Felipe and gone on to win the Kentucky Derby, including Giacomo last year.

Point Determined is owned by Beverly Lewis and the estate of Bob Lewis, the two-time Kentucky Derby-winning owner who died earlier this year.

It was A.P. Warrior's third win in six starts. He more than doubled his lifetime bankroll, earning \$150,000 for a lifetime total of \$287,185. He is owned by Stan Fulton.

A third Baffert entry, Sky Diving, finished last.

REDS NOTEBOOK Narron happy lefty getting work

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

KISSIMMEE, Fla. — Cincinnati manager Jerry Narron was happy to get left-handed starter David Williams some work.

Williams, obtained in a trade with Pittsburgh for Sean Casey, had a rough outing for the second straight start in the Atlanta Braves 10-6 victory over the Cincinnati Reds over the weekend. Williams allowed eight earned runs on 10 hits in 3 1/3 innings. He struck out three but walked three.

"He got some pitches up which hurt him," Narron said. "He made some good pitches too. We didn't execute a run-down on defense and that hurt him. But he threw 75 pitches and he only threw 65 in his last start. We'll continue to stretch him out."

One of the few Reds pitchers this spring to pitch in all of his regular turns, allowed three earned runs in 3 1/3 innings against Minnesota on Monday. Williams faced the Braves at a time when they were full strength for the first time.

Williams also allowed a first inning home run to Edgar Renteria. Williams has

an even 9.00 ERA over 12 1/3 innings, losing both his spring decisions.

BACK HOME: Chipper Jones and Jeff Francoeur returned after playing with Team USA in the World Baseball Classic and Andrew Jones recently returned from playing with the Netherlands. The trio was 6-for-8 combined with Francoeur 3-for-3 with a home run and five RBI.

STILL STRONG: Although Jake Robbins allowed two singles in relief of Williams, which allowed both inherited runners to score, the Reds bullpen pitched 4 2/3 innings and allowed two runs on five hits.

Narron acknowledged that Robbins, Todd Coffey, Brian Shakelford and Ryan Wagner threw well. But tempered his remarks because they faced the more inexperienced Braves batters in the latter stages of the game.

"We need to get some of them out there early in the game against some front line

hitters," Narron said.

Coffey and Wagner pitched a scoreless inning. Shakelford has allowed just one run in six innings coming into the game and retired the first four batters he faced before allowing a two-run home run to Jonathan Schuerholz, the son of the Braves general manager.

WISE STILL HOT: Dewayne Wise, a candidate to win a job on the Reds bench, hit his fifth home among his three hits. He also doubled and is now hitting .394 this spring.

"He's making a huge impression," Narron said. "We knew he was a good outfielder and baserunner but he's showing that he's a pretty good hitter."

ALSO HOT: Encarnacion stayed at the .500 mark with a 2-for-4 day. Encarnacion doubled for the fifth time on Saturday and drove in two more runs. He leads major league hitters in RBI with 16. He has six home runs good for second behind Ryan Howard of Philadelphia.

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NCAA MEN: Connecticut 87, Kentucky 83

by DAVID GINSBURG
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PHILADELPHIA

Advancing to the regional semifinals provided Connecticut coach Jim Calhoun with a strong feeling of accomplishment.

Beating Kentucky made it even more special.

Connecticut took control early, then survived a furious comeback bid by the Wildcats and held on for an 87-83 victory Sunday in the NCAA tournament.

The eagerly anticipated first meeting between the two high-profile programs proved well worth the wait. Although No. 1 seed Connecticut never trailed after the opening five minutes, the Huskies couldn't wrap up the win until Rudy Gay made two free throws with 3.3 seconds left.

"It's amazing that we were playing Kentucky for the first time," Calhoun said, "but we're trying to earn (recognition) as a lead program in America, and hopefully we continue to do that. It was obviously a tremendous, tremendous basketball game."

Marcus Williams scored 20 points, including four clutch free throws in the final 30 seconds, and Gay had 19 for Connecticut (29-3), which next

faces the University of Washington in the semifinals of the Washington Regional.

Last year, Connecticut was eliminated in the second round by North Carolina State. The Huskies made amends for that performance, however, by defeating a Kentucky team that wouldn't quit after falling behind by 13 points in the second half.



Patrick Sparks

"Kentucky gave us a great shot," Calhoun said, "but we're going to D.C."

After losing to Syracuse in the Big East tournament quarterfinals, UConn struggled in its first-round win over Albany. Calhoun hopes this victory will provide the Huskies with a much-needed shot of confidence.

"Sometimes I'd like to see them with more swagger," Calhoun said. "Perhaps we'll walk out of here with that kind of swagger."

Patrick Sparks scored a career-high tying 28 points on 10-for-16 shooting for No. 8 seed Kentucky (22-13), which failed to reach the round of 16 for only the third time in the last 12 seasons. The Wildcats are 3-8 against No. 1 seeds since the selection committee began using seeds in 1979.

"We made some runs at them and had an opportunity," Kentucky coach Tubby Smith

said. "When you have an opportunity to play against a No. 1 seed, you have to raise your level of play. We did. They're a very talented team, a team I think is capable of winning it all."

Kentucky and Connecticut have combined for nine NCAA titles, including three of the last eight, but this was the first time they got together on the basketball court.

At first, the matchup appeared to be a mismatch. UConn led by 12 at halftime and 13 with 13:37 remaining, but that's when the Wildcats finally found their shooting touch.

It was 66-57 before Kentucky's Shery Thomas scored from the baseline and Bobby Perry added a 3-pointer to get the Wildcats within four with 7:58 left.

After UConn upped the margin back to eight, Thomas hit a 3-pointer and Rajon Rondo beat the shot clock with a 3-pointer during a 10-4 spree that got Kentucky to 74-72 with 3:16 to go.

The Huskies built their lead back to eight, but Sparks hit a 3-pointer and Thomas made a layup to get the Wildcats within two with 53 seconds to play.

Williams made two foul shots before Perry hit a layup to make it 83-81. Then, after Williams made two more free throws and Perry scored on a putback, Gay iced it at the line.

Kentucky lost despite 17-for-30 shooting in the second half,

including 7-for-14 from 3-point range after a 1-for-10 performance in the first 20 minutes. Sparks, a senior, scored 16 after halftime.

"I didn't want it to be my last game," Sparks said. "I was able to hit some 3's at the end, trying to get us back, but it just wasn't enough."

After falling behind by 12 points in each of its previous two games, Connecticut was determined to reverse the trend by getting off to a good start — and did just that.

Beginning with Hilton Armstrong's dunk off the opening tap, the Huskies were sharp at the outset on both ends of the court.

In building a 25-12 lead, UConn made six of its first eight shots and got four 3-pointers from Rashad Anderson, who was held scoreless by Albany. Kentucky, in contrast, missed nine of its first 12 shots and had six turnovers in the first 11 minutes.

It was 33-20 before the Wildcats made three baskets in a 24-second span to get within seven. Minutes later, Shargari Alleyne ended Kentucky's 0-for-9 drought from 3-point range to make it a six-point game.

But UConn closed the half with an 8-2 spurt to make it 43-31.

"We've been fighting from behind a lot this year, and it was no different this game," Sparks said. "It shows what kind of toughness and character this team's got. I give us a lot of credit for fighting the whole way."

North Carolina 69, Murray State 65

by JOE KAY
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DAYTON, Ohio — A whole new Carolina cast looked nothing like defending champs the first time out in the NCAA tournament.

Murray State, a team with all of one NCAA victory in its history, took third-seeded North Carolina down to the closing seconds Friday night before the Tar Heels pulled out a 69-65 first-round victory.

Underscoring how much North Carolina (23-7) has changed in a year: Four freshmen scored the Tar Heels' final 29 points. Tyler Hansbrough led the way with 24 overall, his 14th 20-point game — a Carolina freshman record.

"If he was any better looking, I'd want to kiss him after every game," coach Roy Williams said. "I've never seen a freshman more focused."

It wasn't secure until Marcus Ginyard — yes, another freshman — made two free throws

with 16.5 seconds left for a 69-65 lead.

The Tar Heels play George Mason in the second round of the Washington Regional.

Fourteenth-seeded Murray State (24-7) was trying to become the first team in 10 years to knock out a defending champion in the first round. The last champ to make such an early exit was UCLA, which was seeded fourth when it lost to Princeton 43-41 in 1996.

North Carolina isn't a typical defending champion. The Tar Heels lost their top seven scorers from the squad that beat Illinois for the title, an unusual high turnover that left the roster stripped of tournament experience.

