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College to host job fair May 4

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Area job seekers will have a local job fair to look forward to which will bring together area employers and prospective workers this May at the Big Sandy Community and Technical College campus in Prestonsburg. The fair will be held on Thursday, May 4, at the Post-Secondary Education Building from 3 to 7 p.m. is being planned by the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program. Fast food workers and seasonal staff jobs will be headlining the fair, though their are still spots open for employers.

Businesses and interested parties can still reserve space at the fair by contacting Joyce Wilcox at 789-3641 or Bill Breeding at 889-1772.

Court takes action against Left Beaver lion

by RALPH B. DAVIS MANAGING EDITOR

MELVIN — Melissa Collins says that her husband loves animals, so when he first saw the lion that is now their family pet, he had to have it.

Collins said the couple was able to obtain the lion rather easily, but had to complete quite a bit of paperwork to bring it home, and even based their choice on where to live on the fact that there was no law against keeping such an animal.

That could all change soon, however, after the Floyd County Fiscal Court gave tentative approval to an ordinance to prohibit keeping animals deemed dangerous by the

state Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources — including lions.

Magistrates unanimously approved the first reading of the ordinance during the court's regular meeting Friday. The ordinance must still be published and approved a second time before becoming law.

County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson and County Attorney Keith Bartley said the court was responding to complaints they have heard about the animal from the Collinses' neighbors.

Bartley said some parents in the neighborhood where the Collinses live are afraid to let their children go outside, and one man

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"Kitty" the lion, owned by Melissa Collins and her husband and kept in a cage behind their Melvin residence, has prompted the Floyd County Fiscal Court to consider an ordinance that would make it illegal to keep lions or other animals deemed dangerous by the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

photo courtesy County Attorney's Office

ALLEGED DRUG RING



photo by Tom Doty

Five of the six suspects accused of conspiring to bring drugs into the jail heard computerized recordings of calls placed from the detention center at a hearing on Friday. From left are Lucille Thacker, Shawn Thacker, Velma Sparkman, Lisa Compton and Angela Banks.

Jail drug ring defendants appear for court hearing

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A sixth suspect in an investigation aimed at a drug trafficking ring at the Floyd County Detention Center turned herself in to authorities Friday morning, four hours before a preliminary hearing was scheduled in the case.

Angela Banks, 25, of Mud Creek, was arraigned on Friday afternoon just 10 minutes before

the preliminary hearing. She was jailed under a \$150,000 cash bond.

Banks joined Travis Banks, 26, of Martin, Velma Sparkman-Banks, 45, Lucille Thacker, 51, of East Point, Lisa Marie Compton, 29, of Prestonsburg, and Shawn Thacker, 27, of Beaver, in the case, which accuses the six of conspiring to bring methadone and marijuana into the jail.

The hearing saw all the subjects except for Travis Banks, currently serving a 10-year sentence at the

East Kentucky Correctional Complex, present for the presentation of evidence to determine if the case merits being heard by a grand jury.

County Attorney Keith Bartley presented the case and called police officer George Tussey as his sole witness and played tapes of conversations held by all of the parties which emanated from the jail where Travis Banks and

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Prisoner charged with attacking guard, inmate

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — An inmate of the Big Sandy Federal Penitentiary, in Martin County, will be arraigned in the U.S. District Court in London next week after being indicted on charges of assault on a corrections officer and a fellow inmate.

The indictment, issued on April 17, alleges that Robert Howe assaulted another inmate, Orlando Roberts, on July 20 by trying to kill him with a homemade weapon fashioned from a sharpened piece of plastic.

Howe is also charged

with assaulting a corrections officer, Larry Adams, with the same weapon when Adams tried to intervene. Howe is also charged with threatening to kill Adams and one count of possession of a prohibited object, in this case the "shank" which he fashioned into a sharp object from a piece of plastic.

The case landed in U.S. District Court as the penitentiary is a federal complex.

The case was presented to the grand jury by Amul R. Thapar, who was recently named U.S. attorney for the eastern region of Kentucky after Greg Van Tatenhove left that post to take a judicial seat.

Radiologist alleges breach of contract

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A former radiologist at Highlands Regional Medical Center is suing the hospital and Consolidated Health Systems Inc., claiming that they violated an agreement to hire him on a

full-time basis and make him their chief of radiology after worked at the hospital part-time until he completed his residency.

Dr. Paul D. Ellis asserts that HRMC entered into a recruitment deal with him on August 26, 2003. He

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Students learn about college at 'senior day'

by KATHY J. PRATER FEATURES EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — Floyd County Schools and Big Sandy Community and Technical College joined together this week to present the first "Senior Seminar — A Day Just for Seniors" event, held Friday, on the BSCTC Prestonsburg campus.

"This is our first year for this event," said Beverly Crisman, community educator for Floyd County

Schools. "We hope to continue in the years to come and we feel that we got off to a really good start today."

Senior students from Prestonsburg High School, South Floyd High School, Allen Central High School and Opportunities Unlimited convened upon the BSCTC campus to attend workshops on leadership training, personal finance management, sub-

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Floyd County high school seniors talked with members of the Big Sandy Singers and Director Laura Ford Hall about music scholarships offered through participation in the musical group's program. Eligible students may receive \$1,200 scholarships, plus free recording sessions if selected for the program. Auditions for the upcoming fall semester will be held on April 29, at 10 a.m., on the Prestonsburg campus.

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Regional Obituaries

FLOYD COUNTY

■ Arnold (Ed) Edward Adkins, 70, of Betsy Layne, died Sunday, April 16, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 19, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Elden Bailey, 81, of Hueysville, died Saturday, April 15, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital emergency room. He is survived by his wife, Norman Lee Beverly Bailey. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 19, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Preston Collins, 91, of Martin, died Friday, April 14, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. He is survived by his wife, Billie Faye Stone Collins. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, April 16, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Linda Carol Ferrell, 62, of Betsy Layne, died Monday, April 17, at Grethel. She is survived by her husband, Vanidan "Buddy" Ferrell Jr. Funeral services were held Friday, April 21, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

■ David C. (D.C.) Gilliam, 59, of Wheelwright, died Tuesday, April 18, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital. He is survived by his wife,

Pluma Jean Newsome Gilliam. Funeral services were conducted Friday, April 21, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Connor Ethan Goble, 6 days old, of Hueysville, died Monday, April 17, at the U.K. Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 20, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Magnolia Hall, 87, of Bevinsville, died Saturday, April 15, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Healthcare. She is survived by her husband, Ishmael Hall. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 18, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ James Duran "J.D." Hamilton, 20, of Teaberry, died Wednesday, April 12, in Teaberry. He is survived by his wife, Amanda Travis. Funeral services were held Sunday, April 16, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Cora Johnson, 68, of Weeksbury, died Saturday, April 15, at her residence. Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 18, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Priscilla Ann (Sue) Sturgell Boyd McKinney, 56, of Harold, died Monday, April 17, at her residence. She is survived

by her husband, Jimmy McKinney. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 20, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Dorothy Tackett, 80, of Martin, died Saturday, April 15, in the Hazard Appalachian Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 18, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Richard Wells, 91, of Wayland, died Saturday, April 15, in the Hazard Appalachian Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 17, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

MAGOFFIN COUNTY

■ Ida Howard Wireman, 76, of Gunlock, died Wednesday, April 12, at her residence. She is survived by her husband, Clyde Wireman. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 15, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

PIKE COUNTY

■ Lloyd Hall, 91, of Virgie, died Thursday, April 13, at his residence. Funeral services were held Monday, April 17, under the direction of the Hall and Jones Funeral Home.

■ Patricia Gail Halstead, 51, of Lexington, a Pikeville native, died Wednesday, April 19, at her

home. Arrangements, under direction of Kerr Brothers Funeral Home, Harrodsburg Road, Lexington.

■ Robert Hampton, 66, of Georgetown, formerly of Virgie, died Friday, April 14, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Stella Hampton; Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 18, under the direction of Hall & Jones Funeral Home.

■ Atha Herman Irick, 84, of Ravenna, Ohio, formerly of Toler, died Tuesday, April 11, in Ohio. Graveside services were held Tuesday, April 18, under the direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home of Pikeville.

■ Gloria F. Justice Kemp, 70, of Wellington, Ohio, formerly of Millard, died Thursday, April 13, at Lorain Community Health Partners. She is survived by her husband, Alfred "Ted" Kemp. Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 18, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

■ Catherine Sue Kendrick, 54, of Pikeville, died Thursday, April 13, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Sunday, April 16, under direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

■ Willa Ann Looney, 93, of Pikeville, died Thursday, April 13, at the Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral arrangements under the direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

■ Andrew Newsom, 78, of Penny Road, Harrison Newsom Branch, died Thursday, April 20, at his home. Arrangements, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

■ Pebble Skeens, 80, of Bowling Fork, a Pike County

native, died Wednesday, April 19, at her home. Funeral services were held Saturday, April 21, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Memorial Home.

■ Donnie Joe Wright, 50, of Little Robinson Creek, died Monday, April 17, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Debbie Tackitt Wright. Funeral services were held Thursday, April 20, under direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

JOHNSON COUNTY

■ Ronnie Allen Hitchcock Sr., of Paintsville, died Saturday, April 15, at his residence. Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 18, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

■ Mary Stafford Radcliffe, 80, of Paintsville, died Tuesday, April 11, at New Albany Care Center in New Albany, Ohio. Arrangements were under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ Helen Yontz, 69, formerly of Paintsville, died at the Ohio Masonic Home, in Springfield. Memorial services were held Monday, April 17, at 10:30 a.m., at the Conroy Funeral Home, Springfield, Ohio.

LAWRENCE COUNTY

■ Pearl "Fritz" Mullins Jr., 41, of Martha, died Tuesday, April 18, at Blaine. He is survived by his wife, Jacqueline "Jackie" Hale Mullins. Funeral services were conducted Friday, April 21, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

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Harlan County miner killed

The Associated Press

HOLMES MILL — A coal miner was killed early Friday in an underground mine in Harlan County.

Rick McKnight, 45, of Cumberland, died from crushing injuries, said Harlan County Coroner Philip Bianchi. Bianchi said authorities were notified of the accident about 4:30 a.m., and that McKnight was pronounced dead in the emergency room at the Harlan Appalachian Regional Hospital.

McKnight was working in the Lone Mountain Processing No. 1 mine at Holmes Mill in rural Harlan County. He was the second miner killed in Kentucky in the past two days.

McKnight, who had 11 years experience at the mine, was found pinned between mining machinery, said Mark York, spokesman for the Kentucky Cabinet for Environmental and Public Protection.

The accident occurred more than five miles underground, York said. Inspectors from the Kentucky Office of Mine Safety and Licensing and the U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration are investigating the accident.

On Thursday, a miner was killed when material from a pillar fell on top of him at a Pike

County mine. David Chad Bolen, 28, of Harold, was moving a shuttle car anchor in the Tri Star Coal LLC No. 1 mine at the time of the accident, according to a news release from the Kentucky Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet.

Bolen had been working at the company for two months and had three years' experience as a shuttle car operator.

Five coal miners have now died on the job in Kentucky this

year.

"Improving mine safety has been a priority of our administration," Gov. Ernie Fletcher said in a statement on Thursday. "Although we are making significant progress, we will not be satisfied until every working miner returns home safely."

The General Assembly passed a measure in March that will require state inspectors to visit every coal mine in the state at least three times a year.

Card of Thanks

The family of Willie (Bill) Eden would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to all those friends, neighbors, and loved ones who helped to comfort us during our time of sorrow. Thanks to all those who sent flowers, food, or spoke comforting words. A special thanks to Pastors Jerry Miller and Lowell Robinson as well as Mayor Thomasine Robinson of Martin, for their comforting words; the sheriff's department for their traffic assistance; and Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their caring and professional services. Your kindness and prayers will never be forgotten.

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Kentuckians, legislators await Fletcher's move on budget

by ROGER ALFORD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — A state senator from eastern Kentucky joined the chorus of people calling for Gov. Ernie Fletcher to veto a \$10 million state appropriation to build a pharmacy school at the University of Cumberland in Williamsburg.

Sen. Daniel Mongiardo, D-Hazard, is one of hundreds of people who have made that request either in person or by telephone over the past two weeks, said Fletcher spokesman Brett Hall.

"The phones are ringing," he said. "It's a continuous flow. As far as constituent communications, this dwarfs all others combined, by far."

Fletcher has been meeting with Budget Director Brad Cowgill and other senior members of his administration to review the \$18.1 billion budget approved by the General Assembly on April 11. Hall said those meetings could last

through the weekend, and the governor plans to announce on Monday any cuts he makes using his line-item veto power.

Hall said the cuts could total hundreds of millions of dollars. Of particular concern, he said, are appropriations for proposed construction projects that would be paid for with about \$2.3 billion in debt.

Kentucky already is among the top 12 states in the nation in the amount of bonded indebtedness, Hall said. "That's not a good sign," he said.

Mongiardo is one of several legislators who have sharply criticized the secretive work of a conference committee that hammered out a budget compromise between the House and Senate. Members of that negotiations team said closing their talks to the public took away the grandstanding that so often occurs when cameras are rolling or when galleries are filled with spectators.

Lawmakers are allowed to exclude the public from com-

mittee meetings because the General Assembly is exempt from the state open meetings laws that apply to all other governmental bodies.

"The whole process is broken," he said. "It's secretive."

Mongiardo said he strongly believes that all budget discussions should be open to the public and to the press. Closing the negotiations to public scrutiny, Mongiardo said, made it easy for lawmakers to include funding for the proposed pharmacy school, which he said is an example of money being appropriated in an election year solely for political purposes.

Eastern Kentucky, Mongiardo said, already has a fledgling pharmacy school in Hazard, and that the region doesn't need a second one.

Hall said the concerns of legislators and constituents who have weighed in on the issue are being considered.

"We're looking at it," he said. "We're concerned about it."



HEALTHY FLOYD COUNTY 2010

More than 50 people attended the third Healthy Floyd County 2010 meeting Tuesday evening at the Jenny Wiley State Park Convention Center. The mission of Healthy Floyd County 2010 is to create and promote partnerships for a healthy community and a safe environment for all. LEFT: Kathy Stumbo, CEO of Our Lady of the Way Hospital, spoke Tuesday about influencing the area's health status. "We need to work with the community to try to impact the health and welfare of the communities we serve," she said, adding she's been pleased that all three area hospitals have been active in pursuit of that goal.

photo by Joshua Byers

Governor says new seat belt law will save lives

by JOHN WHITLOCK
KENTUCKY PRESS ASSOCIATION

FRANKFORT — Since the beginning of the 2006 General Assembly session, the Gov. Ernie Fletcher has been pushing for a statewide mandatory seat belt law that could be enforced by police.

Fletcher said it's an idea that's time has come but the bill was not without opponents.

The bill failed its first vote on the House floor but was later added to an ATV helmet bill in the Senate. The amended bill passed the Senate and was narrowly approved in the House on a 48-45 vote.

According to Fletcher, about 60 lives could be saved in one year if all drivers were wearing seat belts.

"We know that a primary

seat belt law will save at least 62 lives a year," Fletcher said in a statement. "Adopting a primary seat belt law is the single most important thing we can do in this state to reduce fatalities and serious injuries caused by vehicle crashes."

Under the provisions of the law, police can stop drivers for not wearing seat belts. Under the current law, a driver can only be charged with not wearing a seat belt only if they have been stopped for another reason.

An amendment by State Rep. Jim Stewart, R-Stinking Creek, that would lower the fine to \$5 failed on the House floor. The fine stands at \$25.

Although the law becomes effective July 14, drivers will be given an adjustment period and police will only be giving warning until Jan. 1, 2007.

An amendment offered by Stewart that exempts some farm trucks and vehicles built before 1981 was accepted and is now part of the law.

The law strictly states that roadblocks cannot be set up by police to check for seat-belt usage.

According to a November 2005 study conducted by the University of Kentucky, the commonwealth ranks 47th in seat belt usage with only 67 percent of Kentucky drivers buckling up.

The study found the one of the best and most cost effective plans to slow the number of fatal accidents in Kentucky would be to enact a primary seat belt law.

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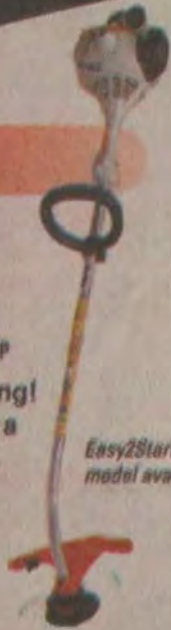
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— Felix Frankfurter

Guest view

(Too) great expectations

Coal drives America. It's been that way for generations, and at the current usage level there's enough recoverable coal reserves to last the United States more than 200 years — with about 90 percent of it used to produce electricity in coal-burning power plants.

But while the basic method of burning coal to generate steam to turn turbines hasn't changed much, cleansing the smokestack emissions from power plants has changed drastically under clear air and clean water regulations.

Take the Elmer Smith Station coal-fired plant that produces electricity for Owensboro Municipal Utilities and Kentucky Utilities customers, for instance. Barely more than a decade ago, the tall stack at the plant belched thick, black smoke 24 hours a day. But today that stack has been replaced with a shorter stack that emits white smoke that has been scrubbed of nearly all of its sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxide content, thanks to tens of millions of dollars spent on federally mandated emissions control equipment.

If the Thoroughbred Energy Campus coal-fired power plant is built in Muhlenberg County, it will start life with the latest pollution control technology available for traditional coal-fired units — technology that is continually evolving. An area under heavy investigation is reducing emissions of the greenhouse gas carbon dioxide.

Last week, a protracted regulatory impasse ended when the Kentucky Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet granted Peabody Coal Co. the crucial air quality permit it needs to build the massive 1,500-megawatt Thoroughbred plant (more than three times the output of the Smith Station). The permission came with the condition that the plant reduce mercury and nitrogen oxide emissions more than originally planned. The ruling by Secretary LaJuana Wilcher overturned an order calling for a total reworking of the Thoroughbred permit to include even newer technologies.

The Thoroughbred plant will provide 450 permanent jobs in job-hungry Muhlenberg County, and more than that during the construction phase. But that's not the main reason we support Wilcher's ruling, although that is a strong reason. The fact is, coal will always play a powerful role in providing energy in this country. The market for electricity is growing virtually by the hour. America leads the world in recoverable coal reserves, estimated to be more than 275 billion tons, and much of it lies in this part of the country.

Critics of the Thoroughbred plant want to stop it because it won't use what they consider the latest advances in clean coal technology — including converting coal to gas or liquid fuel. But practical application of zero emission technology remains in the developmental stage and may take years to become economically feasible.

Peabody intends to use modern methods to generate electricity while controlling emissions with already proven technology that meets current standards. That is all that should be expected.

— Owensboro Messenger-Inquirer

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— Rich Lowry Column

The gospel and the immigration debate

When it comes to illegal immigration, suddenly liberal Democrats have only one guide to public policy: "What Would Jesus Do?" The target of their Bible-based ire is a border-enforcement bill that recently passed the House and is allegedly the greatest challenge Christianity has faced since the lions in the Colosseum. Sen. Hillary Clinton, D-N.Y., said "this bill would literally criminalize the good Samaritan and probably even Jesus himself." (Note: not figuratively, but literally.)

Stoking all the Bible-thumping is Cardinal Roger Mahony of Los Angeles, who alleges that the legislation would outlaw acts of charity for illegal immigrants. In making this charge, Cardinal Mahony apparently has no compunction about deceiving his flock.

Even opponents of the bill are careful to stipulate their opposition to illegal immigration. In a New York Times op-

ed, Cardinal Mahony laments "the baleful consequences of illegal immigration. Families are separated, workers are exploited and migrants are left by smugglers to die in the desert. Illegal immigration serves neither the migrant nor the common good."

Hillary Clinton herself has said that she wants to strengthen the border and crack down on employers who hire illegal immigrants. She presumably thinks Jesus — whose views on the nuances of immigration policy are evidently more easily extrapolated than anyone realized heretofore — would

wholeheartedly support all of this. Cardinal Mahony and Sen. Clinton favor amnesty as part of immigration reform. But amnesty will encourage even more illegal entries, thus exacerbating the problems that Cardinal Mahony deplors. In alleging that the House bill would criminalize the acts of good Samaritans, Cardinal Mahony is engaging in typical hardball political tactics — smearing his opponents in an attempt to give his side the better part of an argument.