Heading into the first round, Williams fretted that his team would have that wide-eyed look when it took the floor. He was right. The Tar Heels trailed 31-30 at halftime and never led by more than five in the second half.

"You have to understand that

we've played 30 games this year," Williams said. "We made some silly mistakes. You can't make those mistakes at this point."

Murray State's horrible history at tournament time made it an unlikely candidate to stay close. The Ohio Valley champions are 1-12 in NCAA play, and haven't won a game since their 1988 upset of North Carolina State.

More daunting, their conference has lost 17 straight games in the tournament.

Trey Pearson led Murray State with 18 points, but missed a critical 3-point attempt in the closing seconds. Carolina got the rebound and Ginyard was fouled, going to the line for his clinching free throws.

Danny Green had 15 points, Bobby Frasor added nine and Ginyard scored four, rounding out the freshman quartet.

Williams' Kansas and North Carolina teams now have won at least one game in the last 17 NCAA tournaments, matching

Carolina's Dean Smith for the record. This one was played in an arena where he suffered one of his most crushing NCAA tournament losses.

Williams and top-seeded Kansas was beaten by a Texas-El Paso 66-60 in the second round in 1992, when many thought the Jayhawks could win a national title.

The four freshmen saved him from another such setback on Friday.

Green's bank shot put Carolina up 62-57 with 5:22 left, but Murray State tied it at 65 on Darnell Hopkins' 17-foot jumper with 1:18 to go. That shot set it on course to be decided in the closing seconds.

Hansbrough's turnaround hook put Carolina ahead to stay with 43 seconds left and showed he was fearless with everything on the line.

"We were running a little freelance offense," Hansbrough said. "I posted low and my teammates got the ball to me and I was able to convert."

NCAA WOMEN: Kentucky 69, Chattanooga 59

by ANDREW SELIGMAN
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ROSEMONT, Ill. — Sarah Elliott dominated and Kentucky ended the nation's longest winning streak.

Elliott scored a season-high 22 points to help the fifth-seeded Wildcats end Chattanooga's 26-game winning streak with a 69-59 victory Saturday.

Kentucky, back in the NCAA tournament for the first time since 1999, meets last year's runner-up Michigan State, a 65-46 winner over Wisconsin-Milwaukee, in the second round of the Bridgeport Regional on Monday.

Elliott reached the 20-point mark for the third time in four games and grabbed 11 rebounds for Kentucky. She scored 16 in the first half as the Wildcats

grabbed an eight-point lead.

Samantha Mahoney added 14 points, and Jennifer Humphrey scored all of her 11 in the second half. She was 1-for-3 from the field, but 9-for-12 from the free-throw line for the Wildcats (22-8).

Alex Anderson scored 17 points for Chattanooga (27-4), which fell one win shy of the school record it set two years ago. That streak ended with a second-round loss to Vanderbilt in the NCAA tournament.

This time, the 12th-seeded Lady Mocs never found their touch from the outside.

Chattanooga, which set a Southern Conference record with 245 3-pointers and was second in the nation averaging 8.2 per game, shot just 6-of-27 from beyond the arc.

Chattanooga won 27 straight

two years ago, beating Rutgers in the first round of the NCAA before losing to Vanderbilt. Kentucky routed the Lady Mocs 91-54 in the second round of last year's WNIT behind former Wildcat Sara Potts' seven 3-pointers and 32 points.

Although this one was closer, the Wildcats' lead never really seemed in jeopardy. With shots banging off the rim and backboard, Chattanooga never mounted a serious threat.

The Lady Mocs closed to 55-47 after a fastbreak layup by Tiffani Roberson. But a jumper, steal and layup by Mahoney bumped Kentucky's lead to 59-47 with just over 8 minutes left.

Chattanooga pulled to 63-56 on two free throws by Roberson with 3:20 remaining, but Elliott answered with two foul shots of her own.

Kentucky, making its sixth tournament appearance, led most of the first half and took a 39-31 lead into the locker room.

The 6-foot-6 Elliott, averaging 10.9 points, dominated inside, hitting 7-of-8 shots and grabbing five rebounds.

The Lady Mocs shot 4-for-11 from 3-point range in the first half, with Brooke Hand hitting 3-of-4, and things didn't get better.

KENTUCKY 69, CHATTANOOGA 59
CHATTANOOGA (27-4)—Roberson 4-9 2-2 10, Anderson 7-15 3-5 17, Brown 3-8 0-0 7, Hall 3-7 0-0 7, Mattison 3-7 0-0 7, McCoy 0-0 0-0 0, Hand 3-8 0-0 9, Moore 0-0 0-0 0, Spann 0-3 0-0 0, Ogan 1-6 0-1 2. Totals 24-63 5-8 59.
KENTUCKY (22-8)—Humphrey 1-3 9-12 11, Elliott 9-14 4-4 22, Ormerod 1-6 0-0 3, Mahoney 4-10 6-10 14, Bowman 3-6 0-0 6, Roddy 1-3 0-0 2, Alcuis 1-4 2-2 4, Jackson 0-0 0-0 0, Pfeiffer 3-4 1-3 7, Perry 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-50 22-31 69.
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At Cox Arena

San Diego

Illinois 78, Air Force 69

Washington 75, Utah State 61

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Dayton, Ohio

Philadelphia

Arizona 94, Wisconsin 75

Villanova 58, Monmouth, N.J. 45

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Salt Lake City

Gonzaga 79, Xavier 75

Indiana 87, San Diego State 83

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San Diego

Alabama 90, Marquette 85

UCLA 78, Belmont 44

Friday, March 17

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Auburn Hills, Mich.

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Auburn Hills, Mich.

Bradley 72, Pittsburgh 66

Semifinals

Thursday, March 23

At Oakland Arena

Oakland

UCLA (29-6) vs. Gonzaga (29-3)

Memphis (32-3) vs. Bradley (22-10)

Championship

Saturday, March 25

At Oakland Arena

Oakland

Semifinal winners

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POISON OAK

Summertime meant calamine

by Clyde Pack

Before services began at church, last Sunday morning, young Zack pulled up his shirt sleeve and revealed the most obvious case of poison oak you'd ever want to see. I sympathized with him, because when I was about his age, it was almost as if the stuff—or its cousin poison ivy—would come to the house, knock on my door, and look me up.

Fortunately, Mom kept a good supply of calamine lotion on hand, and the biggest part of the summer, my arms looked as if they were white-washed from the elbows down. My legs, especially around the ankles, looked likewise.

However, when the company store happened to be out of the lotion. Mom had two or three homemade remedies she'd rely on to help clear up my afflictions—until I came home itching and scratching again.

One of the things she'd do, was dip a rag into a strong solution of Epsom Salts. Then, she'd wrap the area with some sort of make-shift bandages—if the itchy part wasn't too big. I don't know if all this actually helped dry up that itch, but it did keep me from scratching it.

Another thing she'd do in a pinch, was make a thick paste of Octagon Soap—which was brown, had eight sides and was apparently plentiful—and spread it on the affected area.

If she didn't have Epsom Salts nor Octagon Soap, she'd make a paste from baking soda. She'd also use this remedy to ease the pain from minor burns and bee stings.

I guess when I was growing up in the 1940s, everybody's mom had her

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Clyde Pack



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Beth Mullins, local independent Mary Kay sales director, was all smiles as she was presented with her second pink Cadillac early Monday morning at Music-Carter.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Beth's success with Mary Kay cosmetics has earned her five automobiles, two of which have been Cadillacs, along with lots of media attention. She is pictured here with Jim Freeman, of WYMT-TV, who interviewed her on Monday morning for a segment on WYMT's news broadcast.

Tickled pink - local woman finds rewarding career with Mary Kay

by Kathy J. Prater
FEATURES EDITOR

Springsteen sang about one, Elvis bought one, and Beth Mullins, of Martin, is now tooling about town in one - her second, as a matter of fact. And in case you haven't already guessed - we're talking about pink Cadillacs.

Mullins, who has been involved in independent sales with Mary Kay for nine years now, received her second pink Cadillac from the cosmetics giant this past Monday morning. "It's my fifth car from Mary Kay and my second Cadillac," she said as she waited in the lobby of Music-Carter for the finishing touches to be put on her new ride.

As she waited, Mullins gave a brief

synopsis of her life since Mary Kay: "At first, my husband was not very supportive and I kind of bombed at my very first attempt to sell...later I discovered that I had given out hair gel for the women to try and had told them it was hand creme - no wonder no one bought anything," she laughed.