The provision in question makes it

illegal to "assist" an illegal immigrant to "remain in the United States." This merely tightens language already on the books. If the new language puts nuns at risk of prosecution for providing services to needy immigrants (it doesn't), they were already in such legal jeopardy. The bill is not aimed at social workers, but at the vicious "coyote" smuggling rings that exploit illegals in the course of bringing them here for exorbitant fees.

There is much to offend the moral sensibilities of everyone about our current immigration system. The first step to putting it on a more rational and humane basis is to get a better handle on who comes here. The Catholic bishops have affirmed that "sovereign nations have a right to control their borders." The forces who want to exploit illegal immigrants aren't those who favor exercising that sovereign right, but the U.S. employers who desperately want Mexicans to keep coming.

In the debate over the House bill, these employers are in a de facto alliance with Cardinal Mahony to try to preserve their access to cheap, low-skill labor without the full rights of U.S. citizens. Selfish capitalists surely have never been so grateful for the political activism of a socially conscious (and ill-informed) Catholic bishop.

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Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.



The Rich Lowry column

— beyond the beltway

Christianity has struck a bumpy patch

by DONALD KAUL
MINUTEMAN MEDIA

It has come to my attention — belatedly, as most things do — that a group of Kansas Christians is traveling around the country picketing funerals of soldiers killed in Iraq and Afghanistan.

They carry placards saying things like: "Thank God for dead soldiers" and "God hates America." The other day a demonstrator at Washington's Walter Reed Hospital, where so many of our wounded and maimed servicemen and women are, carried this sign: "God blew up the troops."

Nutcases? Perhaps. Christians? Absolutely.

They are members of Westboro Baptist Church in Kansas and they believe that God is angry with us for tolerating homosexuality and that the casualties of war are His way of punishing us.

The pastor of the church, 76-year-old Fred Phelps, told the "Washington Post" that our fallen troops:

"...are not heroes. They chose to fight for a sodomite nation...God almighty has killed these soldiers to inflict pain upon an evil nation, a severe stroke of divine judgment, retribution and vengeance.

"I am delivering a message from God Almighty to this evil nation, and at your peril do you ignore it."

He's wrong, of course. As everyone knows, the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan

are God's way of punishing us for electing George Bush president — twice. (If God is consistent about one thing, it's that when a democracy makes a really bad mistake in an election it gets punished, really bad. Making the same mistake twice? I tremble for the Republic.)

But that aside, I'm glad these people are doing this.

They are a reminder to devout Christians that merely because you profess Christianity doesn't mean you have found an exclusive avenue to the truth. It also doesn't mean that you are not capable of hideously stupid acts of cruelty, as these Kansas yokels most certainly are.

And it might serve as a useful reminder to conservatives that people on their side of the line can commit egregious acts with the worst of them. They might remember it the next time the anti-global economy people or "eco-terrorists" stage a riot. Movements should not be judged exclusively by the actions of their fringe groups.

This Kansas group should even embarrass anti-gay groups, although I doubt it will. Those people have very little shame.

And, speaking of the Word of God, did you see where they've just released the first modern translation of a new book of the Bible, "the Gospel of Judas?"

That's right, Judas, the villain of the Greatest Story Ever Told. Only in this version, he's a hero.

The manuscript, a third or fourth century transcription of a second century document, was discovered by looters in

Egypt in 1970 and translated only now. It suggests that Jesus singled out Judas as a special talent among the disciples and instructed his follower to betray him to Roman authorities.

In doing so, he tells Judas, he "will exceed" the other disciples. Judas followed orders and the rest, as they say, is history. Or something.

This is ground similar to that plowed by Dan Brown in "The Da Vinci Code," which makes reference to a gospel of Mary Magdalene.

The Judas gospel is the work of ancient Gnostic scholars who did not believe that the world was created by God but by a lesser spirit who had fallen away from God. The earth and its inhabitants were too evil to have been the work of a good God, they thought. Which makes a lot of sense, actually.

Jesus then, was God's intermediary, sent to put us on the right track.

The point of all of this — Judas and the Kansas loonies both — is that there is no single Christian philosophy. It is a religion that throughout history has been famous for various, often contradictory, interpretations and subject to a variety of cultural influences.

So while you devout believers out there may think you've got the Word of God right there in your pocket, that doesn't mean you're right.

That's a good thing to remember.

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SUNDAY MORNING/AFTERNOON		APRIL 23, 2006															
CH	TIME	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30
23	TBS	8:45 *** "Angel Eyes" (2001, Drama) (PA) Jennifer Lopez, Jim Caviezel. R			1/2 "Sweet November" (2001, Romance) Keanu Reeves, Charlize Theron. R					*** "Sleepless in Seattle" (1993, Romance-Comedy) Tom Hanks, Meg Ryan. R					*** "Fools Rush In" (1997, Comedy) Matthew Perry, Salma Hayek. R		
4	NBC	Calvin Evans Ministry	Bluegrass Gospel	Believer's Voice	Home Show	Meet the Press		National Heads-Up Poker Championship (In Stereo)		NHL Hockey: Conference Quarterfinal - Teams TBA. (In Stereo Live) R							Bull Riding: PBR Jack Daniel's Invitational. R
5	PBS	Barney & Friends	Teletubbies "Fancy Dress"	Dragon Tales	Zoboamoo "Bathtime" (E)	It's a Big Big World (N)	Arthur (In Stereo)	European Journal	Comment on Kentucky	Foreign Exchng	Tony Brown's "Volvo C70"	One to One	Kentucky Health	MotorWeek "Volvo C70"	The Desert Speaks	Kentucky Affled	Kentucky Life
7	ABC	The Daily Walk: Lewis Memorial Baptist	In Touch "Facing Life's Obstacles: Facing Difficulties"														
15	WGN	Feed the Children	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	The Beverly Hillsbillies	The Beverly Hillsbillies	*** "RocketMan" (1997, Comedy) Harland Williams, Jessica Lundy. (In Stereo) R					MLB Baseball: Chicago Cubs at St. Louis Cardinals. (In Stereo Live) R			
10	CBS	Time of Praise (In Stereo)	Baptist Church	Century 21 Home Tours	Gateway Gospel												
11	FOX	Fox News Sunday With Chris Wallace (In Stereo) R	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Fraser (In Stereo)	A Better Life	1/2 "Autumn in New York" (2000, Romance) Richard Gere, Winona Ryder. R					*** "The Circuit" (2002, Action) Olivier Gruner. R
13	CBS	CBS News Sunday Morning (In Stereo) R	Face Nation	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program								
48	ESPN	SportsCenter	Outside Lines	Reporters	SportsCenter (Live) R					Baseball	PBA Bowling	PBA Bowling					Billiards
30	DSC	Stings, Fangs and Spines	Wild, Weird Curiosities							MythBusters	MythBusters						Futureweapons
31	TNT	8:00 *** "Avenge" (2006) *** 1/2 "Deep Blue Sea" (1999, Suspense) Thomas Jane. R								2006 NBA Playoff Preview	*** "The Perfect Storm" (2000, Suspense) George Clooney. R						*** "Twister" (1996, Action) Helen Hunt. R
65	A&E	Breakfast With the Arts	24 "Day 3: 5:00-6:00 PM" (E)	24 "Day 3: 6:00PM-7:00PM" (E)						Mysteries of the Bible	God or the Girl	God or the Girl					God or the Girl
59	TNN	3 Stooges	AutoRox (In Stereo)							Horsepower	MuscleCar	Xtreme 4x4	Xtreme 4x4	*** "Double Impact" (1991) Jean-Claude Van Damme. R			1/2 "Bloodsport" (1988) Bruce Willis. R
53	NICK	SpongeBob	Oddparents	Oddparents													*** "What a Girl Wants" (2003) Dianna Agron. R
46	USA	*** 1/2 "Get Shorty" (1995, Comedy) John Travolta, Gene Hackman. R								PGA Tour Sunday (Live) R							*** "Dante's Peak" (1997, Action) Pierce Brosnan, Linda Hamilton. R
40	FAM	Get Ed	Kong-Series	Rangers	Super Robot	Rangers	W.I.T.C.H. R			Full House	*** 1/2 "The Goonies" (1985, Adventure) Sean Aslin, Josh Brolin. R						*** "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" (2002) R
24	LIFE	Paid Program	Paid Program	Fraser	Will & Grace	1/2 "At the Mercy of a Stranger" (1999) Joanna Kerns. R											"Living in Fear" (2004, Suspense) William R. Moses. R
27	ESPN2	Offshore Adv.	Spanish Fly	Fishing						Drag Race	NHRA 2day	Dragster	Car Show	ATPA	High School Basketball: Jordan Classic		College Football All-Star Challenge
72	AMC	(8:15) ***** "The Godfather, Part II" (1974, Drama) Al Pacino, Robert Duvall. R															
66	HGTV	Before Aft	Dream	New Spaces	Landscapes	Landscapers	Garden-Yard	Curb Appeal	Outer Spaces	I Want Baths	Kitchens	I Want That!	Designing	Home to Go	Weekend	Designers'	Cash in Attic
61	SCIFI	*** 1/2 "Jaws 2" (1978, Horror) Roy Scheider, Lorraine Gary. R								1/2 "Jaws the Revenge" (1987, Horror) Lorraine Gary. R							*** "Watchers II" (1990, Horror) Marc Singer. R
44	HIST	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past
33	TOC	Ghost Stories	Hunting	Outdoors	Academy	Hunting With	Management	Cowboys	Archer	Hunt Adv	Strike Zone	Fish TV	Match Fish	Hawaii	Photo	Outdoor	Fishing
14	HBO	(8:00) *** "Dad" (1989) Jack Lemmon. (In Stereo) PG	Real Sports (In Stereo) R							*** "Garfield: The Movie" (2004, Comedy) Brockin Meyer. (In Stereo) PG							*** "Elizabeth I" (2006, Historical Drama) (Part 1 of 2) Helen Mirren, Jeremy Irons. (In Stereo) R
15	HBO2	(8:30) Boxing								*** "Flight of the Intruder" (1991) Danny Glover. PG-13							*** "Vanishing Point" (1997, Drama) NR
10	HBO3	Double Happiness	*** 1/2 "Leap of Faith" (1992, Drama) Steve Martin, Debra Winger. (In Stereo) PG-13							A Century of Living (In Stereo) PG-13							*** "Mad City" (1987, Drama) John Travolta, Dustin Hoffman. (In Stereo) PG-13
29	MAX	*** "Million Dollar Baby" (2004, Drama) Clint Eastwood, Hilary Swank. (In Stereo) PG-13								*** "Blind Side" (1993, Suspense) Rutger Hauer, Rebecca De Mornay. (In Stereo) R							*** "Resident Evil: Apocalypse" (2004, Horror) Milla Jovovich. (In Stereo) R
29	DISN	Jolo's Circus	Charlie & Lola	The Wiggles	Lilo & Stitch	W.I.T.C.H. R				The Buzz on Maggie	American Drgn	Emperor New					*** "102 Dalmatians" (2000, Adventure) Glenn Close, Joan Gruffudd. G
22	SHOW	Buena Vista Social Club	*** 1/2 "Powder" (1995, Drama) Mary Steenburgen, Sean Patrick Flanery. (In Stereo) R							*** "Against the Ropes" (2004, Drama) Meg Ryan, Omar Epps. (In Stereo) R							Re: Evolution of Sports
25	TMC	(8:30) *** "The Raven" (1963, Comedy) Vincent Price. R								*** "Richard III" (1996, Drama) Ian McKellen, Annette Bening. (In Stereo) R							*** "Hangman's Curse" (2003, Suspense) David Keith, Mel Harris. (In Stereo) R
																	*** "Livin' Large" (1991, Comedy-Drama) Terrence T.C. Carson. (In Stereo) R
																	*** "Hollywood North" (2003, Comedy) Matthew Modine, Alan Bates. (In Stereo) R
																	*** "King of the Corner" (1997, Drama) James Coburn, Maximilian Schell. R

Best Bets

SUNDAY, APRIL 23 7:30 p.m. SHOWTIME
Movie: The Mask of Zorro
 Don Diego de la Vega, aka the mysterious Zorro, passes the mask and cape in this 1998 action drama. With his old nemesis, the evil Don Rafael (Stuart Wilson), preparing to buy California, an aging Don Diego (Anthony Hopkins) decides it is time to train a successor and handpicks an urchin-turned-bandit named Alejandro (Antonio Banderas). Alejandro infiltrates the Spanish nobility and falls for Don Rafael's daughter (Catherine Zeta-Jones).

8 p.m. ESPN
MLB Baseball
 The Atlanta Braves have taken the consecutive-championship term "threepeat" and made a mockery of it. The Braves are embarking on a "15-peat" this season, as in an incredible 15-straight NL East titles. Finances dictate roster changes every year, but still Braves mainstays such as the two Joneses, Andruw and Chipper, and young contributors get the job done. Tonight they take on the Nationals, who are looking to Alfonso Soriano for much-needed run production.

8 p.m. WE
Movie: Dirty Dancing
 Sixties hits, stirring original songs and eye-popping dance moves made this 1987 drama a hit with audiences. Jennifer Grey stars as the naive teen-ager who has the time of her life with a hunky dance instructor (Patrick Swayze) at a resort in the Catskills. Cynthia Rhodes, Jack Weston and a pre-"Law & Order" Jerry Orbach also star.

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23	TBS	(3:30) "Fools Rush In" (1997, Drama) Julia Roberts, Susan Sarandon. R								*** "Pretty Woman" (1990, Romance-Comedy) Richard Gere, Julia Roberts. R							*** "Pretty Woman" (1990, Romance-Comedy) Richard Gere, Julia Roberts. R
4	NBC	(4:00) Bull Riding: PBR Jack Daniel's Invitational. R	News	NBC Nightly News	Dateline NBC (In Stereo) R					The West Wing "Transition" (N) (In Stereo) R	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "The Healer" (N) (In Stereo) R	Crossing Jordan "Mysterious Ways" (N) (In Stereo) R	News	Star Trek: Enterprise "Daedalus" (In Stereo) R	Smallville "Truth" (In Stereo) R		
5	PBS	The This Old House Hour (In Stereo) R	New Yankee Workshop	Victory Garden	Keeping Up Appearances	Summer Wine				As Time Goes By	Being Served	Mastepiece Theatre "Under the Greenwood Tree" (N) (In Stereo) R	Last-Bucking	This Is America	Bookclub at KET	Religion-Ethics	Between the Lines With
7	ABC	(3:30) NBA Basketball: First Round Game 1 - Teams TBA.	News	ABC World News Tonight	America's Funniest Home Videos (N) (In Stereo) R					Extreme Makeover: Home Edition "DeAeth Family" (In Stereo) R	Desperate Housewives (N) (In Stereo) R	Grey's Anatomy "Under Pressure" (N) (In Stereo) R	News	Entertainment Tonight (N) (In Stereo) R	Extra (N) (In Stereo) R		
15	WGN	Tenth Inning	Funnest Home Videos	America's Funniest Home Videos (In Stereo) R						24 "Day 3: 11:00PM-12:00 Midnight" (In Stereo) R	24 "Day 3: Midnight-1:00AM" (In Stereo) R	WGN News at Nine	Instant Replay	Sex and the City	Becker (In Stereo) R	Maximum Exposure "Crash! Bam! Boom!" (In Stereo) R	
10	CBS	(1:00) Hope in the Mountains Telethon	News	CBS Evening News	60 Minutes (In Stereo) R					Cold Case "A Perfect Day" (In Stereo) R	"In From the Night" (2006, Drama) Marcia Gay Harden, Taylor Handley, Premiere. (In Stereo) R			News	Paid Program	The Parkers (In Stereo) R	The Parkers (In Stereo) R
11	FOX	(4:00) *** "The Circuit" (2002, Action) Olivier Gruner. R	My Wife and Kids	That '70s Show	Malcolm in the Middle	King of the Hill (In Stereo) R				The Simpsons	The War at Home (N) (In Stereo) R	Family Guy "Peleronica" (N) (In Stereo) R	News	Seinfeld "The Nose Job" (In Stereo) R	Seinfeld (In Stereo) R	Sex and the City	Sex and the City
13	CBS	(3:00) PGA Golf (Live) R	TBA	CBS News	60 Minutes (In Stereo) R					Cold Case "A Perfect Day" (In Stereo) R	"In From the Night" (2006, Drama) Marcia Gay Harden. R			News	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	Decision	
48	ESPN	Battle of the Gridiron Stars	SportsCenter (Live) R							MLB Baseball: Atlanta Braves at Washington Nationals. (Live) R				SportsCenter (Live) R			Baseball
30	DSC	How It's Made	How It's Made	How It's Made	China's Mega-Dam					China's Mega-Dam	First Emperor: The Man Who Made China			China's Mega-Dam			China's Mega-Dam
31	TNT	Twister (1996)	NBA Basketball: First Round - Teams TBA. (Live) R							NBA Basketball: First Round - Teams TBA. (Live) R				NBA Basketball: First Round - Teams TBA. (Live) R			
65	A&E	Move House	Design	Sell House	Sell House	Flip This House				The First 48	Intervention	God or the Girl (Series Finale)		CSI: Miami (In Stereo) R	The First 48		
59	TNN	(4:00) "Bloodsport" (1988)	*** "Today You Die" (2005, Action) Steven Seagal. (In Stereo) R							*** "Wake of Death" (2004) Jean-Claude Van Damme. R				*** "Out of Reach" (2004, Action) Steven Seagal. (In Stereo) R			The Shield "Throwaway" (In Stereo) R
53	NICK	What a Girl	Ginger	Drake & Josh	Ned's School	Just for Kicks	Unfabulous			Zoey 101	Romeo (N) (In Stereo) R	Full House	Fresh Prince	Roseanne	Funnest	Mad Abt. You	Cosby Show
46	USA	*** "Exiled: A Law & Order Movie" (1998, Drama) Chris Noth, Jerry Orbach. R								Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Taken" (In Stereo) R	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Honor" (In Stereo) R	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Closure, Part I" (In Stereo) R	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Baby Killer" (In Stereo) R	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Name" (In Stereo) R	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Taken" (In Stereo) R	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Taken" (In Stereo) R	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Taken" (In Stereo) R
40	FAM	(3:00) "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" (2002)								*** "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" (2002, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint. R				Home Videos	Home Videos	Joel Osteen	Feed
24	LIFE	"Eight Days in Lisa" (2006, Drama) Kelly Rowland. R								"Nora Roberts' Sanctuary" (2001, Suspense) Melissa Gilbert. R	"Stranger in My Bed" (2005, Suspense) Jamie Luner. R			Medium (In Stereo) R			Strong Medicine "Rape Kit" (In Stereo) R
27	ESPN2	MLS Soccer: Kansas City Wizards at FC Dallas. (Live) R								Poker	Poker	Poker	Poker	Poker	Poker	Poker	Poker
72	AMC	(4:15) ***** "The Godfather" (1972, Drama) Marlon Brando, Al Pacino. R															
66	HGTV	Up on the Roof	Offbeat Amer.	Renovation	Rezoned	House				Designed-Sell	Designed-Sell	I Want That!	Rezoned	Whats	Extreme	If Walls Could	Kitchens
61	SCIFI	*** "Watchers III" (1994, Horror) Wings Hauser. R								*** "Watchers Reborn" (1998, Horror) Mark Hamill. R				1/2 "Rottweiler" (2004, Horror) William Miller. R			Doctor Who (In Stereo) R
44	HIST	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Decoding the Past	Houdini: Unlocking the Mystery				How William Shatner Changed the World			Houdini: Unlock Mystery
33	TOC	Outfitter Jml.	Memories	Outdoors	Hunt-America	Turkey Call	Shallow			Outdoors	Mossy Oak	Fishing	Pro Hunting	Outdoors	Shotgun Jml	Gold Fever	Get In Game
14	HBO	(4:30) 1/2 "House Arrest" (1996, Comedy) Jamie Lee Curtis. (In Stereo) PG								Entourage (In Stereo) R	Entourage (In Stereo) R	The Sopranos "Luxury Leech" (N) (In Stereo) R	Big Love "Eviction" (N) (In Stereo) R	*** "Robots" (2005, Comedy) Voices of Ewan McGregor. (In Stereo) PG			Assume-Wuhl
15	HBO2	Catwoman [Boxing: Chris Byrd vs. Wladimir Klitschko. (In Stereo) R]								*** "Constantine" (2005, Fantasy) Keanu Reeves. R				*** "FearDotCom" (2002) Stephen Dorff. R			*** "The Edge" (1997, Drama) James Coburn, Maximilian Schell. R
10	HBO3	(4:30) *** "Everybody's All-American" (1998, Drama) Jessica Lange. R								*** "Sling Blade" (1996, Drama) Billy Bob Thornton, Dwight Yoakam. (In Stereo) R				*** "Path to War" (2002, Drama) Michael Gambon, Donald Sutherland. (In Stereo) R			*** "GoodFellas" (1990) Robert De Niro. R
29	MAX	(4:30) *** "Paparazzi" (2004) Cole Hauser. PG-13								*** "The Maker" (1997, Suspense) Matthew Modine. (In Stereo) R				*** "Million Dollar Baby" (2004, Drama) Clint Eastwood, Hilary Swank. (In Stereo) PG-13			*** "Resident Evil: Apocalypse" (2004, Horror) Milla Jovovich. (In Stereo) R
29	DISN	Phil of the Future	Naturally, Sadie (N)	Life With Derek	Suite Life of Zack & Cody	Hannah Montana	That's So Raven			"Right on Track" (2003, Drama) Beverley Mitchell, Brie Larson. R				Phil of the Future	Life With Derek	Suite Life of Zack & Cody	That's So Raven
22	SHOW	(4:15) "Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow" (2004)								*** "Mean Creek" (2004, Drama) Rory Culkin, Ryan Kelley. (In Stereo) R				*** "The Mask of Zorro" (1998, Adventure) Antonio Banderas, Anthony Hopkins. (In Stereo) R			HUFF "Used, Abused and Unenthused" (TV) (In Stereo) R
25	TMC	(4:45) *** "King of the Corner" (1997, Drama) James Coburn, Maximilian Schell. R								*** "The Stickup" (2001, Crime Drama) James Spader, Leslie Stefanson. (In Stereo) R				1/2 "Twisted" (2004, Suspense) Ashley Judd. R			1/2 "Johnny Mnemonic" (1995, Science Fiction) Keanu Reeves, Dolph Lundgren. (In Stereo) R
																	*** "Cross of Iron" (1977, War) James Coburn, Maximilian Schell. R

9 p.m. CBS
Movie: In From the Night
 Marcia Gay Harden stars in this new drama as a writer whose life is turned upside down by a surprise visit from the 16-year-old son (Taylor Handley, "The O.C.") of her mentally ill brother. As the boy gradually opens up to her, she realizes his home life is seriously troubled, and she has some demons of her own to confront. Kate Nelligan also stars.

MONDAY, APRIL 24 8 p.m. DISCOVERY
American Chopper
 In the new two-hour special episode "Celebrity Build," the Teutons are commissioned to

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9 p.m.
HALLMARK
Movie: The Colt
 Ryan Merriman ("The Deep End of the Ocean") stars in this 2005 drama as a young Union soldier whose horse gives birth in the midst of battle. His sergeant (Steve Bacic) wants the colt shot, but he refuses, and it ends up becoming a source of strength and hope for the young trooper when he becomes separated from his comrades. Darcy Belsher ("We All Fall Down") also stars.

9:30 p.m.
NBC
Teachers
 Colin Ferguson guest stars as Doug, a testing expert who is Jeff's (Justin Bartha) nemesis. Alice (Sarah Alexander) doesn't like him either ... until he works his charming magic on her. Jeff's attempt to show her Doug's true colors land him and Calvin (Deon Richmond) in an awkward position. Dick (Phil Hendrie) helps save Tina's (Sarah Shahi) job in the new episode "Testing."

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26
9 p.m.
A&E
Movie: Rock School
 Not to be confused with the 2003 comedy flick "School of Rock," this new movie is actually a documentary about a school for young rockstar wannabes in Philadelphia. It chronicles one season at the Paul Green School of Rock Music, where Green helps kids 9 to 17 years old get in touch with their inner rockers. Their efforts culminate in a concert and, for some of them, a trip to Germany to perform at a prestigious rock festival.

9 p.m.
SPiKETV
Movie: Alien Resurrection
 Given the ending of "Alien 3," it seemed unlikely that Sigourney Weaver would -- or could -- return again as astronaut Ellen Ripley. Nevertheless, this 1997 entry in the science-fiction series made it possible. Weaver plays an alien clone of Ripley who joins yet another space-slayer crew. Winona Ryder and Ron Perlman also are on board. The script is by "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" mentor Joss Whedon.

10 p.m.
HBO
Billie Jean King: Portrait of a Pioneer
 She's best known for besting brag-gart Bobby Riggs in the "battle of the sexes" match in 1973, but that was only one of tennis great Billie Jean King's victories in the fight for opportunity and equality for women in sports. Her skill on the court and her efforts on behalf of women's athletics earned her a spot on Life magazine's "100 most important Americans of the 20th century" list. She talks candidly about her life and work in this new special.

THURSDAY, APRIL 27
4 p.m.
USA
PGA Golf
 After a year at the TPC of Louisiana, the Zurich Classic of New Orleans returns to its home for the previous 16 years, the Jack Nicklaus-designed English Turn Golf & Country Club. Also returning among a slew of the PGA's best is defending champion Tim Petrovic, whose 4-foot par put on the first playoff hole beat rookie James Driscoll last year. It was Petrovic's first Tour win, and came 12 years after he went broke, quit golf and started delivering pizzas.

9 p.m.
NBC
My Name Is Earl
 Earl's (Jason Lee) latest amends-making mission involves Gwen Waters (guest star Miriam Shor, "Hedwig and the Angry Inch"), a former crush whom he once shot with a BB gun. He can't take back the long-healed wound, but he can help heal a bigger one: the rift between her and her father. It's a tough job, but Earl persists; he'll do anything to make Gwen flash her great smile. Ethan Suplee also stars in the new episode "BB."

9:30 p.m.
NBC
The Office
 The discovery of half a joint in the parking lot has Dwight (Rainn Wilson) in full Barney Fife mode and on the receiving end of a request from Michael (Steve Carell). Jim (John Krasinski) responds to a playful challenge from Pam (Jenna Fischer). B.J. Novak and Brian Baumgartner also star in the new episode "Drug Testing."

FRIDAY, APRIL 28
7:45 p.m.
CINEMAX
Movie: Presumed Innocent
 An assistant prosecutor is found murdered in her apartment, and the chief suspect turns out to be her boss -- who also was her lover. While preparing his defense, the man discovers some unsavory facts about his late mistress. Harrison Ford stars in this 1990 adaptation of Scott Turow's best seller with Brian Dennehy, Raul Julia, Bonnie Bedelia and Paul Winfield.

8 p.m.
A&E
 (See BEST, page seven)

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23	TBS	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	Friends	Friends	Sex and the City	Sex and the City	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Three Wishes	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno	Late Night	
3	NBC	News	News	News	NBC Nightly News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Outrageous Moments	Scrubs	Teachers	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	News	News	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno	Late Night	
5	PBS	Clifford the Big Red Dog	Dragon Tales	GED Connection	Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	The Standard of Perfection	American Experience	Dynamite, Whiskey and Wood	BBC World News	Kentucky Life	GED Connection	Mental Engineering				
7	ABC	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	News	ABC World News Tonight	Family Feud	Entertainment Tonight	According to Jim	Hope & Faith	Less Than Perfect	Boston Legal	Race 100	News	Nightline	Paid Program	Paid Program	
15	WGN	Moesha	Moesha	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	America's Funniest Home Videos	America's Funniest Home Videos	Da Vinci's Inquest	Da Vinci's Inquest	WGN News at Nine	Sex and the City	Becker	America's Funniest Home Videos				
19	CBS	News	News	News	CBS Evening News	Lawyers on Call	The King of Queens	NCIS: Bloodhounds	NCIS: Bloodhounds	CSI: Miami	Fade Out	News	Late Show With David Letterman	Late Late Show			
11	FOX	Maury	Friends	Everybody-Raymond	Friends	Everybody-Raymond	American Idol	House	House	News	Sex and the City	The Bernie Mac Show	Malcolm in the Middle	Paid Program			
13	CBS	Dr. Phil	News	CBS News	News	Hollywood	NCIS: Bloodhounds	The Unit	CSI: Miami	Fade Out	News	Late Show-Letterman	Late Late				
46	ESPN	Hom	Interruption	SportsCenter	(Live)	Bonds-Bonds	SportsCenter	NFL Draft Special	Battle of the Gridiron Stars	Baseball Tonight	(Live)	SportsCenter	(Live)	Fastbreak	Baseball		
39	DSC	Cash Cab	Cash Cab	How It's Made	How It's Made	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch
31	TNT	Charmed	Charmed	Charmed	Charmed	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round
51	A&E	City Confidential	American Justice	American Justice	Cold Case Files	The BTK Killer Speaks	Dog	Dog	King of Cars	King of Cars	Crossing Jordan	The BTK Killer Speaks	The BTK Killer Speaks				
59	TNN	Most Amazing Videos	Wildcat Police Videos	Wildcat Police Videos	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.
53	NICK	SpongeBob	Drake & Josh	Ned's School	Danny Phantom	Oddparents	Neutron	SpongeBob	All Grown Up	Full House	Funnyest	Roseanne	Roseanne	Mad Abt. You	Cosby Show	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince
44	USA	4:00	Hollow Man	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	The Pardoner's Tale	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	In the Dark	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	Special	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	Surveillance	Nashville Star	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	The Pardoner's Tale	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	Special	Special
40	FAM	Gilmore Girls	7th Heaven	High Anxiety	7th Heaven	We Do	7th Heaven	We Do	7th Heaven	We Do	7th Heaven	We Do	7th Heaven	We Do	7th Heaven	We Do	7th Heaven
24	LIFE	The Nanny	The Nanny	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	The Return of Alex Kelly	Margot Kidder	No Mercy	Richard Gere	Premiere	Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier
27	ESPN2	2005 World Series of Poker	Best of	Hom	Interruption	Sumo	Sumo	Sumo	SportsCenter	NFL Draft Special	News	Quite Frankly With Smith	Quite Frankly With Smith	Quite Frankly With Smith	Quite Frankly With Smith	Quite Frankly With Smith	Quite Frankly With Smith
72	AMC	4:15	Cheaper by the Dozen	K-9	1989, Comedy-Drama	James Belushi, Mel Harris	What About Bob?	1991, Comedy	Bill Murray, Richard Dreyfuss	K-9	1989, Comedy-Drama	James Belushi, Mel Harris	The Jerk	1979, Comedy	Steve Martin		
66	HGTV	That's Clever	Landscapers	Renovation	Weekend	Curb Appeal	House	Designed-Sell	Design Remix	Decorating	Curb Appeal	House	Buy Me	Parents	Designer	Designed-Sell	Design Remix
61	SCIFI	The X-Files	Zero Sum	Stargate SG-1	Kingdom Hospital	Kingdom Hospital	Kingdom Hospital	Kingdom Hospital	Kingdom Hospital	Kingdom Hospital	Kingdom Hospital	Kingdom Hospital	Kingdom Hospital	Kingdom Hospital	Kingdom Hospital	Kingdom Hospital	Kingdom Hospital
44	HIST	Hitler's Family	Hitler's End	Modern Marvels	Shoutout!	Modern Marvels	Shoutout!	Modern Marvels	Shoutout!	Modern Marvels	Shoutout!	Modern Marvels	Shoutout!	Modern Marvels	Shoutout!	Modern Marvels	Shoutout!
33	TOC	In-Fisherman	Fmlr Wtr	Outdoors	Hunting	Advent. North Fish, Wildlife	Whistling	Truth-Hunting	Hunting	Amer. Hunter	Step Outside	Outdoors	Super Tools	Bridge	Shootout!	NW Hunter	About Fish
14	HBO	4:30	Racing Stripes	Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban	2004, Fantasy	Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint	Bette Page: First Look	Elizabeth I	2006, Historical Drama	Part 1 of 2	Helen Mirren, Jeremy Irons	Big Love	Eviction	The Sopranos	Luxury Lounge		
15	HBO3	Because	Speed 2: Cruise Control	1997, Action	Sandra Bullock	PG-13	Six Feet Under	The Chronicles of Riddick	2004, Vin Diesel	PG-13	Boxing	Chris Byrd vs. Vladimir Kitschko	Countdown				
16	HBO3	Lackawanna Blues	The Jacket	2005, Science Fiction	Picture Perfect	1997, Comedy	Jennifer Aniston, Jay Mohr	Paper Clips	2004, Documentary	Up at the Villa	2000, Drama	Kristin Scott Thomas, Sean Penn	Why Do Fools Fall in Love				
30	MAX	3:00	Alexander	Scent of a Woman	1992, Drama	Al Pacino, Chris O'Donnell	Shark Tale	2004, Comedy	Voices of Will Smith, Robert De Niro	L.A. Confidential	1997, Crime Drama	Kevin Spacey, Russell Crowe	Bikini Round-Up				
29	DISN	Kim Possible	Lizzie McGuire	That's So Raven	Suite Life of Zack & Cody	Phil of the Future	That's So Raven	A Goofy Movie	1995, Comedy	Voices of Bill Farmer, Jason Marsden	American Drgn	Even Stevens	Suite Life of Zack & Cody	That's So Raven	Phil of the Future	Kim Possible	
22	SHOW	4:45	New Waterford Girl	1999, Comedy	Liane Balaban	TV	Salvo	2004, Comedy-Drama	Jena Malone, Mandy Patinkin	TV	SHO Me 1st	Weeds	TV	Weeds	TV	HUFF	Used, Abused and Unenthused
25	TMC	3:35	Home Room	2003, Drama	Busy Phillips	The Manchurian Candidate	2004, Suspense	Denzel Washington, Meryl Streep	No Looking Back	1998, Drama	Lauren Holly, Edward Burns	Love Object	2003, Horror	Desmond Harrington, Melissa Sagemiller	Cinema Hong Kong	The Crow	1994

		WEDNESDAY EVENING														APRIL 26, 2006	
		5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30
23	TBS	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	Friends	Friends	Sex and the City	Sex and the City	Sex and the City	Sex and the City	Son-in-Law	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno	Late Night	
3	NBC	News	News	News	NBC Nightly News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Deal or No Deal	Deal or No Deal	Dateline NBC	To Catch a Predator	Law & Order: Heart of Darkness	Law & Order: Heart of Darkness	News	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno	Late Night	
5	PBS	Clifford the Big Red Dog	Dragon Tales	GED Connection	Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	The Standard of Perfection	American Experience	Dynamite, Whiskey and Wood	BBC World News	Kentucky Life	GED Connection	Mental Engineering				
7	ABC	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	News	ABC World News Tonight	Family Feud	Entertainment Tonight	Alias	Alias	Lost	Reckoning	Invasion	The Son Also Rises	News	Nightline	Paid Program	Paid Program
15	WGN	Tenth Inning	Moesha	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	America's Funniest Home Videos	America's Funniest Home Videos	Becker	Becker	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	WGN News at Nine	Sex and the City	Becker	America's Funniest Home Videos		
19	CBS	News	News	News	CBS Evening News	Ebert & Roeper	The King of Queens	The Amazing Race 9	The Amazing Race 9	Criminal Minds	Natural Bom Killer	CSI: NY	All Access	News	Late Show With David Letterman	Late Late Show	
11	FOX	Maury	Friends	Everybody-Raymond	Friends	Everybody-Raymond	Bones	The Girl in the Girl	American Idol	Unanimous	News	Sex and the City	The Bernie Mac Show	Malcolm in the Middle	Paid Program		
13	CBS	Dr. Phil	News	CBS News	News	Hollywood	The Amazing Race 9	Criminal Minds	CSI: NY	All Access	News	Late Show-Letterman	Late Late				
46	ESPN	Hom	Interruption	SportsCenter	(Live)	MLB Baseball: Teams to Be Announced	MLB Baseball: Teams to Be Announced	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters
39	DSC	Cash Cab	Cash Cab	How It's Made	How It's Made	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch
31	TNT	Charmed	Charmed	Charmed	Charmed	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round	NBA Basketball: First Round
51	A&E	City Confidential	American Justice	American Justice	Cold Case Files	The BTK Killer Speaks	Dog	Dog	Rock School	2004, Documentary	Asa, Premiere	Crossing Jordan	The BTK Killer Speaks	The BTK Killer Speaks			
59	TNN	Most Amazing Videos	Wildcat Police Videos	Wildcat Police Videos	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.
53	NICK	SpongeBob	Drake & Josh	Ned's School	Danny Phantom	Oddparents	Neutron	SpongeBob	All Grown Up	Full House	Fresh Prince	Roseanne	Roseanne	Mad Abt. You	Cosby Show	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince
44	USA	4:30	The Ninth Gate	1999, Horror	Johnny Depp, Frank Langella	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	The Good Doctor	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	Special	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	Denial	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	Composure	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	The Scared Crazy	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	Special
40	FAM	Gilmore Girls	7th Heaven	High Anxiety	7th Heaven	Dick	7th Heaven	Dick	7th Heaven	Dick	7th Heaven	Dick	7th Heaven	Dick	7th Heaven	Dick	7th Heaven
24	LIFE	The Nanny	The Nanny	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	A Woman Scorned: The Betty Broderick Story	1992	A Killer Upstairs	2005, Suspense	Tracy Nelson	Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier
27	ESPN2	2005 World Series of Poker	Best of	Hom	College Football All-Star Challenge	Hustle	Hustle	Hustle	Hustle	Hustle	Hustle	Hustle	Hustle	Hustle	Hustle	Hustle	Hustle
72	AMC	3:45	The Jerk	1979	1979	1991, Comedy	Bill Murray, Richard Dreyfuss	The Sting	1973, Comedy-Drama	Paul Newman, Robert Redford	M*A*S*H	1970, Comedy	Donald Sutherland, Elliott Gould				
66	HGTV	That's Clever	Landscapers	Renovation	Weekend	Curb Appeal	House	I Want Baths	Kitchens	I Want That!	Landscapes	House	What You Get	Whats	FreeStyle	I Want Baths	Kitchens
61	SCIFI	The X-Files	Elegy	Stargate SG-1	Tangent	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters
44	HIST	Shoutout!	Wild West	Wild West Tech	Modern Marvels	Shoutout!	Modern Marvels	Shoutout!	Modern Marvels	Shoutout!	Modern Marvels	Shoutout!	Modern Marvels	Shoutout!	Modern Marvels	Shoutout!	Modern Marvels
33	TOC	Shallow	Saltwater	Hunter's	Outdoors	Turkey	Wings to Adv.	World of Outlaws	4x4TV	ATV TV	Bull Riding	Four Wheeler	Hot Rod TV	Gold Fever			
14	HBO	4:30	Marvin's Room	1996, Drama	John Travolta, Kyra Sedgwick	Big Love	Eviction	The Sopranos	Luxury Lounge	Billie Jean King: Portrait of a Pioneer	Cathouse	Real Time					
15	HBO2	Head	Batman	1989, Adventure	Michael Keaton	Six Feet Under	Elizabeth I	2006, Historical Drama	Helen Mirren, Jeremy Irons	Internal Affairs	1990, Drama	Richard Gere, Andy Garcia	Goodbye Lover	1998, Comedy	Patricia Arquette	All-American	
16	HBO3	4:30	The Phantom of the Opera	2004, Musical	Gerard Butler, Emmy Rossum	The Upside of Anger	2005, Comedy-Drama	Joan Allen, Kevin Costner	I, Robot	2004, Science Fiction	Will Smith, Bridget Moynahan	Hide and Seek	2005, Suspense	Robert De Niro	Intimate Sessions	Intimate Sessions	Firestorm
30	MAX	3:00	Kingdom of Heaven	2005, Historical Drama	Orlando Bloom, Eva Green	Homebound	The Incredible Journey	1993, Adventure	Robert Hays, Kim Greist	The Passion of the Christ	2004, Drama	Jim Caviezel, Monica Bellucci	Evolution	2001, Drama	Re: Evolution of Sports	Payback	1999, Suspense
29	DISN	Kim Possible	Lizzie McGuire	That's So Raven	Suite Life of Zack & Cody	Phil of the Future	That's So Raven	Homebound	The Incredible Journey	1993, Adventure	Robert Hays, Kim Greist	Life With Derek	Even Stevens	Suite Life of Zack & Cody	That's So Raven	Phil of the Future	Kim Possible
22	SHOW	4:15	My Date With Drew	2004, Documentary	Paycheck	2003, Science Fiction	Ben Affleck, Aaron Eckhart	The Passion of the Christ	2004, Drama	Jim Caviezel, Monica Bellucci	HUFF	Used, Abused and Unenthused	Re: Evolution of Sports	Payback	1999, Suspense	Ma Gibson, Gregg Henry	TV
25	TMC	4:45	The Heart of Me	2002, Drama	Helena Bonham Carter	Once Upon a Wedding	2005, Romance-Comedy	Charlotte Ayanna	Sleepover	2004, Comedy	Alexa Vega, Mika Boorem	The Prince &					