"But, I've learned that you just laugh at yourself and go on. Learn from your mistakes and keep on trying," she said.

Learning from her mistakes has certainly paid off for Mullins, who is now a very successful independent senior sales director. The key to her success, she says, is "relationship building."

"I'm a people person," Mullins shares. "I love to meet people, I love

to gab, I love building relationships, and Mary Kay is all about relationships. Mary Kay is a wonderful business opportunity for any woman."

Mullins discovered the Mary Kay opportunity while she was still a stay-at-home mother with two children. "And, I was shy," she said: "I stayed home all the time and I was so backward that I could barely call in for a pizza to be delivered...I guess you never really get over being shy, but you learn to become confident in your abilities."

Mullins said that in the beginning, she worked her Mary Kay sales opportunities around her children's busy school schedules. And now, with her two children grown, she still manages to find the time to grant daily care to a

three-year-old granddaughter. "That's one of the great things about Mary Kay," she said. "It works with your life, in whatever way you need for it to."

Exiting the door of the Music-Carter lobby to see, for the first time, her new pink "Caddy," Mullins threw up her hands in excitement. "Oh my gosh, it's beautiful," she exclaimed.

"It's really pink," she laughed. "It's awesome. Every woman should drive a pink Cadillac," she said.

To contact Mullins to learn more about career opportunities with Mary Kay, call (606) 285-0074 or (606) 477-6452. You may also visit the following websites: www.unitnet.com/bmullins, or www.marykay.com/bmullins.

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Frank's Blog

Seems as though anywhere one goes around town the topic of discussion lately is "Frank's Blog."



Kim Little Frasure

At any given restaurant, at most nearby tables, you can hear "Did you see what so and so said on Frank's Blog?"

"So and so" for the most, are in the form of, oh, CB handles, maybe?

I'm sure most of you remember those and that's what some of the names listed remind me of anyway. Occasionally, you will find some brave soul that signs his/her real name to their comments which, granted for the few I read this past weekend, were no where near the comments from those signing something other than their real names.

Why, there were a few times there I thought my eyeballs were gonna pop clear out of my head!

Yep, "Freedom of Speech" takes on definite meaning when you're

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NILIF Part I

by Dr. Carol Combs-Morris, DVM

I'm sure everyone has heard the expression "nothing in life is free". We use this in reference to any of a number of situations that require some degree of sacrifice in order to get what we want. Actually, this concept can also be a very powerful tool for developing a well-behaved dog.

The Nothing In Life Is Free (NILIF, for short) program is something that can be done with any dog, starting any time. Ideally, it should be part of every puppy's life from the very beginning, and continued throughout his life. Fortunately, the concept is easy enough for that lifelong application to be realistic.

Basically the program is just what it says: in order to get what you want, you have to earn it. We humans practice this every day. In order to earn a salary, we go to work. In order to acquire something we want or need, we pay for it. In order to get a cookie, the child asks for it nicely. Obviously there are ways around this—some people defraud the government; others steal outright; mischievous children raid the cookie jar. It is just as obvious that when we don't adhere to this system, trouble starts.

Now look at how we interact with our dogs. The food bowl was plunked down, either because it was a certain

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This cutie-patootie is "Baxter (Chance) Stumbo." Chance is a Pomeranian owned by Mandy Stumbo, of Martin. Mandy shares that Chance "enjoys laying on the couch, playing hide-n-go-seek, and just being lazy...he also loves playing with his toys and taking walks with his friends, Emily and Seth." We think he's adorable. Mandy

School Calendar

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

Character words for the month of March: "Caring" and "Citizenship"

■ Mar. 20-24 - Spring Book Fair. Parent volunteers needed. Call 886-1297 if wish to volunteer.

■ March 27-31 - Spring Break for students. AMS wishes all students a safe holiday!

■ Sign-ups still going on for Beginner Sewing Classes. Stop by YSC if interested.

■ Lending Library available for students and parents in YSC.

■ Adams Middle School Youth Services Center is open each weekday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The center offers services to all families regardless of income. For more information about any of the activities or services of the center, please contact the center at 886-1297. The center is now located in the 7th grade wing of the school. Center Coordinator - Michelle Keathley.

Allen Central Middle School

■ Mar. 24 - "Spring Fling" Dance, 6 p.m.

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

Allen Central High School

■ Mar. 22 - Special-called SBDM Council meeting, 5:30 p.m. Meeting in regard to 2006-2007 staffing allocations and the 2006-2007 budget.

Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth Service Center

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

Betsy Layne Elementary

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

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

Clark Elementary

■ April 11 - Kindergarten Registration, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Items to bring with you: Child's birth certificate, immunization certificate, social security card,

Ky. eye exam (completed), and medical exam (completed). Registration will be held in the Adams Middle School gym.

■ A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is in the center weekly and sees WIC patients, does well-child exams (birth-18 years), and gives immunizations.

■ The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Adams Middle School building.

Duff Elementary

■ Floyd County Health Dept. is on site three days per month. Services include 6th grade school entry physical; kindergarten, Head Start and well-child physicals (age birth to 18 years); T.B. skin test; T.D. boosters; and WIC services. Please call 358-9878 for appointment if you are in need of any of these services.

■ The J.A. Duff Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the tan metal building at the rear of the school. Contact persons are Judy Handshoe, coordinator, and Ruby Bailey, assistant.

May Valley Elementary

■ Mar. 23 - FRC Advisory Council meeting, 4 p.m., in

library. Open to public.

■ Mar. 24 - Kindergarten registration, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Requirements for entry: Initial entry physical; updated immunization certificate; eye exam; birth certificate; social security card (for child).

■ April 17-28 - CATS and CTBS testing window.

■ Parent Lending Library is available to parents for video check-outs. A variety of topics are available.

■ Floyd County Health Dept. nurse at school every Wednesday. Services include Head Start physicals, kindergarten physicals, 6th grade physicals, well-child physicals, immunizations, TB skin test, WIC program, blood pressure checks, and more. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 for an appointment.

McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center

■ Floyd County Health Department Nurse Joy Moore, is at the center each Monday to administer immunizations, T.B. skin tests, well-child exams, WIC, prenatal and post-partum services, and school physicals. Call 377-2678 for an appointment.

Mountain Christian Academy

■ Mountain Christian Academy is a non-denominational Christian school.

■ Now accepting applications for enrollment for Kindergarten for the 2005-06 school year. Call 285-5141 for more information.

Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

■ The Family Resource Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and later by appointment. Office provides services for all families, regardless of income.

■ After School Child Care, 3-6 p.m., school days.

■ Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center or its programs.

South Floyd Youth Services Center

■ Floyd County Substance Abuse Counselor will be on the South Floyd campus each Tuesday. If you need to contact the counselor, please call the Youth Service Center.

■ Parent volunteer training will be conducted throughout the school year. Watch for dates to be announced. If you need training, call to set up an appointment.

■ Committee sign-ups may be done through the Youth Services Center office.

■ Walking track open to public (track closed during special events).

■ The center has a one-stop career station satellite that is available to the community as well as students.

■ Anyone interested in Adult Ed may contact the center for information.

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

■ For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood, ext. 242.

Stumbo Elementary/Mud Creek Family Resource Center

■ FRC monthly Advisory Council meetings will be held the first Wednesday of each month, at 4 p.m. Call for more info.

■ Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

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

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

■ Apr. 10 - Family Resource

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YESTERDAYS

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

Ten Years Ago

March 20-March 22, 1996

A political feud between a Martin Housing Authority member and the mayor of Martin turned violent, Tuesday, when the board member's stepsons attacked Mayor Alan Whicker, according to arresting officer Jeff Powell, an officer with the Martin City police. James S. Robinson, and a Juvenile, both of whom are Thomasine Robinson's step-sons, jumped out from behind a pop machine at Cash Saver grocery store and assaulted Whicker as he was getting into his car. Lowell Wheeler, of Salyersville, was indicted Tuesday, on charges that he kept \$2,800 in lottery winnings belonging to Donald Bliss of Prestonsburg. A disagreement over a gas bill turned into a full-fledged argument, Monday night, during the monthly meeting of the Wheelwright City Commission and at least one person was asked to leave the meeting. Commissioners said they were concerned that the gas bill for the fire department is too high. A 43-count indictment against Gary Tackett Jr., 35, of Toler, was dismissed Tuesday, after the complaining witness said she didn't want to pursue the charges. The executive committee of the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce hired Carla Coburn to replace Ann Latta, who was appointed, in December, to Gov. Paul Patton's cabinet as state tourism secretary. The City of Prestonsburg still wants to go into the 911 business. This time, council members said they'd be willing to use county property to keep the system localized, and run it without a cost to the fiscal court. Terry Myers, 33, formerly of Elkhart, Indiana, was arrested Monday, March 18, after he called the Prestonsburg Dispatch office and threatened to "blow up Prestonsburg." He pleaded guilty, Tuesday, to charges of terroristic threatening. Members of the executive committee of Prestonsburg Community College faculty assembly voted 22 to 1, with five abstentions, Monday, to ask community college chancellor, Dr. Ben Carr to ask for PCC President Debra Floyd's resignation. Douglas Gene Webb, 41, of Hi Hat, has been charged with first degree burglary and first degree rape. Not guilty pleas were entered to the charges. Less than a year into his two-year probation period, Jimmy C. Stumbo, former Floyd County deputy judge-executive faces going to jail because of drug use.

is expected to ask, Friday morning, that Stumbo's probation be revoked. Cuts in the County School System's staffing began Tuesday, when the school board abolished all full-time substitute teacher positions. Also abolished were four deans of students positions, a curriculum coordinator position; and an administrative assistant position. A Knox County deputy sheriff shot himself with another deputy's gun, Thursday, March 21, at the Floyd County Detention Center, Knox County Auxiliary deputy Jeff Baker, 64, of Barboursville, accidentally discharged Knox County deputy Tom Gray's .40 caliber firearm into his own knee. The Floyd County School Board, in a special meeting, Tuesday night, voted to delay the start of school for a half hour, when daylight savings time begins. Phillip Robinson, a juvenile charged, with assaulting the mayor of Martin, Tuesday morning, says the event didn't occur exactly as a police officer thought he saw it. He stated he didn't jump him from behind and was looking him square in the eyes when he broke his nose. There died: Charlie Clark, 75, of Fairborn, Ohio, formerly of David, March 8, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Dayton, Ohio; Estill Riddle, 81, of Prestonsburg, Thursday, March 14, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Ruth E. Akers, 70, of Ravenswood, W. Va., died March 17, at Charleston area Medical Center; Lula Howard, 89, of Wheelwright, Thursday, March 14, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Clifford Pittman, 76, of Euclid, Ohio, formerly of Estill, Wednesday, March 13, at the Euclid Meridian Hospital; Dakota Moore Newsome, 90, of Louisville, formerly of Teaberry, Sunday, March 17, at the Twinbrook Nursing Care Center in Louisville. Jonah Hall, 88, of Prestonsburg, Monday, March 18, at the residence of his daughter; Maudie Tackett, 68, of Grethel, Wednesday, March 20, at her residence; Sylvia Hamilton Johnson, 70, of Wheelwright, Wednesday, March 20, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Ethel Wallen, 81, of West Prestonsburg, Wednesday, March 20, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Evan Dewey Adkins, 71, of Grethel, Thursday, March 21, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Arky Hoover, 79, of Garrett, Tuesday, March 19, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Twenty Years Ago

March 24, 1986

Now at Allen, editor and publisher of

the Floyd County Times, died at 83. Minerals Tax Bill was sent back to the committee, dooming its passage that season. Prestonsburg gave approval to take legal action to void the franchise agreement with Consolidated Communications for not paying the franchise fee. The Insurance Services Office improved Cow Creek's rating from Class 9 to Class 7, causing lower insurance rates. Liquor available by the drink in Prestonsburg, if state legislature elevates Prestonsburg from a fourth class to a third class city. Forest fires burned out of control on Big Branch off the Water Gap road. William Bevins argued that he was unaware of the consequences of letting a judge determine his fate, rather than the jury. Bevins' death sentence was upheld by the Supreme Court of Kentucky. There died: Lora K. Stephens, 90, of Martin, last Wednesday, at her home. Oscar Crum, 89, of Martin, Friday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital. Ruford Spears, 85, of Prestonsburg, Thursday, at his residence. Walter Prater, 62, of Garrett, Saturday, at St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington. Earl David Elkins, stillborn son of Charles and Trennie Elkins, of Banner, Sunday. Rudolph D. Spencer, 84, of Garrett, Thursday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Lige Collins, 84, of Harold, Saturday, at his home. Daphne Murphy Hook, 58, of David, Thursday, at her residence. Flossie Mae Tussey Frasure, 66, of Martin, last Wednesday, at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington. Phillip Roger Hamilton, 36, of Hunter, Tuesday, from a mining accident at Weeksbury. Richard Gray, 77, of Kite, Saturday, at his home. Benjamin Franklin Moore, 54, of McDowell, Wednesday, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, following an apparent heart attack.

Thirty Years Ago

March 24, 1976

An all-night negotiation session between representatives of Highlands Regional Medical Center and the National Union of Hospital and Health Care Employees AFL-CIO, ended at 4:30 a.m., Monday, in a contract agreement, averting what at one time appeared to be a certain strike. Larry Dean Newman, 19-year-old Bevensville youth, was one of two persons killed last Thursday night, in the head-on collision of his auto with a

Lawrence County car, the driver of which, Floyd Endicott, of Louisa, Route 5, also was killed. The Floyd Fiscal Court adopted a resolution, Monday, indicating its willingness to participate in a 21-county program covering three mountain Area Development District and intended to provide a transportation system for rural residents, including the transport of the sick to hospitals in larger centers. Sunday, at 1 p.m., more than 1,500 people gathered at Betsy Layne to congratulate the Bobcat basketball team and wish them good luck in the state tournament. Their game tonight (Wednesday) with Fourth Region champion Edmonson County will mark the first time since 1931 that Betsy Layne has participated in the boys' State High School Basketball Tournament. At both the Prestonsburg and Almar Drive-In theatres this Friday-Sunday: "The Giant Spider Invasion" and "Bug". There died: Mrs. Cleoma Sammons, 60, of Wayland, at her home March 16; Jeff Nelson Jr., 52, of Prestonsburg, last Tuesday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Miss Alafair Flanery, 77, of Martin, Saturday, at the Mountain Manor Nursing Home, here; Melvin Osborne, 67, of New London, Ohio, formerly of this county, Thursday, at Fisher-Titus Hospital, Norwalk; Lawrence Hall, 84, of Milan, Mich., formerly of Kite, Monday, at the Saline Community Hospital; Mrs. Susie Triplett Chaffins Ward, 92, March 15, at her home at Lackey; Quentin Adkins, 50, of Galveston, March 18, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Forty Years Ago

March 24, 1986

Petitions have been in circulation for weeks now as the required number of signatories to demand a local option election in this county is being sought. The new Presbyterian Church on U.S. 23 north, here, will be used for worship Sunday for the first time. A new sanitary landfill has been established near Minnie to provide garbage disposal for a sizeable area on Left Beaver Creek, it was announced this week. Mrs. Nancy Frazier Hicks, 63, wife of Alka Hicks, Hippo merchant, was killed, Friday evening, when the pickup truck in which Mr. and Mrs. Hicks were driving, collided with a produce truck on the David road. Unseasonably dry weather and seasonal winds have conspired to turn these early spring days into

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Oak

own cure for itch from poison oak and poison ivy. Although I don't remember Mom ever using any of these on me, here are a few more I've heard about over the years.

• You can stop the itching by rubbing it with a fresh banana peel. Don't know how long it made the itching stop, nor if a banana peel really has any healing properties, but it's an interesting cure, anyway.

• This one's pretty gross, but I suppose if one is desperate enough, he might try doctoring the itch by covering it with saliva from a suckling calf.

• Then, there's the cure suggesting that itch from poison oak and poison ivy can be cured by covering the rash with white shoe polish.

• And finally, the Epsom Salts come into play again by making a paste with canned

cream.

Even though—as our friend Zack will no doubt attest—the itch is just as powerful now, as it was 60 years ago, hopefully his suffering won't be too prolonged, and modern medicine will work a bit faster than some of the aforementioned old-time remedies. Of course, we still have good ole calamine lotion. As far as I know, it was never used for anything else.

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School

Center Advisory Council meeting, 6 p.m., in resource center. Meeting open to public.

■ Apr. 13 - "Give Yourself a Break Day," 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Mountain Arts Center. (This is our day, parents!)