TV Listings

FRIDAY EVENING												APRIL 28, 2006						
TV Data																		
CH	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30		
20	TBS	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	Seinfeld: The Caddy	Seinfeld: The Andrea Doria	Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	Friends (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	** "Sister Act 2: Back in the Habit" (1993, Comedy) Whoopi Goldberg, Kathy Najimy.	** "Boat Trip" (2003, Comedy) Cuba Gooding Jr., Horatio Sanz.							
3	NBC	News	News	News	NBC Nightly News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Deal or No Deal	Las Vegas "Chaos Theory" (N) (In Stereo)	Conviction "The Wall" (N) (In Stereo)	News	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (N) (In Stereo)	Late Night					
4	PBS	Clifford the Big Red Dog	Dragon Tales (In Stereo) (E)	Math Basics	Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Comment on Kentucky	McLaughlin Group (N)	Washington Week (N)	HOW (N) (In Stereo)	Pioneers in Aviation: The Race to the Moon (In Stereo)	BBC World News	Kentucky Life (In Stereo)	To the Contrary	Eye on Washington			
5	ABC	Judge Judy (In Stereo)	Judge Judy (In Stereo)	News	ABC World News Tonight	Family Feud (In Stereo)	Entertainment Tonight	The 33rd Annual Daytime Emmy Awards (In Stereo Live)			News	Nightline	Paid Program	Paid Program				
10	WGN	Moesha (In Stereo)	Moesha "Just the Two of Us"	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	America's Funniest Home Videos (In Stereo)	** "Iron Eagle II" (1988, Adventure) Louis Gossett Jr., Mark Humphrey. (In Stereo)	** "Iron Eagle II" (1988, Adventure) Louis Gossett Jr., Mark Humphrey. (In Stereo)	WGN News at Nine (In Stereo)	Sex and the City	Becker (In Stereo)	America's Funniest Home Videos (In Stereo)						
9	CBS	News	News	News	CBS Evening News	Legends Suzuki	The King of Queens	Ghost Whisperer "Free Fall" (N) (In Stereo) (Part 1 of 2)	Close to Home "Sex, Toys and Videotape" (In Stereo)	NUMB3RS "Rampage" (TV) (In Stereo)	News	Late Show With David Letterman (N) (In Stereo)	Late Late Show					
11	FOX	Maury	Friends (In Stereo)	Everybody-Raymond	Friends (In Stereo)	Everybody-Raymond	Friends (In Stereo)	** "Austin Powers in Goldmember" (2002, Comedy) Mike Myers, Mike Myers. (In Stereo)	** "Austin Powers in Goldmember" (2002, Comedy) Mike Myers, Mike Myers. (In Stereo)	News	Sex and the City	The Bernie Mac Show (In Stereo)	Malcolm in the Middle	Paid Program				
13	CBS	Dr. Phil (In Stereo)	News	CBS News	News	Hollywood	Ghost Whisperer "Free Fall" (N) (In Stereo)	Close to Home (In Stereo)	NUMB3RS "Rampage" (N) (In Stereo)	News	Late Show-Letterman	Late Late						
14	ESPN	Horn	Interruption	SportsCenter (Live)		NBA	NBA Basketball: First Round Game 3 - Teams TBA. (Live)											
15	DSC	Cash Cab	Cash Cab	How It's Made	How It's Made	Oil, Sweat and Rigs	Deadliest Catch	Science of Survival (N)	Mt. Everest: Death Mountain	Oil, Sweat and Rigs	Deadliest Catch							
31	TNT	Charmed "House Call"	Charmed (In Stereo)	Law & Order "License to Kill"	Law & Order "Oxymoron"	Law & Order "Under God"	Law & Order "Judge Dread"	Without a Trace (In Stereo)	** "Next of Kin" (1999)									
31	A&E	City Confidential	American Justice	American Justice	American Justice	Biography "Dolly Parton" (N)	Biography "The Dixie Chicks"	American Justice	Biography "Dolly Parton" (N)									
31	TNN	Most Amazing Videos	Wildest Police Videos	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.									
20	NICK	SpongeBob	Drake & Josh	Ned's School	Danny Phant.	SpongeBob	Catscratch	Avatar	Avatar	Danny Phant.	Danny Phant.	Full House	Fresh Prince	Mad Abt. You	Cosby Show	Roseanne	Roseanne	
17	USA	PGA Golf: Zurich Classic of New Orleans	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Semi-Professional"	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Semi-Professional"	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Phantom" (In Stereo)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Noncompliance"	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Noncompliance"	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Consent"	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Consent"	Monk "Mr. Monk and Mrs. Monk"	House "Role Model" (In Stereo)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Noncompliance"	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Noncompliance"					
40	FAM	Gilmore Girls (In Stereo)	7th Heaven	7th Heaven	7th Heaven "An Early Fall"	** "Mrs. Doubtfire" (1993, Comedy) Robin Williams, Sally Field.	** "Mrs. Doubtfire" (1993, Comedy) Robin Williams, Sally Field.	The 700 Club	Home Videos	Home Videos								
22	LIFE	The Nanny	The Nanny	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Cheerleader Nation (N)	Cheerleader Nation (N)	"More Sex & the Single Mom" (2005, Drama) Gail O'Grady.	Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Will & Grace	
15	ESPN2	Paintball	Paintball	Horn	NBA Basketball: First Round Game 3 - Teams TBA. (Live)			Boxing: Friday Night Fights. (Live)										
23	AMC	(4-15) **** "The Godfather" (1972, Drama) Marlon Brando, Al Pacino.						**** "The Godfather, Part II" (1974, Drama) Al Pacino, Robert Duvall.										
66	HGTV	That's Clever	Landscapers	Renovation	Weekend	Curb Appeal	House	Get Color (N)	Design Remix	Double Take	FreeStyle (N)	House	House	Debbie Travis' Facelift	Get Color	Design Remix		
61	SCIFI	Battlestar Galactica	Stargate SG-1 (In Stereo)	John Doe (In Stereo)	Stargate SG-1 "Stronghold"	Doctor Who "Father's Day"	Stargate Atlantis (In Stereo)	Stargate SG-1 "Stronghold"	Doctor Who "Father's Day"									
44	HIST	Dead Reckoning	Dead Reckoning	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Zero Hour	Grounded on 9/11	Modern Marvels "Paint"	Mega Movers "Oil Machines"	Zero Hour								
33	TOC	Fishing	Hank Parker	Fall Flight	Pro Hunting	Backland	Am. Archer	Shooting	Guns	Get the Game	Outdoors	Quebec Adv.	Tracks-Africa	Prospecting	Hunt-America	Jim Houston	Brittingham	
14	HBO	(4:30) *** "Anastasia" (1997) Voices of Meg Ryan.	** "Eight Legged Freaks" (2002, Science Fiction) David Arquette, Karl Lumbly.	** "Meet the Fockers" (2004, Comedy) Robert De Niro, Ben Stiller. (In Stereo) PG-13	** "Meet the Fockers" (2004, Comedy) Robert De Niro, Ben Stiller. (In Stereo) PG-13	The Sopranos "Luxury Lounge" (In Stereo)	Real Time (In Stereo Live)	** "Constantine" (2005, Fantasy) Keanu Reeves. (In Stereo) PG-13										
15	HBO2	(4:30) *** "The Hunt for Red October" (1990, Adventure) Sean Connery, PG	Countdown	Big Love "Eviction" (In Stereo)	Six Feet Under "Back to the Garden" (In Stereo)	** "Collateral" (2004, Suspense) Tom Cruise, Jamie Foxx. (In Stereo) R	** "White Noise" (2005) Michael Keaton. (In Stereo) PG-13											
23	MAX	Napoleon Dynamite PG	**** "Million Dollar Baby" (2004, Drama) Clint Eastwood. (In Stereo) PG-13	** "Presumed Innocent" (1990, Drama) Harrison Ford, Brian Dennehy. (In Stereo) R	** "Clear and Present Danger" (1994, Drama) Harrison Ford, William B. Davis. (In Stereo) PG-13	Hot Line "The Gardener"												
23	DISN	Emperor New	Lizzie McGuire	That's So	Suite Life of Zack & Cody	Hannah Montana	That's So Raven	** "Mulan II" (2004, Adventure) Voices of Ming-Na, B.D. Wong. G	American Drgn	Phil of the Future	Even Stevens	Suite Life of Zack & Cody	That's So Raven	Hannah Montana	Kim Possible "Gonilla Fist"			
22	SHOW	(4:00) "Mean Creek" (2004)	** "National Lampoon's Loaded Weapon 2" (1993, Comedy) Emilio Estevez.	** "Crash" (2004, Drama) Sandra Bullock, Don Cheadle. (In Stereo)	Sandra Bullock, Don Cheadle. (In Stereo)	Weeds (TV) (In Stereo)	Weeds "The Godmother"	HUFF "Used, Abused and Unenthused" (TV) (In Stereo)	Boxing: Lamont Peterson vs. Matthew Strode. (TV) (Live)	Penn & Teller								
25	TMC	** "Hollywood North" (2003, Comedy) Matthew Modine, Alan Bates. (In Stereo)	** "Dirty Dancing: Havana Nights" (2004, Romance) Diego Luna. (In Stereo)	** "Godsend" (2004, Suspense) Greg Kinnear, Rebecca Romijn-Stamos. (In Stereo)	** "Dead End" (2003, Horror) Ray Wise, Alexandra Holden. (In Stereo)	Crossings: Jackie Chan: A Biography (N) (In Stereo)	Zatoichi: Swordsman											

Best Biography

The new episode "Dolly Parton" profiles the Tennessee farm girl who became a country music superstar and a pop-culture icon. As talented at songwriting as she is at singing, she's penned such classics as the theme from "9 to 5," in which she also made her movie debut, and "I Will Always Love You," a hit for Whitney Houston. Those interviewed include Tanya Tucker, Billy Ray Cyrus, actor Henry Winkler and Lily Tomlin.

8 p.m. ABC
The 33rd Annual Daytime Emmy Awards
 "Dancing With the Stars" host Tom Bergeron and first-season runner-up Kelly Monaco share hosting duties at the first-ever Daytime Emmys telecast from Hollywood. Monaco is also a nominee for outstanding lead actress in a drama series for her work on "General Hospital." Carroll Spinney, who plays Big Bird and Oscar on "Sesame Street," is this year's Lifetime Achievement Award recipient.

8 p.m. HBO
Movie: Meet the Fockers
 It took four years to come up with a sequel to the comedy hit "Meet the Parents," but the result was just as potent. Ben Stiller returns as nurse Greg, whose prospective, ex-CIA father-in-law, Jack (Robert De Niro), wants to meet Greg's parents. As played by Barbra Streisand and Dustin Hoffman, they prove to be the polar opposites of ultraconservative Jack, thus jeopardizing their son's looming wedding. Blythe Danner and Teri Polo also return.

SATURDAY MORNING/AFTERNOON												APRIL 29, 2006				
TV Data																
CH	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30
20	TBS	(8:00) ** "Encino Man" (1992, Comedy) Sean Astin.	*** "The Brothers" (2001, Comedy-Drama) Morris Chestnut, D.L. Hughley.	** "Sister Act 2: Back in the Habit" (1993, Comedy) Whoopi Goldberg, Kathy Najimy.	*** "The Birdcage" (1996, Comedy) Robin Williams, Gene Hackman.											
3	NBC	Kenny the Shark	Time Warp Trio	Trading Spaces	Darcy's Wild Life	Flight 29 Down	Endurance (In Stereo) (E)	The Beverly Hillbillies	Inside Edition Weekend	Paid Program	Countdown to Draft Day	Outdoorsman	NHL Hockey: Conference Quarterfinal - Teams TBA. (In Stereo Live)			
4	PBS	Dragon Tales (In Stereo)	Calliou (N) (In Stereo) (E)	Ciao Italia (In Stereo)	Family Kitchen	Sewing With Nancy	Ndi Arts Studio	America Quilts	Martha's Sewing Room	Glass With Vicki Payne	One Stroke Painting	Joy of Painting	Mixed Media	Workplace-Skills	Workplace-Skills	GED Connection
5	ABC	Lilo & Stitch "Angel"	Emperor New	The Proud Family (E)	That's So Raven	Exploration	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	NBA Access With Ahmad	Paid Program	** "Operation Condor" (1991, Action) Jackie Chan, Carol Doda. Cheng.	** "Metro" (1997, Action) Eddie Murphy.			
10	WGN	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Freedom Movie	Fun! (In Stereo)	Moesha (In Stereo)	MLB Baseball: Milwaukee Brewers at Chicago Cubs. (In Stereo Live)					
9	CBS	Saturday Early Show (Joint in Progress) (In Stereo)	Little Bill (In Stereo) (E)	Blue's Clues (In Stereo) (E)	Paid Program	Scholastic Ball Report	Paid Program	Paid Program	LPGA Golf: Ginn Clubs & Resorts Open - Third Round. (Live)	Will & Grace "Cheaters"	Will & Grace "Cheaters"	NASCAR Racing: Busch Series - Aaron's 312. (In Stereo Live)				
11	FOX	Bratz (In Stereo)	Winx Club (In Stereo) (E)	Winx Club (In Stereo) (E)	Mutant Turtles	Sonic X (N) (In Stereo)	G.I. Joe Sigma 6	Farscape "Home on the Remains" (In Stereo)	HomeTeam (N) (In Stereo)	Will & Grace "Cheaters"	Will & Grace "Cheaters"	NASCAR Racing: Busch Series - Aaron's 312. (In Stereo Live)				
13	CBS	Decision	Kidz Newz	Go Diego	Backyard	Dora-Explorer	Blue's Clues	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	LPGA Golf: Ginn Clubs & Resorts Open	PGA Golf: Zurich Classic of New Orleans - Third Round. (Live)				
14	ESPN	SportsCenter	SportsCenter (Live)					2006 NFL Draft (Live)								
30	DSC	Iceberg Cowboys	Oil, Sweat and Rigs	Oil, Sweat and Rigs	Oil, Sweat and Rigs	Oil, Sweat and Rigs	Oil, Sweat and Rigs	Oil, Sweat and Rigs	Oil, Sweat and Rigs	Oil, Sweat and Rigs	Oil, Sweat and Rigs	Oil, Sweat and Rigs	Survivorman	Survivorman		
31	TNT	*** "Copycat" (1985, Suspense) Sigourney Weaver, Holly Hunter.	*** "Sleepers" (1996, Crime Drama) Kevin Bacon, Robert De Niro. (Premiere)	*** "Sleepers" (1996, Crime Drama) Kevin Bacon, Robert De Niro. (Premiere)	*** "Sleepers" (1996, Crime Drama) Kevin Bacon, Robert De Niro. (Premiere)	*** "Sleepers" (1996, Crime Drama) Kevin Bacon, Robert De Niro. (Premiere)	*** "Sleepers" (1996, Crime Drama) Kevin Bacon, Robert De Niro. (Premiere)	*** "Sleepers" (1996, Crime Drama) Kevin Bacon, Robert De Niro. (Premiere)	*** "Sleepers" (1996, Crime Drama) Kevin Bacon, Robert De Niro. (Premiere)	*** "Sleepers" (1996, Crime Drama) Kevin Bacon, Robert De Niro. (Premiere)	*** "Sleepers" (1996, Crime Drama) Kevin Bacon, Robert De Niro. (Premiere)	*** "Sleepers" (1996, Crime Drama) Kevin Bacon, Robert De Niro. (Premiere)	*** "Sleepers" (1996, Crime Drama) Kevin Bacon, Robert De Niro. (Premiere)	*** "Sleepers" (1996, Crime Drama) Kevin Bacon, Robert De Niro. (Premiere)	*** "Sleepers" (1996, Crime Drama) Kevin Bacon, Robert De Niro. (Premiere)	*** "Sleepers" (1996, Crime Drama) Kevin Bacon, Robert De Niro. (Premiere)
31	A&E	Ask This Old	Ask This Old	Old House	Old House	Oh Baby... Now What?	Trucks!	Horsepower	MuscleCar	Xtreme 4x4	Trucks! (N)	*** "Fist of Fury" (1972, Adventure) Bruce Lee. (In Stereo)	Most Amazing Videos			
59	NICK	3 Stoges	3 Stoges	Pros vs. Joes (In Stereo)	Trucks!	Trucks!	Trucks!	Trucks!	Trucks!	Trucks!	Trucks!	Trucks!	Trucks!	Trucks!	Trucks!	Trucks!
20	NICK	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Oddparents	Oddparents	The X's	Danny Phant.	Danny Phant.	Catscratch	Catscratch	Steen	Drake & Josh	Ned's School	Unfabulous	Zoey 101	Nicktoons TV
17	USA	WWE A.M. Raw	Nashville Star	** "Sabrina" (1995, Romance-Comedy) Harrison Ford, Julia Ormond.	** "Head Over Heels" (2001, Comedy) Monica Potter, Freddie Prinze Jr.	** "Mr. Destiny" (1990, Comedy) James Belushi.										
40	FAM	Rangers	Get Ed	Get Ed	Get Ed	Get Ed	Get Ed	*** "Mrs. Doubtfire" (1993, Comedy) Robin Williams, Sally Field.	*** "Mrs. Doubtfire" (1993, Comedy) Robin Williams, Sally Field.	*** "Mrs. Doubtfire" (1993, Comedy) Robin Williams, Sally Field.	*** "Mrs. Doubtfire" (1993, Comedy) Robin Williams, Sally Field.	*** "Mrs. Doubtfire" (1993, Comedy) Robin Williams, Sally Field.	*** "Mrs. Doubtfire" (1993, Comedy) Robin Williams, Sally Field.	*** "Mrs. Doubtfire" (1993, Comedy) Robin Williams, Sally Field.	*** "Mrs. Doubtfire" (1993, Comedy) Robin Williams, Sally Field.	*** "Mrs. Doubtfire" (1993, Comedy) Robin Williams, Sally Field.
22	LIFE	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Face Family "Frasier"	"Gone in the Night" (1996, Drama) Shannyn Doherty, Kevin Dillon.	Cheerleading (N)	Cheerleading (N)	Cheerleading (N)	Cheerleading (N)	MLS Soccer (Live)		
15	ESPN2	Beat	Day on Lake	Bassmasters (N)	Cheerleader (N)	Cheerleading (N)	Cheerleading (N)	Cheerleading (N)	Cheerleading (N)	Cheerleading (N)	Cheerleading (N)	Cheerleading (N)	Cheerleading (N)	MLS Soccer (Live)		
17	AMC	(7:45) "Law and Order"	** "Backlash" (1995, Western) Richard Widmark, Donna Reed.	*** "The Comancheros" (1961, Western) John Wayne, Stuart Whitman.	*** "Carrie" (1976, Horror) Sissy Spacek, Piper Laurie.	Backstory "Carrie"	** "Halloween 5" (1989, Horror) Donald Pleasence.									
66	HGTV	New Spaces	House Detect	Ground	Landscapers	Garden-Yard	Curb Appeal	Outer Spaces	Decorating	Design Remix	Small Space	Mission	Parents	Designers'	Double Take	Design
61	SCIFI	*** "Beneath the Planet of the Apes" (1970, Kim Hunter)	*** "Conquest of the Planet of the Apes" (1972)	*** "Conquest of the Planet of the Apes" (1972)	*** "Conquest of the Planet of the Apes" (1972)	*** "Conquest of the Planet of the Apes" (1972)	*** "Conquest of the Planet of the Apes" (1972)	*** "Conquest of the Planet of the Apes" (1972)	*** "Conquest of the Planet of the Apes" (1972)	*** "Conquest of the Planet of the Apes" (1972)	*** "Conquest of the Planet of the Apes" (1972)	*** "Conquest of the Planet of the Apes" (1972)	*** "Conquest of the Planet of the Apes" (1972)	*** "Conquest of the Planet of the Apes" (1972)	*** "Conquest of the Planet of the Apes" (1972)	*** "Conquest of the Planet of the Apes" (1972)
44	HIST	Wild West Tech	Heavy Metal "B-2 Bomber"	Mail Call	Blueprint	Modern Marvels "Insulation"	Digging for the Truth	Digging for the Truth	Digging for the Truth	Digging for the Truth	Digging for the Truth	Digging for the Truth	Digging for the Truth	Digging for the Truth	Digging for the Truth	Digging for the Truth
33	TOC	Pro Team	Hank Parker	Bass Casters	Prospecting	Gold Fever	Moat Test	Off Road	World of Outlaws	Monsters of Destruction	Paintball	Inside RC	Four Wheeler	Hot Rod TV		
14	HBO	(8:00) *** "P.C.U." (1994, Comedy) Jeremy Piven, Chris Young. (In Stereo) PG-13	** "Robots" (2005) PG	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13
15	HBO2	Rape-Story	Dare to Dream: U.S. Women's Soccer Team	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13	** "The Wedding Date" (2005) PG-13
11	HBO3	** "Around the Bend" (2004, Drama) Christopher Walken. (In Stereo) R	** "Fever Pitch" (2005, Romance-Comedy) Drew Barrymore. (In Stereo) PG-13	** "The Impositors" (1998, Comedy) Oliver Platt, Stanley Tucci. (In Stereo) R	** "Lackawanna Blues" (2005, Drama) S. E. Patha. (In Stereo) R	All Aboard! Rosie's Family Cruise (In Stereo)										
23	MAX	** "Anchorman: The Legend of Ron Burgundy" (2004, Comedy) Will Ferrell, Christina Applegate. (In Stereo) NR	** "Ocean's Twelve" (2004, Comedy-Drama) George Clooney, Brad Pitt. (In Stereo) PG-13	** "Saturday Night Fever" (1977, Drama) John Travolta, Karen Lynn Gorney. (In Stereo) R	** "Alexander" (2004, Historical Drama) Colin Farrell, Angelina Jolie. (In Stereo) R											
29	DISN	Jojo's Circus	Charlie & Lola	The Wiggles "Where's Jeff"	Lilo & Stitch "Yin-yang"	Lilo & Stitch "Maggie"	The Buzz on Maggie	American Drgn	Emperor New	** "Mulan II" (2004, Adventure) Voices of Ming-Na, B.D. Wong. G	Kim Possible "Rebo"	American Drgn	W.I.T.C.H.	Kim Possible "Vir-Tu-Ron"	Kim Possible "Vir-Tu-Ron"	Kim Possible "Vir-Tu-Ron"
22	SHOW	** "Groundhog Day" (1993, Romance-Comedy) Bill Murray, Andie MacDowell. (In Stereo)	** "Godzilla" (1998, Science Fiction) Matthew Broderick, Jean Reno. (In Stereo)	** "Houseguest" (1995, Comedy)												

Lion

in the community now mows his lawn with a gun strapped to his hip, for fear that the lion might escape.

"I wouldn't want to live there myself," Bartley said.

But Collins said Friday that any fears anyone has about the lion — named "Kitty" — are unfounded. She said the animal has never attempted to harm anyone. Though it is kept confined in a cage with a concrete floor, she said the lion would be reluctant to leave it even if they let him.

"When we have to get him out, we have to drag him out," Collins said. "He doesn't want to leave."

Collins said her family has owned the lion for three years and has lived at the same location that entire time. She said no one has ever complained to her about the lion or expressed any concerns about potential danger.

"I don't know why somebody is so scared now. He's been out there the entire time," Collins said. "He's been out there the entire time. I guess it's election time."

Collins also noted that the fiscal court has known about the

lion since it was purchased. She said that she and her husband were required to get permission from Thompson's office, as well as the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, before the state would allow the lion to be shipped to their home.

Collins described Kitty as gentle, saying her husband often gets in the cage with it to pet it.

"I have three kids myself, and they go out and play all the time," Collins said.

Should the ordinance become law — as appeared likely from comments made at Friday's meeting — Collins said she does not know what her family will do with the lion, but she does know one thing they will not do.

"I will not kill my animal for anybody," Collins said.

Lions are only one type of animal that would be banned by the proposed ordinance. Others include:

- African buffalo
- Hippopotamuses
- Hyenas
- Honey badgers or ratels
- Old world badgers
- Lions, jaguars, leopards and tigers
- Clouded leopards

- Continued from p1
- Cheetahs
 - Rhinoceroses
 - Gibbons and siamangs
 - Orangutans, chimpanzees and gorillas
 - Baboons, drills and mandrills
 - Macaques
 - Celada baboons
 - Cavials
 - Crocodiles
 - Alligators and caimans
 - Sea snakes
 - Cobras and coral snakes
 - Adders and vipers
 - Venomous rear-fanged species
 - Gila monsters and bearded lizards
 - Komodo dragons
 - Bears
 - Wolves and wolf hybrids of over 25 percent wolf
 - Cougars and mountain lions
 - Any and all other dangerous or wild animals as defined now, or in the future, by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

Zoos, appropriately licensed theatrical exhibits, carnivals or circuses, authorized wildlife rehabilitators or licensed veterinary hospitals, and federally-licensed research institutions would be exempt from the ordinance.

Law

Administration predicts that passage of the bill could raise seat-belt usage by 11 percent in Kentucky and save nearly \$150 million annually in costs related to automobile accidents.

According to the UK study, Tennessee passed a primary seat belt law in July 2004 and experienced an increase in its seat belt usage from 68.5% in 2003 to 72% in 2004.

If the bill is, as expected, signed into law by Fletcher, it could pave the way for over \$11 million to be added to the state's transportation coffers through a federal program that help fund safety improvements on state roads.

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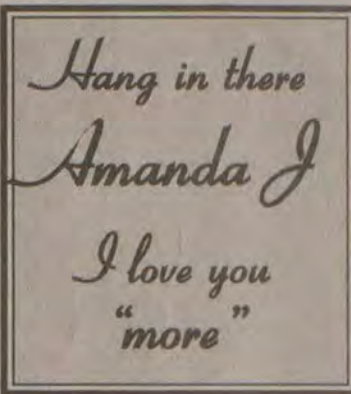
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Drugs

Shawn Thacker were incarcerated.

Tussey testified that the investigation began May 23, 2005, when he responded to a call from Jailer Roger Webb, who reported that he had intelligence that a bag of drugs was to be dropped off near the jail that evening by a telephone pole that stands between Van Ark enterprises and the jail. Tussey went to the spot and found Sparkman-Banks in a car with a juvenile.

Under the steering wheel, Tussey said he observed a brown bag and asked to see it. Inside he found marijuana and a methadone tablet. He said Sparkman-Banks explained that a stranger approached her and asked her to drop it off there.

Bartley then played several tapes of phone calls made from the jail in which Travis Banks and Shawn Thacker would call Banks' wife, Angela Banks, and Thacker's girlfriend, Compton.

The call receiver would then make a third party call to the parent and all three would discuss taking "stuff" to the jail.

No one comes out and mentions that the stuff is anything in particular, which prompted an objection by Tim Parker, who was engaged to represent Thacker minutes before the hearing. Coincidentally, Parker's name came up in one of the taped conversations, when Thacker noted she needed to contact him.

The tapes that were played included several calls made the night of May 23, after Sparkman-Banks was arrested. One call featured Thacker saying, "That place is surrounded. We barely got away," after she allegedly drove by the jail.

Another round of calls related to Sparkman-Banks. Banks and Thacker appeared upset in a series of calls made after she allegedly left "stuff" in the

wrong place. Several urgent calls were made trying to get someone to go to that spot and retrieve the package before someone happened upon it.

The judge also heard two letters from Travis Banks that were sent to his mother and included instructions to take a possession charge from the May 23 incident, which would amount to a misdemeanor.

Parker said that a jail employee would be most likely to have brought the drugs in from the drop site, but Tussey disagreed, saying a trustee, or inmate with some privileges, was most likely.

The evidence presented was enough for Judge James Allen, who sent the case on to the grand jury. He also overruled a motion by Parker and said that he would reduce bonds while the case awaited the grand jury. The bonds in the case range from \$100,000 to \$250,000 full cash.

Seniors

stance abuse prevention, post-secondary education opportunities, healthy personal relationships, and job placement information.

The focus of the day out event was to assist students in making decisions in regard to post-secondary education/career opportunities following their graduation from high school.

"We hope to encourage the students, mostly, to continue on to college," Crisman said.

BSCTC instructor Laura Ford Hall, who is also the director of the Big Sandy Singers, a musical group comprised of students from the BSCTC campuses, addressed the students to inform them of the opportunities available through participation in the singing ensemble. Students selected for participation each receive a \$1,200 scholarship and the opportunity to record a solo CD, free of charge.

"We have many opportunities available on our campuses," Hall said. "You can stay home,

get your core classes and find that you can have a lot of fun while doing it."

Rev. Daniel Newman, a leading expert in the field of AIDS prevention, substance abuse prevention and issues of self-esteem, served as keynote speaker at the event.

"He had a lot of really good things to say," said PHS student Clyde Harless, in regard to Newman's address.

"The sessions have all been really good," said another PHS student, Laura Ford. "There's really a lot to think about."

"The college has just been super," said Crisman. "This has really proved to be an outstanding partnering event with everyone involved really coming together to bring it all off and create a great day for these students."

In addition to Rev. Newman, others involved in the day of workshop sessions included Henry Webb, director of instruction for Floyd County Schools;

Pam Butcher, vice president-retail, Kim Dalton, marketing officer, and Sharon Vanhoose, collector, from Citizens National Bank; Leighanne Wells, prevention specialist, Mountain Regional Prevention Center; Scott Walker, director of substance abuse services, Mountain Comprehensive Care Center; Jim Stewart, manager, Pike County JobSight; and Dr. Charles Johnson, associate professor, Morehead State University Prestonsburg campus.

The Senior Seminar — A Day Just for Seniors event was sponsored by Floyd County Schools, Big Sandy Community and Technical College, Floyd County Schools Food Service, Allen Central High School Youth Service Center, and Prestonsburg High School Youth Service Center.

Students attending the event received gift items and were treated to free pizza.

Lawsuit

claims that the hospital agreed to give him a full-time position on Sept. 1, 2005, after he completed his residency. Ellis was told that the facility would not consider him for that position in a letter dated July 25, two months before he was supposed to begin work on a full-time basis.

Ellis also accuses the parties of breaching good faith agreements and his suit alleges the hospital terminated him without sufficient cause and refused to negotiate. The suit goes on to attest that the medical venue acted fraudulently, claiming they knew a year before terminating him that they were going to offer the job to another physician.

Ellis' suit, filed by Ryan C. Edwards, a Covington attorney, also seeks a trial in order to

establish punitive damages so that the parties involved are deterred from similar conduct in future dealings.

Ellis argues that Consolidated Health and HRMC violated the terms of their agreement, which called for the hospital to pay for his student loans. He is also asserting other damages, which include moving expenses, mortgage and utility payments on a home in

Staffordsville that he purchased in anticipation of settling down in the area, and three-and-a-half months of pay that he lost before finding another position in Tennessee. He is also seeking a payment for any loss he takes on selling the Staffordsville home which hadn't found a buyer at the time the suit was filed.

HRMC and Consolidated Health have 20 days to file a response.

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**This Town,
That World**

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

DST-UGH!

It can now be reported here, without fear of contradiction that we have Daylight Savings Time. I also report that I have not heard anybody singing DST's praises. For my part, I am suffering for lack of sleep—unable to go to sleep by fast time in order to rise an hour earlier. But one poor fellow was really in sad condition, Monday. His wife ran the family clock up an hour without telling him, and he reported the dose. And the clock at the parking area gate was fouled up, also, but its troubles are too chronic to be ascribed to the new time shift.

THERE ARE SITES

Commerce Commissioner Paul Grubbs commented during his recent tour of Eastern Kentucky, on the desire for new industry and the scarcity of plant sites. But, Commissioner Grubbs did not ford the river to look at sites such as are at Emma, Banner, Harold and other spots which have both railroad and water but no highway. The state could cure the situation by building US 23 up the west side of the Big Sandy to Pikeville or by investing in a series of bridges. The former idea makes sense to us; as an alternative, the latter appears to us as sound an investment in the future of the area as the state could make.

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One of the great prayers is that of the old mountaineer. It runs to this effect:
"Lord, I don't ask for a faith that would move yander mountain. I can take enough dinnamite and move it, if it needs movin', I pray, Lord, only for enough faith to move me."

DEFINITION

Me, I am a great believer in this younger generation, but their ignorance is nothing short of amazing. Take our item last week about the poke warden. Several of these modern youngsters had never heard of such an office. So I explain my connection with the mythical position:

Years ago, during a slow run around the mines, some wag pretended to be alarmed lest the women-folks, working to supply scanty family larders, would cut all the polk (wild greens, my dears) and leave none for seed. So he took upon himself to rib certain of his acquaintances by appointing them poke wardens.

A friend of mine tells me he bears the scars of battle to this day from the time when he held this august office. Says he tried to put down a bit of claim-jumping, sought to restrict each of the gals to a certain plot of poke, and wound up getting in the middle of a hair-pulling contest.

A son's love

by J.E. BAILEY

"CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE CANADIAN SOUL"

Our church congregation in Toronto has a way of assisting those who have financial difficulties without making the recipient feel shame or guilt. Money is dropped into an offering box with only the name of the recipient on the envelope. The envelopes are then distributed to those members without them knowing the name of the giver.

There came a time when my husband and I were among those in need. We did not talk about our financial difficulty with anyone. The only reason our children knew was because we had to cut back on many things. Still, we hoped they were not aware of the extent of our need, nor of how much their father and I were suffering because of it. We did not want to burden them with a problem they could do nothing to solve.

Our situation wasn't improving, and

my husband and I knew that we would have to look for outside help. Just as we reached the point of despair, our church gave us a gift envelope that had been left in the offering box. We were overjoyed to receive a very substantial amount of money, enough to bring us through that desperate time. We couldn't help but wonder who had given such a generous gift. We were extremely relieved and enormously grateful.

A year later, our 17-year-old son was applying for a student loan so he could attend university. It was then we discovered that his savings account was almost empty. His father and I

were very disturbed by this. We had trusted him to put part of his wages from his part-time job into the bank toward his education. From the time he was 9 years old he had been a paper carrier for The Toronto Star, and he had worked very hard for his small earnings. I asked him repeatedly to tell me where the money had gone. At first he would not tell me, which made me even angrier. I would not let the



matter alone. I kept hounding him, determined to find out where the money had gone. Finally, in tears, and with great reluctance, my son admitted that the year before he had put his savings in the offering box for his father and me. I stood there speechless, tears filling my eyes. It had taken my son years to save that money. He had given it to us willingly — without telling us what he had done.



The Big Sandy Singers of Big Sandy Community and Technical College will be in concert, along with the BSCTC Community Choir, Friday, April 28, at 7:00, in the Gearheart Auditorium, Prestonsburg campus. Everyone is invited to attend. Members of The Big Sandy Singers include (from left) Clayton Case, Director Laura Ford Hall, Brandon Maynard, Frances Branham, Beth Adkins, Amanda Stepp, Susan Scott, Jessica Keathley, Troy Burchett, Technical Director Timothy Cooley, and Louanna Calhoun.

BSCTC presents The Big Sandy Singers in concert, April 28

The Big Sandy Singers from Big Sandy Community and Technical College, along with the school's Community Choir, will be in concert on Friday, April 28 at 7 p.m., in Gearheart Auditorium, the Pike Building, on the Prestonsburg campus. Admission is \$3.

The Big Sandy Singers will present a variety show of pop, country, and gospel music. The Big Sandy Singers is the elite, auditioned, student singing group directed by BSCTC Instructor and Kentucky Opry member Laura Ford Hall, with Timothy Cooley - album producer and technical director. The group just released its first album, "Down to the River to Pray," and many of the songs from the album will be performed live, along with some new favorites including "Boondocks" and "We Shall be Free."

The Singers have performed several times on WYMT, at the Eastern Kentucky Exposition Center, and the

Mountain Arts Center, as well as many other venues. The group also takes shows into area high schools and elementary schools, presenting a "go to college" and "drug free" message.

The concert will also launch the solo albums of Big Sandy Singers Susan Scott and Troy Burchett. Albums by Laura Ford Hall and Brandon Maynard will also be available.

The Community Choir will be presenting several selections including "Friends," "TV Theme Song Sing-a-Long," "Seasons of Love," and a medley from the musical "Wicked," along with several other pieces. The Community Choir's members consist of BSCTC students, faculty, staff, and members of our eastern Kentucky community. Hall also serves as director for the choir, with Cooley as technical director. Mountain Arts Center instructor Candace Nall serves as the accompanist for the choir.

Admission is \$3 or a donation of your choice. All proceeds will go to the BSCTC Music and Drama Club, which helps to fund the performing arts programs at the college. Everyone is invited to attend!

On the day following the concert, Saturday, April 29, auditions will be held for The Big Sandy Singers. Anyone eligible to enroll in college for the 2007 Fall semester, is eligible to audition. Those chosen will receive a \$1,200 scholarship to attend BSCTC and album recording experience, with the option to make a free solo album. Those interested in auditioning are encouraged to attend the Big Sandy Singers concert on April 28, and then to arrive at Gearheart Auditorium on the Prestonsburg Campus between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on the 29th. Auditions will be taken on a first come, first served basis. For more information, call Laura Hall at 886-3863 ext. 67227.



Forensics

The PES Forensics Team traveled to Bowling Green to compete at the state level. The team competed in the areas of poetry, prose, storytelling, duo acting, and improvisational duo. Pictured are (front) Kelsey Hall, (back row, L-R) Coach Melissa Turner, Clay Lemaster, Kendra Gambill, Shelby Blackburn, Brittany Hayden, and Amber Hayden.

**MOVIES FROM
THE BLACK LAGOON**

'Shaft'

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

In 1971, screenwriter Ernest Tidyman wrote "The French Connection" and Hollywood took notice. Producers dusted off a script Tidyman had penned about a private eye and it was quickly greenlit. A midnight hour decision to make the hero an African American due to the box office success of Melvin Van Peebles' "Sweetback" led to the creation of "Shaft."

Richard Roundtree starred and went on to play the character in two more films as well as a short-lived television series which had to water down his tough guys antics for mass consumption. In 2000, director John Singleton ("Boys in the Hood") resurrected the character for a new series of films which dead ended after this effort.



Tom Doty
Staff Writer

This is actually more of a sequel to the 1971 hit that featured Roundtree as John Shaft, a private eye who was partial to wearing leather and had an eye for the ladies. Roundtree appears here as that character, but the spotlight this time is on his nephew, also named John, played by Samuel L. Jackson, who is, once again, almost too cool for the screen.

Whereas the original Shaft was a private dick (and sex machine to all the chicks, as was stated in his classic theme song), this time around he's a homicide detective whose uncle wants him to quit the force and join his practice.

The film begins with a James Bond-style montage of sexy imagery while Isaac Hayes reprises his Oscar winning theme from "Shaft." Cut to a night club where Shaft has been summoned to the scene of an assault and finds a young black man fighting for his life after having his head stove in with a silver parking stanchion.

Shaft walks into the bar/restaurant and needs only a few seconds to find a suspect after trading glances with a helpful, though nervous, waitress. Shaft then zeroes in on a yuppie at the bar and pries him off his cell phone to find that there is blood on the man's hands.