■ GED classes - Tuesdays (1-4:30 p.m.); Wednesdays (8 a.m. to 12 p.m.), at the Weeksbury Comm. Ctr. Questions? Call Kay Ross at 886-7334. Classes are FREE of charge.

■ Lost & Found is located in resource center. Items not claimed within 2 weeks become

property of the FRC.

■ The Family Resource Center is located in the central building of W.D. Osborne Elementary. For more information about center programs or functions, call 452-4553 and ask for Cissy or Karen.

Wesley Christian School

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

■ For additional informa-

tion, call 874-8328. Summer office hours: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Learning Ladder Academy

■ After-school students welcome (after-school will be closed on March 21).

■ For more information, contact MaShawna Jacobs, assistant director, at 886-0771.

■ Learning Ladder Academy privately owned and operated by Cindy DeRossett Hitchcock and MaShawna A. Jacobs. Academy located at 44 Hillside Center Drive, Prestonsburg.

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Yesterdays

a time of destructive forest fires, the Division of Forestry office at Lancer said this week...There died: Ray Dingus, 63, of Stanville, Saturday, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Mrs. Cora Dean, 93, Monday, at the home of a daughter at Wheelwright; Sill Brown, 58, of Price, Monday, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Mrs. Dorsie Davis, 56, formerly of Floyd County, March 15, at Battle Creek, Michigan.

Fifty Years Ago

March 22, 1956

The advent of spring, and drier weather, was accompanied this week and last by a rising incidence of forest fires, Forest Warden Roe Turner noted, Wednesday...Scheduled to arrive in this county today, (Thursday), are nine Spanish mine managers who are visiting mines of six states...The first extensive planting of forest trees in this county, with emphasis on beautification of the land, was completed this week by the Richmond estate...Staking of rights-of-way for the extensions of the Harold Telephone Company in the area, proposed to be served by it, was going ahead this week on Big Mud Creek, Paul Gearheart, president said...The Big Sandy Valley's only main highway was closed this week, and may remain so a fortnight as U. S. 23 just outside Paintsville is threatened by a mountainous rockslide...Suspicion of arson rose this week, after fire early last Saturday night destroyed the third West Prestonsburg residence to go up in flames within a month...There died: William C. Parsley, 50, formerly of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, at his home at Fairmont, W.Va.; David Goble, 77, of Prestonsburg, Monday, at Kenton, Ohio; Hop Cox, 60, last Thursday, at his home at Garrett; William Thomas Goble, 74, of Dwale, last Thursday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin.

Sixty Years Ago

March 21, 1946

The Ryan Construction Company, has been awarded the contract for construction of the dam at Dewey, Johns Creek, with work scheduled to start within 10 days. Forty-five thousand dollars worth of the \$65,000 Prestonsburg School Improvement and Refunding bond issue, voted recently by the Prestonsburg City Council were purchased, Monday evening, by Ralph Leete Gardner, of Salyersville...The taxi bandit career of three men operating in this section and in West Virginia, came to an end with their arrest, Tuesday morning, and their later waiver here of extradition to West Virginia to face armed robbery charges...A long-delayed army press release notified The Times, this week, that a Prestonsburg man, Pfc. Ray Howard, had been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in action during the battle of Germany...Mrs. Margaret McGuire Demarino, 29, Wayland native, was shot to death at her home in Baltimore,

Marland, Tuesday...There died: Mrs. Hattie Manns, 44, at home, at Wayland, Sunday; Dave Gibson, 64, at his home at Wayland, Sunday; William Tackett, 47, of Ligon, last Wednesday; Mrs. Susan Jarrell Lafferty, 94, at her home at Dwale, Sunday; Millard Fillmore Hall, 49, of Weeksbury, Sunday night, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin.

Seventy Years Ago

March 20, 1936

Roland David, 28 years old, of Mare Creek, was killed, Thursday morning, when struck by a coal "shifter" on the railroad tracks at Tram...The Big Sandy Coal and Coke Company, through its agent, J.R. Hurt, Monday, sold to H. B. Patrick, four tracts of land near the mouth of Abbott Creek, thereby transferring ownership of the land on which the Abbott Heights Golf Course is located...A "gusher" oil well was drilled in, Wednesday night, on the Clarinda Boyd farm, Prater Creek, by the Virginia Oil and Gas Company...Ernie Slusher, 21, is in the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin, suffering from a shotgun wound, sustained Friday night, on Salt Lick Creek...Two new stores are in prospect for Prestonsburg: the J.G. Anderson Department Store, of Pikeville, Tuesday, began moving stock into the Hotel Elizabeth building, and this week a Mr. Scott of Greenville, Tenn. leased the first floor of the Odd Fellows building for a clothing store...The Inez Indians, dirt-court wonders, won the regional tournament here, Saturday night...Ten to fourteen inches of snow fell here, Tuesday night...There died: William "Uncle Bill" Easterling, 79, of Wayland, Friday; A. L. Allen, 74, at home on Middle Creek, Sunday; Jim Layne, 45, of Hueysville, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Tuesday night; Mrs. Freeman, 30, of Weeksbury, and baby, shortly after childbirth, Friday, at the Beaver Valley Hospital; Mrs. Guy Adkins, of Prestonsburg, Friday; Miss Alma Waddle, 18, at home at Cliff, Sunday; Norman Pinson, of Betsy Layne, March 10.

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Korner

reading some of the postings listed there, I tell you.

When I first logged on and clicked on "What's Best for Floyd County" and began to read the intro written by Frank, I thought, "Ummm, good idea!"

It began, "I believe it's an appropriate time for us to discuss: 'What's Best for Floyd County?'"

"Now I am not talking about individuals, businesses, or political officeholders, but issues that need to be addressed that continue to have an effect - either positively or negatively - on the future of our county."

Key word in that phrase for me was "issues."

And "issues" were discussed throughout the various comments posted, as well as individuals, businesses, and even political officeholders.

"Discussed," is probably not an appropriate word, either. But one I choose to use, nonetheless.

As different areas of the blog

contain flat-out, downright, mind-blowing comments about our county's political officeholders - and even some of their family members.

I am telling you, I shook my head so much reading those postings I swear I think I've got whiplash!

When Frank said he believed it is an appropriate time for discussing the issues, I believe the upcoming election was his intent for such an "appropriate time" so that individuals could post their comments on the "issues" that affect our county.

And from the comments I read, I imagine these very postings could very well have such an effect on our upcoming election IF enough voters make the visit to Frank's Blog.

Of course, one would have to decide what is true or what is fiction and draw their own conclusions.

I remember the days when "MUDSLINGING" got pretty

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hairy in past elections and, after surfing the web to the blog, the term "mudslinging" is too calm.

Some poster's go way back into the closets of political figures and bring to the surface every skeleton that they have an inkling of ever existing in the lives of certain politicians. "Truth or Not," I don't know. But boy, they let her rip in some of those comments.

May is approaching fast, so I think I'll give Gorm a call and see if he's prepared for all the Mare's Milk it's gonna take this year.

Maybe there are some new flavors to add too, Tutti Fruity in Mare's Milk just sounds gross, huh?

At any rate, I think Gorm's gonna need help passing out the Mare's Milk.

Remember, if you don't go VOTE - Don't Complain!

Til Next Week
God Bless Us All!

Critter

time of day or the dog was scratching at the cabinet. The dog was taken out for a walk because he was barking incessantly. You began a game of fetch because he kept dropping that nasty tennis ball in your lap. Not only did he not earn what he got, he demanded it. Is this so much different from a child that comes to expect the allowance to be handed over when he asks, without having to earn it, or at least ask politely? Parents (and pet owners) may come to be regarded more as servants than as caretakers deserving of respect. I'm certainly not saying not to feed the dog, or to give the child something he wants unless he labors for it, but there's nothing wrong with either of them saying "please!"

In its simplest form, the NILIF program consists of asking a dog to sit and pay attention to you, just for a second, for anything he wants, always. This sounds too simple to be effective, but it can have profound effects on your relationship with your dog.

The first thing you have to get straight is the difference between a salary and a bribe. Bribes are used to induce an animal to do something, and they come before the behavior happens. Example: you use a chunk of ham to lure the dog out from under the bed—he wouldn't have performed the behavior otherwise. A salary, on the other hand, comes after the behavior, as a reward. If you called the dog out from under the bed, and then gave him the treat, he was

rewarded, not bribed. This seems like splitting hairs, but it is an important concept. Failure to understand the difference between a bribe and a salary is probably why some people (and I used to be one of them) are so reluctant to use food in training. Incorrect use of food treats also leads to many training failures ("He knows the command, but will only do it if I have food in my hand").