The yupster, named Walter Wade Jr., cops a major attitude and pleads self-defense, noting that the victim jumped him for making a few jokes at his expense. Shaft isn't impressed and digs through Wade's wallet to find that he has stolen the waitress' driver's license. He quickly figures that she witnessed the assault and Wade took her ID to intimidate her.

Shaft's boss isn't keen on arresting Wade since his dad is a Donald Trump-type billionaire. Shaft gets his way however when the victim dies from his head wound, but Wade is still able to skip town after his dad posts a \$100,000 cash bond.

The story then leaps ahead two years, with Shaft nursing a grudge

(See LAGOON, page ten)

What's a loving, accident-prone husband to do?

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray:
My wife and I have been married for three wonderful years. I love her with all my heart and soul. When we got married, I was driving a 1987 Honda Accord that had almost 300,000 miles on it. She had a 1995 Chevy S-10 pickup with 119,000 miles and suggested that we buy a new car for me to drive. I suggested we buy her a new car and I could drive the Chevy pickup. She agreed, and we purchased a 2001 Honda Accord that had 12,000 miles, and I started driving her pickup. At the time we got married, she was living near Kansas City, Mo., and I was in Wyoming doing construction work. I went back to Wyoming to complete a project I was working on in Jackson Hole. One morning while driving over the mountains to work, I hit a moose with her truck. There was only minor damage (a glancing blow), and I was able to continue on to work that day, intending to seek an estimate for repairs later. The next day while driving over the same mountain road, a herd of elk was in the road, and I hit one of them. This time the damage was total, with the truck beyond repair. These two accidents occurred in Teton National Park and were investigated by the same National Park Police officer. The officer asked me what animal I intended to hit the next day — a buffalo? I replied, "None: I think I'll go back to Missouri." Of course, my lovely wife blames me for destroying her truck, even though there was nothing I could do to avoid the animals. Which brings us to my

need for marital help. She continues to bring up the subject of my destroying her pickup — even three years later! Is there a statute of limitations on how long a beautiful wife, who is loved and adored beyond words, can continue to blame her loving husband for an unavoidable accident? — Michael

TOM: Oh, Michael. The statute of limitations in a marriage is: forever.

RAY: Or at least it seems like forever!

TOM: But I sympathize with you, man. She is carrying a serious grudge here. She really ought to show a little more forgiveness. First of all, her truck protected you and you weren't hurt, which is a wonderful blessing. Second, it was a 1995 compact pickup truck with 119,000 miles on it. So it's not like you destroyed something of great value.

RAY: The appropriate mourning period for a possession of that nature should be about 45 minutes. Followed by elation that you finally have an excuse to get something better.

TOM: So there's something deeper going on here, Michael. There must be another reason why she won't let this go. Maybe she's feeling powerless in the relationship? Maybe she's made compromises in the marriage that she now regrets? Maybe she's having trouble letting go of her life before marriage, which the truck symbolizes? Or maybe she just likes to bust 'em?

RAY: You guys need to have a heart-to-heart about this, Michael. I agree that it's time to deal with this and put it behind you. You don't want her shaking

her fist at you about the S-10 pickup from her bed at the nursing home in 60 years.

TOM: If it turns out that it really is all about the truck, and it did have some special sentimental value to her, then you have to replace it. Whatever it takes, find her another 1995 S-10 pickup, same color, same everything, and give it to her. I'd be shocked if it costs you more than \$3,000 — or a small fraction of what a divorce will set you back, Michael.

Reader needs help finding replacement tools

Dear Tom and Ray:

My daughter needs a lug wrench and jack for her 2003 VW Jetta. I don't want to give an arm or a leg to a VW dealership for these items, but I can't find them anywhere. Can you give me some particulars on these items, such as size needed and where I might purchase them at a reasonable cost? Will a jack from Wal-Mart work, or one from an auto-parts store? Are they called something else

besides "hard to find"? — Tommy

RAY: Well, I'm sure there's a good story behind how your daughter managed to lose the original jack, Tommy. But clearly, you're not inclined to entertain us with it.

TOM: If you want the same jack that she used to have, the easiest place to get it is at a junkyard. Oops, I mean "auto recycling center."

RAY: Right. You'll find one that may have been used just once. Or never. Or, even if it was used 20 times, it's still perfectly good.

TOM: But I'm going to suggest that you pick up only the jack at the junkyard, and replace the lug wrench with something better.

RAY: Volkswagens and Audis use bolts to secure their wheels instead of just nuts, like most other cars. They're notoriously difficult to remove — especially when they get over-tightened, which they always do.

TOM: So instead of that little



VW jack, but the new one will almost certainly be bigger and heavier, and won't store easily in the trunk. So I'd get the jack at the junkyard — sorry, auto recycling center — or, if you can't find one there, from the dealer. And then pick up a socket and breaker bar somewhere else.

RAY: That'll give your daughter a better set of tools — which will make the next person she "lends" them to much happier.

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Do you really need that truck if you only make one trip to the lumberyard per year? Find out what kind of car NOT to get in Tom and Ray's pamphlet "Should I Buy, Lease, or Steal My Next Car?" Send \$4.75 (check or money order) to Next Car, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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Lagoon

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while pursuing drug traffickers with an elite narcotics unit. An informer, a staple of 1970s television and crime movies, clues Shaft that Wade is sneaking back into the country and he is quickly picked up. He bonds out again (for a million this time) but not before striking up a friendship with a linguistically challenged drug dealer named Peeples, who is also in jail because Shaft arrested him after assaulting him with a well-aimed basketball.

With Wade in town, Shaft hunts up the waitress to find that she disappeared after the first arrest and is in hiding. His challenge is doubled when he learns that Wade has made a deal with Peeples to kill her, so it's a race against the clock with Shaft leaning on informants and setting Peeples against Wade in a desperate attempt to beat them to the witness. He eventually turns her up and convinces her to testify but must now face the challenge of protecting her from Peeples' posse, Wade's connections and two corrupt cops who are looking to make some quick cash. Shaft is more than up to the challenge and takes on all comers with confidence, snappy one-liners, an abundance of charisma and all manner of gratuitous violence.

This one works, though the script is often lacking. The success of the venture is mostly due to Jackson, who props up the tired screenplay with appropriate verve. Whereas the original Shaft was a laid-back fellow who could get medieval when needed, Jackson is more in touch with his anger and always appears ready to go nuclear on somebody.

Jackson employs rapid fire delivery and suave confidence to great effect. He is definitely a 21st century Shaft. Roundtree's character called every guy a "cat" in the original, but Jackson prefers to refer to guys he doesn't like as having had improper relations with their opposite sex parent. He also finds ample time for the ladies and tosses off lines like, "It's my duty to please that booty,"

with enough playfulness to avoid getting smacked.

The film also benefits from two great villains. Christian Bale ("Batman Begins") oozes smarminess as Wade and has one of those faces that you just want to see on the business end of a steam iron. Geoffrey Wright is also fine as Peeples. He makes him an arrogant man with only half a brain who mangles the English language so badly you'd think it owed him money.

The film fails only in its final minutes, but the ending is so anti-climactic that no one walks out satisfied. I won't give it away, but the conclusion upends the 90 minutes that preceded it and makes all of Shaft's actions in the film moot.

The original ending featured a knockdown, drag-out fight sequence between Wade and Shaft, as Wade tries to escape the country rather than face the waitress in open court. The DVD edition of "Shaft" includes the theatrical trailer and a making of documentary which highlight much of this footage, though it was cut before the film was released in order to give more screen time to Peeples, who the studio felt that audiences would enjoy. The problem is that cutting the fight doesn't give the audience any sense that Wade has suffered enough for his hate crime. Bale has said that the reason he took the part was because of how intense the final fight was supposed to be, lasting almost 10 minutes long.

This one delivers the goods but the aborted ending is a sure sign that studios should avoid tampering with films. Heck, they can always change them later for the DVD which, come to think of it, they often do when they release unrated versions of PG-13 yawn fests like "Cry Wolf." Maybe they'll get around to restoring the original ending, but I wouldn't keep my fingers crossed. Can you dig it?

Best line: "I know cats that would take down a whole zip code for that kind of cheese."

2000, rated R.



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Time for bass fishing is now

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FRANKFORT — Spring is one of the best times of year to fish for largemouth bass, especially if you are fishing from the bank.

"Bass move shallow and feed heavily when the water temperatures hit the mid-50s," said Ryan Oster, black bass biologist for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "As water temperatures increase, their metabolism increases and they need to feed."

Kentucky's time for the bass spawn is drawing near. The recent springtime heat wave has warmed water temperatures into the low to mid-60s across Kentucky. Rising temperatures have drawn largemouth bass to the banks to feed. Larger female bass need additional nutrients to finish the development of their eggs, so they move shallow and feed aggressively.

To catch bass at this time of year, try fan casting a crawfish-colored lipless crankbait or a white spinnerbait across mud flats or gently sloping banks near deep water. These are the first areas that bass looking for food cruise in spring. Bass often bunch up in groups in April and May. They tend to segregate themselves by size. If you're catching only small buck bass, try fishing deeper.

If the flats and sloping banks aren't producing, try fishing a spinnerbait, crankbait or jig parallel to the shoreline. Some bass move shallow with their noses right up against the banks in spring. They love undercut banks, overhanging ledges, logs and rocks that provide a pocket for them to hide. Sometimes, a dark shadow along the shoreline in a clear lake holds bass during this time of year.

A lure moving near a shallow, hidden bass will be crushed in spring. The new chatterbaits that combine the attributes of a jig and a spinnerbait shine in this situation.

Oster had some recent success on bass by Carolina rigging a creature bait on a sloping bank near shore. Creature baits are relatively new plastic baits that feature tentacles, flapping appendages and single or double curly tails. The Carolina rig shines on gently sloping banks, mud flats and along drop-offs. Four- to six-inch lizards also work well on a Carolina rig.

Bass locate in the deepest, most impenetrable cover in spring during periods of unstable weather. Texas-rigged lizards and worms and the jig and pig combination are old standby lures for heavy cover such as weeds, wood and brush. Use a heavy jig head or weight to break through the cover to the bass waiting below.

Jigs also make excellent follow-up baits for a spinnerbait or crankbait. If you catch a decent bass using a spinnerbait or crankbait in spring, probe that area again with a jig to pick off bigger fish that may be in the area.

"For quality-sized fish, I think Kentucky Lake and Lake Barkley are the best bass lakes," Oster said, "but I would throw Lake Malone and Cedar Creek Lake into the mix."

Herrington Lake, Dewey Lake, Lake Beshear, Barren River Lake, Cave Run Lake, Beaver Lake, Fishtrap Lake, Guist Creek Lake, Pan Bowl Lake and Yatesville Lake all hold good populations of bass that provide good spring fishing. Farm ponds and small lakes also provide good spring bass fishing.

The fun of spring fishing is that a shore-bound angler, a float tube angler or a boating angler will all have access to the same fish. The fish are close to shore and vulnerable to lures.

For more information about fishing in Kentucky, pick up a copy of the 2006 Kentucky Sport Fishing and Boating Guide, available wherever licenses are sold. Anglers may also want to check out the 2006 Fishing Forecast, available by calling the department at 1-800-858-1549, or logging onto the department's web site at fw.ky.gov.

58TH DISTRICT SOFTBALL



photos by Jamie Howell

Above: Prestonsburg Coach Jack Pack talked with his team during Thursday's 58th District home game versus visiting Allen Central. Below, left: Lady Blackcat pitcher Meaghan Slone gave up just three runs, keeping Allen Central batters calm for the most part. Below, right: Allen Central senior Amanda Mills connected on one of Slone's pitches.



Prestonsburg 11, Allen Central 3

Lady Blackcats improve to 3-0 in district

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — Junior Meaghan Slone pitched seven strong innings Thursday evening when she and her Prestonsburg teammates hit their home-field in a key district game. Slone threw 101 pitches and held Allen Central to just a trio of hits as the host

Lady Blackcats posted their third win in the opposed to no losses in the 58th District. Prestonsburg beat Allen Central 11-3.

The Prestonsburg starting pitcher tossed a very good game. Slone retired Allen Central in order each of the first two innings. Prestonsburg Coach Jack Pack was quick to tout Slone's pitching effort.

"Meaghan Slone pitched probably the best game of her career," said Pack. "She threw 101 pitches in seven innings and just allowed three runs."

Senior Alanna Cline pitched and took the loss for visiting Allen Central.

(See SOFTBALL, page two)

Allen Central's bats heat up

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN — The Allen Central High baseball team posted a 6-4 record through its first 10 games. The Rebels had seven players hitting above .300 after the first 10 games. Through 10 games, Allen Central had tagged 10 home runs and stolen 40 bases. The Rebels, coached by Kenneth Johnson, won a doubleheader on Saturday, April 15 before being sidelined and out of action due to testing in Floyd County schools.

The Rebels won three of four games in three days recently.

Scott Little, who had three home runs during the April 15 doubleheader, carried a team-high .529 batting average out of the first 10 games. Little's offensive numbers included three home runs, 18 runs batted in, one triple and a team-high eight stolen bases.

Justin Jacobs carried a .429 batting average into the week. Jacobs had hit one home run and smacked two doubles to go along with six stolen bases. Tyler Turner was batting .424 with three home runs and 18 runs batted in. Turner had stolen seven bases and hit two doubles. On the mound, Turner had recorded a 31 strikeouts.

Little and Turner shared the team-high lead in both the home run and RBI categories.

Nick Music (.393), Brock Kidd (.370), Josh Prater (.323) and Alex Hammonds (.310) were also hitting over .300 after the first 10 games. Kidd had belted two home runs and he and Music each had eight-game hit streaks going.

Allen Central will host South Floyd in a 58th District game Monday. First pitch for the district game is set for 6 p.m. The Rebels are scheduled to play all three district foes next week with contests against Betsy Layne and Prestonsburg on tap for later in the week.

REBEL BASEBALL
UPCOMING GAMES

Monday
South Floyd, 6 p.m.
Tuesday
at East Ridge, 6 p.m.
Thursday
Betsy Layne, 5:30 p.m.
Friday
Prestonsburg, 6 p.m.

Wells to be introduced Monday

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — Kelly Wells is eager to settle here in Eastern Kentucky.

A press conference to introduce Wells, new head basketball coach at Pikeville College, will be held Monday at 11 a.m. in the Sturgill Board Room on the third floor of the Record Memorial Building on the campus of Pikeville College.

The Rowan County native spent last season as the head coach at Hawaii Pacific. Before becoming head coach, Wells served as an assistant coach of the Hawaii Pacific staff.

Wells replaces former University of Kentucky player Dale Brown, who had served as interim head coach at Pikeville College since taking over for Randy McCoy, who stepped due to illness. The new Pikeville College men's basketball made a name for himself in the Kentucky high school basketball ranks — both as a player and a coach.

As a player, he led Rowan County High School to three consecutive Sweet 16 appearances. Wells was a two-time First-Team All-State selection and a member of the 1990 Kentucky All-Star team.

As a coach, Wells guided Mason County to

(See WELLS, page two)



photo by Steve LeMaster

The official Ranier Racing Museum T-shirt is on display inside the Prestonsburg Tourism Building.

Ranier Racing Museum to offer items

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — The Ranier Racing Museum will soon offer offer t-shirts, hats, racing decals and flags. In the very near future, fans that visit the museum can expect to pick up their choice of any or all of the museum souvenirs. The Ranier Racing Museum T-

(See MUSEUM, page two)



photo courtesy of MSU

Morehead State University honored student-athletes during its spring banquet.

MSU hosts 16th Annual Athletic Awards Banquet

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — More than 300 Morehead State University student-athletes, coaches, staff, fans, parents, and administrators packed the Crager Room of the Adron Doran University Center Wednesday night for the 16th Annual Athletic Awards Banquet. Each coach presented team awards, thanked seniors and talked about the future of their pro-

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MSU

grams, and nine special awards were bestowed upon several student-athletes and teams.

The following special awards were handed out:

Male Newcomer of the Year: Nick Feldman, Football – Feldman led all of Division I-AA in punt returns as a freshman in 2005 and was named first-team All-America by the Sports Network and Football Gazette.

Female Newcomer of the Year: LaKrisha Brown, Women's Basketball – Brown was named first-team all-OVC and ranked sixth in the nation in rebounding in her first season after transferring from St. Louis University.

Team Community Service Award: Baseball – The baseball team participated in a "Blood

Bowl" in the fall in which the loser of a three-game series donated blood to the American Red Cross. The team also participated in goodwill activities at Thanksgiving and Christmas for less fortunate people in the area.

Academic Team of the Year: Soccer – The soccer team combined their academic efforts to post the highest team GPA for any MSU team this season.

Female Scholar Athlete of the Year: Becky King, softball – Thomas is a double major who has been named twice as an Ohio Valley Conference Academic Medal of Honor winner.

Male Scholar Athlete of the Year: Steve Thieme, cross country and track – Thieme has consistently posted excellent grades and is a team leader on

the cross country team.

Brave Heart Award: Daniel Vagni, Football: Vagni survived a serious medical condition, being told he may not play football again, to return to the field this season and be one of the Eagles' top receivers. He spent countless hours at the hospital, but persevered to return to the game he loves.

Miss Eagle: Lindy Collins, Rifle – Collins has one of the best GPAs of any athlete at MSU and also is the top shooter on the women's team, setting career highs this season in smallbore and air rifle.

Mr. Eagle: Casey Wade, Golf – Wade is on track to graduate this year and is consistently one of the best performers on the men's golf team.

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Wells

the state championship in 2003. Wells was named coach of the year in Kentucky both in 2003 and 2004, and was the National Federation of High

School Coaches coach of the year in 2003. He coached the Kentucky All-Star team in 2004.

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parking garage, use the pedway to enter Record on the second floor. Simply take either elevator to the third floor. Exit to your right directly into Sturgill.

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Softball

Allen Central struck first on the offensive end, getting all of its scoring in the third inning. The Lady Rebels threatened in later innings, but could never push across any more runs.

Liz Dingus, Hall and Megan Jones each scored once for the Lady Rebels.

After Allen Central went ahead 3-0, Prestonsburg settled in and scored four runs in the bottom half of the third inning.

Prestonsburg scored one or more runs in each of its last four at-bats. The top-three batters in the Prestonsburg batting order – Brittany Collins, Alicia Mayfield and Darcey Hicks – each scored two runs. Linsey

Fields also scored twice while Elizabeth Chaffin, Pam Slone and Lakole Ousley scored once.

Mayfield had two singles for the Lady Blackcats.

Prestonsburg's second four-run inning came in the fifth frame when the top-three batters in the Lady Blackcat hitting order all reached base and scored.

"Our hitting was really solid from top to bottom," Pack added. "I was also really impressed with our base running. It was just an all-around good game for us. Our defense made the plays and did the things that we needed to do. The kids played heads-up softball."

The Lady Blackcats already own district wins over both Betsy Layne and South Floyd.

"These girls have played well basically all year," said Pack. "We're pleased with the way they have played."

Prestonsburg is scheduled to return to play Monday at home versus East Ridge.

LADY BLACKCAT SOFTBALL UPCOMING GAMES

Monday
East Ridge, 6 p.m.
Wednesday
South Floyd, 6 p.m.
Thursday
at Sheldon Clark, 6 p.m.

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Museum

shirt is already displayed in the Prestonsburg Tourism Building, home to the Ranier Racing Museum.

All of the museum products will feature the Ranier Racing logo.

Ranier Racing, led by family patriarch Harry Ranier, won

three Daytona 500 championships and established itself as one of the top NASCAR Winston Cup Series teams. Lennie Pond, Buddy Baker, Bobby Allison, Cale Yarborough and Davey Allison were among the drivers to pilot Ranier Racing entries.

Ranier Racing was also instrumental in getting started the career of reigning NASCAR Nextel Cup Series champion Tony Stewart.

The Ranier Racing Museum is open throughout the week during normal Prestonsburg Tourism Building operating hours.

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Morrison declares for NBA draft

by NICHOLAS K. GERANIOS ASSOCIATED PRESS

SPOKANE, Wash. – Gonzaga All-America forward Adam Morrison declared for the NBA draft Wednesday, passing up his senior season for a chance to be a lottery pick.