When we start to train the "sit" command, especially in a young pup, or a dog that doesn't already have some grasp of the meaning, I do use bribes. I have a supply of tiny, tasty treats available (about the size of a fingernail) that will hold the dog's attention. I keep the supply in a small bag on a table or in the pocket of a carpenter's apron, and hold one in my hand, between my thumb and forefinger. (Now I need to note here, that this method of teaching "sit" is totally different than I would teach a formal "sit" on leash in an obedience class, just because circumstances dictate which method is easier. One-on-one, off leash, I find this is an easier way to do it—the behavior can be easily transferred to a formal sit-at-heel, for you obedience buffs.)

Okay, you have the puppy and a treat...now what? Hold the treat in front of the pup's nose, and slowly move it up and back. Say the word "sit" in a calm, clear voice. In order to keep focused on whatever it is that smells so good, he should move his head up, and often his

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rear end will start to drop down. As soon as this happens, tell him "Good Pup!" and give him the treat. He may not make it all the way to the floor the first time, but that's all right. He also won't get any connection between the word and the action at first. Remember that dogs don't have a spoken language, and they don't place a lot of importance on words until they establish a connection between a word and an action or a thing.

With repetition, the pup should soon start to drop into position as soon as he hears the word "sit", and before he sees the treat. This is the time to start to phase out the food—give it every second or third time, and use lavish praise and petting only the rest of the time. Did you catch how the treat just moved from a bribe to a reward? This is where training with treats breaks down—they cannot be used as the ONLY reward. People would not get addicted to slot machines if they got the exact same reward every time.

This is the point at which the "sit" exercise becomes useful—the dog knows he will earn something good, and is usually eager to perform the behavior. You are not asking for a sit-stay, and you are not asking for the moon. You are just requesting that the dog's butt make contact with the floor for a second as an act of deference to you—You have just taught your dog to say "please"! We'll talk more on the practical application of this program in a future article.

Local doctor to appear in Cincinnati production

Dr. Gan Maddiwar, of Banner, and his family will participate in the upcoming "Shanti: A Journey of Peace" multi-media production that will take place on Saturday, March 25, at 8:00 p.m., at the Aronoff Center - Proctor & Gamble Hall, in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Shanti: A Journey of Peace is a multi-genre Indian Classical

Dance production with a 150 member Indian and Western Choir, Indian Orchestra, and Western Chamber Orchestra. Its creator and director is Cincinnati-based musician, composer and music educator Kanniks Kannikeswaran. The production boasts a musical score that cuts across cultures, integrating choral and orchestral

harmony with the ancient raga traditions of India; multi-genre Indian classical and folk dances; and spectacular imagery.

For more information about this event, contact Dr. Maddiwar at 874-9946. You may also call (513) 621-ARTS (2787) for ticket information (\$30/\$25/\$15), or visit cincinnatiarts.org.



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Births

Birthdays



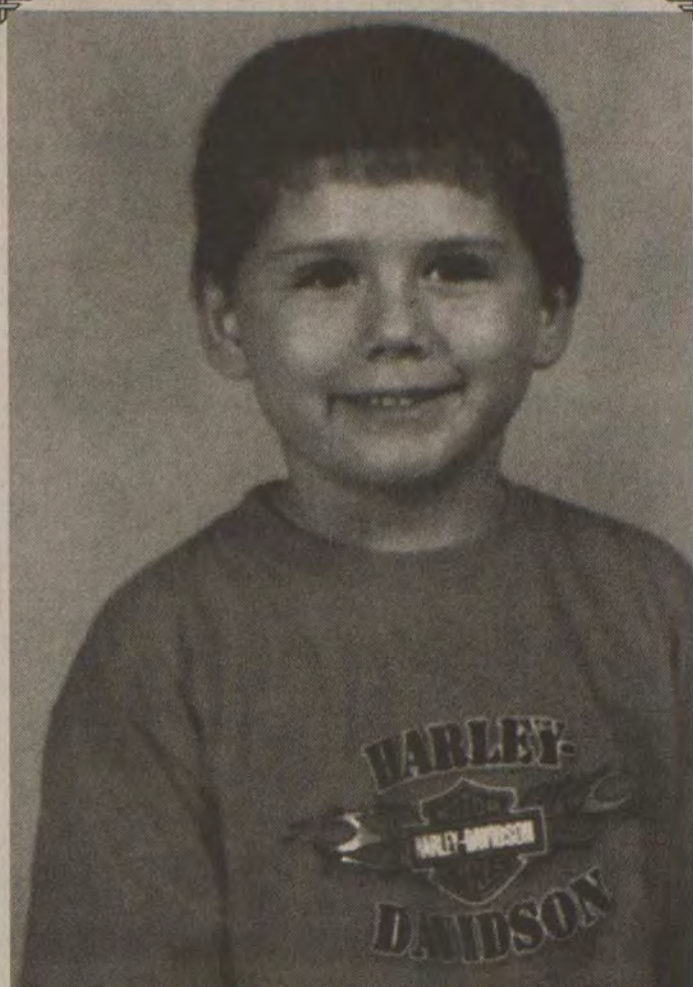
New Arrival

Carson Nicolas Lane was born January 23, 2006, at 3:07 p.m., at Adena Regional Medical Center, in Chillicothe, Ohio, to proud parents Tim and Julia Lane, of Chillicothe. He weighed 8 lbs., 2 oz., and was 21-3/4 inches long. He is the grandson of Mark and Lisa Greene, of Minford, Ohio, John and Lenora Blackburn, of Prestonsburg, and Richard Lane, of Lancaster, Ohio. His great-grandparents are Dorothy Clausing, of Portsmouth, Ohio, and Ernest Conley, of Salyersville.



Happy Birthday!

Wesley Dalton Slone celebrated his seventh birthday on December 10, 2005, at the Stumbo Park Convention Center with a "Pirates" theme party. He enjoyed fun, food, and games with friends and family. He is the son of Virgil Jr. and Robin Slone, of Hi Hat, and the grandson of Joyce Slone, of Hi Hat, and the late Virgil Slone, and Charles and Rosetta Collins, of Prestonsburg, and Denise Robinette, of Virginia Beach, VA, and the late Jerry W. Robinette.



Happy Birthday, Shawn!

Shawn Douglas Howell turned six years old on March 4, 2006. He celebrated his special day with family and friends and a "Dale Earnhardt Racing" theme party. Shawn is the son of Margaret Michelle Howell, of Prestonsburg. He is the grandson of Patty Howell, also of Prestonsburg, and Dexter Howell, of Teaberry. Shawn has an older brother, Tyler, who will turn seven years old on April 1, 2006.



Alissa Branham

Branham to pursue law career in CA

Alissa Branham, formerly of Floyd County, has been selected to attend, as a student delegate, the 45th Annual International Achievement Summit, to be held in Los Angeles, CA, in June, 2006. Alissa is the daughter of Randall and Dianna Smith Branham, of Tampa, Florida. She is the paternal granddaughter of Freeman and Josephine Branham, of Honaker, and the maternal granddaughter of Charlie and Lucille Smith, of Harold.

Alissa attended pre-school in Misawa, Japan, where her father was stationed in the United States Air Force. She attended elementary school at Johns Creek Elementary and Harold Elementary, in Floyd County, before moving with her parents to Tampa, Florida, in 1985. She received her B.A. degree from New College, in Sarasota, Florida, and her Ph.D. in Philosophy from the University of Notre Dame, in 2004. She taught philosophy for one year at her alma mater, New College. She is currently enrolled at the University of Michigan Law School and will graduate in May, 2007. Alissa interned with the Department of Justice in Washington, D.C., in 2005, and will intern with the highly selective law firm Munger, Tolles & Olson LLP, in Los Angeles in the summer of 2006. She plans to pursue a career in law in Los Angeles.

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LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE Sheridan Martin, Attorney at Law, No. 5 Court Street, Allen, Kentucky, has been

appointed Warning Order Attorney by the Floyd Circuit Court, to notify Unknown Spouse if any of Edna Hall; Unknown Spouse if any of Rodney Johnson; Unknown Spouse if any of Edgar Johnson; Unknown Spouse if any of Roger Burke of the nature and pendency of a certain lawsuit filed on or about November 7, 2005, in which The Unknown Spouse if any of Edna Hall; Unknown Spouse if any of Rodney Johnson; Unknown Spouse if any of Edgar Johnson; Unknown Spouse if any of Roger Burke, were named as Respondents. Said suit has been filed in Floyd Circuit Court, and is represented by Civil Action No. 05-CI-01132. The basis of the suit is a Petition for Partition of Real Property Pursuant to KRS 389A.030, wherein the Petitioners are asking that the property in question be sold and the proceeds divided between the parties according to their prospective rights and interests.