The 6-foot-8 floppy-haired, mustachioed forward, who led Division I in scoring last season at 28.1 points per game, is a diabetic and said uncertainty over his future health prospects was a factor in his decision.

"It's been a great process so far. It's been fun, but I've decided to try to take my game to the next level and further my career as a basketball player," Morrison said at a campus news conference.

Morrison said he had a verbal agreement "etched in stone" with Chicago-based agent Mark Bartelstein, who also represents former Gonzaga stars Dan Dickau and Blake Stepp, and Bulls guard Jannero Pargo, brother of Gonzaga's Jeremy Pargo. That agreement means Morrison will not be able to change his mind and return for his senior year.

The West Coast Conference player of the year, Morrison edged Duke's J.J. Redick for this year's national scoring title. He finished second to Redick for the Naismith and John R. Wooden Awards for college basketball's player of the year.

Gonzaga coach Mark Few said his staff and team were "ecstatic" for Morrison.

"This truly is a great day. A great day for Adam, a great day

for our basketball program and me personally," Few said. "It's the right decision because he and his family went about it the right way. ... It's what he wants to do and he is ready for it. He's going to be a great player at the next level."

Morrison surpassed the college accomplishments of Gonzaga great John Stockton. But it remains to be seen if he can have the same impact on the NBA, as critics have complained about his defense and downplayed his passing and rebounding abilities.

There is no doubt Morrison can shoot, making nearly 50 percent of his shots, including 43 percent of 3-pointers, even with defenders hanging all over him. Morrison drew comparisons to Larry Bird, for a similar high release on his jump shot, and Pete Maravich and other scoring greats of the past.

The 21-year-old Morrison scored at least 30 points 14 times this season and five times scored at least 40 points as he became the second Bulldogs player to win the national scoring title. Frank Burgess accomplished the feat by averaging 32.4 points in 1960-61.

Morrison's 926 points topped Burgess' single-season school record of 842 during 1960-61.

In three seasons at Gonzaga, Morrison scored 1,867 points to rank third on the Bulldog's scoring list, behind Burgess (2,196) and Jim McPhee (2,015).

Gonzaga finished 29-4 this season, and in Morrison's three

seasons went 83-12, including 40-2 in the WCC.

This season, Morrison garnered national attention by scoring 43 points against Michigan State at the Maui Invitational. His emotional play – in an NCAA tournament game he got so carried away he slammed the basketball into his head several times – and on-court swagger made him a TV favorite and a lightning rod for opposing fans.

Morrison also became a role model for diabetics. Cameras showed him constantly monitoring his blood sugar during games, and giving himself insulin injections while on the bench.

A thin mustache he cultivated this year became a source of jokes and jeers from opposing fans and even teammates.

Morrison reveled in the attention, scoring 43 points against Washington, 34 points against Memphis, 34 against Stanford, and a career high 44 against Loyola Marymount.

He scored 24 points in Gonzaga's 73-71 loss to UCLA in the Sweet Sixteen.

Morrison became only the second Gonzaga player to come out early for the NBA draft, joining center Paul Rogers, a second-round pick by the Lakers in 1997.

He is the second first-team All-America in school history, after Dan Dickau in 2002, and is likely to be the highest draft pick ever out of Gonzaga. Stockton was the 16th player chosen in 1984 and Dickau was the 28th player chosen in 2002.

Marshall signs one, announces transfer of Adam Williams

TIMES STAFF REPORT

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. – Marshall University head coach Ron Jirsa has announced the signing of Tyler Wilkerson of Lafayette High School in Lexington, to a National Letter of Intent, and the transfer of Adam Williams, a guard from St. Albans, W.Va., from the University of Kentucky.

Wilkerson, a 6-8, 240-pound forward, averaged 18 points, 12.3 rebounds, and four blocks per game in his senior season at Lafayette High School. He was selected as a 1st team All-City and 2nd team All-State member by the Lexington Herald-Leader, and the Louisville Courier-Journal

named him to their All-State third team.

"Tyler is a mobile, skilled forward with great size who is still growing," said Jirsa. "He had a tremendous senior season as a 17-year old. I believe he can continue to grow with our program and help us continue to move forward."

"Tyler has a world of potential and has no idea yet how good he can really be," said Wilkerson's high school coach, Damon Kelly. "His upside is tremendous. The every-day conditioning that he'll experience at Marshall will really help him maximize that potential."

Williams, a 6-4 guard, played in eight games for Kentucky in 2005-06 and averaged 0.5 points

and 0.4 rebounds per game as a true freshman. Williams, who will have three years of eligibility remaining after sitting out the 2006-07 season, averaged 22.5 points, 11.5 rebounds and 5.5 assists as a senior at St. Albans, leading his team to the state tournament. He claimed the Bill Evans Award in 2003-04, given to the top player in West Virginia. He was named first-team All-State as a senior and earned All-Kanawha County team honors for three years in a row.

"I believe Adam Williams will personify our spirit and enthusiasm here at Marshall," said Jirsa. "He is an outstanding basketball player and will add to our program in many ways."

Top jockey Velazquez injured, likely to miss Kentucky Derby

by JEFFREY McMURRAY ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON – Top rider John Velazquez likely will miss the Kentucky Derby after breaking his shoulder blade when his horse collapsed and rolled onto the jockey after winning the Forerunner Stakes at Keeneland.

It is "highly unlikely" Velazquez will ride in the May 6 Derby at Churchill Downs.

Tristan Barry, an assistant to trainer Todd Pletcher, said Friday. Barry said Velazquez fractured his right shoulder blade in Thursday's fall.

Velazquez, considered one of the nation's best riders, is the regular jockey for Pletcher and was set to be aboard Bluegrass Cat in the Derby. The 3-year-old colt finished fourth in last Saturday's Blue Grass Stakes. The 34-year-old Velazquez also rides Pletcher's Keyed Entry, another Derby hopeful.

Velazquez was released from University of Kentucky Medical Center on Friday, hospital spokeswoman Hollye Staley said.

About a sixteenth of a mile

past the finish line in Thursday's feature race, Up an Octave fractured a leg. The horse threw Velazquez forward and then fell on top of him. Velazquez lay motionless for a few minutes before being put on a stretcher and taken to a first aid facility at the track. The rider was then taken by ambulance to University of Kentucky Hospital.

The horse was euthanized on the track, Keeneland spokeswoman Amy Gregory said.

"That's the nature of the beast of our job," jockey Willie Martinez said Friday. "How was your day? I won the race, but I broke my shoulder and had to put my horse down."

Velazquez, a two-time Eclipse Award winner, ranks third in purse money earned this year with \$4,489,006 through Wednesday's races. Velazquez has ridden in the Derby eight times since 1996 – his best finish was second aboard Invisible Ink in 2001.

Alex Solis, a fellow jockey who is a close friend of Velazquez, said he tried to call

him when he got the news.

"It's really terrible," Solis said. "We're just praying everything was OK. That's the stinky part of it. We're all aware these things can happen. If you can be in this business, you really have to love it."

Velazquez was an outspoken supporter two years ago of an effort among jockeys to donate 5 percent of their earnings from the Breeders' Cup to pay medical bills for Gary Birzer, who was paralyzed in a race.

"Whenever somebody gets hurt, we try to get some guys together and get a collection to get some sort of money to the person who needs it," Velazquez said at the time. "But this one is a pretty severe tragedy, so we are trying to do something a little more aggressive to raise a little more money for him."

Last month, the Kentucky House approved a measure that would provide workers' compensation benefits for thoroughbred jockeys seriously injured in a race. Gov. Ernie Fletcher has pushed for the coverage and Congress also is considering it.

Thoroughbred farm owners die in Pa. helicopter crash

by MARTHA RAFFAELE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PALMYRA, Pa. – Two owners of one of the state's largest thoroughbred farms died when their helicopter crashed at the farm.

Dennis G. Madonna, 48, and J. Bradley Jones, 67, co-owners of Regal Heir Farms, were killed instantly, state police said Friday. The 232-acre farm in rural central Pennsylvania is home to Real Quiet, winner of the 1998 Kentucky Derby and Preakness.

Witnesses described seeing the helicopter flying out of con-

trol just before it crashed near a horse trailer and farm buildings.

"He flew over my front yard and it looked like he was going to land in my side yard," said Martha Zellers, who was on her front porch less than a half-mile away. "He was, like, hovered there at the trees. I thought he was going to land in the grass and all of a sudden he just went and did a nose dive."

Angela Hook said she saw the helicopter flipped around. "Once it hit, we (saw) nothing but black smoke," she said.

Hook said she ran to the wreckage and saw one victim on

the ground and the other part way out of the cockpit with his leg on fire. She said both men were dead.

Madonna, of Grantville, and Jones, of Pottstown, had purchased the horse farm last year, according to the farm's Web site.

The farm was formerly known as Reigle Heir Farms, named after its previous owners, Tom and Ann Reigle. The crash was about two miles from Penn National Race Course.

The Federal Aviation Administration and the National Transportation Safety Board are investigating.

Paul Hornung donates memorabilia to Louisville museum

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE – Pro football Hall of Famer Paul Hornung will donate dozens of pieces of memorabilia to benefit the city's Portland Museum.

Hornung, who won the Heisman Trophy while at Notre

Dame in 1956 and starred with the NFL's Green Bay Packers, grew up in Louisville's Portland neighborhood and played at Flaget High.

Hornung, 70, said he planned to donate the memorabilia to the museum following his death but changed his mind.

"I want to see it down here myself while I'm alive," Hornung said Wednesday.

Hornung's donation came after state lawmakers allotted \$150,000 to the museum in the state budget passed last week. The budget has not yet been signed by Gov. Ernie Fletcher.



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Amazing Race winners named Kentucky Speedway grand marshals

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

SPARTA – Cincinnati's Linz Family, which won the CBS Television 2005 Amazing Race Family Edition, will be the grand marshal of the ARCA RE/MAX Series Harley-Davidson of Cincinnati 150 during Kentucky Speedway's opening weekend May 13.

Siblings Alex, 22, Megan, 21, Nick, 24, and Tommy, 19, followed a string of clues and tasks around the globe through 50 cities in 25 days to win the

made-for-television reality quest. They crossed the finish line first and claimed a \$1 million grand prize after Nick completed a 71-piece jigsaw puzzle depicting a map of North and Central America.

The family will greet fans during a prerace autograph session, meet race competitors as part of the prerace festivities and deliver the command for drivers to start their engines.

"Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky ranks second for reality television viewing, so

we know our fans will enjoy meeting the Linzes during our season-opening weekend." Kentucky Speedway Communications Director Tim Bray said. "Alex, Megan, Nick and Tommy certainly captured the attention of the entire country with their competitive spirit, enthusiasm and Amazing Race win. We're honored that they'll be a part of our Harley-Davidson of Cincinnati 150."

The Linz family is from Anderson Township in Cincinnati. Nick works in sales in Buffalo, N.Y., Alex is an

emergency room technician at Mercy-Anderson Hospital in Cincinnati, Megan is an executive assistant in Cincinnati, and Tommy is a student at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio.

Kentucky Speedway season ticket plans and single-race tickets are on sale now and can be reserved online at <http://www.kentuckyspeedway.com> or <http://www.tickets.com> and by phone at 888-652-RACE (7223). Fans also can reserve tickets through Tickets.com outlets including

Meijer stores as well as the Kentucky: Prestonsburg-based ARCA RE/MAX Series driver Steve Blackburn hasn't completely ruled out racing at Kentucky Speedway May 13. Blackburn's racecar suffered heavy damage Saturday, April 15 in the PFG Lester 150 at Nashville Superspeedway. He is racing a part-time



Steve Blackburn

keeps door open to racing at schedule.

Ganassi-Sabates team manager Graves resigns

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

CONCORD, N.C. – Chip Ganassi Racing with Felix Sabates announced Tuesday that Andy Graves has resigned his position as team manager and will be reassigned to a different position within the company.

Steven Lane has been named crew chief for David Stremme and the No. 40 Dodge.

"Andy Graves has been a passionate and valued member of Chip Ganassi Racing with Felix Sabates for the past seven

years," team owner Chip Ganassi said. "I have an extremely high regard for him both professionally and personally and look forward to his continued contributions here at Chip Ganassi Racing."

"It has been a privilege to work with Chip, Felix and the whole team over the last seven seasons," Graves said. "These years with the team have been a part of my life that I will never forget and for that I am truly grateful. I am now just looking forward to the next chapter of my career here at Chip

Ganassi Racing."

Graves was in his sixth season as team manager for Ganassi-Sabates. He was of its first employees and was promptly named team manager for the team that would win the Indianapolis 500 in 2000. Graves also was instrumental in the transition from SABCO to the current Ganassi-Sabates partnership.

On an interim basis the duties of team manager will be absorbed by the current management staff that is in place.

NASCAR NEXTEL CUP REMAINING RACES

- April 22 – Subway Fresh 500, Avondale, Ariz.
- April 30 – Aaron's 499, Talladega, Ala.
- May 6 – TBA, Richmond, Va.
- May 13 – Dodge Charger 500, Darlington, S.C.
- May 28 – Coca-Cola 600, Concord, N.C.
- June 4 – Neighborhood Excellence 400, Dover, Del.
- June 11 – Pocono 500, Long Pond, Pa.
- June 18 – 3M Performance 400, Brooklyn
- June 25 – Dodge/Save Mart 350, Sonoma, Calif.
- July 1 – Pepsi 400, Daytona Beach, Fla.
- July 9 – USG Sheetrock 400, Joliet, Ill.
- July 16 – New England 300, Loudon, N.H.
- July 23 – Pennsylvania 500, Long Pond, Pa.
- Aug. 6 – Allstate 400 at the Brickyard, Indianapolis
- Aug. 13 – TBA, Watkins Glen, N.Y.

- Aug. 20 – GFS Marketplace 400, Brooklyn, Mich.
- Aug. 26 – Sharpie 500, Bristol, Tenn.
- Sept. 3 – Sony HD 500, Fontana, Calif.
- Sept. 9 – Chevy Rock & Roll 400, Richmond, Va.
- Sept. 17 – Sylvania 300, Loudon, N.H.
- Sept. 24 – Dover (Del.) 400
- Oct. 1 – Banquet 400, Kansas City, Kan.
- Oct. 8 – UAW-Ford 500, Talladega, Ala.
- Oct. 14 – Bank of America 500, Concord, N.C.
- Oct. 22 – Subway 500, Martinsville, Va.
- Oct. 29 – Bass Pro Shops MBNA 500, Hampton, Ga.
- Nov. 5 – Dickies 500, Fort Worth, Texas
- Nov. 12 – Checker Auto Parts 500, Avondale, Ariz.
- Nov. 19 – Ford 400, Homestead, Fla.

DRIVER STANDINGS

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| 1. Jimmie Johnson, 1,063 | 8. Jeff Gordon, 911 | 15. Martin Truex, Jr., 744 |
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| 3. Kasey Kahne, 1,017 | 10. Casey Mears, 845 | 17. Kurt Busch, 722 |
| (tie) Mark Martin, 1,017 | 11. Dale Jarrett, 828 | 18. Ryan Newman, 711 |
| 5. Tony Stewart, 966 | 12. Elliott Sadler, 804 | 19. Reed Sorenson, 701 |
| 6. Dale Earnhardt, Jr., 951 | 13. Clint Bowyer, 750 | 20. Brian Vickers, 684 |
| 7. Kyle Busch, 950 | 14. Denny Hamlin, 747 | |

Crocker's crew takes on look of EMS Cup teams

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

STATESVILLE, N.C. – Evernham Motorsports announced that its No. 98 Truck Series team will have a new recipe for success for the remainder of the 2006 season with driver Erin Crocker.

The team adopted the new leadership structure which will feature a team director, car director and engineer. The new leadership organization is currently used by Evernham's Nextel Cup series teams.

Beginning this week,

Patrick Donahue will take the lead as the team director of the team. Donahue is no stranger to working for Ray Evernham as he began his racing career at the age of 17 under the guidance of the crew chief turned owner.

Longtime Dodge engineer, Scott McDougal, will now serve as the team's engineer. Prior to his time with Evernham Motorsports, McDougal was the engineer for BAM Racing.

Ronnie Hornaday will continue his duties as truck director

and front-tire carrier on the No. 98 truck.

"Everyone within the Evernham organization has been working together to enhance the performance of the No. 98 Cheerios/Betty Crocker truck team," said team owner Ray Evernham.

"This same leadership approach has been very successful with our Cup teams, and I believe it will be the same for the Truck team. This is a step we need to take to provide Erin with the best equipment possible."

Chad Johnson gets extension, Wright has deal

by JOE KAY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI – Chad Johnson got a minimum one-year contract extension Thursday as part of a reworked contract that substantially increases his pay and could keep him with the Cincinnati Bengals through 2011.



Chad Johnson

The Bengals also got a tentative deal with Anthony Wright to become the backup quarterback while Carson Palmer recovers from reconstructive knee surgery, leading an offense that counts heavily on Johnson.

The three-time Pro Bowl receiver had been under contract through 2009. The new deal runs through 2010, with a club option for 2011, and would give him \$10.75 million more than he would have made under the old contract, agent Drew Rosenhaus said.

"It's something we've been working on for over a year, and Chad has been very patient and went about this the right way," agent Drew Rosenhaus said. "There was nothing negative, he never missed any time."

There were concerns that Johnson would become unhappy with his previous deal, which paid him far less than some of the game's top receivers. For instance, Terrell Owens – another Rosenhaus client – could make up to \$25 million on his new three-year

deal with Dallas, if he stays out of trouble.

Owens got a \$5 million signing bonus and \$5 million base salary for 2006.

By comparison, Johnson would have made a \$2.75 million salary this season under his old deal. The biggest annual salary Johnson could have made under the old contract was \$3.6 million.

Johnson led the AFC with a career-high 97 catches last season. He also set a club record with 1,432 yards, leading the conference in that category for the third straight year. He became one of the league's most noticed players with his touchdown celebrations.

The Bengals have been trying to lock up key parts of their offense. Fullback Jeremi Johnson got a six-year deal last Friday that will average about \$1.5 million per year.

"This is a key development for our team," coach Marvin Lewis said. "It further secures our future with one of our top players, in the prime of his career, and I want to commend Chad for his efforts in making it happen. It shows his commitment to what we have going here."

Johnson didn't immediately return a phone message. During the season, he said he'd like to spend the rest of his career in Cincinnati, trying to set NFL passing records with Palmer.

Palmer had a breakout season in 2005, leading the NFL touchdowns and completion percentage. He led the Bengals

to their first winning record and first playoff appearance in 15 years, but tore ligaments in his left knee during a first-round loss to Pittsburgh.

Palmer needed reconstructive surgery and is expected to miss most of training camp and, most likely, part of the season. With backup Jon Kitna gone to Detroit as a free agent, the Bengals have been trying to sign a backup who could start the season if Palmer isn't ready.

They had an agreement Thursday on a one-year deal with Wright, a free agent from Baltimore who was expected to come to Cincinnati to complete the contract in a day or so, agent Joel Segal said.

Once Palmer can play, Wright is expected to become the backup.

"He understands what his role is," Segal said.

Cincinnati also has Doug Johnson and Craig Krenzel as backups, but neither has Wright's starting experience. The seven-year veteran started seven games for the Ravens last season, filling in while Kyle Boller recovered from a toe injury. Wright threw for a career-high 1,582 yards with six touchdowns and nine interceptions.

In seven seasons with Pittsburgh, Dallas and Baltimore, Wright started 19 games and threw for 20 touchdowns and 25 interceptions. He'll be joining one of the league's top offenses in Cincinnati, throwing to Johnson and T.J. Houshmandzadeh.

"That's one of the first things he mentioned to me: He's excited about having all those weapons," Segal said.

ARCHERY



photos by Jamie Howell

Adams, Betsy Layne and John M. Stumbo participated in the first annual Floyd County Middle School Archery Tournament. Individual winners for both the boys' (above) and girls' (below) divisions are pictured. The inaugural tournament was held at Adams Middle School.



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Mid-South Conference Women's Tennis

2006 ALL CONFERENCE TEAM

COACH OF THE YEAR: Audra Nothwehr, Lindsey Wilson College.

SINGLES PLAYER OF THE YEAR: Candela Castanon, Lindsey Wilson College.