The Unknown Spouse, if any of Edna Hall; Unknown Spouse if any of Rodney Johnson; Unknown Spouse if any of Edgar Johnson; Unknown Spouse if any of Roger Burke shall have fifty (50) days from the date of the Warning Order to file an Answer with the Floyd Circuit Court Clerk, if he/she desires to do so. If he/she does not appear in the suit and defend it, a Judgment will be entered at the discretion of the court.

Anyone having information concerning Unknown Spouse if any of Edna Hall; Unknown Spouse if any of Rodney Johnson; Unknown Spouse if any of Edgar Johnson; Unknown Spouse if any of Roger Burke, please contact Hon. Sheridan Martin, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 777, Allen, Kentucky 41601.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II CASE NO. 05-CI-00863 ANNA PFLIEGER, TRUSTEE...PLAINTIFF VS. ADAM CASTLE, SINGLER, ANDREW CASTLE, SINGLE; COURTNEY CASTLE JONES, SINGLE; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ADAM CASTLE; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ANDREW CASTLE; AND

UNKNOWN SPOUSE COURTNEY CASTLE JONES, IF MARRIED SINCE LAST INFORMATION KNOWN TO PLAINTIFF DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 14th of November, 2005, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 30th day of March, 2006, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described surface property, located and lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly as follows:

PARCEL NO. 1 Being a certain tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Steeles Creek; a tributary to Right Beaver Creek, containing 1/2 acres, more or less, which is more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point near the Hack Moore House at a cherry tree, thence a straight line to the branch, a distance of fifty (50) feet, thence up the branch seventy (70) feet to a marked rock, thence a straight line up the hill to an apple tree, thence up the hill fifty five (55) feet to a post; thence straight around the hill a distance of seventy two (72) feet to an iron stake, thence down the hill a distance of one hundred seventeen (117) feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL NO. II: Being certain tracts or parcels of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Steel's Creek a tributary of Right Beaver Creek, containing 30 acres, more or less, which are more particularly described as follows:

#1 Tract Beginning at a marked rock at Hack Moore house; thence up the hill to an elm tree up the hill with fence to the top of point; thence round the round hill to a marked oak tree to a white oak and hickory; thence down the hill with said Carter Martin's line to a black pine tree or stump of black pine or Wa-whoc; thence around said hill with palen fence to a corner at R.D. Mans line; thence down the hill with R.D. Mans line to the branch; thence up the branch to the beginning. Tract #2 Beginning at a beech tree corner of Denis Dials line; thence up the hill with said Denis's

line to a marked hickory; thence up the hill with said Hack Moore's line to the top of point corner of Elk Horn Coal Co. line; thence running with Elk Horn Coal Co., line to a corner of William Collins; thence down the hill with the said line to a corner of Epp Newsom line; thence round the hill with said line to a corner; thence down the hill with said line to the beginning.

#3 Tract Beginning on a pine bush on the right-hand side of Steels Creek, a corner to Martha Collin's land; thence running up the hill on the right hand side of drain to a marked dogwood bush with Warden Collins line; thence around the hill with a ledge of rocks to a stake a corner of Warden Collin's line, thence running a straight line down the hill to a marked stone a corner to Martha Collin's land; thence with said land around the hill with a ledge of rocks to a stake corner of Warden Collins line; thence running a straight line down the hill to the beginning, containing (2 acre) more or less.

Being the same property in which Marie Moore inherited an individual interest pursuant to the affidavit of descent of her father, Hack Moore, which appears of record at Deed Book 509, Page 744, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk, and being the same property which was devised in Trust for and on behalf of Marie Moore, pursuant to the Will of Dortha Moore of record at Will Book R. Page 71, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk; and being the same property conveyed to Hack Moore (now deceased) and Dortha Moore (now deceased) from W. J. and Cicely Turner by deed dated, April 3, 1979 and of record at Deed Book 113, Page 25, from Curtis Moore by deed dated April 1, 1940 and of record at Deed Book 43, Page 260, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk.

By deed of record at Deed Book 510, Page 1, dated July 19, 2004 and by Court approved deed

dated May 20, 2005 of record at Deed Book 513, Page 393, Floyd County Clerk's Office, the Dortha Moore Testamentary Trust became the owner of 93.75% undivided interest in said property. The outstanding interest owner, the Defendants herein, own a combined 6.25% as heirs at law of Lanny Castle of record at Deed Book, Page 750, who was an heir at law of Ina Mae Kooken whose affidavit of descent is of record at Deed Book 509, Page 748, all of record in the office of the Floyd County Clerk.

TERMS OF SALE:

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days.

(b) The successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgement.

(c) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530.

(d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2006, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(e) If the successful bidder is a party to this action, he/she shall be given credit on the balance of the purchase price to the extent of his/her ownership interest in the above described real property, subject to payment of sufficient funds to satisfy the costs of sale and for the master commissioner.

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PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY: Hon. Martin L. Osborne 119 East Court Street, 2nd Floor Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 William S. Kendrick Master Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. (836-5486 NW)

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co., Inc., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has applied for a permit for an underground coal mining operation, located 0.8 mile west of Tram, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 8.74 surface acres, and will underlie 541.01 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 549.75 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.7 mile from Camp Branch County Road and US 23, and located 0.1 mile south of Amy Branch.

The proposed operation is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Sidney Justice. The operation will underlie land owned by Sidney Justice, Bee Rickman Estate, Appalachian Land Company, Green Kidd Estate, Ruth Boyd, Kate Cade Heirs, Nora Louise Watkins, Frank

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Justice Estate, Floyd Rickman, Jamesetta and Pete Wilson Jr., and George Lackey, et al.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, US 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II CASE NO. 02-CI-00452 JEWEL BAYS, RICKY BAYS, BONNIE MULKIE, JUANITA SPRADLIN AND KENNETH BAYS...PLAINTIFFS VS. PHYLLIS WYATT AND GEORGE WYATT, HER HUSBAND; DALE SHAHEEN AND

LIS SHAHEEN, HIS WIFE; LARRY SHAHEEN AND DONNA SHAHEEN, HIS WIFE; AMY SHAHEEN AND HER UNKNOWN SPOUSE; SARAH SHAHEEN; CHRIS SHAHEEN AND HIS UNKNOWN SPOUSE; RAYANNA SHAHEEN, A MINOR; TRACIE HORTON; AND GARY BAYS...DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 21st of November, 2005, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above-styled action; I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 23rd day of March, 2006, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Tonya Conley of 883 Jefferson Road, Hueysville, Kentucky 41640, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet for the placement of fill at mile point 12.78 of Right Fork of Beaver Creek. The property is located approximately 0.6 mile northwest of the Town of Hueysville and approximately 0.66 mile from the intersection of Camp Road and Kentucky Route 7, and adjacent to the Right Fork of Beaver Creek. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410.

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de-scribed surface property, located and lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

A certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Floyd County, Kentucky, on the Left Fork of Abbott Creek, and being part of the same land conveyed to the Parties of the First Part by Cecil Puckett and Susie Puckett, his wife, by deed dated July 31, 1948, recorded in deed book 138, at page 496, Floyd County Court Clerk's office, and more particularly described as follows:

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Beginning at the mouth of drain at the Myrtle school house on line of G. W. Adams; thence up the drain to the top of the hill to T.R. Prater line; thence with T.R. Prater line to Jim Puckett line; thence with his line down to the creek to a Beech tree; thence up the drain to the forks of the drain; thence up the right fork of said drain to a White Oak on top of point; thence with Sandy Valley Grocery Company line back to the creek; thence with the creek to the beginning.

The following tracts are hereby excepted from the above description.

That certain tract described in the deeds from Grantors to Ricky Bays and Debbie Bays, his wife, dated March 2, 1978, recorded in deed book 233, at page 469; November 17, 1980, recorded in deed book 251, at page 589. Deed from Grantors to Ethel Spears and Elite Spears, her husband, by deed dated July 5, 1979, recorded in deed book 240, at page 204, Floyd County Court Clerk's office.

TERMS OF SALE:

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days.

(b) The successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(c) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530.

(d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2006, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(e) If the successful bidder is a party to this action, he/she

shall be given credit on the balance of the purchase price to the extent of his/her ownership interest in the above described real property, subject to payment of sufficient funds to satisfy the costs of sale and for the master commissioner.

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This Week: Beetles

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Beetle-Mania!



There are more than 250,000 kinds of beetles that have been named! Scientists believe there are actually many more that are not yet named.

In fact, of all the animals in the world, it's the beetle that has the largest number of varieties.

Weekly Writing Corner

Talking Beetle

What if beetles could talk? What would they say? Write an imaginary conversation between you and a beetle.

"Wait! No! No! Don't take another step!" said a small voice.
 "Who said that?" I yelled.
 "Down here," it said again.
 When I looked down, I saw a small, black beetle. "How can you talk?" I asked while squatting down.
 "We've always been able to talk, just no one can hear us," the beetle replied.
 "Oh! I'll try to be careful next time. Do you, maybe, want to go home with me? It would be cool to have a talking beetle," I said. I was thinking of all the cool stuff you could do with a talking beetle.
 "Sure. It sounds fun! I just need to eat two dead flies a week." It said.
 "Gross!" I blurted out while picking up the beetle.
 "Well, having a beetle pays a price!" said the beetle happily.

Kara, 6th grade

One day I was walking to school when I heard someone talk. I stopped and looked around. I didn't see anybody so I kept walking. Then I heard someone saying "Hi!" to me. I stopped and then a beetle jumped on to my hand and said, "I told you, Hi!" I was shocked. It was a talking beetle. I put the beetle in a jar and at recess, I showed it to my friends. The beetle told us that his mom and dad showed him how to talk when he was little. They had taken him to a mall and he got lost. One day we went to the mall and found the beetle's parents. They thanked us and told us they would never lose him again.

Jocelyn, 5th grade

A beetle would say, "We don't like when you step on us. Can you stop it?"

Sam, 6th grade

What would a beetle say?
 I met one in the hay
 Let me tell you about it
 In my own little way
 He said "Hello."
 His voice would bellow
 He said, "No one likes me."
 Then he flew on my paper that had a big fee
 And said maybe I should become a bee.
 I said I would be his friend,
 But all of a sudden, The End.

Mariah, 5th grade

One day I found a beetle on my desk. It said, "Hello!" I couldn't believe my eyes.
 "Ha Hello." I said. "You are talking."
 "Yeah, what do you think I am? A cockroach? Because I'm not!" the beetle exclaimed.
 "Well, you are scary," I said.
 "Oh people!" the beetle sighed.
 "Have a good day."
 "Mom!" I yelled.

Marley, 5th grade

If beetles could talk they would say, "Give me food." Beetles are always searching for food, so that's what they would say. Or they might say, "Don't squish me," because you are bigger.

Graham, 6th grade

Richard was walking along when he heard a scream. He looked down as saw it came from a beetle. The beetle said, "You should look before you step." Richard asked, "Beetles can talk?"
 "Yes and you can call me Bob," the beetle responded.
 Richard took Bob home for a pet.

Logan, 3rd grade

Big Beetles

The Hercules and the Goliath beetles are often regarded as the largest beetles in the world. The male Hercules beetle can grow to be eight inches in length, including its horn!



Hercules beetle



Goliath beetle

The Goliath beetle from Africa is often called the largest beetle in the world because it weighs the most. It can grow to be four and a half inches long and weigh three and a half ounces.

Itty-Bitty Beetles

Imagine dividing one inch into a thousand equal parts. Then try to imagine the size of just one of those parts. That is the size of the smallest beetle—1/1000 of an inch.

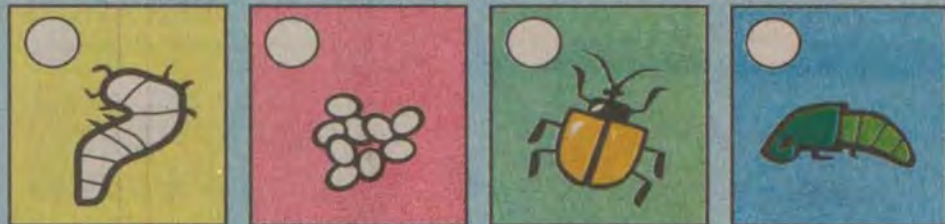
This itty-bitty beetle is called the feather-winged beetle because of the long fringes of hair on its long, narrow hind wings. Most grow to be between 0.25 and 1 millimetre (0.01 to 0.04 inch) in length.



Feather-winged beetles live in rotting wood, fungi, manure, under bark, or in ant nests.

Standards Link: Life Science: Students know there is a variation among individuals of one kind within a population.

Growing Up With Beetles



Beetles change as they grow. They grow in stages and look different at each stage. In fact, baby beetles look more like worms than beetles. They hatch from eggs and are called larvae or grubs. When grubs are fully grown, they become pupae. Finally the pupae turn into the adults that we call beetles.

Number the pictures from 1 to 4 to show how a beetle grows and changes.

Standards Link: Life Science: Students know the sequential stages of life cycles are different for different animals.

Beetle Time!

How many beetles can you find on today's page in two minutes? Now have a friend try. Who found the most?

Extra! Extra!

Facts and Opinions

Look at today's front page for facts and opinions. Underline the opinions in red. Underline the facts in green. Repeat with another page of today's newspaper.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Students identify facts and opinions in text.

Poison Pals

In southern Africa, Bushmen use the pupae of a poisonous leaf-eating beetle to make poison for hunting.

Clean-Up Crew

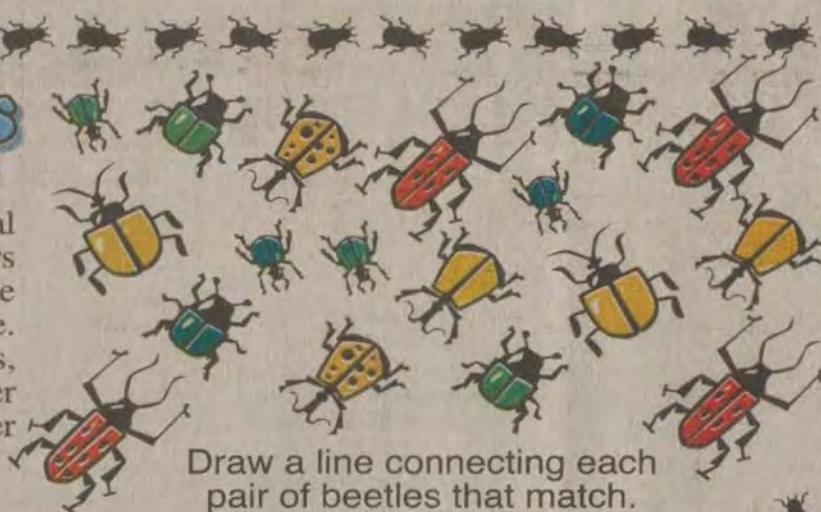
Beetles perform an important job in the natural world. They clean up after others. They eat plants and _____ (sometimes known as poop). Sound gross? It might be even more _____ if none of this was cleaned up at all!

Whoops! This beetle moved some words. Can you find where each one belongs?



Beetle Bodies

Beetles have a special body part that makes them, well, beetles. This special body part is a hard exo-skeleton that covers their wings. Called elytra (El-ih-truh), these hard "wings" provide protection and more. Some beetles trap moisture on their wings, allowing them to survive in the desert. Other kinds of beetles are able to live under water because they trap air in their wings and keep it under the elytra.



Draw a line connecting each pair of beetles that match.

Standards Link: Life Science: Students know animals have structures that serve different functions in survival.

Beetle Boo-Boos

Our artist has made a scientific error in these drawings of beetles. Can you figure out what it is?



Hmmm ... something is bugging me about these drawings.

Check your answers at www.kidscoop.com/kids/index.html

Standards Link: Visual Discrimination: Find similarities and differences in common objects.

Double Double Word Search

- HERCULES
- GOLIATH
- PUPAE
- LARVAE
- ELYTRA
- SKELETON
- WINGS
- AFRICA
- HAIR
- FACTS
- POISON
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- CREW

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

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

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Nature vs. Nurture

Find an article about a person. Read the article and list three traits or characteristics that the person inherited or was born with. List three traits or conditions that are probably the result of the person's environment.

Standards Link: Life Science: Students know many characteristics of an organism are inherited.

Where is the best place to put an injured insect?

ANSWER: In an ambulance.

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