DOUBLES PLAYERS OF THE YEAR: Zuzana Rakyta-Komendakova and Candela Castanon, Lindsey Wilson College.

All-Conference Singles: Veronica Sizemore, University of the Cumberland; Karen Parker, Lambuth University; Emily Kerrick, Georgetown College;

Sarah Yost, Georgetown College; Natalia Yakimovich, Lindsey Wilson College; Fadzai Mawisire, Lindsey Wilson College; Zuzana Rakyta-Komendakova, Lindsey Wilson College.

All-Conference Doubles: Veronica Sizemore and Nickie Dugger, Cumberland; Emily Kerrick and Sarah Yost, Georgetown College; Natalia Yakimovich and Fadzai Mawisire, Lindsey Wilson.

All-Conference Honorable Mention Singles: Lindsey Nelson,

Campbellsville University; Becca Rice, Campbellsville University; Kencie Jenkins, Georgetown College; Peta Niehaus, Georgetown College; Miranda Dotson, Pikeville College; Rachel Freeman, Lambuth University; Florencia Bertoletti, Lindsey Wilson College; Yamila Verdejo, University of the Cumberland; Nickie Dugger, University of the Cumberland.

All-Conference Honorable Mention Doubles: Lindsey Nelson and Francine Nogueira,

Campbellsville University; Kencie Jenkins and Peta Niehaus, Georgetown College; Florencia Bertoletti and Marla Rogers, Lindsey Wilson College; Yamila Verdejo and Jessica Lowrie, University of the Cumberland; Christy Phelps and Keysha Dugger, University of the Cumberland.

Academic All-Conference: Madeline Kitchens, Campbellsville University;

Lindsey Nelson, Campbellsville University; Iris Peyton, Campbellsville University;

Rachael Shively, Campbellsville University; Linda Chiromo, University of the

Cumberlands; Keysha Dugger, University of the Cumberland; Nickie Dugger, University of the Cumberland; Ashley Shepherd, University of the Cumberland;

Amanda Lucas, Georgetown College; Kate Matthews, Georgetown College; Peta Niehaus, Georgetown College;

Amy Koonce, Lambuth University; Karen Parker, Lambuth University; Candela Castanon, Lindsey Wilson College; Roxanne Kirchner, Lindsey Wilson College;

Marla Rogers, Lindsey Wilson College; Erin Williams, Lindsey Wilson College; Ashley Day, Pikeville College.



Ashley Day



Miranda Dotson

MSU splits softball doubleheader with Dayton

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

DAYTON, Ohio — Strong pitching, capitalizing on errors and a potent offense led the Morehead State softball team to a 6-2 win over host University of Dayton in game one of a doubleheader Thursday. Ashley Hubbell pitched 6.1 strong innings and posted two RBI to lead the Eagles. In game two, Dayton rebounded for a 2-1 win despite a three-hitter by MSU pitcher Chrissy Timberlake. The game one win snapped an 11-game losing streak for the Eagles, snapped a nine-game losing streak dating back to 1999 against Dayton and was the first Division I road win for MSU in 2006. Overall, the Eagles now stand at 11-32.

MSU broke open a scoreless first game in the fifth inning with four runs as the Eagles took advantage of three Flyer errors. Timberlake singled to lead off and moved to second on a ground out. Becky King reached on the first error and raced to second base and Bri Jones followed by reaching on the second miscue, which loaded the bases for junior Krystle Coleman.

She then drilled a two-run double to score King and Timberlake and give the visitors a 2-0 lead. Hubbell helped herself by singling next to plate Coleman and Jones for a 4-0 MSU lead.

In the sixth inning, the Eagles added two more insurance runs for a 6-0 advantage. Like deja vu, Timberlake led off with a single again and moved to second on a ground out. King then blasted an RBI double to score Timberlake. King moved to third on a ground out and came home on a wild pitch.

The Flyers were able to thwart the shutout bid in the bottom of the inning, however, as Tami Roudebush lifted a home run to left center. Hubbell then got out of a bases loaded jam and didn't allow another run that inning. Shalyn Adams scored a wild pitch for the final run in the seventh frame.

For the Eagles, Hubbell improved to 6-9 overall, tossing the final 6.1 innings after starter Kari Quinn had to leave the game after taking a ball off her forearm from the second batter in the first inning. She allowed eight hits and fanned one. She was also 1-for-2 at the

plate, while Coleman went 2-for-4 and Timberlake went 2-for-3. Roudebush, Christine Eggers and Mollie Schrank had two hits each for Dayton.

In game two, Timberlake pitched a gem, allowing just three hits with four strikeouts, but she was outdone by UD's Chelsea Grozenski, who also fanned four but allowed just the one run in the third inning. Dayton came back with two in the bottom half of that frame for the final margin. In addition to her efforts on the mound, Timberlake also collected two of the Eagles' six hits in the night-cap. Coleman stayed hot with the bat, going 2-for-3 with her ninth stolen base. Dayton was led by Adams with a pair of hits.

The Eagles got on the board first with the run in the third. Jones walked and was sacrificed to second by Coleman. Brandy Bucher then collected an RBI with a single to score Jones. In the bottom of the inning, the Flyers got a run back when Adams singled to score Schrank. The Flyers got the eventual winning run on a wild pitch.

MSU is hosting its final OVC series this weekend versus Jacksonville State.

Cumberlands to face Pikeville in conference tourney

TIMES STAFF REPORT

WILLIAMSBURG — The University of the Cumberland (formerly Cumberland College) Patriot baseball team has earned the right to be called 2006 Mid-South Conference Champion. Now, the conference tournament looms for Cumberland.

The Patriots (30-11) completed MSC regular season play 13-4. Campbellsville University finished with a 13-6 conference record in second place. This is the second time in three seasons that the Patriots have won the Mid-South

Conference regular season title.

"It is a great team accomplishment for us to win the regular season championship," Cumberland's Coach Brad Shelton commented. "The conference was very competitive this year. Every weekend was a challenge. Our players really came together down the stretch."

The Patriots will enter the MSC Tournament as the number one seed. Cumberland will open tournament play Friday, April 28 at 1 p.m. against sixth-seeded Pikeville College. The conference tournament will be

held in Georgetown, April 28-30.

"Winning the regular season title is just one of the goals we, as a team, set," added Shelton. "We must focus on the conference and regional tournaments now and continue to improve."

The regular-season conference championship also earns the Patriots an automatic bid to the NAIA Region XI Tournament to be held in Lebanon, Tenn., May 10-13.

Johnson Central High School graduate Adam Blanton is a freshman pitcher for the conference champion Patriots.

Evans signs with WKU

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

BOWLING GREEN — Western Kentucky University men's basketball head coach Darrin Horn announced Wednesday the Hilltoppers' second signee of the spring period. Jeremy Evans signed a National Letter-of-Intent and will enroll in school with four years of eligibility remaining in the fall.

Tyrone Brazelton joined the program last week, while A'Darius Pegues and A.J. Slaughter signed with the Toppers in November.

"I think Jeremy is a great

addition to our program because he is versatile and athletic," Horn said. "We think that his best basketball is ahead of him."

A 6-foot-8, 190-pound forward from Crossett, Ark., Evans lettered three years for Crossett High School, helping lead the Eagles to the state tournament each of the last two seasons. Last year, he averaged 25.6 points, 11 rebounds and four blocked shots per contest while earning all-state and all-conference accolades.

In addition to being named all-state and all-league as a

junior, Evans was voted the county Player of the Year as CHS finished 17-10. He was also an all-conference choice his sophomore season.

The last two years, Evans has paced the Eagles in points, assists, rebounds, steals and blocked shots.

The Hilltoppers won the Sun Belt Conference regular-season title with a 12-2 record last season, finishing 23-8 overall while participating in the National Invitation Tournament for the second year in a row. It was the second straight season that WKU has won 20-plus contests.

UK tops Louisville in Battle of the Bluegrass

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LOUISVILLE — Kentucky jumped out to a 3-0 lead that the University of Louisville offense was unable to overcome as the 21st-ranked Wildcats topped the Cardinals 3-1 Wednesday night to sweep the season series. A near capacity crowd of 2,341 packed Jim Patterson Stadium, second only to the opening night crowd of 3,213 on April 15, 2005.

The Wildcats (27-10) took a 2-0 lead in the second on back-to-back RBI doubles by John Shelby and Michael Bertram.

Collin Cowgill's sac fly to left plated Ryan Wilkes, who

had drawn a leadoff walk to extend the UK advantage to 3-0 in the top of the fourth.

The Cards (16-21) responded in the bottom of the fourth when Logan Johnson lead off with a single to left, and eventually scored on an RBI double to the gap in left by Daniel Burton. The Cards proceeded to load the bases with one out later in the frame, but Pete Rodriguez went down swinging and Alec Lowrey took a called third strike to end the inning.

UK reliever Matt Robinson (3-1) picked up the win with five strong scoreless innings, allowing a hit and striking out

four. The only blemish was a pinch single by Isaiah Howes with two away in the seventh.

U of L starter Zack Pitts (1-1) took the loss, giving up all three runs on six hits and three walks over 3.2 innings. Cardinal pitchers struck out a season-high 13 on the evening.

David Torcise worked 2.2 innings out of the pen, allowing a hit and a walk while fanning three. Andrew Salgueiro walked two and struck out two in 1.1 innings of work, while Gavin Logsdon struck out the only batter he faced.

Brian Halford tossed a 1-2-3 ninth, striking out two.

Woman sues former UK basketball player

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — A woman whose claim that she was raped last year at Wildcat Lodge wasn't pursued by prosecutors has sued former University of Kentucky basketball star Chuck Hayes for damages.

A suspect was not publicly named. However, an agent for Hayes confirmed at the time that Hayes had been notified of the investigation.

Cynthia W. Smithers is asking for \$75,000 and unspecified punitive damages for her "pain

and suffering, embarrassment and damage to reputation," according to the lawsuit filed Wednesday in U.S. District Court in Lexington.

Fayette Co. Commonwealth's Attorney Ray Larson announced in November he would not pursue charges because he had "serious doubts about the complainant's credibility and great concern about the lack of corroboration of her account."

Smithers claims she was drugged and raped April 20, 2005, at Wildcat Lodge, which is where some Kentucky men's

basketball players live. Assistant Police Chief Ken Hall has said the suspect told police he and the woman had consensual sex.

Bill Duffy, agent for Hayes, who now plays for the Houston Rockets, declined to comment when contacted by phone in California.

Two attorneys represented Smithers in the criminal case, but her lawsuit was filed pro se, meaning without an attorney.

A call Thursday to one of the attorneys, Traci Boyd, was not immediately returned. Smithers' phone number was listed as out of service.

COLLEGE TENNIS



photos courtesy of Pikeville College
The Pikeville College men's and women's tennis teams wrapped up their respective seasons this past week. Charlotte Shelton coached both Pikeville College tennis squads.

YOUTH SOCCER



Drew Diddle and Zachary Romans of the U12 Floyd County Fireballs struggled for the ball in their team's 3-2 win over the Martin County team on Saturday, April 15.

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| 170 - Parts | 290 - Work Wanted | 420 - Appliances | 505 - Business | 620 - Storage/Office Space | 705 - Construction | 760 - Plumbing | 850 - Personals |
| 175 - SUV's | | 440 - Electronics | 510 - Commercial Property | 630 - Houses | 710 - Educational | 765 - Professionals | 870 - Services |
| 180 - Trucks | 300 - FINANCIAL | 445 - Furniture | | | 713 - Child Care | 770 - Repair/Service | 890 - Legals |
| 190 - Vans | 310 - Business | 450 - Lawn & Garden | | | | | |

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AUTOMOTIVE

110-Agriculture

FOR SALE:
7ft New Holland mower conditione, shed kept, ready to work. 874-0024 after 5pm

130 - Cars

HICKS AUTO SALES
David Road
01 CHEVY VENTURA- Power sliding door 78,000 mi \$5595
05 TRAILBLAZER- Good title, 15,000 mi loaded. \$16,900
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Honda/Chevy/Fords! From \$500! Police repos for sale. For listings 800-439-3998 ext A919.

160-Motorcycles

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

180- Trucks

1993 CHEVY 1 TON 4 WD 454 5,000 miles on re-build. \$5,500 or best offer. 874-4034.

190- Vans

FOR SALE: 1998 Ford Windstar Van. v6, Auto, all power, excellent shape. \$3500. 606-886-3082.

EMPLOYMENT

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

210-Job Listing

TRUCK DRIVER WANTED Full time truck driving positions available. Must have CDL with hazmat & clean driving record. Must pass drug test. Pay based on experience. 377-2032.

DRIVER WANTED C&S Vaults seeks driver for Inez warehouse. Applicant must have a Class B CDL license. Ability to perform physical labor. Must be

deperidable. Drivers load, unload and deliver steel grave vaults throughout regions in Kentucky, Tennessee, and Ohio, Virginia, and West Virginia. Must be comfortable dealing with customers. Benefits available after 90 days. Full-time position. Please call 606-298-7792.

WANTED

Professional tattoo artist. Must be drug & alcohol free. Must have sample of prior work. Apply in person a 30 Village St, Pikeville or call 432-8282.

WANTED:

Tower climber / installer. Salary based on experience. For more information call Eddie or Crystal @ 886-3179 or 1800-445-3166.

WANTED:

Delivery/warehouse- auxior distributor. Non-CDL. Must be at least 21 years old, have valid drivers license and meet requirements. Must have at least 6 MO. verifiable experience driving in a 20 foot truck or larger or a 10 wheel dump truck, heavy lifting/strapping/unloading/forklift. Drug screen and DOT physical. M-F with benefits. 800967743

PLUMBER NEEDED

Part time plumber needed, two years experience must own truck and tools call 606-587-3293

LOOKING FOR A NEW PET?

410- Animals
We have a chocolate lab mix left. She's 8 months old & has already been spayed. She's up to date with shots and heart worm preventative. For more info, please call 226-0344. Serious inquireies only.

AKC REGISTERED LAB

Female - gold-9 months old. Moved, need to sell. asking \$200. 606-437-4274.

470-Health&Beauty

WOLFF TANNING BEDS
Free Color Catalog Fully body units from \$22 a month! Buy factory direct and save! Call ETS Inc NOW! 1-800-781-5173. www.np.etstan.com

460- Yard Sale

YARD SALE Thursday and Friday April 27, 28 9-5. 1/2 mile on Salyers Br. road, Hueysville Ky.

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480-Miscellaneous

WEDDING DRESS FOR SALE: Size 12, pearl and sequins intricate design on bodice and train. Must see to appreciate beauty. For more information, after 5:00 call 886-0048 and leave message.

REAL ESTATE

530-Homes

HOUSE FOR SALE 1900sq'. 3 BR 2 BA A/G pool w/deck, 2 lg. Sheds/garages, apple trees, grape vines, beautiful landscape, shown on Saturday 12-5. Directions call 886-9913.

A foreclosure!

4 BR 2 BA only \$11,500! For listings 800-429-7008 ext B183.

550- Land/Lots

LAND FOR SALE Prime location located on US 23. 12 acres next to Prestonsburg Shopping Center. 886-3023.

570- Mobile Homes

Final clearance 2004 lot models and 2005 models now available! If you are serious about purchasing a new home you need to be with experienced staff to get the right home at a great price. The Home Show-South William son, Inc. US 119, Belfry, Ky. 41514 606-353-6444 or toll free 877-353-6444

580- Misc.

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580- Misc.

BUILDINGS FOR SALE 3 level building lots for sale. Located near mountain arts center call 886-6713 or 631-9575

BUSINESS FOR SALE

established business for sale call 874-0681 after 2 pm serious business inquireies only.

RENTALS

610Apartments

FOR RENT 1 RM furnished efficiency apt. Suitable for single working person. Utilities pd. Cable and W/D provided. Call 226-0999.

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FOR RENT Small furnished studio apt Some utilities provided. Electric heat & air. Deposit required. \$275 mo. 886-6208.

NEWLY BUILT

Townhouses for rent. 2BR 1.5 BA 1 car garage. \$700/mo. 886-6186 or 886-8286.

FOR RENT

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room Apt. Central heat & air. Rent starting at \$375. month, + \$300. deposit water included. Located near HRMC. 606-889-9717.

620Storage/Office

BUILDING FOR LEASE 30x60 metal storage building on RT 80. 886-8366.

FOR RENT:

3 Room office suite. \$600 month. Call 886-1020 ask for C.V.

630-Houses

2 BED ROOM HOUSE FOR RENT Wheelright area, free electric 350 MO 350 deposit HUD approved. 478-2623.

HOUSE FOR RENT

1 BD RM home, small fenced yard at Lancer, no pets, no HUD. 886-9460.

HOUSE FOR RENT

3 BR house large-yard located on Mountain Prkwy 886-8366.

HOUSE FOR RENT

3 BD RM house for rent at About. 500 Mo. 500 Deposit. Call 780-8214.

HOUSE FOR RENT

newly remodeled. 248 University Drive. Security deposit & 2 year lease required. No pets. References needed. House of Neeley. 886-3565.

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Buy a 3 BR for only \$8,040. For listings 800-429-7008 ext B938.

640- Land/Lots

Trailer lot for rent on old U.S. 23 between Prestonsburg and Paintsville call 606-886-9007 or 889 9747

Trailer Lot For Rent,

Large Yard. Call 886-8366

For Rent : newly constructed Mobile Home Lots in new Allen, reference required call 606-874-2212

650- Mobile Homes

MH FOR RENT RT 1210 886-8366.

MH FOR RENT

2BD RM nice mobile home for rent. \$450.00 pr month. Large yard included. 285-9003.

815-LOST AND

FOUND Tortoise shell cat. Young adult. Wearing flea collar. Vicinity of S Central Ave. Respond to Box 390 Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Attn: Classifieds.

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ABSOLUTE AUCTION

April 29th, 2006 @ 1:30 p.m.

80-Acre+/- Wilderness Farm

We have been retained to sell to the highest bidder an 80-Acre+/- by the boundary deed wilderness farm located about 7 miles out of downtown Campton, Ky., off of Hwy. #746 (Calaboose Road) on Brown Flats Rd. The property has approximately 5 to 8 acres of pasture with the balance in woodland. Small livestock or wildlife pond. Small barn in need of maintenance and repair. This is a unique farm with development potential, hunters' getaway, family farm, and investment. The property has some scattered timber. The farm has a roadway which could be utilized for development of the boundary. The property is located in an area with lots of wildlife for hunting or to observe. There are many places for a family to build their dream home in a private setting. Land of this nature has become hard to find and will get only harder to find. If you are looking for land of this nature, don't miss the Auction. We will be conducting an **Open House on Sunday, April 23, 2006, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.** For any other information, please feel free to contact the auction company.

TERMS and CONDITIONS: \$10,000.00 Down Payment the day of sale. Cash, Cashiers Check, or Personal Check with Bank Letter of Credit. Close on or before 30 days after sale. This property is being sold AS IS by the boundary, not by the acre or survey. Complete Terms and Conditions announced at auction time.

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LEGALS

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that John I. Jarrell, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to place a 28' x 60' mobile home in town of Dwale, Ky., behind post office next to U.S. 23. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to Ky. Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, KY 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410.

Number 836-5455 to change the operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is Consol of Kentucky Inc., P.O. Box 130, 184 Fourmile Branch, Highway 550, Mousie, Kentucky 41839-0130. The new operator will be Marshall Mining, Inc., 29501 Mayo Trail, Catlettsburg, Kentucky 41129.

The operation is located approximately 2.70 miles north-

east of Handshoe in Floyd, Knott and Magoffin Counties. The operation is also located approximately 0.30 miles north-west from Ky. Route 2029's junction with Ky. Route 7 and located on Plummer Branch of Raccoon Branch. The operation is located on the David, Handshoe and Martin U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps.

The application has been filed for public inspection at

the Department of Natural Resources, Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1397. Written comments or objections, must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601-4321. All comments or objections must be reviewed within fifteen (15) days of today's date

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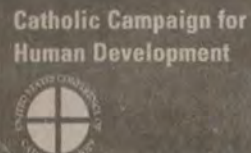
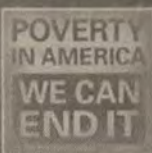
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